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SHOES FOR KIDS IN AFGHANISTAN



Major Kevin Conley of TF Wolverine from the 86th IBCT, and SSG Traci Uitdeflesch of TF Red Bull from the 2/34th IBCT, Delaware National Guard, partnered with Glasgow High School cross country/track and field coach Steve Lee and the Delaware track and field community to purchase 200 pairs of running shoes for Afghan children ranging in age from 1 to 13 years old.

The shoes were recently distributed to the Afghan children at the Egyptian Field Hospital on Bagram Airfield.

Conley, a 1988 graduate of Salesianum whose cross country/track coaching resume includes stops at Glasgow, Christiana, Middletown and Appoquinimink, said many of the children who came through the line did not have any shoes at all. The shoes will allow the children to run and play soccer, volleyball, tag and other games that they would have otherwise played barefoot on dirt fields littered with rocks.

Lee spearheaded the efforts of the Delaware running community to donate the proceeds from this fall's DETrackXC Invite to fund the purchase of the shoes.

"It was a great thing to be a part of and worked out so well," Lee said. "Having Maj. Conley over there and doing all that he is doing, he is a genuine American hero. We are hoping to do something similar next year and hope that we will have a much bigger turnout for the meet so that we can give even more."

No tax increase in 2011 budget

By DOUG RAINEY

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The Newark City Council approved the 2011 budget at the Council meeting, with no objections voiced at an earlier public hearing on Monday night.

The proposed budget's revenues of nearly \$39 million are up about 1.9 percent from a year earlier, with expenses up 5.9 percent. The operating surplus would amount to \$147,000, compared

to \$1.5 million in 2010.

The 2010 budget was aided by higher-than-anticipated revenues in 2010, thanks in part to a warm summer that boosted electric utility revenues.

No property tax increases or service cuts were included in the 2011 budget. The city has increased parks and recreation fees and kept a tight rein on hiring in 2010. Also parking fees were extended to Sunday afternoons.

City Manager Kyle Sonnen-

berg noted that utility revenues aid the city's finances, partially offsetting the fact that one-third of property in the city is taxexempt.

The budget calls for two additional police officers, thanks to federal funding, bringing the size of the force to 68. The federal funding will last for four years.

The Council approved an increase in property taxes last

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Food basket program under way

The Newark Area Welfare Committee, the new home of Val's Needy Family Fund, has released more details on a food basket program in December for over 400 families and individuals in the greater Newark area.

Val Nardo is still active in the fund-raising effort, but is partnering with the Welfare Committee to ensure that the program continues into the future.

Donated food can be taken to Val's Need Family Fund collection boxes at the Fairfield Shopping Center Super Fresh, the Salon by Anthony at the Newark Shopping Center, and the FARMHOUSE banquet facility at 5600A Old Capitol Trail.

Volunteers will collect donated non-perishable food on Thursday, December 16 from local schools and businesses. On Friday, December 17, they will assemble the food baskets at First Newark Presbyterian Church, 292 West Main St., Newark.



New Home of Val's Needy Family Fund

Organizers stated they will need a lot of donated food and 400 frozen turkeys. Volunteers will also be needed on Dec. 16, 17, and 18 to help with pick up, sorting, packing, and helping carry the food baskets. Those interested in volenteering can call Beverly Stoudt at 368-9354.

Cash contributions can be mailed to Val's Needy Family Fund

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or Newark Area Welfare Committee at P.O. Box 951, Newark, DE 19715. All money and food are tax deductible and 100 percent of donations go directly to hungry and needy adults and children in the greater Newark area.

Downtown businesses are sponsoring "Saturday Morning Movies" at the Cinema Center movie theater each Saturday at 11:00 a.m. in December, except for Saturday Dec. 25, when the movie will show Friday, Christmas Eve. Cost of admission will be one canned or non-perishable food item. Each week will feature a different movie.

- Dec. 4 "A Christmas Story" sponsored by Captain Blue Hen Comics.
 - · Dec. 11 to be determined.
- Dec. 18 "It's A Wonderful Life" sponsored by Newark Natural Foods.
- Dec. 24 "Polar Express" sponsored by Newark Day Nursery and Children's Center.

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One death reported in Ogletown blaze

One person died in a fire that broke out early Tuesday morning at Chemsford Condominium complex in the Ogletown area.

John H. Farrell, IV, public information officer for the Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co., said firefighters arrived and found heavy fire and smoke coming from the two-story apartment complex near Christiana High School.

One body was found in the apartment where the fire was believed to have started. One firefighter was treated at the scene for minor injuries.

The fire was confined to one building in the complex. However, four apartments in the original fire building were left uninhabitable. Seven adults and one child were displaced. The American Red Cross was assisting the families with temporary shelter.

The fire was declared under control in 30 minutes. Fire apparatus remained on scene until morning.

A total of 65 firefighters worked to control the fire.

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Newark man gets 12 years for identity theft scheme

Editor's note: Police Blotter items are compiled from reports from area enforcement agencies. For the latest police news, log on to newarkpostonline. com.

Wilmington U.S. District Court Judge Gregory Sleet, sentenced Joseph Aughenbaugh, 42, to more than 12 years in prison for operating an identity theft scheme that led to nearly \$1 million in losses at local lending institutions.

From their residence in Newark, as well as other addresses, Aughenbaugh and his co-defendant Todd Yurgin misappropriated the identities of more than 93 victims, at least 44 of whom were minor children; used the identity information to open at least 343 credit cards

and 54 bank accounts from over 40 financial institutions; and formed two shell businesses operating out of the residence, to make fraudulent "purchases" for services that were never rendered. It resulted in approximately \$1 million in losses to various financial institutions.

The activity extended over

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a lengthy period, beginning in March 2003 and continuing until the arrest of defendants in September 2009, according to the U.S. Attorney's office in Wilmington. Although the specifics of the fraud scheme evolved over time, one tactic remained constant: the misappropriation of valid Social Security numbers.

Defendants used the fraud proceeds in a variety of ways, including: (1) to transfer funds derived from the fraud scheme into other bank accounts under their direction and control; (2) to pay the land lease for Newark

residence and to purchase other parcels of real property; (3) to purchase various types of goods and services, including three vehicles, high-end jewelry, gold coins, collectible items, and clothing; and (4) to pay for travel for multiple trips to Walt Disney World and to Europe. The end result of defendants' conduct was to defraud more than 40 financial institutions out of a combined loss amount of \$987,544.

This case was investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service and the Social Security Administration Office of Inspector General, Assistant United States Attorneys Robert

F. Kravetz and John C. Snyder prosecuted the case for the United States Attorney's Office.

Teens ends up with fence cap in shoulder

Investigators from the New Castle County Police Traffic Services Unit are currently investigating a single car crash that has left a 19 year old Newark teen hospitalized. According to investigators, alcohol is thought to be a contributing factor in the

On Friday at 10 p.m., County Police and Paramedics went to the 100 block of Old Churchman's Road near the New Castle County Airport for a report of a personal injury accident. When officers arrived, they found the access gate to the New Castle County Churchman's Garage facility to be damaged and a 2002 Lincoln LS was observed on the airport's property.

Police found the male operator suffering from an injury to his shoulder. He was transported to the Christiana Hospital for a fence cap that had been lodged into his right shoulder and had to be surgically removed. Injuries appeared to be non-life threat-

investigation revealed the driver was traveling west bound on Old Churchman's

Road when the car crashed into the fence of the rear access gate to the New Castle County Garage facility and continued onto the New Castle Airport. The vehicle traveled across the airport taxi ways and field before stopping near an embankment

Charges are pending.

Robbery, assault probed

The Delaware State Police are investigating the assault and attempted robbery of a Newarkarea youth as he walked home from a school dance on Friday

The incident occurred at approximately 9:10 a.m. on Friday, as a 14 year-old Newarkarea resident was walking with two other 14 year-old Newark males on Route 4 in the area of Augusta Drive, south of Newark, after leaving a dance at Kirk Middle School. The subjects were then approached by six to seven male suspects who asked the victim for his money.

The two other 14 year-old

males who were walking with the suspect fled the area. After the victim advised that he did

not have any money, the suspects began punching and kicking the victim, knocking him to the ground. The suspects then attempted to take the victim's cell phone but were unable to obtain it. The suspects then fled. The victim suffered a bruised lip but did not require medical attention.

Graffiti vandalism

Employees of Nick and Joe's Pizza, located at 413B New London Rd. reported that sometime overnight, between Thursday, November 18 and Friday, November 19, unknown suspects had spray painted graffiti tags on the rear of the building. Similar tags were also seen at Pot O'Gold Web auctions, an adjacent business at 423 New London Rd.

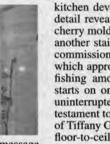
When police were investigating the two incidents, a manager at 18 Country Club Lane also reported a graffiti incident on the outside of buildings 18 and 402.

Pictures were taken at all three sites and the images have been downloaded into a central database for further identifica-

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Triple Play



"I want something striking" was the message that Alexa wanted to be heard when she discussed her master bathroom renovation in the DreamMaker design center for the first time. It was the recommendation of a friend that prompted Jim and Alexa Tolbert of Perryville to visit DreamMaker Bath & Kitchen in Elkton. Their first meeting was to discuss the possibility of converting the 1980's "builder style" bathroom of their recently purchased waterfront condo into something that would feel more like the home they had lived in for the prior 25 years. Jim and Alexa have come to a place in their lives where the demands of keeping up with a property have been traded for a third floor balcony view of Susquehanna River activities and property maintenance

First on the list was to reallocate space consumed by an oversized whirlpool tub and an undersized fiberglass shower. Second was to replace the peeling linoleum with ceramic flooring. The rest of the renovation was for looks. The details were decided over the course of several showroom visits. The remodeled space included a new claw foot tub, ceramic tile shower and a carrera marble vanity top. A stained glass water scene was built into a wall. With backlighting, it appears as a window and also provided just the right blue that Jim and Alexa wanted to use as the new wall color. The new larger moldings and wainscot are finished in bright white, which is striking against the deeply toned cherry cabinetry.

What the team at **DreamMaker** didn't know was that the bathroom project was a test. And they passed. When the bathroom was complete the Tolberts suggested they would like to remodel the kitchen as well. As the details of the

kitchen developed, Alexa's propensity for detail revealed itself again in a variety of cherry moldings, carved wood accents and another stained glass piece. The Tolberts commissioned a stained glass water scene which appropriately includes a blue heron fishing among water grasses. The scene starts on one cabinet door and continues uninterrupted to finish on another. It is a testament to the artistry of Barry Chidester of Tiffany Glass in Elkton. By the time the floor-to-ceiling mirrors in the adjoining living room were removed and the new kitchen was installed, the Tolberts thought they were walking into another place.

Just as the kitchen project was wrapping up Chris Johnson, lead carpenter on the job, called Eric and said, "The Tolberts want to do another bath. Can we bring it all together before Christmas?" By this time the Tolberts had become familiar with the DreamMaker process. It was said, "Time spent in planning can become more productive when there is confidence and trust between the client and the design/ remodeling team."

A flurry of activity and a few days later, the Tolberts had finalized the details of their third space. All work on the "Triple Play" was completed two weeks before Christmas. In the course of remodeling, the Tolberts grew to know the workers and appreciated the dedication to clear communication, maintaining a clean workspace, and attention to detail. Alexa was impressed when Chris and Brian entered her home for the first time wearing booties (boot

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Delaware has another Rhodes Scholar

Matthew T. Watters, of Ramsey, N.J., a senior neuroscience major and political science minor at the University of Delaware, has been named a 2010 Rhodes Scholar.

Watters is one of 32 American men and women selected as Rhodes Scholars representing the United States, according to Elliot F. Gerson, American secretary of the Rhodes Trust, who made the announcement on Sunday.

Rhodes Scholarships provide all expenses for two or three years of study at the University of Oxford in England, and may allow funding in some instances for four years.

Gerson called the Rhodes Scholarships "the oldest and best known award for international study, and arguably the most famous academic award available to American college graduates."

Watters, who has worked in Sudan and Haiti, was a finalist for three major scholarships this fall -- the Rhodes, the Marshall and the Mitchell.

He is the University of Delaware's 12th Rhodes Scholar.

"The Rhodes Scholarship is the standard-bearer for academic excellence, and we couldn't be prouder or more excited that it's gone to one of our own. Matthew Watters is a great example of the talent that's defining UD -- talent that will attract more of the same," UD President Patrick Harker said.

Harker added, "The Rhodes Scholarship, which recognizes recipients' dedication to service alongside academic accomplishment, is an appropriate honor for Matt, whose work in Sudan and Haiti is a testament to his commitment to helping others -- and, I think, a good prediction of how his future studies will profoundly benefit humanity. As one of 32 students nationwide awarded this honor, Matt finds himself in exceptionally good company. I know we're all excited to see what he does next."

Watters will begin his studies at Oxford in October, 2011, and plans to work toward a master of science degree in global health science.

Watters has worked in two

hospitals in south Sudan, training staff in the prevention of infection, and in two hospitals in Haiti. He was a 2010 Plastino Scholar at UD, an honor through which he traveled to Sudan to work with Merlin, an organization specializing in rebuilding health services in

an area while providing health care during times of crisis. His work was to evaluate systems of infection prevention at two hospitals and provide training for staff. A UD Institute for Global Studies grant supported an extended stay in the African nation.

As a 2010 St. Boniface Champion, Watters volunteered emergency medical technician (EMT) services in Haiti. Upon his return, he founded Students for Haiti, which following the earthquake has raised \$50,000 to help rebuild a hospital destroyed in the town of Villa.

Watters has conducted research in the neuroscience laboratory of Jeffrey B. Rosen, professor in UD's Department of Psychology.

He is an avid mountain biker and finished ninth at the 2008 nationals in the age 19-23 group.

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year as the city worked to build up reserves that had been drained to the point that the city's credit rating had been lowered.

Newark's fiscal picture stands in sharp contrast to Wilmington, with the mayor's office announcing layoffs, due to a looming budget gap.

Council members and Mayor Vance Funk praised city staff for keeping a lid on spending during a difficult period for the economy.

Also pointed out was the

influx of businesses to Main Street. The Downtown Newark Partnership listed the number as 15, evenly divided between retail and restaurants. Funk pointed out that parking revenues are also running ahead of estimates. "People feel good about coming to Newark.

At same time, it was noted that outlying shopping areas are not faring as well, particularly the College Square Shopping Center, which has a large number of vacant store spaces.

In other action, the Newark council:

Honored the late James and

Ada Leigh Soles for their contributions to the city of Newark. Both died in 2010.

Ada Leigh Soles was active in community affairs and served as a state legislator. James Soles was a highly regared faculty member at the University of Delaware, who influenced generations of public officials. At the time of his death, he was chairman of the Board of Trustees of Delaware Technical and Community College.

One example of the influence of Soles was in evidence when Funk ran into the retired UD faculty member having lunch at the Deer Park with alumnus Chris Christie, the governor of New Jersey and a rising star in national politics.

The council approved extending the hours where alcohol can be served at the Santa Fe Grille, at Main and Chapel streets, to 1 a.m. Closing time for sales of alcohol is now 10 p.m. during the week and 11 p.m. on weekends. There were no objections to the request from the Police Department and Planning Department.

The restaurant does not plan to change its focus and will remain a dining establishment.

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tion. No video footage or witnesses were found at any of the locations.

Five charged with library thefts

University of Delaware Police have charged five individuals with theft, conspiracy and receiving stolen property after an investigation into several thefts that have occurred at the University's Morris Library over the past few weeks.

Stolen property included textbooks, laptop computers, cellular telephones and other electronic devices. Charged were Alexander Fleetwood, 18, Austin Roberts, 18, and Ombese Makone, 20, all of Newark; Kyle Cortes, 18, of Hockessin, and a 17-year-old juvenile from Newark. Fleetwood and Cortes are both UD students and also have been processed through the Office of Student Conduct. Police advise patrons of the library to not leave property unattended. Textbooks, laptops

and cell phones are prime targets for theft. The library is planning a poster campaign to promote this message to its visitors.

Customer tries to pass fake \$50

Last Tuesday, a manager at the McDonald's restaurant at 374 E. Main St. told officers that a customer had attempted to pay for his meal with a counterfeit \$50 bill. A cashier notified the manager after realizing that the bill was fake.

The manager confronted the customer, who was described as a white male, 5'11" to 6'2" tall, 210 lbs., wearing a white t-shirt and a red baseball cap. The suspect was also seen having tattoos on his arms and teardrop tattoos on his face. After asking for his bill back and not receiving it, the suspect walked out of the store, down McKees Lane, toward the Colonial Garden Apartments.

Police inspected the bill and saw that it was smaller than a regular bill and was printed on regular paper with no watermarks or holographs present. The front and back were glued

together and gave off a strong

Officers are reviewing video surveillance evidence in order to create a better description of the suspect.

Fitness center signs stolen again

Nic DeCaire, owner of Fusion Fitness, located at 280 E. Main St., told officers that unknown suspects had stolen two of his signs from Main St, yet again. The business has had several signs taken over the past few years.

DeCaire stated that he has tried several methods of securing the signs, but all attempts have proven to be ineffective. The two signs are worth \$70 each.

Officers are reviewing videotapes from other businesses in the area in an attempt to identify the suspects.

Shed fire contained

Firefighters from the Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Co. were able to contain a fire that had spread from a storage shed to another shed. a deck and the outside of two

The fire was reported Sunday morning in the unit block of Ethan Allen Court in Cherry Hill Manor on the west side of Newark.

Firefighters found an outside storage shed on fire at the rear of the residence. The fire had extended to a shed owned by a neighbor, the rear outside wooden deck of the residence, a wooden fence,



and the rear of two homes.

Quick work by fire crews kept the fire from entering the two homes. Damage was confined to the outside structures and the exterior of the two homes.

The fire was under control in 20 minutes. Twenty firefighters responded from Aetna. No injuries were reported.



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St. Mark's facing familiar rival

By JON BUZBY

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St. Mark's will face a familiar foe and rival Friday night in the second round of the DIAA Football Tournament when the top-ranked Spartans (10-0) take on No. 4 Salesianum (9-2)

at 7:30 at Baynard Stadium.

Salesianum is coming off an easy 34-7 opening-round win over Caesar Rodney, while St. Mark's had a first-round bye. The schools met just two weeks ago in their annual season finale with St. Mark's coming away with a 28-14 win in a game that was closer than the from the punt return that gave score might indicate, leaving us our first score, our kickoff St. Mark's coach John Wilson with several items to improve in his game plan.

"We will need to play better on special teams," Wilson said shortly after learning of his second-round opponent. "Aside coverage team cannot afford to give Sallies good field position with long returns.

"We must continue to swarm on defense and eliminate the big plays. Offensively, we need to be able to sustain long drives and keep their offense off the field for as long as possible."

Blue Hens lose thriller to Villanova

The University of Delaware dropped to the fifth spot in the Sports Network Top 25 following its heartbreaking 28-21 overtime loss to Villanova Saturday. But on Sunday morning, less than 24 hours after losing the opportunity to win the CAA title outright, the Blue Hens were rewarded for their outstanding season with the No. 3 seed and a first-round bye in the 20-team national tournament.

Delaware (9-2) will play either Lehigh (9-2) or Northern Iowa (7-4) on Dec. 4 at Delaware Stadium at a time yet to be determined. If they advance, the Hens also will host a second-round game Dec.

Appalachian State, which defeated Delaware in the 2007 title game, is the top seed and co-CAA champ William and Mary is the second seed. New Hampshire and Villanova were the other CAA teams selected.

Playoff ticket info

Game times for the University of Delaware's first football playoff game are to be announced this week with detailed ticket information currently available on-line at www.bluehens.com/fan-zone/ ncaa-playoff-info.html. Ticket prices will be \$45 for box seats, \$35 for Sections D&K, \$30 for sidelines, \$20 for end zone general admission, and \$5 for UD students in the south end zone.

Tickets went on sale for season ticket holders online on Sunday, Nov. 21 by phone beginning Nov. 22 at 9 a.m. (1-800-714-5953), and in person at the Delaware Stadium Box Office from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Tickets for the general public go on sale online and by phone (1-800-745-3000) beginning Nov. 24 at 3 p.m. and in person beginning Nov. 29 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Bob Carpenter Center Box Office.

Send sports stories, news and information to jonbuzby@hotmail.com.

Father-son team thankful for opportunity

By TREVOR BRANCATO

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

As the saying goes, all good things must come to an end. And while the Tom and T.J. DeMatteis father-son relationship will continue, their days of spending time together as coach-player came to an end when Saint Mark's was defeated by Caravel Academy 4-1 in quarterfinal play of the DIAA Boys Soccer State Tournament.

Saint Mark's finished 9-4and had a satisfactory year, despite coming up short of the title. The Spartans came away with some big wins including victories against rivals Saint Elizabeth, A.I.

du Pont, and Archmere. St. Mark's also made it through the first round of the state tournament with a thrilling 3-2 win against William Penn High School in a game that wasn't decided until the second round of a penalty-kick shootout.

It was a bittersweet season for T.J., the team's senior goalkeeper who finished a stellar four-year career with a 38-16-4 record, but also saw his days playing for his father come to an end.

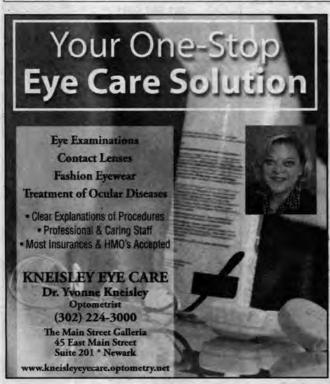
"I have always wanted to play for my dad, and the past four years it has been great to have had the opportunity to play for him and I will miss playing for him as well as the team." T.J. said. "We

had another strong season, made it to the tournament, had a first-round thriller and made it to the second round. I am very proud of my teammates.

The conclusion of that final game was not just an end to another season for DeMatteis the coach, but also marked the last year he will coach one of his own children on the field. While coaching Saint Mark's boys' and girls' soccer teams, DeMatteis was fortunate enough to bring not only his son, but his daughter Elizabeth through the Saint Mark's programs. And Delaware's all-time winningest soccer coach knows how lucky he was in both situations.

"It's been a great experience coaching both of our children, T.J. and his sister, Elizabeth," DeMatteis said. "I heard so many stories over the years about parents coaching their children: coach/parent and child not talking to each other through the season, the player giving up the sport that their parent coaches, or even the coach/parent might stop coaching the sport their child plays. I was always confident that these sort of situations would not arise with us. It has been a great experience. Both of our children always worked their hardest and never looked for any special treatment.

T've been very fortunate." Trevor Brancato is an intern at the Newark Post.





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Gail Bowersox

Gail Marie Bowersox, 54, of Newark, died on Thursday, November

Gail is survived by her loving partner, John Peters;daughter, Christine; sons: Tommy, W a y l o n,



Frank, and JB; dear friend, Karen Hooper; loving dogs, Zap and Rachel; and many others who loved her.

A service in celebration of Gail's life was held on Saturday, November 20, in the chapel (1st floor) at Christiana Hospital, 4755 Ogletown Stanton Road, Newark. Burial was private. To express an online condolence, visit www.strano-feeley.com.

Carole Charowsky

Carole
A. (Kisko)
Charowsky,
69, of
Newark, died
on Thursday,
November
11, with her
loving family
by her side.



Born in Minersville, PA, on September 22, 1941, Carole was the daughter of the late Anthony Kisko and Julia (Carroll) Kisko Santai. She was a member of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, where she sang solo at masses as a child. She attended the St. Stanislaus Catholic Elementary School in Minersville and the Nativity BVM High School in Pottsville. Carole worked in the restaurant business as an assistant manager and retired in 1977.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Leon Kisko, of Maine, and her baby grandson, Walter Alexander Charowsky, of Townsend, DE. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband of over 50 years, Walter V. Charowsky; her two children, Walter Anthony Charowsky and his wife, Alexandria, of Townsend, DE, and Annette Julia Gore and her husband, Thomas, of Newark, DE; her five grandchildren, Axl and Aric Charowsky of Townsend, DE, and Julie, Katelyn, and Tanner Gore of Newark, DE; sister, Theresa Kilrain of Albuquerque, NM; brother, Carl Kisko and his wife, Ruth, of Auburn, PA; and many nieces, nephews, and friends - both old and new.

Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Saturday, November 20, at Holy Family R.C. Church, E. Chestnut Hill and Gender Roads, Newark. Entombment was in All Saints Cemetery, 6001 Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington. In lieu of flowers, con-

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Compassionate Care Hospice, 702 B Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington, DE 19805; or to Carole's favorite charity, St. Jude Children's Research

Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. To sign guest book, visit www.spicermullikin.com, or condolences may be mailed to Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 121 W. Park Place, Newark, DE 19711.

James Droke

James Roger Droke, known to many as "J.R.", of Newark,

died peacefully at the age of 57, on Wednesday, November 10, at his home, after a valiant fight against cancer.



J.R. was born on May 25, 1953, in Beaumont, TX, to Jesse James Droke Jr. and the late Goldie June Page Droke. From an early age, J.R. loved sports and played basketball, baseball, and football while at Seaford H.S. in Delaware. J.R. continued playing football for the University of Bridgeport Connecticut while earning his B.S. in Engineering.

Connecticut while earning his B.S. in Engineering.
Professionally, J.R. had a 28-year career with the Haas Group International. As Vice President of Global Sales, J.R. was extremely instrumental in opening business operations in China. In 2009, J.R. was given the highest honor in his company as the first inductee into the Haas Group International's Hall of Fame. In 1984, J.R. married Pamela Jane Saylor. The couple established their home in Newark, and they have been married 26 years.

In addition, J.R. is survived by a brother, Donald Droke and his wife Karen from Florida. He is predeceased by two sis-

ters, Barbara Bowman and Brenda Webb.

Memorial services were held on Monday, November 22, at Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church, 500 McKennan's Church Rd., Wilmington, DE. 19808.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in memory of James R. Droke may be made to Fox Chase Cancer Center, Institutional Advancement, 333 Cottman Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111. To offer online condolences, visit www.dohertyfh.com.

Peter Fearn

Peter M. Fearn, 74, of North Fort Myers, FL, formerly of Newark, died November 12.

He is survived by his loving wife Brandy Marie, two sons; Wayne (Cheryl), and Kenneth (Ann) of Delaware; a grandson, Nicholas also of Delaware; two sisters, Pauline Martin and Hazel Lamaina both of New Jersey; three step-children, Jacqueline (George) Farley of Florida, Daniel Gray of West Virginia, and Ed Nesmith of Delaware. He is predeceased by his parents.

Fearn served in the Army Airborne 101st Division and 509 PIR. He became a naturalized U.S. Citizen in 1974. Fearn retired from General Motors assembly Division in Wilmington, in 1996. He was a member of the VFW, American Legion, The Elks, and the Mooseheart Lodge.

A memorial service was held in celebration of his life on Sunday, November 21, at the Matthews-Bryson Funeral Home, 123 W. Commerce Street, Smyrna.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in his name to Hope Hospice, 2430 Diplomat Pkwy, Cape Coral, FL 33903.

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Joseph Frisch

Joseph F. Frisch, 64, of Newark, died peacefully at his home on November 17. He was surrounded by his loving



sons, Rick and Thomas.

Born in Philadelphia, PA, Mr. Frisch was the beloved husband of the late Kathleen Frisch and father of the late Joseph Frisch Jr.

Joseph and his sister, Joanne, were raised by a single mother in Fishtown. He spent four years in the Air Force during the Vietnam War after which he met and married Kathleen. Joseph was a Steamfitter for Local 420 for 31 years. After retirement, he spent many loving years working side by side with his wife of 36 years. He was an active member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

He is survived by his

sister, Joanne Chest of Philadelphia; two sons, Rick and Thomas, both of Newark; and his three grandchildren, Rebecca, Nicolas and Megan of Smyrna.

Friends and family were invited to visit on Monday, November 22, at the Beeson Funeral Home, 2053 Pulaski Highway, Newark. Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Tuesday morning at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church and interment followed at Ss. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Springfield, PA.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in Joseph's memory to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 345 Bear Christiana Road, Bear, DE 19701. For online condolences, please visit www.chandlerfuneral-home.com.

Lucille Grundy

Mrs. Lucille M. Grundy, 93, of Newark, died peacefully on Tuesday, November 16, at Millcroft Senior Living.

Born in Newark on August 10, 1917, Mrs. Grundy was the daughter of the late William and Mamie (Starkey) Morgan. She graduated from Goldey College in 1937 and was employed at the Continental in Newark until she married in 1947. She was an active member of the Newark United Methodist Church for 81 years.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, John W. Grundy, her son, James E. Grundy, and her brother, William E. Morgan. She will be missed by her son, John A. Grundy, and her daughter-in-law, Eileen O. Grundy.

A funeral service was held on Monday, November 22, at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 121 West Park Place, Newark. Interment followed in Newark Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in Lucille's memory to the Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main Street, Newark, DE 19711. To sign guest book, visit www.spicermullikin.com.

Kirke Mitchell

Mr. Kirke Neil Mitchell, 49, of Newark, died on Saturday, November 13, at his home surrounded by his family after a courageous battle with cancer.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Worcester, MA, on January 20, 1961, and later moved to

Delaware with his family, where he earned his bachelor's degree in animal science from the University of Delaware. He



began his career as a chemist with the DuPont Company, but his lifelong fascination with model trains led him to establish the commercial website www.Justrains.com. Building on the success of his website, he later opened his retail shop, "Trains and Hobbies," currently located in the Newark Shopping Center.

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He is survived by his beloved wife, Julie M. Knox Mitchell; his children whom he adored, Daniel, Adam,

Christopher, and Anna Mitchell; mother, Nancy K. Benjamin Benoit (Walter); father, Neil Fongeallaz (Charlene); brother, Neil Fongeallaz, Jr.; sister, Nicole Stoessel (Dave); brothers- and sisters-in-law, Laurie Jobst (Gernot), Drs. Barry and Lois Knox, Dr. Robert and Tammy Knox, and Joanne Knox; and many nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Friday, November 19, at Immaculate Conception R.C. Church, 454 Bow Street, Elkton, MD. Entombment was held privately

In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Mr. Mitchell may be made to Del-Mar-Va Council, Boy Scouts of America, 100 W. 10th Street, Suite 915, Wilmington, DE 19801; or to Compassionate Care Hospice, 702 B Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington, DE 19805.

To sign guest book, visit www.spicermullikin.com.

Mary Norman

Mary E. Norman, 77, of Newark, died peacefully on November 16. She was the wife of the late: Robert C. Norman Sr. with whom she shared 58 years of marriage before his passing in 2006.

Born in Wilmington, she was the daughter of the late Corbit and Lillian Webb Timmons. Mary is survived by her



children: Robert Jr. and wife Kathleen, Corbit and wife Nancy, Lillian Orr and husband John, Nancy Culver and husband Melvin, Mary Bartkowski and husband Daniel and her special needs son, Willard, whom she lovingly cared for 40 years; 13 grandchildren and 21 greatgrandchildren.

Relatives and friends were invited to greet the family on Thursday, November 18, at Gebhart Funeral Home, 531 Delaware St., New Castle, and on Friday, November 19 at Ogletown Baptist Church,

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316 Red Mill Rd., Newark, immediately followed by the funeral service. Interment was at the Glebe Cemetery, New Castle. Condolences may be made by visiting www.grieco-cares.com.

Catherine Reynolds

Catherine A. Reynolds of Newark, died Tuesday, November 16, at her sister's home in Marydel, DE, with her family by her side. She

"Cathy" Reynolds was

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born September 14, 1962 in Wilmington, DE the daughter of the late Paul and Anna Dixon. She was a 1980 graduate of Glasgow High school. She then went on to receive an Associates Degree from Goldey Becom College. Cathy started working for the Medical Center of Delaware. She also worked for Hematology Associates, Gastro Entrology Associates and the Endoscopy Center of DE. On May 12, 1984 she married her late husband Kevin Reynolds.

She is survived by two sisters, Nicki Dixon of Marydel, DE, Carol Dunsmore of Wilmington, DE; two brothers,

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Alpheus Dixon of Delaware, William Dixon of Lancaster, PA; her mother-in-law, Doris Reynolds and several nieces and nephews. She was loved by many other relatives and had a supportive church and work family.

A visitation was held Friday, November 19, at the Middletown Baptist Church 419 Armstrong Corner Rd., Middletown. Services were held Saturday, November 20, also at the church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be sent to the Humane Society of the United States, Dept. HHONL, 2100 L St. NW, Washington, DC 20037.



Gallaher celebrates Blue Ribbon designation

Family, friends, and invited guests joined Gallaher Elementary School staff on Nov. 18 in celebrating the school's designation as a National Blue Ribbon School. The event, organized by the Gallaher PTA, included remarks by Christina Superintendent Marcia Lyles, current principal Jacqueline Lee, former principal Michael Kijowski, Gallaher Teacher of the Year Jennifer Woods, and State Representative Mike Barbieri. Also in attendance were Christina Board member David Resler and former principals of Gallaher Joe Clark, Pam Waun, and Karen Keller.

The school is in the Ogletown area, southeast of Newark.

Gallaher was one of four schools in the state to earn Blue Ribbon status. The official certificate was presented to Principal Jacqueline Lee and Gallaher Teacher of the Year Jennifer Woods at a ceremony in Washington, DC earlier in the week. At that time, 254 and 50 private schools were recognized from across the country. Schools earn the designation of Blue Ribbon school for sustained academic excellence for students over a five year period.

"That really speaks to how this school maintained a high standard of excellence for five years," Lee told students. "We are very proud of you."

Lyles also praised the Gallaher staff and students for their achievement and the commitment to excellence they have shown.

"You made sure that every child soared and exceeded expectations," she said. "You have given us such an honor, and you are a model that other schools will surely follow." Former principal Michael Kijowski also had words of praise for the Gallaher community. "The one thing that Gallaher has always focused on is doing what's right for kids," he said

The highlight of the ceremony was the presentation of essay winners from each grade level, who read aloud their essays on the topic of what makes Gallaher Elementary School a Blue Ribbon School. The Gallaher PTA also presented "Blue Ribbon School" shirts to each of the invited guests, and organized a Spirit Parade involving all the students. The students, many dressed in blue, gathered behind the school to form a giant ribbon. The school planned to continue the celebration that evening with a dance and DJ, and a game for both children and adults called "Are You Smarter Than A Blue Ribbon School Student?"



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will arrive on November 27 from Pine Valley Christmas Tree Farm, located in Elkton, MD. They will be fresh cut the week they are delivered and are ready for sale. With the help of Sigma Kappa Sorority from the University of Delaware, the second delivery will be unloaded on December 1. The lot is

open from noon until 9 p.m., Mon.-Fri.; and from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. All profits from the tree sale go back to helping the community.

Holiday Refuse Collection Schedule

Due to the Thanksgiving Day holiday, recycling normally collected on Thursday, November 25 will be collected on Wednesday, November 24. There will be no change to Friday's recycling collection. There will be no "Green Wednesday" yard waste collection on Wednesday, November 24. Please contact the City of Newark Public Works Department at (302) 366-7040 with any questions.

2010 holiday ornament now available

The 2010 annual holiday ornament produced by the Newark Historical Society is now on sale. This new ornament, the twenty-first in the series, features the Newark Trust Company at 87 East Main Street. Local businessman Samuel Wright founded the bank in 1905 as the Newark Trust and Safe Deposit Company. It was first located at the back of the Opera House facing Academy Street until it moved to the 87 East Main Street location.

The bank remained locally owned until it merged with the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware. After that bank merged with Girard Trust the business moved to a new building at Center and Main Streets. 87 East Main Street then housed s series of businesses until it was purchased by the University of Delaware. The building was razed this summer as part of the University's bookstore project.

The beige ornament with blue imprint is priced at \$6.50. It may be purchased at Minster's Jewelers in the Newark Shopping Center and at the Newark History Museum located in the historic 1877 train station on South College A venue beside the bridge on the town side of the tracks. The museum is open Sundays from 1 to 4 now through November 28 and by appointment made by calling 368-9845.

Thanksgiving Day Breakfast

The City of Newark Parks and Recreation Department invites you to join Newark neighbors and friends for a hearty breakfast and a little fellowship at the 24th Annual Thanksgiving Day Breakfast.

For the past 23 years the City of Newark, area merchants, and many volunteers have come together to offer this very special breakfast on Thanksgiving Day. The goal of this breakfast has been to encourage a warm and caring atmosphere among community members, older adults and area students who are unable to share the holiday with family or friends. In addition to a hearty breakfast, participants

also get a chance to win some spectacular door prizes.

The Thanksgiving Day Breakfast will be held on Thursday November 25th from 8–10:30 a.m. at the George Wilson Community Center, located across from the University of DE's Clayton Hall at 303 New London Rd. The fee is \$3.00 in advance and \$6.00 at the door. Call 366-7060 for more information or register online at www. cityofnewarkde.us/parksrecreation or at 220 Elkton Rd, Newark, DE.

"Comic Potential"

The Chapel Street Players will perform "Comic Potential" by Alan Ayckbourn at The Chapel Street Playhouse, 27 N. Chapel Street, Newark DE 19711. Show times are November 26, 27, December 3 & 4 at 8 pm. November 28 and December 4 at 2 pm.

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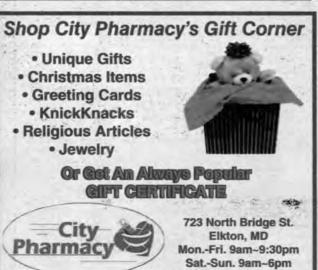


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visiting www.chapelstreetplayers.org. Directed by Joseph Pukatsch ("Talk Radio", "The Dirty Old Man").

Storytime for Young Students

November 27 is a day just for the little ones. Story Time at Iron Hill Museum is designed for Preschoolers and Kindergarteners. The theme for this month is Native Americans! Our staff will read Squanto's Journey to the children and then help them make a craft to take home. It's a great way to share History with your little ones. Programs will be held at 12pm and 1pm. Admission to the program is \$4 per children, those not participating in activities is \$1, and children 2 and younger are free. Pre-registration is required for this event.

If you wish to know more information about our programs, please contact the staff at the Iron Hill Museum: 1355 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark, DE 19702. Telephone: 302-368-5703. Fax: 302-369-4297.

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Softball Clinic

Goldey-Beacom College will host a softball clinic for girls ages 9-17, on November 28 from 1-3 p.m. Cost is \$30. The clinic will provide hitting, fielding, throwing, and isometric training. There will also be individual contests. For additional information, call 302-225-6219 or e-mail grassoj@gbc.edu. There will be no walk-ins accepted.

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bottle, hand weights and a large exercise ball to class. Monday and Wednesday classes are held from 7:30-8:30 pm beginning November 29 –Jan 26 at the George Wilson Center. Registration fee is \$85 and the Newark resident discount fee is \$68.

For more information contact the Recreation Office at 302-366-7060 or visit www. cityofnewarkde.us/parksrecreation to register online.

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Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., presents Taize prayer services in the Sanctuary at 7 p.m. every Wednesday in Advent (December 1, 8, 15, and 22). Meditative music and scripture readings set the tone for this quiet, reflective service. Come unwind during this hectic season and feel the presence of the Lord. Please call the church office at 302-368-8774 or email Jim Faltot at jcfaltot@msn.com for more information.

Food Drive

Boy Scout Troop 255 is having a food drive which will benefit the food closet at Newark United Methodist Church. The food drive will be held in front of Pathmark at College Square Shopping Center in Newark. The dates and times are as follows: Friday, December 3, 6-9 p.m.; Saturday, December 4, 3-6 p.m.; Sunday, December 5, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Holiday Toy Drive

Everyone can donate new toys and games from December 4th -22nd at Captain Blue Hen Comics. Bring unwrapped donations for children spending the holidays at Nemours/A.I. duPont Hospital in Wilmington. Toys go to the Child Life Program that works to meet the emotional needs of hospitalized children. Spread holiday cheer where it's needed most this year!

Holiday Fun Days at Captain Blue Hen: December 3, 4, 11 Friday, December 3 - Early













COMMUNITY NEWS

Christmas Eve at Captain Blue Hen - Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main Street in Newark, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Artist signing and sketching, tree trimming, story telling, kids' shopping. Open to public. Free admission

Saturday, December 4
- CBH Presents A Christmas
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Saturday, December 4 -Holiday Kick-Off at Captain Blue Hen - Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main Street in Newark, 12-4 p.m. Two artists signing and sketching, superheroes appearing. Open to public. Free admission.

Saturday, December 11
- Family Shopping Day at
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East Plaza, 280 E. Main Street
in Newark, 12-4 p.m. Two
artists signing and sketching,
gifts for \$10 or less including
original art. Open to public.
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Go to Captain Blue Hen's website at www.captainblue-hen.com for directions and more information.

Advent Festival

Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., presents an Advent Festival from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, December 3. The festival will begin with a pizza dinner and feature crafts and a carol sing. Hot chocolate and cookies will complete the evening. Cost is \$4/person. Please call Mary Bell at 302-368-8774, ext. 217, or email mbell@newark-umc. org, by Nov. 21st to register.

Seventh Grade Achievers' Test

St. Mark's High School is offering a special opportunity for seventh grade students. Students who take the Seventh Grade Achievers' Test are eligible to participate in the Achievers' Gateway Summer Program to earn elective credit at St. Mark's.

The Achievers Test will be offered on Saturday, December

4 and December 11. There is no charge to take the test and it is open to all seventh grade students. An application can be downloaded at www.stmarkshs.net/admissions. For more information, please call 302-757-8721.

Conversation on Education

On Monday, December 6 at 7 p.m., the Greater Newark Network will host a public conversation on education in the greater Newark area. The conversation will take place at Newark High School in the cafeteria. This will not be a standard public meeting with a parade of talking heads at the front of the room telling you what they believe. Instead, we will break up into "conversation groups" so that every attendee will have an opportunity to express their views and converse with their neighbors on the subject. All feedback will then be synthesized and returned to you in the form of a report following the meeting. We hope you will join us for this important public conversation. Not only that, we hope you will encourage your friends and neighbors to attend as well.

St. Elizabeth Placement Test

The St. Elizabeth High School Placement Test will be given on two days. Choose between Saturday, December 4 at 8:30 a.m., and Sunday, December 5 at noon. A Placement Test Preparation Course will also be given at St. E from November 1 - 4 from 3:30 - 5:40 p.m. for students interested in maximizing their scores on the Placement Test for any high school. Contact Matt Haney, Director of Admissions at 302-656-3369, Ext. 3039, or mhaney@viking. pvt.k12.de.us. Test scores play an important part in the selection of scholarship awards.

Holiday Music Program

The Cecil County Choral Society presents a program of sacred and secular holiday music on Tuesday, December 7 at 7:30 pm, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Newark. The program features guest artists Dr. Robert and Kara Brandt. Admission is free; donations are gladly accepted. The church is located at 701 S. College Avenue, with parking lot access from Old Chestnut Hill Rd. or Park Dr. For more information, call the church at (302) 368-0064.

Troop 50 34th Annual Pancake Breakfast

Boy Scout Troop 50 of Pike Creek, Delmarva Council Boy Scouts of America, will hold its thirty-first annual pancake breakfast on Saturday, December 11, at the Limestone Presbyterian Church, 3201 Limestone Road.

The public is welcome to come for all-you-can-eat pancakes. Pancakes, sausage, and orange juice will be served from 7 a.m. to noon on Saturday morning. Cost is \$4.25 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Advance purchase

tickets can be obtained from any Troop 50 scout. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. Proceeds benefit Troop 50 and support its scouting activities of camping, outdoor skills, community service and character-building for boys ages 11 through 18. Troop 50 is sponsored by the Ebenezer United Methodist Church and the Saint Philip's Lutheran Church.

Blue Christmas Service

Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., will offer the annual Blue Christmas service at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 12. This special service offers a solemn space to bring hope to the aching heart. It is a service of light in the midst of darkness for those who struggle to join in the merriment of traditional holiday festivities because they have experienced grief or loss. For more information, please call the church office at 302-368-8774 or email Dr. Jim Faltot at jcfaltot@msn.com.



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An evening of friendship

The American Turkish Friendship Association and the Rumi Forum, last Thursday night, held their second annual Friendship Dinner at the Embassy Suites in Newark.

The theme of the dinner was The Art of Living Together and a number of speakers echoed that theme.

Receiving awards at the event were State Rep. Michael Ramone (R-Newark) and outgoing New Castle County Sheriff Michael Walsh. The media award went to Ralph Bush, general manager of the Upper Shore Division for ACM Chesapeake, publisher of the Newark Post.

The keynote address was delivered by New Castle County Council member Lisa Diller, whose district includes Newark. Diller, a former pastor spoke on one of the namesakes of the dinner, Rumi, a Muslim poet, theologian and mystic who lived in the 12th century. His teachings advocated peace and tolerance.

The night ended with a program of Turkish classical music.





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Left: Ralph Bush, right, receives the media award. Above: Faruk Taban, president of the Turkish Alliance, spoke at the event. Below: Turkish classical music concluded the evening.



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Giving your garden some autumn interest

By CARRIE MURPHY

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Fall has arrived. As the temperature drops and the day shortens, we begin to spend more time indoors. At this time of year, landscape design, or lack thereof, becomes very apparent. Evaluate your landscape to determine its level of interest; identify any fall or winter features that are present, and then determine how you can improve your landscape design to provide year-round interest and appeal.

Select plants for your garden that will peak in late summer and fall and persist into winter. For example, in my landscape I have planted the following perennials: amsonia, switch grass, goldenrod, Joe-pye weed, black-eyed Susan, cone flower, and one of my favorite perennials for this time of year, chrysanthemum Sheffield Pink. The amsonia blooms a light blue flower in early spring, and although the soft, brush-like foliage provides summer interest, its bright fall color is why I've used this plant at the front of my home. The stems and leaves turn bright yellow, with a tinge of orange, and remain spectacular through frost. On Halloween night, I often find parents of trick-ortreaters creeping into my yard to get a closer look at my amsonia plants; they're exceptional.

My switch grasses anchor several beds; I have planted a selection called Shenandoah, but there are a number of switch grasses available to choose Shenandoah starts off slowly in the spring, but by mid-summer the leaves display bright red edges that mix nicely with shades of green, brown, and sometimes purple, also apparent in the plant. Like most switch grasses, Shenandoah will remain standing and turn tannish-brown for winter; it will continue to anchor the beds and provide sustenance and shelter to birds.

Goldenrod and Joe-pye weed peak in late summer, but remain interesting into fall; both support diverse insect life, and the seed heads are used by birds for food and nesting. Black-eyed Susans and cone flowers also retain their seed heads, providing food to birds in the winter. And, although foliage and seed heads are important at this time of year, wouldn't it be nice to have flowers too? The burst of color that you need



at this time of year, at least in my landscape, is provided by a perennial chrysanthemum called Sheffield Pink. This beautiful mum blooms in early October and continues to bloom prolifically through the month, into November. The flowers have crystalline pink petals and a light yellow center, and the plant has a nice habit and spread. Sheffield Pink flowers are also great for cutting and bringing indoors. Finally, fill in with annual pansies; available in a variety of colors, "icicle pansies" can tolerate the cold and some will even survive the winter and revive in spring.

In addition to perennial plants, consider the backbone of your landscape, your shrubs and trees and what each contributes in fall and winter. In my landscape, I have planted the following shrubs for fall and winter interest: Virginia sweetspire, witch hazel, oakleaf hydrangea, blueberry, inkberry and winterberry hollies, and viburnum. Virginia sweetspire blooms in early spring, and then turns a bright orange-red color in the fall before losing its leaves. Witch hazel has a pleasing yellow fall color, loses its leaves, and then produces blooms in late winter, sometimes before the last snow has melted away. The witch hazel shrub that I have chosen for my landscape

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blooms orange and is lightly fragrant. From my kitchen window in late winter, I admire the blooms alongside a planting of hellebores, magnificent perennials that bloom very early, also in late winter.

Oakleaf hydrangea is one of a few plants that have something to offer at every time of the year. This four-season plant has panicles of white flowers in the spring that dry and persist through the winter, coarse and large oak-leaf shaped leaves that turn brilliant shades of red, orange, and purple. And, once the leaves have dropped, this plant exposes cinnamoncolored exfoliating bark. Oakleaf hydrangea is truly a "must-have plant" for a year-round landscape.

Blueberries and viburnums provide three seasons of interest with charming white flow-

ers in spring, followed by fruit that is quickly devoured by the birds, and amazing fall color. Inkberry hollies are a nice evergreen addition to the landscape providing natural, loose shape and form, and they are well-suited to a variety of environmental conditions loses its leaves, the plant boasts bright red twigs. This plant is best massed or also planted against an evergreen backdrop for contrast. This dogwood is also available with coral or yellow twigs.

In addition to plant material, evaluate your landscape for interesting structures, forms, lines, curves, or shapes. Finish by asking the following questions of your landscape. When plant material is limited, do the planting beds add or detract interest from your landscape? Have you incorporated interesting stone, brick, and pavers, other structures such as wooden benches, bird feeders, chimes, or garden art? Take the time to evaluate your landscape and

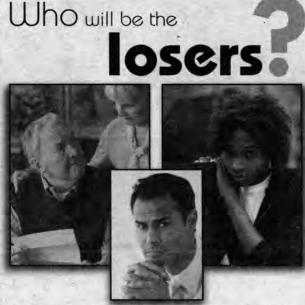
plan for changes once the growing season begins; it will be well worth the time and effort invested, and rewarding to see your landscape offer something stimulating the entire year.

Visit the New Castle County Extension Office and the Master Gardener Native Plant Teaching and Demonstration Garden on the University of Delaware campus, 461 Wyoming Road in Newark. Many of the plants mentioned in this column are on display; and, our office is happy to provide you with additional plant information, necessary to determining whether or not these plant selections are suitable for your site and its conditions. For more information, contact our office at (302) 831-COOP.



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IN THE NEWS





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Hot Bagels draws a crowd on Chapel St.

Although the lettering outside may still look the same, Hot Bagels Café has given the North Chapel Street storefront—formerly Sugar Rush Café—a shot of energy. Early Sunday afternoon, students in Delaware sweatshirts spread out homework on sunny tables while mothers with small children grabbed bagels to go. There was the steady buzz of clinking silverware, cashiers shouting orders and the tin-kling of the bell sounding new customers—a surprising amount of bustle and foot traffic for a shop that is situated off the beaten-path of Main Street

Owner Juan Dueñas credits his shop's success where others have failed to the quality of his product.

"Our food is 100% natural, everything is made fresh from scratch," he explained. "We are very happy with the amount of students who pick us as their breakfast choice," he contin-

Lack of options is certainly not a problem for University students and Newark residents.



Surrounded by recognizable chains such as Starbucks Coffee and Panera Bread, opening a new bagel shop downtown may seem a risky venture for some.

"Installing a kitchen and serving hot food was a priority," explained Dueñas, citing a limited menu as one of the major obstacles that faced Sugar Rush Café, the European-style eatery that was the former occupant of the space.

Operating three other Hot Bagels shops in the state, he also attributes the Chapel Street location's growing business to positive word of mouth.

"We have to do very little advertising, people know about

the quality of what we serve," he said. Dueñas and business partner José Davila, however, hope to see the café's popularity increase even further with the opening of a salad bar in December.

Originally, Dueñas operated Newark Hot Bagels at 134 Main Street, but issues with the landlord prompted the store to close four years ago.

Currently, Hot Bagels Café serves natural sandwiches, bagels, pastries and breakfast. It is located at 17 North Chapel Street, next to Mi Ranchito Mexican Food Market. Hours: 7 a.m. To 5 p.m. every day.

Melissa Marshall

Leasing office open for new apartments

A leasing office has recently opened at the old Newark Dodge building, located at 250 Elkton Rd., next door to the Municipal Building, for Rittenhouse Station, a new apartment and retail complex approved by the city just a few months ago. A sign on the side of the building advertises "Luxury Apartments Coming Soon" with rates as low as \$475 per person per month. The office is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 12-4 p.m. Those interested can also call 888-299-5271 for more information or visit either www. liveattherits.com or www.rittenhousestation.com.

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Blood Bank doubles in size

Long-time CEO Travis announces retirement

An official Grand-Opening and Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony was held at the Blood Bank's Christiana Donor Center, located at 100 Hygeia Drive in Newark, on Nov. 19 to celebrate the completion of a major, two-year expansion project.

The Christiana Center has doubled in size to over 60,000 square feet of space, and expanded in every area of operation to keep pace with technological advances in blood banking and the rising need for blood donations on Delmarva. In the past decade, the organization has gone from 62,207 blood donations in 1999 to 76,627 donations in 2009. Growth in automated blood cell collections and blood testing has also impacted the need for space.

"To provide enough blood for local patients, we have had to recruit many more blood donors. We must also rely on new technology for testing and processing blood. We continue to provide specialized blood services to the hospitals we serve," said Robert L. Travis, Blood Bank president and CEO. "All of this takes additional space. We outgrew the Christiana Center a long time ago, and it was crucial that we expand to accommodate the growth that we've seen so far and the many other changes and

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additions still to come."

The Christiana Center is one of 34 Blood Bank locations throughout Delaware, Cecil County and the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and Accomack County, Virginia. It serves as the organization's headquarters and is where 40% of all blood donations are collected on Delmarva. The Christiana Center also houses the Blood Bank's Laboratories, where blood is processed and tested for eleven infectious diseases and conditions.

expansion proj-This ect addressed many of the Christiana Center's space issues through renovations to 85% of the existing facility and the addition of four new sections. They include a larger Donor Room and Laboratory & Product Management wing, which provides space for additional donor chairs, equipment, and future growth. Lab technicians will now have the opportunity to conduct all blood testing in-house for the first time. The facility's new design and layout is streamlined to minimize the movement of donors throughout the donation experience and improve the flow of blood products from processing to distribution.

The Christiana Center was open and operating throughout the 18-month expansion. Other than a few minor inconveniences during specific phases of

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construction, donors were not affected.

This is one of the more complicated projects we've worked on - with so many complex phases," said Richard Aultman, Project Manager for Nowland Associates, Inc. "It was essential that all the phases were orchestrated perfectly and done quickly and efficiently without disturbing the process of collecting, testing, and distributing blood products to local hospitals. Although this presented unique challenges, the project was a success because of the solid coordination among the Blood Bank, architects, builders, subcontractors, engineers and so many others.'

Construction began in the winter of 2008. The project cost about \$12 million.

Blood Bank of Delmarva President and CEO Robert L. Travis also announced that he will retire effective January 14, 2011. Travis has served as President and CEO since 1994. maintaining the program's outstanding record for safety and no blood shortages during a period of extraordinary growth in the need for blood at area hospitals.

The Executive Board of Directors has selected Roy Roper to succeed Robert L. Travis as President and CEO. Roper was hired in December 2009 as Vice President of Administrative

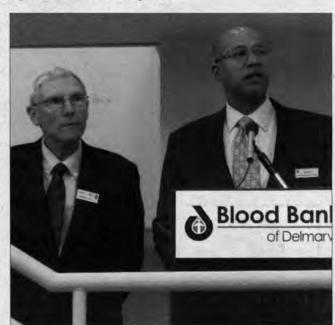


(PHOTOS BY MARK CORRIGAN)

Above: Anthony Stella, director of purchasing, cuts the ribbon at the event. Below: Robert Travis, CEO and Roy Roper, vice president and incoming CEO.

"I am very excited about this new opportunity," said Roper. "I feel very privileged to be part of an organization like Blood Bank of Delmarva with its great history and tradition. I look forward to working with our talented staff, the board and community to continue our legacy of suc-

Blood Bank of Delmarva is a non-profit, community service program that provides blood for the 16 hospitals in Delaware and on Maryland's Eastern Shore. More than 350 blood donors are needed every day to meet the needs of patients at those hospitals. For more information about the Blood Bank or to request an appointment to give blood, visit www.delmarvablood.org or call 1 888 8-BLOOD-8.



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Pike Creek development outlined

A major subdivision plan for the development of 36 acres that were formerly part of the Pike Creek Valley Golf Course was filed last week with the New Castle County Land Use Department for review and approval, according to Kimberly Hoffman, Esquire, of Morris James, attorneys for the owner-developer, Pike Creek Recreational Services LLC. The new community will contain 288 residences and be known as The Terraces at Pike Creek Valley. If the remainder of the golf course, totaling 130 acres, is approved as private open space, then the total development will yield a density of 1.7 homes per acre, lower than adjacent areas, said Hoffman.

The site of the development is

The site of the development is at a former golf course and that has generated opposition from neighbors and a rebuke from the New Castle County Council. The course is east of Newark. In a release from the law firm, the visual appeal of the project and economic arguments were cited.

"This development will generate

over \$8 million in much needed local development and construction jobs will be created, another \$40 million in construction spending, fees and transfer taxes of over \$1.5 million, and upon completion, real estate tax revenues of over \$800,000 annually,' said Marisa Erdman, development Project Manager. "New household incomes concentrated in The Terraces are projected to exceed \$16 million annually, which will boost the businesses of area merchants. The infusion of new homes and households at this time of economic downturn will help invigorate the broader community and raise property values for everyone in the area.'

The design objective for the Terraces, according to Thomas J. Comitta, AICP, of Thomas Comitta Associates, Inc., Town Planners and Landscape Architects, is to achieve a vital new community that will serve the needs of a broad spectrum of homeowners while respecting the housing types in adjoining neighborhoods.



Hillcrest Associates developed the plan for The Terraces at Pike Creek Valley in consultation with Comitta Associates. Hillcrest is the engineering firm that obtained approval for several previous developments of other portions of the former golf course, such as Linden Way. Thomas Comitta Associates, Inc. has served as a consultant to New Castle County in developing proposed new ordinances to guide future new urban and "smart

growth" development. A release from Morris James blames competition from government-owned courses for the decision to shut down the golf course, still best known as Three Little Bakers.





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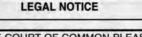
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RENEE DEIRDRE OCHIENG NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RENEE DEIRDRE OGARO

Intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to RENEE DEIRDRE OCHIENG

BRIAN D. OCHIENG FOR THE MINOR RENEE DEIDRE OGARO Petitione

2206420

Dated: 11-17-10

np 11/26,12/3,10

Estate of PHYLLIS K. FAUCETT,

Deceased

Notice is hereby given that Letters TES-TAMENTARY upon the estate of PHYLLIS FAUCETT, aka PHYLLIS KATHRYN FAUCETT who departed this life on the 15th day of September, A.D. 2010, late of 303 MERIDEN DRIVE, NEWARK, DE 19711, were duly granted unto MICHELE K. FAUCETT on SEPTEMBER 30, 2010, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payments to the Personal Representative without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said Personal Representative on or before MAY 15, 2011 or abide by the law in this behalf.

MICHELE K. FAUCETT 303 MERIDEN DRIVE NEWARK, DE 19711

Personal Representative MICHELE K. FAUCETT. File # 149238

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VINITHA NAMBIAR NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that VINITHA PERIYADAN KADINHAPALLY

Intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to VINITHA NAMBIAR

VINITHA PERIYADAN KADINHAPALLY Petitione Dated: 11-9-10

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np 11/19,26,12/3

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF MORGAN ROSE EVANS

Petitioner(s) MORGAN ROSE EVANS GAWORSKI NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MOR-GAN ROSE EVANS

Intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of

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IVY MARIE GAWORSKI on behalf of Morgan Rose Evans (minor) Petitioner Dated: 11-5-10

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Address CHLOIS ILENE KEATLEY 441 CAUSEY ROAD VASS, NC 28394

Personal Representative
CHLOIS ILENE KEATLEY, aka ILENE File #149391

np 11/26,12/3,10

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PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR **DECEMBER 20, 2010**

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St. Mark's Z-Club brightens the holidays

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"St. Mark's has been an integral part of this effort for years,' explained Debbie Hertzgo, an organizer for the Basket Brigade.

This fall, however, Z-Club members have decided to take the drive one step further. Spearheaded by senior Taylor Kolle, the committee will also help put the baskets together, gaining a first-hand look

at the energy needed to ensure that families in crisis receive a balanced holiday meal.

"It is an opportunity to see out-side of our walls and to recognize the community need," said Patricia Lee, co-moderator of Z-Club.

Not only do Z-Club members recognize the hardships in their own communities, they have also turned their attention to global need.

On Sunday, November 14, students packed more than 100 shoeboxes to support Operation Christmas Child, an annual effort organized by Samaritan's Purse that delivers shoeboxes filled with presents to children in developing countries. Led by juniors Megan Feick and Jen Staib, committee members also included a group picture in the boxes as well as personal notes offering a brief view into American culture.

"These projects offer our stu-

dents the chance to live their faith in actions, not just words," explained co-moderator Yvette Drazich.

"It's an opportunity for our girls to step-up and develop their character. We hope to instill in them a sense of duty that will last the rest of their lives," added Lee.

Moderated by Yvette Drazich and Patti Lee, guidance, Z-Club is a chapter of Zonta International open to girls who are sophomores, juniors, or seniors. Z-Club members develop leadership skills and help make

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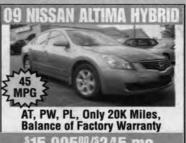
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