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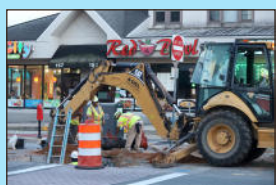
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Researchers release wasps to combat beetle that could devastate Newark's ash trees

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USDA researcher Jian Duan examines a tree in Newark for damage caused by the emerald ash borer (pictured at top of page).

A small but deadly army has taken to the skies to protect Newark from a winged invader: the emerald ash borer, which if left unchecked, could devastate the city's ash trees.

Researchers from the United States Department of Agriculture recently began releasing small, stingless parasitic wasps that feed on the emerald ash borer (EAB) larvae. Though the wasps won't completely eliminate the invasive EAB, the researchers hope they will limit their spread.

EAB are small beetles that lay eggs between the layers of bark on ash trees.

"Those eggs will hatch tiny larvae that digs into the bark and then eats the under-layer of the bark," said Jonathan Schmude, a USDA researcher based in Newark. "That is the transportation system to the tree, and it eventually cuts off all circulation of water and nutrients throughout the trees."

Eventually, the tree will die, though it can take a few years.

Native to China, Mongolia, North Korea, South Korea, Japan, Taiwan, and parts of Russia, EAB were accidentally transported to the United States and first discovered in Detroit in 2002.

Since then, they have spread to 35 states. They were first discovered in other parts of Delaware in 2016, and Newark officials have been preparing for the EAB's arrival here for several years.

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Christina's grad rate lowest in Delaware

District sees modest increase from previous year

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Although the Christina School District's graduation rate remains the lowest of any school district in the state, the district saw a slight increase for the Class of 2018, according to a report released last month.

Using data collected annually from all public schools that include 12th grade, the Delaware Department of Education calculated the percentage of students who earned a regular high school diploma within four years or less.

The rate is determined by calculating the number of first-time ninth-grade students, as well as those who transfer in, who graduate four years later. Students who transfer to a different school are not included.

Christina saw approximately 73 percent of its students graduate in 2018, which is up from 2017 (70 percent) and 2016 (69 percent).

For at least the third year in a row, Christina's graduation rate is the lowest of any of the 19 traditional school districts in Delaware. Only Positive Outcomes Charter School near Dover performed worse, with a 70 percent graduation rate.

The statewide graduation rate for the Class of 2018 was approximately 87 percent, which was an increase from the Class of 2017's 86 percent.

Newark High School saw 77 percent of students graduate – up from 65 percent in 2017 and 71 percent in 2016.

Christiana High saw a slight increase from 2017, with 69 percent of students graduating, but Glasgow High dropped from 79 percent in 2017 to 72 percent in 2018.

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Story time at the park: Saturday, 10:30 a.m., at Glasgow Park, 2275 Pulaski Highway. Meet Twixx, the main character in the bilingual children's book "Twixx Goes to the Park" and the bilingual author, Shanetta Charles. Ages newborn to 5 years old. Bring your own blanket. Free.

City council meeting: Monday, 7 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. Council will discuss additional funding for the controversial bike bridge over White Clay Creek, cast a final vote on increasing the number of council meetings and discuss an electric rate study.

School board meeting: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., at Sarah Pyle Academy, 501 N. Lombard Street, Wilmington. The school board will elect officers for the year, discuss a tax warrant and resolution and determine how to fill a potential school board member vacancy.

Concert: Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., at White Clay Creek State Park's Carpenter Recreation Area, 880 New London Road. Category 5 will perform rock music as part of the park's weekly summer concert series. Free, but park fees apply.

Concert: Thursday, 6 p.m., at Glasgow Park, 2275 Pulaski Highway. Hepner's Rebellion will perform as part of New Castle County's weekly summer concert series. Food trucks will offer food for purchase. Free.

Holy Family Summerfest: Wednesday through Friday, 5 to 10:30 p.m.; Saturday, July 13, 1 to 10:30 p.m.; Sunday, July 14, 1 to 9:30 p.m., at Holy Family Church, 15 Gender Road. The annual carnival includes rides, games, food and live music. Free admission and parking, but a charge applies for rides.

Artist reception: Friday, July 12, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Newark Arts Alliance, 276 E. Main St. A reception will be held for the arts alliance's members show. The exhibit will be on display through Aug. 2. Free.

Main Street Construction Update

Work at the east end of Main Street has switched sides, and the right lane is closed between Washington Street and Chapel Street.

Work at the west end of Main Street is continuing. The left lane of Main Street is closed from South College Avenue to the Trabant Garage. Signal work at the intersection of South College and Main streets will continue through July 8.

Water main work, resulting on boil-water advisories for parts of Main Street, will take place July 7-8 and July 14-15, weather permitting.

Information provided by DelDOT. Schedule subject to change based on weather. Visit mainstreetimprovements.com for updates.

Note to readers

Because of early deadlines related to the Independence Day holiday, coverage of Newark's Liberty Day festival and fireworks did not make it into this week's edition. For full coverage, visit newarkpostonline.com or pick up next week's paper.

Rotarians honor Newark firefighter, police officer

POST STAFF REPORT

Two local first responders recently were lauded by Rotary groups.

The Newark Rotary Club honored Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company firefighter Bryan Berkley with its 2019 Newark Rotary Community Hero Award.

Berkley was recognized for his "service above self" in serving as a volunteer firefighter for more than 25 years, Rotarian Lisa Groom said.

Berkley has held a variety of roles at Aetna, including vice president, safety officer and assistant chief. He is married to Jessica Berkley and is the father of three children, Zachery, Andrew and Emily.

He has made a successful career in the fire protection industry with Viking International and works every day to keep the community safe, Groom said.

Meanwhile, the Newark Morning Rotary Club recognized Cpl. Brandon Walker, of the Newark Police Department, with its Public Service Award. The award is presented to a non-Rotarian in the public sector who shows extraordinary dedication to serving the community.

While serving as the crime analysis and crime prevention officer, Walker overhauled how the department analyzes crime trends and how the information is presented to Newark officers. He assisted with an after-school mentoring club at Downes Elementary School, coordinated the citizens police academy and taught active shooter awareness training.



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Aetna firefighter Bryan Berkley is honored by the Newark Rotary Club.



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Cpl. Brandon Walker, of the Newark Police Department, is honored by the Newark Morning Rotary Club.



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Water main work causes restaurants to temporarily close

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Ongoing water main work is continuing to affect Main Street businesses, with some restaurants choosing to close last Monday instead of dealing with a requirement to boil their water.

In conjunction with the Main Street reconstruction project, the city is installing new fire hydrants as well as larger pipes that will improve the water flow from the hydrants.

The water mains under Main Street date back as far as 1888, and mineral build-up and corrosion has reduced the capacity of the pipes leading to the fire hydrants, city officials said. Replacing them with wider pipes will increase the flow rate, and new valves will reduce the impact of service disruptions during future repairs.

The \$330,000 project is split into eight phases. In each area, the residences and businesses there will have their water shut off for one night between midnight and 7 a.m.

However, after their water service is restored, the customers will be under a boil-water advisory for 24-72 hours. During that time, people cannot drink the water or use it for cooking unless they boil it first.

The advisory is a precautionary measure because



A crew begins to replace water mains on Main Street on Sunday evening, a project that prompted several restaurants to close Monday.

shutting off water service can risk contamination with E. coli or other bacteria.

“It’s ultimately a measure the state requires to ensure safe drinking water. It allows us time to sample the water,” Deputy Public Works Director Ethan Robinson explained earlier this year.

This week’s work was between Chapel Street and Academy Street. Businesses and residents there did not have water service overnight Sunday into Monday. After the water was turned back on, a

boil-water advisory was in effect through Tuesday morning.

Several restaurants hung signs over the weekend informing customers of pending closures.

Finn McCool’s Irish Gastropub, Jimmy John’s, Yogurt City, Arena’s Deli and Bar, Chipotle, Klondike Kate’s, Playa Bowls and El Diablo were all closed Monday. Starbucks shut down Monday and part of Tuesday and planned to reopen sometime Tuesday afternoon after receiving notice from the city that the

water is safe.

Panera Bread stayed open but was not able to serve coffee or use the soda fountain. Only bottled drinks and barista beverages that don’t require water were available. The restaurant served all meals in to-go containers to avoid having to wash dishes.

“We apologize for any inconvenience; however, we are taking every precaution necessary to remain open to our community while others have chosen to close their doors,” Panera management wrote in a notice



Finn McCool’s Irish Gastropub was closed Monday due to a boil-water advisory.

to customers.

Water main work at the east end of Main Street is already complete. Additional work is scheduled for the next two Mondays, but officials have not publicly disclosed which areas of Main Street will be affected.

Robinson said the city will contact property owners to inform them of the exact

date they will be affected.

He suggested residents and businesses store water prior to the shutoff but acknowledged the boil-water advisory will negatively affect some businesses.

“I’m sure some restaurants will say, ‘This is too much of a pain in the butt for us.’ They may close for that day,” he said.

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'Devious' credit card skimming scheme discovered in Newark

By JOSH SHANNON

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A credit card skimming device found on a gas pump in Newark in 2016 led federal investigators to uncover a broad conspiracy to steal credit card numbers and use them to fraudulently buy money orders.

After a three-year investigation, a federal grand jury indicted seven people in connection to the scheme last week. If convicted, the defendants face varying sentences up to 187 years in prison and a \$7 million fine.

According to the court documents, a group of mostly Armenian citizens living in Los Angeles began traveling to the East Coast to install skimming devices on gas pumps in Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

The Bluetooth-enabled skimming devices recorded the credit card and debit card information of customers using the gas pumps. Members of the scheme made "cloned cards" by encoding the stolen numbers on gift cards and pre-paid debit cards and then used them to buy money orders

at post offices and make ATM withdrawals, according to the indictment.

The money orders were then deposited into the bank accounts controlled by members of the scheme or their family members.

The fraud ring was first discovered in September 2016 when WSFS Bank customers in Newark began reporting fraudulent transactions on their debit cards after patronizing the Exxon station on South College Avenue. A WSFS investigator went to the gas station and recovered the skimmer.

Detectives from the Newark Police Department began investigating, and the investigation later expanded to include the FBI and the United States Postal Inspection Service.

Investigators used surveillance footage and other techniques to apprehend low-level members of the scheme, who led them to the alleged leaders of the conspiracy.

After hitting other locations in the mid-Atlantic region, the defendants returned to the South College Avenue Exxon in February 2017, when more Newarkers were defrauded, according to court documents.

The FBI eventually raided a hotel room in Bensalem, Pa., where they found 176 cloned cards, including several with credit card numbers stolen in Newark, as well as \$35,000 cash and nine money orders totaling \$8,300.

On June 27, United States Attorney William M. McSwain announced an indictment charging the defendants with conspiracy, bank fraud, money laundering and aggravated identity theft. Those charged are Hamlet Tanshyan, 35, of Glendale, Calif.; Verzh Movsisyan, 41, of Glendale, Calif.; Armen Sahakyan, 41, of Burbank, Calif.; David Daldumyan, 29, of Van Nuys, Calif.; Hrachya Gyulumyan, 39, of Sun Valley, Calif.; Gevush Gabrielyan, 27, of North Hollywood, Calif.; and Roman Gridjuko, 30, of Philadelphia, Pa.

"As alleged in the indictment, this was a devious fraud utilizing technology to take advantage of victims who didn't even see it coming," McSwain said in a prepared statement. "I want to thank the many agents and investigators who worked tirelessly to uncover this scheme and assist my office in bringing today's Indictment."

Bicyclist reports being robbed by armed men

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A bicyclist told police he was robbed by two armed men while riding through the Lumbrook neighborhood of Newark last week.

The incident happened June 26, but the victim didn't report it until two days later, according to Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

The victim, a 38-year-old Newark man, told officers he was biking on the sidewalk of Woodlawn Avenue near Lumbrook Park around 10 p.m. when he was hit in the head with an unknown object and fell off the bike.

When he tried to stand up,

someone pushed him to the ground and put a gun to his head, he told police. A second assailant put a knife to his back.

The robbers stole property from the victim and fled.

The victim, who was treated for a bruise to the cheek, was not able to describe his attackers, Rubin said.

It is not clear why he waited two days to report the robbery.

Rubin said there are no surveillance cameras in the area.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Det. Daniel Bystriky at 302-366-7100, ext. 3136 or dbystriky@newark.de.us.

Man charged in Caffè Gelato burglary

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Newark Police arrested a man Tuesday and charged him with sneaking into Caffè Gelato and stealing items from an office in the Main Street restaurant.

The incident occurred on June 22 at about 2:30 a.m. The restaurant was closed, but Tymere Hall-Pennewell was able to enter the building, said Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

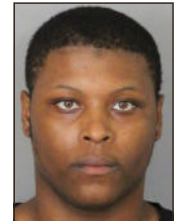
Rubin said that employees were still there cleaning up after closing, and Hall-Pennewell entered undetected

through an unlocked door.

Rubin said Hall-Pennewell rummaged through an office and stole money and other undisclosed property before fleeing.

Through surveillance footage and witness interviews, police identified the suspect as Hall-Pennewell, 18, of Wilmington, and issued a warrant for his arrest.

Hall-Pennewell was arrested Tuesday at his residence, Rubin said. He was charged with third-degree burglary and theft over \$1,500. He appeared before Justice of the Peace Court #2 and was released on \$3,110 unsecured bail.



HALL-PENNEWELL

Police arrest man accused in several burglaries

By JOSH SHANNON

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A man wanted in connection to several burglaries in northern Newark was arrested Monday morning, police said.

William Stevenson, 30, of Middletown, was charged with three counts of third-degree attempted burglary, two counts of tampering with a vehicle, two counts of criminal trespass, two counts of criminal mischief,

one count of third-degree burglary and one count of theft.

The charges relate to incidents in the Wycliff, Pine Meadow and Woods at Louviers neighborhoods, all located off Paper Mill Road. The burglaries began June 17, according to Lt. Andrew



STEVENSON

Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

Officers responding to a burglary call in the 200 block of Odessa Way stopped Stevenson and obtained his identity but did not have enough probable cause to arrest him, Rubin said.

Only after officers released him did they acquire surveillance footage that linked him to the burglary, Rubin added.

Police obtained warrants charging Stevenson and

asked the public for help locating him last week.

Rubin said at the time that Stevenson is known to frequent the Apartments at Pine Brook, located just down the street from the neighborhoods where the burglaries happened, and that's exactly where officers found him.

"They had checked a couple times and he wasn't there," Rubin said Monday. "They checked again this morning and took him into custody."

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UDairy Creamery now making cheese

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After more than a decade of perfecting ice cream, the Creamery at the University of Delaware will be adding a new product to its menu: cheese.

"I think the concept always had kind of this vision of what other dairy products could we do, eventually? Some of that is, obviously, dependent on facilities and equipment," said Jennifer Rodammer, plant manager. "So I think Melinda [Shaw, director] and I have always had an interest in making more products."

The groundwork for the project began in earnest in 2015, after the program secured a grant and raised additional funding. After installing the cheese-making equipment in a lab in Worrlow Hall, production on cheese began at the end of June.

However, the work began even before that, as Shaw and Rodammer have been participating in training for the last six or seven years at other universities with their own cheese-making programs, such as Mississippi State and Washington State.

"We have a lot of good resources in the university creamery community, because they're already doing what we're trying to do," Shaw said. "They've been



Amanda Heilman, plant operator, and Kathryn Babiarz, a recent University of Delaware graduate, begin the production of cheese.

a great help teaching us hands-on and also as far as getting it set up within a university community."

Shaw said cheese will be available to buy starting later in July. The first product available will be cheese curds, which are a popular snack in the midwest and Canada, made from the pieces of curdled milk.

"It's a really good snacking cheese," Shaw said. "It's a little saltier at first, but it's still a very good high pro-

tein snack."

They'll also be making cheddar and gouda. The gouda will be packaged in blue wax, officials said, pointing out that that will represent the UD's blue and gold colors.

The cheese curds will be available soon, but the cheddar will need to age for about two months and won't be available until the fall.

Once those products are perfected, the Creamery will explore other types of

cheese as well.

Located on in the university's south campus, UD Dairy has a herd of about 100 Holstein cows. The Creamery began in 2008 with the goal of teaching students about dairy production, food science and safety, environmentally sound agriculture, business management and finance.

The Creamery has about 110 student employees and seven full-time managers.

Shaw added that they'll be

running market research to see what types of cheese consumers are interested in. With a vat that can take 250 gallons of milk at one time, and two smaller vats that are 50 gallons each, they'll be able to make large quantities of cheese or do smaller test batches for research.

The cheese will be sold at the UDairy Creamery's two locations — on south campus and on Market Street in Wilmington — as well as online.

Training for the students began Wednesday, with recent graduate Kathryn Babiarz helping them through the process of making cheese: heating the milk, adding the culture and adding rennet, which makes proteins to form curds.

For a cheddar cheese, the curds are put into a mold and pressed for eight hours. Then it ages for two to three months.

"Cheese is definitely hands on, literally getting your hands into the curd and having to work the curd," Shaw said. "It gets really exciting when the curds start happening, but it takes a while to get to that point."

Babiarz, who had worked at the Creamery for all of her college career and even began in high school, was ready for the challenge.

"We've been talking about the cheese ever since I got here," she said. "So it's been

something that was in the works. I'm actually so excited to see how all the different pieces of equipment work and like what the process is firsthand."

During her time at the university, Babiarz studied veterinary sciences — which she'll be pursuing in grad school in the fall — and said that working with the Creamery helped give her a full-circle understanding.

"We had the animal science classes and you go out to the farm and see the cows and work with the cows in person. And this is more of the back end of things," she said. "I'm really excited to be part of that side of things, too, to learn more than what's covered in a classic animal science class because you get to see the hands-on things that happen afterwards."

Shaw said students will be learning everything about the process of making the cheese and also the science behind it.

"Tracking the pH as the cheese develops is a huge part to know where you stand and knowing why we use certain ingredients and why it is important to salt for developing different flavors," she explained. "They'll be able to see their product as it grows or ages, literally, from the first curd to a couple months down the road."

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Newark aerospace camp marks 30th year

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Twenty-six years ago, Brian Wadsley attended his first camp with the Delaware Aerospace Education Foundation.

"I built my first rocket here at one of the camps, and now I do that for a living," said Wadsley, now an aerospace engineer.

Wadsley and his 8-year-old son made the two-and-a-half hour trip back to Delaware last week to take part in the week-long camp that offers a variety of hands-on science, technology, engineering and math activities.

"It's hard to find good STEM-related camps that kids enjoy that are fun," he said. "And it helped me decide, ultimately, what career I wanted to do. My son has an interest in some of the same things I do, so it was a good opportunity to expose him to some things that I couldn't find elsewhere."

Wadsley is among the multitude of volunteers that help out on the camp each year.

DASEF, a Smyrna-based nonprofit, offers several different programs for kids in grade one through 10. Four of them were running concurrently at the University of Delaware's Clayton Hall last week.

The program, now in its 30th year, has graduated about 7,000 students.

In the Destination Sky and Beyond camp, students in

third and fourth grade are taught math concepts learn about stars, planets, space habitats and rovers, and even get to participate in a training flight on a model airplane that mimics flight.

"I take pride in trying to trick them to learn as much as possible in a week," teacher Tom Mendola said. "For me, it's like the perfect opportunity to try to teach really high level space science material in a way that is fun for them."

In the Destination Space camp, fourth and fifth-graders conducted experiments and learned about engineering, circuitry, science, weather and computers.

"We do a lot about teamwork," teacher Wendy Lewis said. "They're working as a team to build an international space station out of recyclables they bring in."

The Destination Flight camp teaches fifth and sixth-graders about career opportunities, brings in speakers from different fields and allows kids to build hovercrafts.

Teacher Theresa Connor said that what she tries to accomplish in the class boils down to one word.

"It's inspiration," she said. "Because you don't know what's going to ignite or spark that kid's interests."

The Destination Orbit camp encompasses the planetary lessons and offers a competition dubbed the Great Solar System Rescue,

where students are challenged to rescue probes lost in space by creating a rescue plan and designing a budget.

"It's neat. It's almost like a mystery and they're using the clues to solve the mystery, but they have to agree on it as a team," teacher Mary Beth Selby said.

Dr. Stephanie Wright, president and CEO of DASEF, said that though they have some more high-tech things for students to learn from, it isn't necessary.

"Kids can learn with a puzzle, kids can learn with the big book, kids can learn by just building Legos that aren't connected to a computer," she said. "They're designing, they're building, they're working together, they're cooperating, they're respecting one another's ideas."

The culture that the program has developed over the last 30 years has kept many coming back.

"I'm taking vacation to come here, and other people do the same, because you believe in it," Connor said. "My husband said, 'Theresa, every year you do the same thing. A week before camp you get stressed. But every year on Friday – and he's right – you're tired, but you're really glad you did it.'"

Vilina Ackala, a rising freshman at Cab Calloway School of the Arts, said she kept coming back as a camper and



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Students at the Delaware Aerospace Education Foundation aerospace academy compete in an "egg drop" during one of several camps that occurred last week.

eventually wanted to get involved through volunteering. She now serves as a camp counselor in training, which DASEF calls a "co-pilot."

"It's pretty fun. It's great to be with the kids, and you also learn stuff because you're in the classroom," Ackala said. "Since my school is art focused, it's good to be well-rounded and have STEM and arts."

Lily Long, a San Diego native who is attending the camp while visiting family in the area, was having fun on the penultimate day of camp.

"We did circuitry, we made a weather station and we learned about lightning, which was super fun," she said. "I'm actually visiting my grandparents and they

thought it would be nice for me to do a camp with space, because we'd just went to Hawaii where the Keck telescopes are."

Student Violet Dubin crafted a rover and was using Legos to construct a view of what the inside would look like.

She said that she has learned a lot about simple machines and circuitry.

Even though it has been a lot of learning, she wanted to take part in the camp because, "It seemed like fun," she said.

For over two decades, the camp has been held at UD. However, Wright said she looks forward to when DASEF has raised enough money to complete its In-

novation Technology Exploration Center in Smyrna to better serve all of Delaware through its summer academies, school programs and community programs.

The building, which will give the organization more space for programming than its current facility in Smyrna, will feature nature paths, a galaxy garden and planetary walk and a Charles Park sculpture, Wright said.

"We're a pretty all-encompassing group. I usually say it's from dinosaurs to space and back," Wright said. "And it's all connected. We need to understand that one thing affects the other. There's a domino effect, and each of us plays a part in preserving the planet, this fragile Earth."

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

April 1948: Robert Gallaher and Frank Lutton were appointed election officers at a fee of \$8 per election. There

was controversy about installing a storm sewer on Beverly Road, so no decision was made at this time. Eighteen property owners from West Main, Old Oak, and Dallam signed a petition against apartments planned for Dallam Road.

Outside electric meters were being installed in

George Read Village, and homeowners wanted itemized statement of costs. James Aiken complained that Harrison Roberts moved an objectionable dwelling from the rear to the front of a lot on Courtney Street. Agreement eventually reached, and installation of 600 feet of 48-inch storm sewer began on Beverly Road.

Dr. Silverman requested "No Parking" signs on either side of his driveway, as parked cars had blocked his driveway delaying his answering emergency calls.

Building permits issued: C. Johnson for kitchen alterations, W. George alterations for porch, E. Mayer and W. Calhoun for private garages.

DP&L was authorized to proceed with phase two of improvements to Newark electrical service.

A proposed war memorial was under discussion between council and the VFW. Council offered DP&L \$1 per year rental to build north side sewer pumping station on their land being agreeable to going

as high as \$10 per year, providing negotiations did not take more than two days. Newton Sheaffer notified council he was retiring from business. Town trucks were made available for American Red Cross scrap metal drive. Council agreed to pay George Brinton \$150 per year to establish a town dump on his property.



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UUFN festival highlights diversity of Newark



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The Christina Cultural Arts Center Senior Dance Ensemble performs a West African celebratory dance at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's cultural heritage fair on Saturday.

Many international cultures were represented Saturday at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's second-annual cultural heritage fair. Groups representing Indian, Iranian, Indonesian, African, Irish, Caribbean and other cultures performed songs and dances. Meanwhile, participants could sample traditional foods and learn about the art, clothing and customs of other countries. "So much in the world separates us," emcee Jan Owens said, "but we're here to celebrate diversity."



With help from a young audience member, A.J. de Coteau performs Caribbean steel pan music at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's cultural heritage fair on Saturday.



Sreeparna Sarkar performs an East Indian Odissi classical dance at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's cultural heritage fair on Saturday.



The Indonesian Cultural Club of Delaware performs a traditional dance at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's cultural heritage fair on Saturday.



The Kalananda School of Dance performs a South Indian Kachipudi classical dance at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's cultural heritage fair on Saturday.



The Delaware Sikh Awareness Coalition allows attendees to try on a turban during the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark's cultural heritage fair on Saturday.

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A busy summer for the Blue Hens

By JON BUZBY

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During the only real “down time” on the University of Delaware athletic complex, ironically there is much to report.

Athletic Director Chrissi Rawak recently announced that the west stand seating will be completed for the opening game against Delaware State University on Aug. 29.

This proclamation comes at a time when the west stands look anything but close to ready for kickoff against the Hornets.

Speaking of the Route 1 rivalry – a term that has more or less disappeared given UD’s dominance in the on-again, off-again matchup – the Hens and Hornets just signed a six-year deal for a football series beginning in 2024 that will include at least two of the games taking place at 7,000-seat Alumni Stadium on the DSU campus. The series will begin with back-to-back games in Dover in 2024 and 2025, followed by dates at Delaware Stadium in 2026, 2027 and 2029. The host of the sixth

game will be the school that wins at least three of the first five matchups of the series.

Separate from the new agreement, UD and Delaware State play in this year’s opener and again in 2020. The Hens have easily won all eight previous meetings between the state’s only Division I football programs. Between the two schools, nearly 50 student-athletes who are Delaware natives are projected to suit up for the 2019 contest.

One Delawarean who will be on the sideline is former Smyrna High standout Will Knight, who set the all-time rushing record with 6,490 yards while leading the Eagles to three consecutive state championships. Knight appeared in four games last season at Old Dominion University and then announced his intent to transfer to UD on his Twitter account shortly after spring practice.

On the basketball court, UD men’s basketball head coach Martin Ingelsby has signed a two-year extension through the 2023-24 season.

In his three years at the helm of the program, Ingelsby has an overall 44-55

record, including 19-35 in the Colonial Athletic Conference. This past season, the Blue Hens produced their highest win total (17) since 2014 and reached the CAA Tournament semifinal for the first time in five years.

The 2019-20 season features a matchup against 2018 national champion Villanova on Dec. 14 at the Prudential Center in Newark, N.J., as part of the Never Forget Tribute Classic. The event supports the men and women of the armed forces who protected the country’s freedom after 9/11. In partnership with Soldier Strong, the event continues to serve American veterans by providing resources that aid both mental and physical rehabilitation, as well as assisting scholarship grants for domestic and foreign affairs grants.

“We are honored to participate in the Never Forget Tribute Classic at the Prudential Center,” Ingelsby said in a statement. “This will be a tremendous opportunity for us to compete against an outstanding program in Villanova while also supporting a worthy cause.”



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Delaware Stadium is undergoing major renovations as part of a \$60 million project scheduled to be completed in fall 2020.

Unfortunately for the Hens, All-CAA rookie selection Ithiel Horton won’t be part of that matchup or any other future Blue Hens game. The New Jersey native has announced he is leaving Delaware with hopes of playing at a higher-level program.

In the classroom, it was a record-breaking year for the more than 600 UD student-athletes. Some of the accomplishments include “highest ever” marks in academic year student-athlete GPA (3.140), spring semester GPA (3.144) and dean’s list recognition (41 percent).

In addition, for the first time ever all teams finished the academic year with a GPA over 2.700, and for the sixth straight semester the student-athlete GPA was over 3.1.

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International students meet with Sen. Tom Carper

By BROOKE SCHULTZ
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It's not every day you meet a U.S. Senator, Iwa Diop noted Tuesday after she and her peers posed for a group picture with Sen. Tom Carper.

That's particularly true when you're from Senegal, Côte d'Ivoire or Sierra Leone, as several of the students visiting the University of Delaware's Institute for Global Studies are.

The students, who are in the United States for several weeks to learn more about the U.S. as a society and culture, had the opportunity to hear from Carper and ask questions.

"Today is a good day," said Kadijatu Kamere of Sierra Leone. "I'm fortunate to meet with Sen. Carper and learn the various ways to gain



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY BROOKE SCHULTZ

Sen. Tom Carper poses with 50 international students who are taking part in a program to learn more about the United States' culture and society.

success."

During his hour-long session with the students, Carper fielded questions about why there hasn't yet been a female president, about

the political divide between the left and right and how the U.S. can offer humanitarian support to some of the countries represented in the room.

He also gave a brief overview about democracy and talked about his experience as senator, governor and congressman. Students were also impressed that in every political race Carper has run in, he has won.

When a student asked him what his "secret weapon" for that success was, he offered four pieces of advice – do what is right, remember to treat people how you want to be treated, focus on excellence in everything you do, and never give up.

"He was very inspiring, motivating," said Absa Mbodj, from Senegal.

She and Diop two also discussed meeting Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester earlier, which Mbodj described as "breathtaking."

"It was really emotional. We learned about her take on success

and leadership," Diop agreed.

"She's a strong woman," Mbodj added. "It was inspiring."

The 50 students in the program range from age 19 to 60 and have come from Zambia, Liberia, Kenya, Morocco, Italy, Egypt, Jordan, Thailand, Serbia and other countries.

During their time in the U.S., they'll be taking classes, volunteering, completing a project and taking day trips to Washington, D.C., and other places.

In their first week of the program, Mbodj and Diop said that they've been able to meet new people, especially in Delaware.

"They're so friendly," Mbodj added.

"We're thrilled that you're here," Carper told the students. "I've been to many of your countries, but not all."

Social issues a focal point for Delaware legislature

General assembly wraps up term

By RANDALL CHASE
Associated Press

Delaware's General Assembly addressed a host of social issues during this year's legislative session, which ended early Monday. Here is a look at some of the issues lawmakers considered.

MONEY MATTERS

Lawmakers passed a \$4.45 billion operating budget for fiscal 2020, a 4.2 percent increase in spending that includes another pay raise for state government workers, who also received pay raises last year. A separate supplemental appropriations bill earmarked \$62 million in one-time spending for various programs and projects.

Lawmakers also approved an \$863 million capital budget for construction and transportation projects, the largest infrastructure package in Delaware history. Their final spending bill was a record \$55 million in grants for nonprofit groups, com-

munity organizations and volunteer fire companies.

Despite the spending increases, increasing revenue projections allowed lawmakers to set aside about \$125 million in a new reserve fund that could be tapped to cover state expenses during an economic downturn.

GUN CONTROL

After failed attempts last year, Senate Democrats in Delaware doubled down this year by reintroducing bills to ban certain semiautomatic firearms deemed "assault weapons" by gun foes, along with large-capacity magazines.

Democrats even went so far as to propose requiring any Delawarean wanting to buy a firearm to first obtain permission from the government in the form of a state-issued "purchaser card," which would require being fingerprinted.

After holding a hearing at which critics blasted the proposals as unconstitutional restrictions on gun ownership, the Democratic Senate president announced that support for the measures was "almost nonexistent,"

and that they would not be coming out of a committee he leads.

The move came amid criticism of the gun bills by representatives of organized labor, a key constituency and source of votes for Democratic lawmakers.

MARIJUANA

Lawmakers spent considerable time this year discussing several revisions to Delaware's medical marijuana law and a proposal to legalize pot for recreational use.

The legalization bill failed to get a floor vote, but lawmakers did pass a bill adding "new daily persistent headache" and chronic debilitating migraines to the list of conditions for which medical marijuana can be prescribed.

They also passed legislation authorizing "compassionate use" of medical marijuana by a person who has a severe and debilitating condition that is not among the conditions for which medical marijuana is normally allowed.

Lawmakers also approved legislation expanding Delaware's decriminalization of simple possession of mari-

juana to juveniles, not just adults.

A bill introduced late in the session that allows medical marijuana users to grow their own pot failed to get a committee hearing.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Democratic lawmakers introduced 17 criminal justice reform measures supported by Democratic Attorney General Kathleen Jennings. Eleven of the proposals were passed by the General Assembly, including several on the final day of the session.

A proposal to grant judges more discretion in imposing concurrent, rather than consecutive, sentences was signed into law by Gov. John Carney, as was a bill making it easier for adults to expunge arrest and conviction records for certain low-level offenses by petitioning the State Bureau of Identification.

Lawmakers also voted to decriminalize marijuana possession for juveniles and underage consumption of alcohol, while reducing barriers to occupational licenses for criminal offenders seeking to become electricians,

plumbers, HVAC technicians and massage therapists. They also approved revisions to Delaware's drug laws to address what critics believe are racial disparities in sentencing.

WAGES

Democrats introduced a proposal to increase Delaware's minimum wage to \$15 an hour, even before the second phase of a wage increase that was enacted last year takes effect.

The proposal stalled in committee.

The minimum wage increased 50 cents to \$8.75 in January under last year's law, and will increase another 50 cents to \$9.25 per hour Oct. 1.

This year's bill calls for increasing the minimum wage to \$11 on Jan. 1, 2020, followed by a \$1 raise at the start of each year until it hits \$15 in 2024. Future increases to the minimum wage would then be automatically tied to increases in the consumer price index.

A bill that was introduced on the penultimate day of this year's session and is expected to be considered next year would increase the minimum wage for tipped employees, which currently is \$2.23 per hour. The bill mandates that tipped workers be paid at least 65% of Delaware's minimum wage. Under the current \$8.75 per hour wage, they would be paid at least \$5.69. When the minimum wage increases to \$9.25 per hour, the tipped wage minimum would increase to \$6.01 per hour.

ELECTIONS

On the final day of the legislative session, Democratic Gov. John Carney signed a bill that allows early, in-person voting in Delaware. The new law allows registered voters to cast ballots at polling places up to 10 days before Election Day.

House lawmakers approved the first leg of a constitutional amendment that would eliminate limitations in Delaware's constitution regarding when a person can vote by absentee ballot. The measure, which would authorize the General Assembly to enact general laws regarding rules for absentee voting, failed to win the required supermajority in the Senate.

A proposal to allow same-day registration in Delaware failed to get a floor vote in either chamber.

BAGS

Lawmakers approved a bill that largely prohibits retailers in Delaware from providing single-use carryout plastic bags to customers in an effort to reduce litter and the amount of plastic bags cluttering landfills and clogging stormwater systems.

The bill applies to stores with more than 7,000 square feet (650.32 sq. meters) of sales space, and chain stores with three or more locations having at least 3,000 square feet (278.71 sq. meters) of sales space. Restaurants are excluded from the bag ban.

Lawmakers followed up the vote to ban single-use plastic bags by introducing legislation to ban single-use paper bags as well.

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The army is planning a second reserve center next to this existing facility on Ogletown Road.

Defense bill includes \$21M for reserve center in Newark

By JOSH SHANNON

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The U.S. Senate last week passed a bill that authorizes \$21 million in funding for a new Army Reserve Center in Newark.

The \$750 billion National Defense Authorization Act, which sets the military's annual budget, must now be approved by the U.S. House and be signed by the president.

"This final bill makes important investments to support the men and women serving in our armed forces, strengthen our military capabilities, bolster our nation's cyber defenses, and counter the ever-evolving threats to our national security," Sen. Tom Carper said in a prepared statement. "I am especially proud to have worked alongside Sen. Coons to secure funding for the new Army Reserve Center in Newark so that our service men and women have the modern training facility that they deserve."

First announced in March, the facility is slated to be built on vacant land next to an existing armed forces reserve center at 1001 Ogletown Road. The facility will include a 33,000 square-foot reserve center, an 11,000-square-foot vehicle maintenance shop and a 3,000-square-foot storage building. It will also have space to park military vehicles.

The main building will provide space for administrative and educational facilities, as well as an arms vault.

"An Army Reserve Center is a training facility which provides Army Reserve personnel the best-possible facilities in which to work, train and prepare to answer their nation's call, both at home and abroad," Salvatore R. Ottaviano, a public affairs

specialist for the 99th Readiness Division, said in March. "Without these training facilities, the Army Reserve's service men and women would be unable to carry out their missions."

The facility will support the training and mobilization of 300 reservists in 11 units, which have outgrown their facilities in Dover and Lewes and will be relocated to Newark.

Approximately 15 full-time employees will work out of the building, mostly performing vehicle maintenance. On weekends, reservists will train there in groups of up to 100 at a time, Ottaviano said.

Construction is expected to begin next year and be complete by 2022.

The existing 81,000-sq.-foot, armed forces reserve center opened in 2012 to support Army Reserve and Delaware Army National Guard units. It includes an assembly room, kitchen, weapons simulator, classrooms and physical fitness rooms.

The massive defense bill also removes funding limits on the National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals (NIIM-BL), which is housed at the University of Delaware.

"It brings me great pride that Delawareans are leading the world in the development, testing, and production of medicines of the future," Sen. Chris Coons said in a prepared statement. "With this bill, and the vital federal funding opportunity it creates, Delaware's innovators will continue to not only save lives, but also create jobs for generations of high-skilled Delawareans who will manufacture these lifesaving drugs. Also, other states are empowered to follow Delaware's lead by forming new institutes specializing in other vital areas of manufacturing."

Duck Donuts fundraiser to benefit A.I. children's hospital

By BROOKE SCHULTZ

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Next week, supporting Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children and the kids it serves will be as easy as buying a doughnut.

Duck Donuts on Main Street will give 15 percent of sales to the hospital when customers mention Mateo Ahumada, this year's child ambassador for the hospital. The fundraiser will run July 7-15.

"We're trying to drive money to the hospital," owner Robin Griffith said.

Mateo, from Claymont, was diagnosed with leukemia in 2017. While his treatment no longer requires lengthy hospital stays as it did when he was first diagnosed, Mateo will be undergoing chemotherapy until 2021.

His experience with the hospital staff has been great, he said.

"They're really nice and caring for all their patients," he said.

"They did everything to make it less traumatic," his mother, Carmen, added.

Mateo, Carmen and Mateo's sister, Tatiana, stopped by Duck Donuts on Monday to meet the staff and try some doughnuts. Mateo opted for the maple bacon



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY BROOKE SCHULTZ

The Ahumada family – Tatiana, Carmen and Mateo – and Robin Griffith, Duck Donuts owner, poses with doughnuts. Proceeds from sales next week will benefit Nemours A.I. duPont Children's Hospital. Mateo is this year's A.I. child ambassador.

flavor.

Carmen said that when she was approached about Mateo acting as the child ambassador for the hospital, she was a little hesitant, but Mateo was all for it.

"They did so much for me. I want to give back," he said.

Mateo is a rising freshman at Salesianum High School. Although he missed all of seventh grade when he was

diagnosed, he was able to catch up with his studies and will be joining his peers for high school.

Tatiana, who took time off from her schooling at the University of Delaware to support her mother when Mateo was diagnosed, switched her major to nursing after Mateo's experience. She also works at A.I.

Duck Donuts supports

charities on a monthly basis through its Quack Gives Back initiative, in which it identifies a worthwhile cause and donate proceeds.

Griffith said the store became involved with A.I. several years ago and has since branched out to give back in more ways.

"The staff is always 100 percent in and is always supportive," he said.

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
WILSON R. SILVA JR.
Petitioner(s)
TO
WILSON R. RIVERA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WILSON R. SILVA JR. 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 WILSON R. RIVERA.

WILSON R. SILVA JR.
Petitioner
Dated: 6/12/2019
2854711

np 6/21,28,7/5

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
OLIVIA PAIGE FORD
Petitioner(s)
TO
OLIVIA PAIGE MARIANO-FORD
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that OLIVIA PAIGE FORD 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 OLIVIA PAIGE MARIANO-FORD.

OLIVIA PAIGE FORD
Petitioner
Dated: 6/12/2019
2854761

np 6/21,28,7/5

LEGAL NOTICE

JULY QUARTER 2019/20 SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENTS

The new assessed values for each parcel on the Supplemental
Assessment roll for New Castle County and school taxes for the
July Quarter of the 2019/20 tax year may be inspected in the
Office of Finance - Assessment of New Castle County ("Assess-
ment"). The office is located at the New Castle County Govern-
ment Service Center, 87 Reads Way, Corporate Commons, New
Castle, DE, 19720, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through
Friday.

These Supplemental Assessments will become effective July
1, 2019. Forms to appeal these Supplemental Assessments
may be obtained from Assessment at the address aforesaid and
must be filed with Assessment no later than 4:00 p.m. on July 31,
2019. The Board of Assessment Review of New Castle County
will meet in the New Castle County Government Center, or some
other public place to be announced, to hear appeals from these
Supplemental Assessments. The exact dates and times of such
hearings will be provided to the appellants in accordance with 9
Del. C. Sec. 8311.

2854791

np 6/28,7/5

SHERIFF'S SALE REAL ESTATE

**PUBLIC SALE AT THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING,
800 N. FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801
WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2019 AT 10:00 AM.
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AT 8:30AM ON THE DAY OF SALE*** YOU MUST HAVE A VALID STATE ISSUED ID,
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CHECKBOOK (NO STARTER CHECKS) TO PAY THE BALANCE OF SALE DEPOSIT*****

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**NOTE: BEGINNING WITH THE JULY 2019 SHERIFF SALE A 20% DEPOSIT
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PLANTIFF'S APPROVAL. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PARTICULAR PROPERTIES:
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**ADDRESS: 172 ROCKROSE
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SHERIFF #19-004733**

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PARCEL: 0803310039
SHERIFF #19-004736**

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NEWARK 19713
TYPE: JUDG
PARCEL: 0902840093C1605
SHERIFF #19-004818**

**ADDRESS: 133 BALMORAL
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TYPE: MTG
PARCEL: 1003330411
SHERIFF #19-004896**

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Sheldon Christian Henry,
residing at 9 Natalie Ln., New-
ark, DE 19713, will make ap-
plication to the judges of the
Superior Court of the State
of Delaware in and for New
Castle County at Wilmington
for the next term for a license
to carry a concealed deadly
weapon, or weapons for the
protection of my person(s), or
property, or both.

Sheldon Christian Henry
6/28/19
np 7/5 2857564

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Allen Nelson Fowle, Jr.,
residing at 7 Langley Court,
Newark, DE 19702, will make
application to the judges of
the Superior Court of the
State of Delaware in and for
New Castle County at Wilm-
ington for the next term for a
license to carry a concealed
deadly weapon, or weapons
for the protection of my per-
son(s), or property, or both.

Allen Nelson Fowle, Jr.
6/28/19
np 7/5 2857627

PUBLIC NOTICE: Please
take notice that Village at Fox
Point, LLC, by and through
their attorney, Jillian M. Pratt,
Esquire, and as the landlord
for the Estate of Gina Acierno,
deceased sole tenant, will be
commencing a summary pos-
session action in the Justice
of the Peace Court #13, in
New Castle County, for pos-
session of a residential rental
property located at 1417 Pros-
pect Drive, Wilmington, DE
19809 and for rent due in the
amount of \$1,172.00 pursuant
to Section 5719 (b) of the Del-
aware Landlord Tenant Code.

np 7/5 2857641



PUBLIC NOTICES

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
ALFRED VICTOR DANIELLE ROGERS JR.
Petitioner(s)
TO
VICTOR AL DANIELLE MARTIN
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ALFRED VICTOR DANIELLE ROGERS JR. 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 VICTOR AL DANIELLE MARTIN.
ALFRED VICTOR DANIELLE ROGERS JR.
Petitioner
Dated: 6/13/2019
2855174

np 6/21,28,7/5

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
JULIA MICHELLE MORGAN
Petitioner(s)
TO
JULIA MICHELLE ORTIZ
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JULIA MICHELLE MORGAN 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 JULIA MICHELLE ORTIZ.
JULIA MICHELLE MORGAN
Petitioner
Dated: 6/25/2019
2856696

np 7/5,12,19

CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

June 24, 2019 – 6:30 P.M. – CC

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

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (4) for the purposes of a strategy session, including those involving legal advice or opinion from an attorney-at-law, with respect to pending or potential litigation, but only when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body

(Executive Sessions to conclude at 7:00 p.m. with Council meeting to resume immediately after. Council may continue Executive Session after the conclusion of the agenda of the regular business meeting.)

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

- A. Potential Vote to Give Direction to the City Solicitor

SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- *1. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (15 minute limit):** None
2. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - A. Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers
 - B. University
 - (1) Administration (5 minutes per speaker)
 - (2) Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker)
 - C. City Manager
 - D. Council Members
 - E. Public (3 minutes per speaker)
3. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2019
 - B. Approval of Special Council Meeting Minutes – June 17, 2019
 - C. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes – June 24, 2019
 - D. Receipt of Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – June 4, 2019
 - E. **First Reading – Bill 19-15** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Temporarily Removing the Right Turn on Red Restriction at the Intersection of Chapel Street and East Main Street – **Second Reading – July 22, 2019**
 - F. **First Reading – Bill 19-16** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Prohibiting Parking at All Times on the North Side of Country Club Drive East of Stamford Drive – **Second Reading – July 22, 2019**
 - G. **First Reading – Bill 19-17** – An Ordinance Annexing and Zoning to RH (Single Family Detached Residential) 7.4 Acres Located at 1089 and 1091 Elkton Road – **Second Reading – August 12, 2019**
 - H. **First Reading – Bill 19-18** – An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Rezoning from MOR (Manufacturing/Office/Research) to RH (Single Family Detached Residential) 0.61 Acres Located at 0 Elkton Road – **Second Reading – August 12, 2019**
4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
- *5. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:** None
- *6. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - A. **Resolution No. 19-__:** Amending the Rules of Procedure for the 2019-2020 Council Year
 - B. General Assembly Update and Associated Requests for Council Direction – Lobbyist
 - C. White Clay Creek Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge Cost Estimate and Funding – Parks and Recreation Director
- *7. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**
 - A. Recommendation to Award Contract 19-09 – Annual Street Improvement Program Recommendation
 - B. Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process for Electric Cost of Service and Rate Design Studies
- *8. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** None
- *9. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:** None
- *10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:** None
- *11. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - A. Council Members: None
 - B. Others: None

*OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Agenda Posted – July 1, 2019

np 7/5

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Marva Hall
6/27/19
2857329

np 7/5

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IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
WESLEY ROBERT EBERLY
Petitioner(s)
TO
WESLEY ROBERT FERRO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that STEPHANIE FERRO intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her minor child's name to WESLEY ROBERT FERRO.
STEPHANIE FERRO
Petitioner
Dated: 6/26/2019
2856767
np 7/5,12,19

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
JULIE ANN HAMPTON
Petitioner(s)
TO
JULIE ANN BIDDLE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JULIE ANN HAMPTON 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 JULIE ANN BIDDLE.

JULIE ANN HAMPTON
Petitioner
Dated: 6/13/2019
2854941
np 6/21,28,7/5

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BUGS

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Joe Spadafino, director of parks and recreation for Newark, said the city treated 36 ash trees with preventative pesticides and is seeking grant funding to treat more.

“Hopefully, that will be able to save these trees, and they’ll become a seed source to replace trees once the EAB invasion passes,” Spadafino said.

A 2015 study found that of the 4,200 trees in parkland and along public right-of-ways in Newark, 14 percent are ash trees.

“It would have a big effect on the tree canopy in Newark to lose that many trees,” Spadafino said. “We’re trying to lessen the impact with some of the things we’re doing.”

Schmude and his fellow researchers finally found the first EAB in Newark last month. While driving around the city to check trees for the invasive pest, they spotted dying ash trees along Elktion Road.

Upon further examination, they spotted a live EAB crawling on one of the trees and saw the damage the insects caused. Schmude said the trees had likely been infested for more than a year.

Since then, they’ve found EAB infestations elsewhere in the city. “It’s already throughout Newark,” Schmude said.

EAB can fly up to two miles, but the first ones probably arrived in Newark as stowaways on a vehi-



PHOTO COURTESY OF USDA

Researchers are releasing wasps like these to help control the population of emerald ash borers in Newark.

cle or in a load of plants headed to a nursery, he said.

The USDA started releasing the wasps elsewhere in Delaware three years ago and expanded the effort to Newark two months ago. The releases will continue throughout the summer.

The wasps control the EAB population by laying their eggs inside or on the outside of the EAB eggs and larvae. When the wasps hatch, their larvae feed on the EAB larvae.

“Some species are basically like a tick sucking the juices out, and some species live inside the body fluid of the EAB and eat it from the inside,” Schmude said.

Biocontrol – the practice of im-

porting and releasing natural enemies from a pest’s native area – has long been used to combat invasive species.

“We went to China to look for what killed it there,” Schmude said.

Scientists then did extensive testing to make sure the wasps won’t cause harm of their own. Schmude said the wasps will only feed on EAB and other pests.

“They basically have to live off the EAB, so as the EAB population goes lower, the wasp population will go down. If the EAB population goes up, the wasp population will go up,” Schmude said. “They’ll keep each other in check.”



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A tree in Newark shows damage from the emerald ash borer.

According to the Delaware Department of Agriculture, any ash trees within 10 to 15 miles of a confirmed infestation are at risk.

Spadafino said Newarkers who have ash trees they wish to save

should contact an arborist to discuss treatment options, though he warned that treatment can be expensive. He also recommends that people planting new trees in their yard pick a species other than ash.

GRADS

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Statistics from this year have not yet been released.

Christina School Board President Meredith Griffin called the increase exciting but noted that the district still has improvements to make.

“We know that we have some significant areas of improvement as it pertains to student achievement. Wilmington is one of those places for us. I don’t think that what we’re looking at is a problem with children,” he said. “All children have the capacity to learn. We have to figure out as a district, which is not unique to Christina, what can we do to help these students succeed?”

Superintendent Richard Gregg said that in recent years, the focus has been more on the students as individuals, rather than as a whole.

“I think what we’ve done to improve it is to closely monitor our students from where they enter the schools. Our counselors and our guidance staff are paying special

Class of 2018 Graduation Rates

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- POLYTECH School District 95%
- Sussex Technical School District 95%
- New Castle County Vocational-Technical School 95%
- Smyrna School District 93%
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- Brandywine School District 85%
- Lake Forest School District 83%
- Woodbridge School District 81%
- Colonial School District 79%
- Capital School District 77%
- Seaford School District 74%
- Christina School District 73%

attention to make sure students are on track to graduate on time,” he said.

Griffin pointed to the same concept, that the district is striving to pay more attention to the details.

He noted the memorandum of understanding the district signed with the governor’s office and teachers

at the district’s Wilmington schools. He hopes that by improving elementary and middle schools in Wilmington, that will set students up for more success in high school.

“If we can do this right, if we can have this partnership move the needle for children, even if it’s incremental



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Christiana High School students graduate last month. The Christina School District’s graduation rate is the lowest of any district in the state.

in the beginning, that benefits the rest of the district and can be a model that can help those other districts that have lower performing schools throughout Delaware,” he said. “I’m hopeful for what’s going to happen in these schools, once we begin to get it started.”

Through the MOU, Christina reconfigured its Wilmington schools for students in grades one through eight so they will matriculate through two schools. The school board also extended the school year for students

at Bancroft and Bayard for 2019-2020. The changes began in 2018 and will continue through 2021.

“The problem we’re seeing is not unique to Christina, although it is a Christina issue as it pertains to schools performing low. We have schools that are performing well, students performing well, programs performing well,” Griffin said. “At various times, they’re recognized for that as well. We’re trying to address, and are committed to addressing, how do we make

sure all of our students are achieving?”

Griffin said the MOU strives to better enable educators to aid the various student populations they teach.

“When you look at where we may have lower performing schools, also balance that by recognizing that we have some schools that are performing well,” he said. “It’s our mission to make sure that that’s not isolated. We’re not OK with any child not reaching potential we know they have in them.”

Gregg noted that change takes years to see, and said the district is moving in the right direction.

“We’re hoping to continue that growth,” he said.

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