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Newark \$5.5 million bond issue on ballot

by Cathy Thomas

Newarkers will have the opportunity to say what they think of a \$5.5 million bond referendum proposed for the April ballot.

City council has scheduled a public hearing on the matter during its Feb. 26 meeting and is expected to place the issue on the April 10 ballot following the hearing.

The referendum will likely be split into three parts: \$1 million to partially fund construction of the water treatment plant, \$1.6 million to fund police facility improvements, and \$2.9 million to fund parkland acquisition.

City Manager Carl Luft has expressed some concern about the preliminary cost estimates for police station improvements.

Consultants were hired to study whether the city should build a new station or renovate the current facility. Council will go over the consultant's findings during a workshop meeting next week.

The 1990 city budget included a three percent property tax increase to fund the bond issue debt service and a similar tax increase is expected in the 1991 budget.

Residents must be registered by March 17 to consider the bond issue.

The Feb. 26 city council meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. in the Newark Municipal Building.

Police officers cleared

Two Newark city police officers have been cleared of brutality charges stemming from a struggle last December at a local liquor store, according to a police internal affairs investigation.

Police Chief William A. Hogan presented a report to City Council Monday night, saying that Cpl. James Weldin and Officer Gerald R. Simpson followed proper procedures in attempting to make arrests at the liquor store.

John S. Lane III, 25, and Melvin Callahan, 33, were arrested in connection with the incident. Lane and Callahan later told council that racial harassment by police was to blame for the arrests.

The two officers were in the Fairfield Liquor Store on Dec. 11 as part of the state's new "Cops in Shops" program. The program attempts to identify underage persons purchasing alcohol.

Full-year school plan moves ahead

by Neil Thomas

The Christina School District is moving ahead with plans for a voluntary year around school program, and hopes to identify potential school sites within the next few weeks.

The Christina board voted unanimous support for continuation of program planning during its monthly meeting Tuesday night at Etta J. Wilson Elementary School.

Year around school would alter the traditional school year by breaking the lengthy summer vacation into four shorter vacations.

As tentatively proposed, the school year would be made up of

VIKINGS TOP GLASGOW



Tyrone Hudson of Christiana High had the hot hand in a victory over Glasgow. Hudson scored 29 points in the game. See story page 11a.

Photo/Robert Craig

Seven-story hotel wins council approval

by Cathy Thomas

A seven-story hotel will be built on the corner of South College Avenue and the Christina Parkway following Newark City Council action Monday night.

Council approved the rezoning and subdivision plan for the 162-room Days Inn Hotel and Conference Center to be built on the five-acre site.

"There is a substantial need for the type of hotel we intend to build," said Jules Patt, owner of the Patt Corp. which will develop and manage the hotel. "This is a hotel

that will compete with the best hotels in the area."

Council approval came only after lengthy discussion. Several neighbors objected to the height of the hotel and expressed concerns about possible traffic and drainage problems.

"Frankly, I would feel differently if this were a first class development," said State Rep. Steven H. Amick, R-Newark. "This facility is going to dwarf everything around it."

Councilman Olan Thomas

reminded those attending the meeting that there was opposition when Main Towers was proposed for Main Street. Thomas said he has not received any complaints about the building since its construction.

Amick also objected to the traffic pattern, which will require motorists traveling north on South College Avenue to make a U-turn in order to reach the hotel entrance. "The traffic pattern is truly horrendous," he said.

The original plan submitted by the Patt Corp. called for a \$13 mil-

Schools seek 22 percent tax hike

by Neil Thomas

Citing booming enrollment, proposed salary improvements and the need to modernize facilities and equipment, the Christina School District board voted 6-1 Tuesday night to put a 22.4 percent property tax increase to the voters.

The board accepted a recommendation by Superintendent Iris T. Metts that the district ask voters to approve an increase of 16.5 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The increase in yearly tax on a home assessed at \$100,000 (in Delaware, assessments are lower than prevailing market prices) would be \$165. The current school tax rate is 73.5 cents, or, using the "sample home," \$735.

A referendum on the proposed increase will be held May 8, in conjunction with school board elections.

Metts said the proposed tax hike takes a long-range view of the district's needs.

"The district has to make a choice as to what kind of future development will take place," Metts said.

To maintain schools and to provide sound programs in the future "will all depend on funding."

"If we ask for nine cents, we will be in the same position next year," said Metts, who took office earlier this month. "The judgment of the administration is that a recommendation of nine cents will just not help us out in meeting our obligations. It is our belief, with this (increase), we will not have to return to the voters in the near future."

In conjunction with the referen-

See TAXES/2a

Medical Center: Pediatrics stays

by Cathy Thomas

As the dust settles on a controversy surrounding Christiana Hospital's pediatrics department, a local citizens group seeks more information on the issue.

The Committee for Family Health Care met Sunday night to discuss strategies for dealing with concerns that the Medical Center of Delaware might sell off part of Christiana Hospital's pediatrics unit to the Alfred I. duPont Institute, a children's hospital near Wilmington.

Medical Center officials have denied that pediatrics will be moved out of the hospital but have admitted to ongoing negotiations with the Institute.

In a Dec. 14, 1988 press release, the two medical facilities announced intentions to negotiate an agreement for the consolidation of some pediatric services.

Committee member Kathleen Kaminski said the group has established communication with Medical Center officials.

"We want to enter into this in the spirit of cooperation," said Kaminski. "Dr. (Michael) Norman assured the committee that no final decisions have been made."

Norman is the chairman of Christiana Hospital's pediatrics department.

See CENTER/2a



Dona Price.

Such "at-risk" students are the ones who stand to benefit most from year around school, he said.

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Holiday impacts trash collection

□ The City of Newark trash collectors will celebrate Washington's birthday on Monday, Feb. 19.

There will be no trash collection on Monday.

Trash normally collected on Monday will be picked up Tuesday, Feb. 20, and trash normally collected on Tuesday will be picked up Wednesday, Feb. 21.

City offices will be closed on Feb. 19.

Polly Drummond improvements set

□ The Delaware Department of Transportation will hold a public hearing next month to discuss the proposed improvement of Polly Drummond Road from New Linden Hill Road to Del. 72.

DELDOT representatives will present proposed plans for improvements including widening and reconstruction of the roadway, traffic signal upgrading, drainage system improvements and intersection modifications.

The hearing will begin at 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 15, at the Skyline Middle School in Wilmington.

Hockmuth enters Senate race

□ Don Hockmuth, a politician with the New Frontier Party, entered the 1990 U.S. Senate race in Delaware.

Hockmuth founded the New Frontier Party last year as an alternative to the Democrats and Republicans.

"Public confidence in our present political leadership to properly manage our government is at an all time low," said Hockmuth in a prepared statement. "Close to 50 percent of our citizens do not even vote which leads us to governance by a carefully, and at times, cynically crafted plurality of... special interest groups."

Hockmuth will seek formal endorsement of the New Frontier Party at their convention in June.

Senator Martin wins award

□ The Delaware State Bar Association has given the Distinguished Legislative Service Award to a Newark legislator.

State Sen. Roger A. Martin received the award during a reception recently hosted by the Bar Association.

William Wiggins, executive director of the Bar Association, presented the award to Martin. He referred to Martin as "teacher, legislator, linguist, and historian" who has "successfully breached the artificial barrier between the regions of learning and public action, and in so doing he has conferred distinction on both."



A youngster, face painted with a Valentine heart, makes cookies during the Downes Elementary School Fun Fair held Saturday.

Photo/Robert Craig

TAXES

Jum, Metts said she will appoint a Superintendent's Blue Ribbon Task Force to investigate management throughout the district. The focus will be on revenues and ways to manage those revenues.

School board member Georgia Wampler cast the lone dissenting vote, and explained later, "The superintendent mentioned a blue ribbon committee to get a handle on expenditures. I want to do that before asking for more money."

Metts said the money is necessary to meet the needs of district students, whose numbers are growing rapidly.

Each of the last two years, district enrollment has risen by more than 500 students, or, as Metts said, "a school every two years."

Current enrollment is 17,496. She also cited the need for improvement in staff salaries, not just to keep pace with inflation but also to compete for teachers and administrators with other districts in the region.

Finally, Metts said funds are needed to improve programs and facilities. New textbooks and equipment are needed in the classrooms, and many buildings are in need of maintenance and preventive care.

Also May 8, Christina voters will be asked to approve authorization of the use of \$2.92 million for construction of a new elementary

school on Walther Road in south Newark and purchase of land for yet another new elementary school at Barrett Run in north Newark.

No additional tax revenues will be needed for those projects because the district plans to use money from previous bond issues in conjunction with \$6.8 million in state funds.

The referendum will be held in tandem with the annual school

board election. Contested this year will be the seat currently held by George E. Evans of Wilmington.

During Tuesday's meeting, Evans voted in opposition to the May 8 election date, a Tuesday.

Last year, he said, the school board agreed to hold elections on Saturdays to make it easier for district residents to vote.

Evans proposed a Saturday, May 12 election date but was voted down 6-1.

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Hospital officials have indicated to committee members that tertiary pediatric services — long term intensive care — may be transferred to the Institute where there is access to sophisticated medical technology.

Under this proposal, Christiana Hospital would continue to provide pediatric trauma care — emergency

care for bodily injuries and shock.

"I think everybody on the committee recognizes the need for, perhaps, more sophisticated (pediatric) care," said Kaminski.

Kaminski said the committee accepts the Medical Center's official statement that no decisions have been made but that they are "still looking for information."

University won't punish youths in sexual assault

Officials plan to offer info on 'date rape'

University of Delaware officials announced last week that will take no action in the alleged gang rape of a 17-year-old female student, closing a five-month investigation into the incident.

University Dean of Students Dr. Timothy F. Brooks said the decision follows an intensive investigation and meets the wishes of the victim, who did not want to pursue action in the case.

The university freshman told police last fall that she was assaulted by several males at the Kappa Alpha house during the early morning hours of Sunday, Sept. 10.

The Delaware Attorney General Charles M. Oberly last week announced that there would be no

criminal charges filed against four men — two University of Delaware students — involved in the incident.

Brooks said new students should be educated early in their college career about the possibilities of acquaintance and date rape.

"One of the things she (alleged victim) said to me was, 'I wish the university had put more emphasis on the issue of acquaintance and date rape during orientation,'" said Brooks. "I agree with her. Our education will begin earlier."

The incident stirred emotions on campus, prompting some college groups to call for increased attention to the problem.

"I see that as a positive," said Brooks. "The one really good thing that has come out of this is a lot of concern on the part of university constituencies."

"This is an issue that's not going to go away."

Despite actions, apartheid persists

by Cathy Thomas

WILMINGTON — Apartheid persists in South Africa despite recent actions by the country's white-ruled government, according to two South African exiles living in Newark.

Dr. Sibusiso Nkomo and Dr. Renosi Mokate Friday urged people not to be confused by recent events in their homeland.

During a press conference hosted by Pacem in Terris, a community peace organization, Nkomo said U.S. foreign policy makers seem to be mesmerized by the pronouncements of South African president F.W. de Klerk.

"Policy makers must remember that de Klerk's statements are merely a partial articulation of the demands that the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa and internationally has been making on the apartheid authorities," said Nkomo, who has been exiled from South Africa since 1976. "De Klerk has no choice but to respond to the demands that the oppressed people of South Africa and the democratic world are calling for."

The South African government recently legalized the African National Congress (ANC), and released Nelson Mandela, jailed for leading the fight against apartheid.

Mokate, exiled from South Africa since 1978, said the history behind recent developments must

be kept in mind.

"It is clear to us that the (South African) regime has changed its tactics," said Mokate. "Let us not be confused."

"We recognize the basic conditions that made us leave South Africa remain untempered."

Mokate said the legalization of the ANC was only symbolic because the ANC was already unbanned by the people.

Echoing the comments of Sibusiso and Mokate is the Delaware Committee Against Racism and Apartheid. In a prepared statement, committee co-chair Ethylwyn Lang said they welcomed the legalization of the ANC but recognize that the apartheid system is still in tact.

Lang said sanctions against the apartheid regime should be increased.

"Now is not the time to reduce the pressure, but to increase it in order to leverage more progress and hasten the end of apartheid," she said.

Lang said her committee will contact Delaware representatives in Congress to push for sanctions against South Africa.

Mokate said the struggle against apartheid must continue to intensify.

"Until apartheid is no longer a reality, the struggle must continue."



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McDonald's cites youth as future history maker

Ruth DeLeon of Bear was recently chosen from among 150 Delaware Valley applicants as one of 10 finalists in the 1990 McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow competition.

DeLeon is a 15-year-old junior at Wilmington Christian School in Hockessin.

McDonald's restaurants of southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware invited area high schools to recommend their best students for the program.

Of those who qualified to send transcripts, personal statements and letters of recommendation, 50 were chosen to submit essays, titled, "The Making of Black History in the Future."

DeLeon, who maintains a 3.8 grade point average, has won awards for achievement in math, English and science. She is active on the school's field hockey and track teams and is a volunteer at the Medical Center of Delaware. Her essay outlined her thoughts on the accessibility of healthcare for African-Americans in the future.

"Economic conditions definitely have an effect on the poor state of black health. Urban societies are predominately black and in those environments the living conditions are often not conducive to maintaining good health. Many blacks live in areas with substandard health care centers. Further, many hold jobs which involve unhealthy work surroundings," DeLeon wrote in her essay.

"History will be made when all blacks in the nation have the same access to the health care system as do white Americans, when the life expectancy of blacks is the same as that of the whites. I look forward to the day when a nationalized and socialized health care system becomes a priority for all. This would result not just in the making of history for blacks, but history for the whole nation," she concluded.

Upon graduating from high school, McDonald's will award each of the finalists a \$1,000 college scholarship.

The selection as a program finalist also means a one-year tenure as a McDonald's "ambassador."

Last year's finalists participated



Ruth DeLeon.

in media interviews, a clinic with Olympic track star Jackie Joyner-Kersey, and a meeting with CBS reporter Ed Bradley of "Sixty Minutes."

The scholarships awarded in McDonald's Black History Makers of Tomorrow program are underwritten by Ronald McDonald Children's Charities (RMCC). Established in 1984 by McDonald's Corporation in memory of its late founder, Ray A. Kroc, RMCC funds non-profit programs benefitting children in education and healthcare. To date, RMCC has awarded more than \$19 million in grants nationwide.

Newark officials battle to keep trucks on Interstate 95

by Cathy Thomas

State transportation officials and local police may have another battle to fight to keep large trucks from bypassing the Interstate 95 toll booth.

City Councilman Harold F. "Hal" Godwin believes many truckers are traveling all the way into the center city area to avoid both the toll and police enforcement.

The trucks, he said, are exiting I-95 at Del. 896, traveling all the way to Main Street, and then taking Elkton Road back to the interstate.

"We've got truckers that are using our city streets to circumvent the toll," said Godwin. "It's more heavy trucks, wearing our streets out, causing potholes, and congesting traffic."

Trucks using the interstate to

bypass the toll booth has been a long-time problem for the city. State highway officials have taken action by posting warning signs for truckers.

The state also funds for increased police enforcement along Christina Parkway. Many truckers were exiting the interstate at Del. 896, traveling down the Christina Parkway and then taking Elkton Road back to I-95.

Godwin said he discovered the problem when he followed a large truck through the city.

"It's something I stumbled on myself. No one ever complained to me about it," he said. "I'm just astounded by my finding, by what I saw," he said.

City Police Chief William A. Hogan said he is researching the problem of trucks entering the

center city area to bypass the toll. "We don't think it's happening a lot," he said. "It's happening some. We've alerted the officers."

Hogan said he asked state highway officials to erect signs on Del. 896, warning truckers that they cannot travel beyond the railroad overpass near the Chrysler plant.

Hogan said the city has limited authority in controlling the problem since the streets are state roads.

"Unless the state prohibits truck traffic on state roads," he said, "there's no much we can do about it."

Police officers have stopped some trucks in the center city area, Hogan said, but not specifically for bypassing the toll booth. Trucks are allowed in the center city area to make local deliveries.

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Medical Center rumor 'tempest in a teapot'

Shirley M. Tarrant
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My grandmother would have called it a "tempest in a teapot."

I refer to the rumors that the Medical Center of Delaware intends to close all pediatric beds at Christiana Hospital and move them to Alfred I. duPont Institute.

As a trustee of the Medical Center, I am concerned when such incorrect and inaccurate information is spread throughout our community.

Since my letter was published in The Postbox last week, I have discussed the rumors with Allen Johnson, president of the Medical Center of Delaware; Dr. Michael Norman, chairman of the Pediatrics Department at the Medical Center; and John Abood, public affairs spokesman at the Center. All three gentlemen have assured me that the rumors are false.

It is true that the Center and the Alfred I. duPont Institute have been discussing since December 1988 a possible consolidation of selected pediatric services at the Institute under an affiliation agreement.

That agreement has not yet been reached.

If an agreement is reached, some of the inpatient services which may be transferred to the Institute are the

tertiary care cases (highly sophisticated, complex cases) such as: cystic fibrosis, pulmonary function problems, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, and liver transplants. All are very serious, long-term cases.

Christiana Hospital will continue to provide: pediatric trauma (violent body injuries and shock) and emergency care, including the appropriate number of beds to support these cases; neonatal intensive care (high-risk newborns); ambulatory care and pediatric heart surgery.

I am convinced that if this affiliation comes about, we will have the highest level of pediatric care for the children of Delaware and the region through this working partnership.

What more could a concerned parent ask?

At supermarket, be sure to ask for paper bags

Jean S. White
Radcliffe Drive
Newark

From an environmental standpoint, it is better to use paper bags rather than plastic bags.

Ideally, grocery stores should offer only paper bags. Short of that, they should routinely pack groceries in the brown paper bag but allow the customer to request plastic if desired. Short of that, grocery stores can routinely use plastic bags but openly allow the

customer the option of requesting paper bags by posting a sign as to the store policy and publicizing the customer's option of paper bags, as is done at a number of area supermarkets.

Pathmark Southern Division goes one step lower yet. It is switching to routine use of plastic bags because of the "dramatic savings." Furthermore, they purposely wish to make it a dark secret well-kept from the customer that paper bags will still be available upon request.

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Customers, if you prefer the familiar brown flat-bottomed paper bag because it holds large grocery orders better, can be used to cover schoolbooks, wrap packages and a myriad of other uses, ask for paper bags!

If you need an occasional plastic bag for carrying home ice cream or for your child to carry wet swimsuits, then ask for a plastic bag on an as-needed basis.

And if you just take all those grocery bags home and throw them out as soon as you unload your groceries, respect the environment

and demand paper bags. Ask the managers of Pathmark and the executives of Pathmark Southern Division to reinstate the paper bag for routine use, and demand that a sign be posted at each check-out counter informing customers openly of their choice.

Plastic bags may save Pathmark money, but the earth — and all of us — will pay in the long run.

In this, the year of the 20th anniversary of Earth Day, Pathmark Southern Division is acting out of short-sighted interests contrary to the needs of the environment and in the process is making a mockery of its customer service policy by trying to manipulate the customer and not dealing openly.

Smoke-free: Flying the friendly skies

John J. Chabalko
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American Heart Association of Delaware

Beginning Feb. 25, we are free to fly the new smoke-free skies thanks to the courage of Congress and the overwhelming support of the general public for a prohibition on smoking on airlines.

It is important to remember that a majority of smokers and non-smokers support this prohibition. Americans have come a long way in our understanding and intolerance of the evidence that the tobacco industry has been denying for so long — that the connection between smoking and heart disease, lung cancer, and emphysema is irrefutable.

We shouldn't forget too quickly the dramatic impact this landmark law will have on our health. Smoking still kills almost 40,000 Americans each year — more people than are killed by AIDS, alcohol, drug abuse, auto accidents, fires, murders and suicides combined.

Yet the tobacco industry continues with an unwavering voice to decry all anti-smoking policies as an infringement on individual rights, while with an equally powerful voice it continues to advertise and promote tobacco products to our young people here at home and ever-expanding overseas markets.

The new law is a victory for all airline passengers and a dent in the armor of the tobacco industry, which manipulates its hefty political muscle to shroud itself from public scrutiny and exempt itself from federal regulation.

We commend Congress for its bold step in support of the rights of all Americans to breathe healthier air.

And let the prohibition serve notice to the tobacco industry that we won't stand for its continued profiting from death and disease.

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All the exclusions, added together, may wipe out any tax liability for the year for the American working abroad — but not the requirement to file returns. The exclusions must be reported on Form 2555, attached to the 1040; if the form is not filed out, the exclusions or deductions do not apply. If the worker files late, after return to the United States, the Internal Revenue Service may or may not accept the form and/or may charge penalties and interest. Working abroad? Check your tax situation with the experts at

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Growing up is hard to do

New group helps parents cope with kids

by Suzanne Sczubelek

Growing up is hard to do. Especially for adolescents.

But there's another group that experiences the pain of that difficult age — the parents.

Now there's a local group for parents coping with adolescent stresses.

Parent Power, a support community established in October 1989, provides information on troubling teen issues, such as suicide, drug use, peer pressure and sexuality.

Bonny Hayes, a Pike Creek resident with a 22-year-old daughter, says she happened to start talking about parents' stress with Jack Rose, an organizer with the youth ministry at St. Thomas's Episcopal Church in Newark.

Hayes added her advertising and technical writing knowledge to Rose's experience with teens to form

the non-denominational, non-profit group.

Rose suggested the group because he wasn't aware of a similar support community available in the area, Hayes said.

Rose, a DuPont executive, is planning a move to North Carolina.

Parent Power also consults with Dr. David Mandelbaum of Wilmington. Mandelbaum spoke at one of the meetings and plans an April workshop.

The group saw a good turnout for the first speaker, which was held in October, Hayes said.

"I was overwhelmed with the response of speakers," Hayes said. "No one has charged anything."

The church funds the mailings, she said.

"We had to play it by ear. We didn't know what to expect at all."

At the first program, parents filled out a questionnaire detailing the areas they wanted future speakers to address.

Although drug use was a popular choice, Hayes said only about 20 people attended January's workshop on substance abuse.

Hayes believes the turnout was due to the difficulty of parents to accept they may have a substance abuse problem in their family.

Likewise, Hayes doesn't expect a large turnout for an upcoming suicide seminar.

Some parents who attend the workshops have dealt with adolescent problems in their family, but others are there for their own information. Members of social organizations use the speeches as a source of education.

"We're trying to help parents," Hayes said. "(The topics) are what people wanted to hear."

"This is a positive program to help parents deal with adolescents," she explained. "It's covering a need. I think it's unique in how it's being presented."

Upcoming Parent Power events include:

□ Feb. 21 "Enhancing Adolescent Self-Esteem." Bruce Palmer, a mental health counselor for the Tressler Center, will talk on how to encourage teens to encourage themselves.

□ March 21 "Being an Askable Parent in the 1990s." Stella Guest, social worker for the Children's Bureau of Delaware, will talk on strategies for communicating with teens about issues such as sexuality, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS.

□ April 18 "Coping with Adolescent Stress." Dr. Stephen C. DiJulio, president of the Delaware Psychological Association, will talk on how parents and adolescents can cope with stress.

□ May 16 "The problem of Youth Suicide: Focus on Prevention." Phyllis Mikity, member of the Delaware Youth Suicide Prevention Task Force, will speak on the warning signs of youth in crisis.

All presentations are free and will be held at 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas's Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark.

An all-day workshop on understanding and communicating with teenagers will be held April 28. There will be a nominal fee for the workshop.

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Delaware 'melting pot' for drug programs

Delaware will become a "melting pot" for substance abuse programs administered by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

DEA official John Lawn and Lt. Gov. Dale E. Wolf jointly announced the new initiative, which calls for a major conference to determine the most effective current substance abuse programs.

The announcement followed meetings last week between Wolf and DEA officials, including Frankie Coates, an international expert on substance abuse programs.

"Delaware was the first state to come to us at such an early stage in their substance abuse plan," said Coates. "This presents the DEA with a rare opportunity to create a melting pot of the very best programs from all over the world."

Wolf said Delaware will benefit from this agreement.

"This infusion of expertise is

going to make a tremendous difference here in Delaware," he said. "These people (DEA representatives) have been on the front lines of the drug battle all across the country."

"They know what has worked and what has not."


Two specific programs were discussed during meetings with the DEA. Those programs are the Mid-Atlantic Workshop on a Drug Free Workplace, which will be held in Delaware later this year for small and medium sized businesses and

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Wolf said he contacted the DEA in order to increase the state's available resources to fight substance abuse.

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St. Mark's sparks interest in science

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For more than 250 area students, that first spark of scientific greatness may have been struck during the annual St. Mark's High School Elementary Science Olympiad, held Feb. 3.

Students in grades four through six from 16 area Catholic and independent schools participated in 72 events testing skills and knowledge in biology, chemistry, physics, earth science and mathematics.

Academic preparation was the key for those students who competed for gold, silver and bronze medals. But the not so secret formula for the Olympiad's success is simply fun, according to Margaret Christoph, who initiated the project at St. Mark's three years ago.

"In this country we need to build an interest in science," said Christoph, named Delaware's chemistry teacher of the year in 1989, "so maybe we can first build the interest in the elementary school and do it by having activities that are fun.

"Game activities are fun. Students like sports competition and maybe this carries over into an academic area such as science."



A two-student team competes in the Elementary Olympiad.

For example, in an event called "Structures," students are given 50 drinking straws, 25 straight pins and 20 minutes to build a tower that will be loaded with weights until the structure collapses. The structure with the largest value of height times weight is the winner.

In the "Pentathlon," teams of students have to race through an obstacle course while stopping at

designated points to answer a series of science questions.

"Write It Do It" tests the competitors' ability to communicate with colleagues. One student is shown a Tinker Toy contraption, then has 25 minutes to write a description of the object and how to make it. His or her partner then takes the description and attempts to build a replica of the original.

Gregory Meece, Elementary

Olympiad spokesman, said the competition is unique in that it brings together people from many different science backgrounds.

"Almost 50 volunteers worked at this year's Olympiad," said Meece.

The Olympiad was made possible for the second year by a grant from the Chemical Industry Council of Delaware.

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□ Susan C. Fou of St. Mark's High School and Traci D. McMillian of Christiana High School are among 1,500 semifinalists in the 1990 Presidential Scholars Program.

The program was initiated in 1964 by President Lyndon B. Johnson and is overseen by the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars.

Students selected for the program will visit Washington, D.C. June 16-20 during National Recognition Week. They will be presented Presidential Scholar medallions and participate in activities with elected representatives, educators and others in public life.

Semifinalists were selected from 11,000 students who were identified as potential candidates for the program based on exceptional scholastic achievement.

Five hundred finalists will be named in early April, and 141 winners in May.

Fou is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C.M. Fou, and McMillian is the daughter of Arthur and Velma McMillian.

Christiana PTSA prom fashion show

□ The Christiana High School PTSA will hold a prom fashion show at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 7 in the school auditorium.

Models will be wearing gowns from Paul DeAnn's, Lady Dy's and A Tux of Class, and tuxedos from Formal Affairs and Tuxedos Unlimited.

There will be refreshments and door prizes. Tickets cost \$3 and will be available at the door.

Wilmington High Class of '40

□ The Wilmington High School Class of June 1940 is planned a June reunion. Members are asked to contact Leo E. Daney at 998-5550 or Margaret Giammatteo Hannagan at 998-3866.

Newark High Class of '55

□ The Newark High School Class of 1955 is planning a 35th anniversary reunion to be held May 5 at the Newark Country Club.

Organizers have been unable to contact some class members and are seeking information on them. If you know the whereabouts of these alumni, call Esther Burris at 368-1428.

Betty Abrams, Floy Bullock, Margaret Case, Syble Crawford, Barry Fink, Bessie Lou Gardiner, Howard Griffith, Mary Holloway, Andrew Kraft, Anita Long, Anna Ludman, James McCleary, Grace Miller, Richard Schultz, Robert Sharp, Paul Shaw, Pat Seni, Jean Skold, Ellis Smith, John Strong, Richard Thayer, Harriet Wagner, Betty Jane Zistl and Maya Zistl.

ASSE seeks host families

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Lady of Grace registration set

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Brookside School playground cited

□ Brookside Elementary School has been awarded a Delaware Recreation and Parks Society Friends of Recreation Award for its new playground.

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Newark Lions teen-of-year

□ The Newark Lions Club is accepting nominations for its 15th teenager-of-the-year program.

This year, the awards will be limited to one male and one female who are students at Newark High School. Recipients will receive a \$300 award and a certificate of honor.

Family members, organizations and teachers can submit nominations, which are due April 3. Application forms and instructions are available in the guidance office.

Objectives of the program are to promote good citizenship and encourage students to take active interest in the civic, commercial, social and moral welfare of the community.

Governor cites Delaware Tech

□ Gov. Michael N. Castle has proclaimed February to be Delaware's Community College Month and has cited Delaware Technical and Community College.

Delaware Tech has educated more than 10,000 graduates since its founding.

DuPont planner to speak at Goldey

□ Paul J. Roessel, planning and new business development director for the DuPont Company, will give the next lecture in Goldey-Beacom College's "Europe 1992" series.

Roessel will speak at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19 in the Fulmer Center Lounge on the college's Pike Creek campus.

A graduate of Boston University with a degree in economics, Roessel is co-chair of the Delaware Governor's International Trade Council and a partner in the development of the state's World Trade Center.

The lecture series addresses the impact of the European economic community on the United States and Japan.

Brandywine open house

□ Brandywine College will hold an open house for prospective students 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 25.

Students interested in attending Brandywine, located on U.S. 202 north of Wilmington, will have an opportunity to meet with faculty members and administrators and tour the campus.

For details, call the Office of Admissions at 447-2009.

Bowles named to dean's list

□ Brian E. Bowles of Newark has been named to the fall semester dean's list at Norwich University in Northfield, Vt.

Bowles, of Pheasant Lane, is a junior majoring in computer science business.

Bates College cites Oberle

□ April L. Oberle of Newark, daughter of William and Sarah Oberle, has been named to the first semester dean's list at Bates College in Lewiston, Maine.

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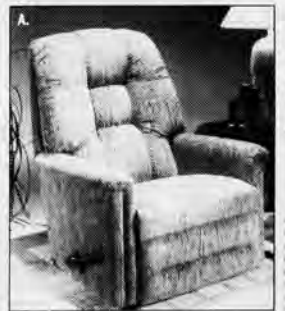
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Christiana business students honored during banquet

Christiana High School's top business students were honored during the annual Business Professionals of America employer-employee awards program held recently in the University of Delaware's Clayton Hall.

Business Professionals of America is a school-based organization for students interested in business careers.

Business Professionals of America Week is being celebrated Feb. 11-17 in conjunction with National Vocational Education Week.

The following students were recognized for outstanding performance, and will be eligible to participate in the state leadership conference March 1-3:

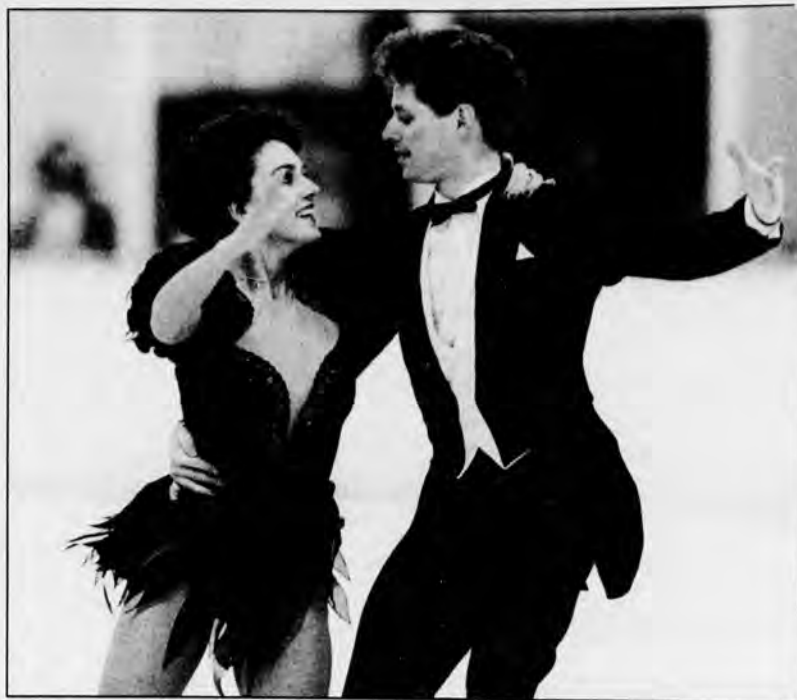
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- Job Interview II: Rebecca VanPelt, first; Karen Phillips, second; Lisa Sartin and Renee Rogers, tie, third.
- Shorthand I: Donnia Melton, first.

AT A GLANCE/BUSINESS WEEK

Christiana High School students are celebrating Business Professionals of America Week Feb. 11-17 with a variety of special activities.

Adrienne Reynolds and Melanie Frechette and executive board officers attended a proclamation signing hosted by Wilmington Mayor Dan Frawley, James Donovan and Joyce Pascual can be heard every morning and afternoon on radio station WNRK-AM, and alumni Brian Sammons and Kim Morton are speaking with business students.

- Business English: Rebecca VanPelt, first; Karen Phillips, second; Jennifer Slade, third.
- Office Occupations: Tina Maske, first; Lisa Sartin, second.
- Keyboarding: Kada Hill, first; Maureen Richards, second; Charles Oliver and Jennifer Rosenberg, tie, third.
- Introduction to Business: Lori Smith, first; Marianne Hill, second; Eric Cherry, third.
- Business Math: Mary Welch, first; Christine Singleton and Kelly Winfree, tie, second.
- Data Processing: Cheryl Truxon, first; Cynthia Rash, second.
- Recordkeeping: Jami King, first; Patricia Renshaw, second; Christine Singleton, third.
- Advanced Office Occupations: Sharon Jenceleski, first; Debbie McClain, second; Derek Zimmerman, third.
- Special Data Entry Award: Karen Phillips, first student to consistently reach more than 10,000 strokes per hour.
- Introduction to Typing: Christine Glines, first; Dawn Hopkins, second; Bridgette Daponte, third.
- Typing I: Surita Bhatia, first; Amy Dunn and Namita Singh, tie, second; Shonta Portlock and Kelly Rawley, tie, third. Most improved student, Nicole Wilmore.
- Word Processing: Jennifer Keedy, Rachel Pfeifenroth, Sandy Hillman and Jennifer Fatkin, tie, first; Sharon Jenceleski and Sandy Preske, tie, second; Marcia Horner, third.
- Intermediate Typing: Brian Keyes.
- Computer Specialist: Mike Metcalf.
- Typing II: Melody Burnett and Sharee Parke, tie, first; Frannie Kettner and Margie Vega, tie, second; Kendra Savage and Kim Clair, tie, third. Honorable mention, Eileen DePaul and Kim Vied.
- Verbal Communications: Prepared I, Contessa Murray. Prepared II, Adrienne Reynolds. Extemporaneous II, Joyce Pascual and Robin Longacre.
- Emblem Building Team: Adrienne Reynolds, Joyce Pascual, Melanie Frechette, James Donovan, Christine Glines, Deborah McClain.
- Parliamentary Procedures Team: Adrienne Reynolds, Joyce Pascual, Melanie Frechette, James Donovan, Christine Glines, Deborah McClain, Contessa Murray, Derek Chastain.
- Special Award in Word Processing: Jami King.



UD skating send-off Sunday

The University of Delaware will host a special send-off Sunday, Feb. 18 for members of its ice skating team who will compete in the world championships.

The send-off exhibition will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday in the Blue Arena of the university's Ice Skating Science Development Center on South College Avenue in Newark. Doors will open at 3:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for children and free for youths two and younger. Tickets are on sale 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, and 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays at the Blue Arena office.

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Surveys show that approximately 82 percent of hospitals in the U.S. comply with medical waste disposal standards recommended by the Centers for Disease Control.

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Also contributing mightily are physicians' offices, dentists' offices, outpatient clinics, nursing homes, ambulatory surgery center, dialysis centers and blood banks.

"Infectious waste," said Plotzer, "simply cannot be thrown in the trash. Under new regulations in Delaware, it is stated that infectious waste must be properly labeled and packaged, treated, stored and disposed of correctly."

Plotzer's company has a special interest in the issue of waste disposal as the local dealer for the Isolysier company.

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The system meets EPA standards for storage, transportation, landfill and incineration. For details, call

Medical Distributors at 737-3385.

Dan Casey returns to WNRK

After an absence of nearly 20 years, Dan Casey has returned to radio station WNRK-AM with a daily sports commentary show, "Sports Today."

Casey has been covering Delaware sports for 33, and served as WNRK morning disc jockey from 1969 to 1971.

"Sports Today" will be heard weekdays at 7:30 a.m.

TCI expands to Maryland

TCI (TeleCall, Inc.), a national marketing services agency based in Newark, has expanded its operations to Salisbury, Md.

The Salisbury office is the third location for the company. TCI expanded to Dover in October 1988.

"We are pleased to be in Salisbury," said Linda C. Drake, owner and president of TCI. "After searching several areas, we chose this community because of the ideal proximity to our Dover office and the availability of the reliable workforce."

Drake said TCI is "testing the market this year, hoping we can expand to a larger office in 1991."

TCI has been in operation for more than two years. The company provides business-to-business and business-to-consumer telemarketing and market research services for major national accounts such as E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company, JC Penney Life Insurance Company, and Western Union.

TCI's Delaware offices employ more than 500 people.

Design engineers in demand

The recent earthquake in San Francisco demonstrated the importance of structural engineering: What stood and what crumbled was largely determined by how it was designed.

Yet, design courses are often taught by inexperienced, new Ph.D.'s, according to Arnold D. Kerr, professor of civil engineering at the University of Delaware.

Kerr has become increasingly concerned about the imbalance of research and design in engineering education.

To remedy the situation, the university's civil engineering department has hired an accomplished engineer, Charles A. Dolan, to teach design and develop a master's degree program that will concentrate on structural engineering design.

Engineering schools must satisfy the design requirements of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, but Kerr said most schools don't fulfill the requirement "in word and spirit."

"I read the journals," he said. "The schools advertise for young Ph.D.'s who can do research but have essentially no design experience."

Kerr said he believes the educational system is hurting America's tradition of "Yankee ingenuity."

The more design-oriented students get discouraged with the concentration on technical research and go into other fields, he said.

Kerr pointed out that Fred Waring invented the blender in 1939 but it took a Frenchman to invent the food processor, which is really just an extension of the blender.

"I am not a designer," Kerr said. "I am an engineering scientist. But

I believe that design has to be re-introduced into universities for the good of the United States and the economy."

Speaking from experience, Dolan said today's engineering graduates are "very good analysts but lousy designers."

AT A GLANCE/OPEN HOUSE

The College of Engineering and the Engineering College Council at the University of Delaware will hold an open house for high school students and their parents from 6-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22.

Dean R. Byron Pipes will present an introduction to the College of Engineering at 6 p.m. in Room 120 Smith Hall, followed by a guided tour of the college facilities, student projects and demonstrations.

After the tour, visitors will gather with undergraduate engineering students, alumni, faculty and the dean for refreshments and an informal discussion period.

The open house is held annually in conjunction with National Engineers Week. For information, call 451-8659.

"Most engineering firms are leery about hiring recent grads because they need help," he added.

Delaware's engineering students will get plenty of design help from Dolan, a 20-year veteran who designed the fourth most heavily used transport system in America — the monorail at Walt Disney World.

His other projects include the Detroit Downtown People Mover, the Denny Creek Bridge and the inter-terminal system for the Dallas/Fort Worth airport.

Adding more design to the curriculum will make Delaware's graduates more marketable and better engineers, Dolan said.

Insurance Group featured in ad campaign

The Insurance Group of Delaware and Kevin Thomas, president of its Property and Casualty Agency, are featured in an advertising campaign for Nordhaus Insurance Marketing Services, a firm that specializes in producing newsletters and collateral materials

for more than 4,500 insurance agencies nationwide.

Thomas utilizes the firm to communicate with his clients through a newsletter that Nordhaus produces and distributes.

"We were surprised by the request to feature IGD in the

Nordhaus ads," said Thomas, "but

when we looked at the figures reflecting our growth and realized the important part the newsletter communication and other Insurance Marketing Services' products had played in maintaining and growing our position, we were pleased to

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Phenomenal growth sparked the interest of Insurance Marketing Services. In the last nine years, Insurance Group of Delaware's premiums have surged from \$325,000 to \$6 million, an increase of more than 1,800 percent.

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Bruce Thompson flexes to victory in the tall open class.

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Newark contractor named Mr. Delaware for 1990

by Steve Canaday

To the capacity crowd at Dickinson High last Saturday night, there was little doubt who Mr. Delaware 1990 would be.

Manuel Velasquez, a 29-year old contractor from Newark, won eight trophies including awards for best arms, best legs, best chest, best back, best abdominals and most muscular en route to his unanimous victory in the 28th Annual Delaware AAU Bodybuilding Championships.

"I've been bodybuilding for seven years now," Velasquez said after the competition. "The first three years I trained, and I've been competing for the past four."

Velasquez, who overcame four years of near misses at the Mr. Delaware title, said he worked extremely hard this year to improve

his lower body.

"I concentrated this year on my legs and my calves," he said. "My symmetry is better now than it has ever been. I'm more complete now that my calves and legs are bigger and in better proportion."

Velasquez's stiffest competition came from the only other Newark resident in the competition, Bruce Thompson.

Thompson, a health and physical education instructor at St. Mark's High School, captured the open tall class, but finished behind Velasquez, who had taken top honors in the open short class.

"I heard there were supposed to be a few guys at the competition who were really good," the 5-foot 7-inch, 190-pound Velasquez said, "but when I saw the other competitors, I knew it was mine."

The new Mr. Delaware, who trains at High Energy Gym in Newark, said he looks forward to competing in the upcoming Mr. National competition, which is slated for March in Pittsburgh.

In other competition, Wilmington's Barry Warner, a 19-year old student at Delaware Technical and Community College, took top honors in the Mr. Teenage Delaware championship.

Warner, who captured the teen short class, edged 18-year old tall class champ Daryl Ford for the teen overall title by a 4-3 count.

In the Ms. Delaware competition, Maria Boulden, a 25-year old chemical engineer at DuPont, took the title as the only contestant. Boulden, who has been bodybuilding for the past year and a half, also hails from Wilmington.

Hens win rough and tumble ECC contest over Lafayette

by Steve Canaday

When the University of Delaware hosted East Coast Conference rival Lafayette Saturday, the game was so rough that the possibility of a rematch at season's end in the ECC Tournament prompted Blue Hen senior captain Renard Johnson to remark, "Call the paramedics!"

Actually, Lafayette may have already sent out the call.

Before the sixth largest crowd ever at the Field House, Delaware demolished the Leopards 89-58 for the Blue Hens' most lopsided win in the 68-game series between the two teams.

The win was Delaware's 16th consecutive home victory, which leaves them only one shy of the all-time record of 17 straight set way back in the 1951-53 seasons.

Lafayette's physical pick-and-roll offense — which seemed to involve quite a bit of elbow and knee work — backfired on the Leopards, when it incurred the wrath of the Hens.

Delaware held a slim 18-14 lead just over ten minutes into the game when the Blue Hens' star forward Alexander Coles was ejected after an altercation with Leopard guard Greg Bishop.

"There was a lot of pushing and shoving," Coles said after the game. "They were playing kind of dirty and I guess we just got caught up in it."

Coles, who claimed he was retaliating, got tossed, but Bishop

remained in the game — for a while, anyway.

Delaware's second leading scorer this year, Coles led all scorers in the game with eight points when he was sent to the locker room. It looked a little bleak for the Hens, but Mark Haughton scored ten of Delaware's next sixteen points to spark a run that saw Delaware post a 34-21 halftime lead.

After the incident in the first half, it looked like the game might settle down, but Lafayette's Bishop wasn't done, and neither was Delaware.

Only 6:47 into the second half, another altercation involving Bishop — this time with Haughton — resulted in the ejection of both players.

With Coles and Haughton gone, and Blue Hen starting center Denard Montgomery in foul trouble, it looked like Delaware might be in danger again, but again the Hens rose to the occasion.

This time it was the play of the bench that not only kept the Leopards at bay, but actually increased the Delaware lead.

Off the bench, freshman center Spencer Dunkley contributed 11 points, while freshman guard Kevin Blackhurst added 10. Two more first yearmen, Anthony Wright and Jeff Haddock, added eight apiece.

"We got some good play off our bench," Delaware coach Steve Steinwedel said. "We had four guys in double figures, and three

more right below that."

After going out early, Coles was happy to see his teammates come off the bench and carry the load.

"I don't consider those guys as freshmen," he said of Dunkley, Blackhurst, Wright, and Haddock. "They play hard against us in practice. To me, they're just other team members."

Those "other team members" certainly did the job against Lafayette. After Haughton's ejection in the second half, Delaware's five, consisting of three and sometimes four subs, increased the Hen lead from a 15-point bulge to the eventual 31-point difference.

Delaware, which has won every home game this season, has lost every road game. The Hens are 12-9 this season with 11 home wins, nine road losses, and a neutral site victory. After evening this year's series with Lafayette at 1-1 (the Leopards topped Delaware earlier this season 79-76 in overtime in Easton, Pa.) senior captain Renard Johnson was asked about the possibility of a tournament rematch.

"It would be a good game," the four-year veteran said. "I would think there's a little bad blood now because of some of the things that went on today, but it would be a fun game to watch and a fun game to play."

Better have the paramedics on alert, just in case.



Bodies went flying as Delaware's Alexander Coles grabbed a rebound in a rough, tough East Coast Conference victory over Lafayette. Should the two teams meet again in the conference tournament, one Blue Hen said officials should be prepared to "call the paramedics."

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Newark American sign-ups set

□ Newark American Little League, which this year is offering a new senior league, will hold registration for its spring season 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17; 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24.

Sign-ups will be held at the VFW Field Clubhouse behind the Newark Municipal Building on Elkton Road.

To register, please bring a copy of your birth certificate, and a parent (drag one along) with proof of residence. Registration fee is \$25 for major and minor leagues and \$35 for the newly forming senior league.

Midway girls softball sign-ups

□ Girls between the ages of 6 and 19 who are interested

in playing softball should check out the Midway sign-ups, which begin Saturday, Feb. 17.

Sign-ups will be held at the Western YMCA on Kirkwood Highway and H.B. duPont Middle School in Hockessin. They will run for four consecutive Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the YMCA and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at H.B. duPont.

Players will be placed in one of five divisions based on age and ability, and the \$35 registration fee is tax-deductible, and pays for everything except shoes and gloves.

Pitching and catching clinics are being offered, and those interested can call Bob Klop at 999-9059 for more information.

George Taylor wins medals

□ Newark's George Taylor, competing in the Philadelphia Master Indoor Track and Field Meet at St. Joseph's University, captured four first places competing in the 55-59 age group. Taylor took top honors in the 55-yard hurdles, the 55-yard dash, the 600-yard run, and the shot put events.

Free throw shooting contest

□ It's time once again for Newark's annual free throw shooting contest. The Newark Department of Parks and Rec sponsored event will take place 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Newark Hall Gym on Academy and Lovett Streets.

Each contestant in age groups 9-11, 12-13, 14-16, and 17-over will shoot ten free throws, with trophies awarded to the top three finishers in each division.

Basketballs will be provided and registration will be at the site for \$1. Participants should wear sneakers or gym shoes.

Suburban LL registration

□ The Suburban Little League will be holding registration for the 1990 season 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 at Colwyck, Pleasantville, and George Read Schools.

Everyone between ages 6 and 15 as of Aug. 1 is eligible to register, and should bring a copy of their birth certificate for proof of age.

An additional registration period has been slated 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Elks Lodge off Del. 273.

There is a \$10 registration fee, and anyone with questions may call 328-0130 for more information.

St. Mark's grad sets records

□ John James, a 1987 graduate of St. Mark's High School, ran two of the fastest times in Marietta College track history last week in a meet at Ohio Wesleyan University.

James, who ran track for two years at St. Mark's under head coach Joe O'Neill, turned in a 6.5 second 60-yard dash and a 33.1 second 300-yard dash to earn a place for himself in the Marietta record books.

Tyrone Hudson scores 29, leads Vikes

by Steve Canaday

A second half scoring explosion by Tyrone Hudson and some clutch foul shooting helped Christiana High School hold off a stubborn Glasgow team for a 66-60 road victory Friday night.

Hudson, who led all scorers with 29 points, hit for 20 in the second half, scoring many of his points in the paint after offensive rebounds.

Glasgow, led by Patrick Williams' 26 points, never gave up, but every time they got close, the Vikings responded.

"The effort was there tonight," Glasgow head coach Scott Cressman said afterwards, "but it seemed like every time we were within striking distance, we took ourselves out of the game a little bit."

Christiana went into the half holding a slim 27-26 lead. Bryant Harris, the Vikings' leading scorer this season connected for 10 in the first half, while Hudson netted nine. But it was the Vikes' defense that gave them the lead, as Christiana worked hard to close down the Dragons' inside game and keep Glasgow off the glass.

"We ran a lot of multiple zones tonight, and we were hoping to confuse Glasgow a little bit," Christiana head coach Ron Hollis said. "We wanted to create a situation where they couldn't get their people on the floor where they wanted them. We kept mixing it up, and it was effective."

On the other bench, Glasgow head coach Scott Cressman said he knew coming into the game that his Dragons didn't match up well with Christiana down low.

"We were four of 20 in the paint in the first half," he said. "We had an inside game earlier in the year, but that's been taken away as teams have started collapsing on us. We looked for outside shooters for the longest time, but they just weren't there. Tonight we had the outside game, but we just couldn't get it going underneath."

Williams connected on several long range bombs to keep Glasgow within a point at the half. The Dragons' senior guard hit two 3-pointers and led all scorers with a dozen points when the two teams went into the locker room at halftime.

A Williams jumper two minutes into the second half knotted the game at 31-31, but that was the last time the Dragons would hold a share of the lead.



Photo/Robert Craig

Stephon Curtis of Glasgow High gets off a shot in loss to cross-town rival Christiana.

In a crucial stretch in the third quarter, the Vikings reeled off the next eight points while holding Glasgow scoreless for over three minutes. Christiana held the lead the rest of the game, but not without some pressure from the Dragons.

With 3:07 remaining, Hudson worked free underneath and made an old-fashioned 3-point play, complete with foul shot, to give the Vikes a 59-51 lead.

But Glasgow responded as Williams forced a steal and hit the lay-up on the break to trim the Viking

lead to six. Less than 30 seconds later, Williams struck again when he buried his third 3-pointer of the game with 1:53 left to pull the Dragons to within three at 59-56.

Christiana, needing a bucket, worked the ball down low to their hot hand, and Hudson connected on a short jumper to give the Vikings a five point cushion.

After another Williams breakaway basket made it 61-58 with 53 seconds left, Glasgow was forced to foul to try to get the ball

back. But the Vikes responded well at the charity stripe. The last five Christiana points all came on free throws, as Stan Brunson connected on the front end of a one-and-one, and William Ripley and Bryant Harris hit both ends of their one-and-ones to secure the Christiana victory.

"This was a big win for us because Glasgow is a very good basketball team," Hollis said. "Their record doesn't reflect how good they are. They have a lot of really great basketball athletes."

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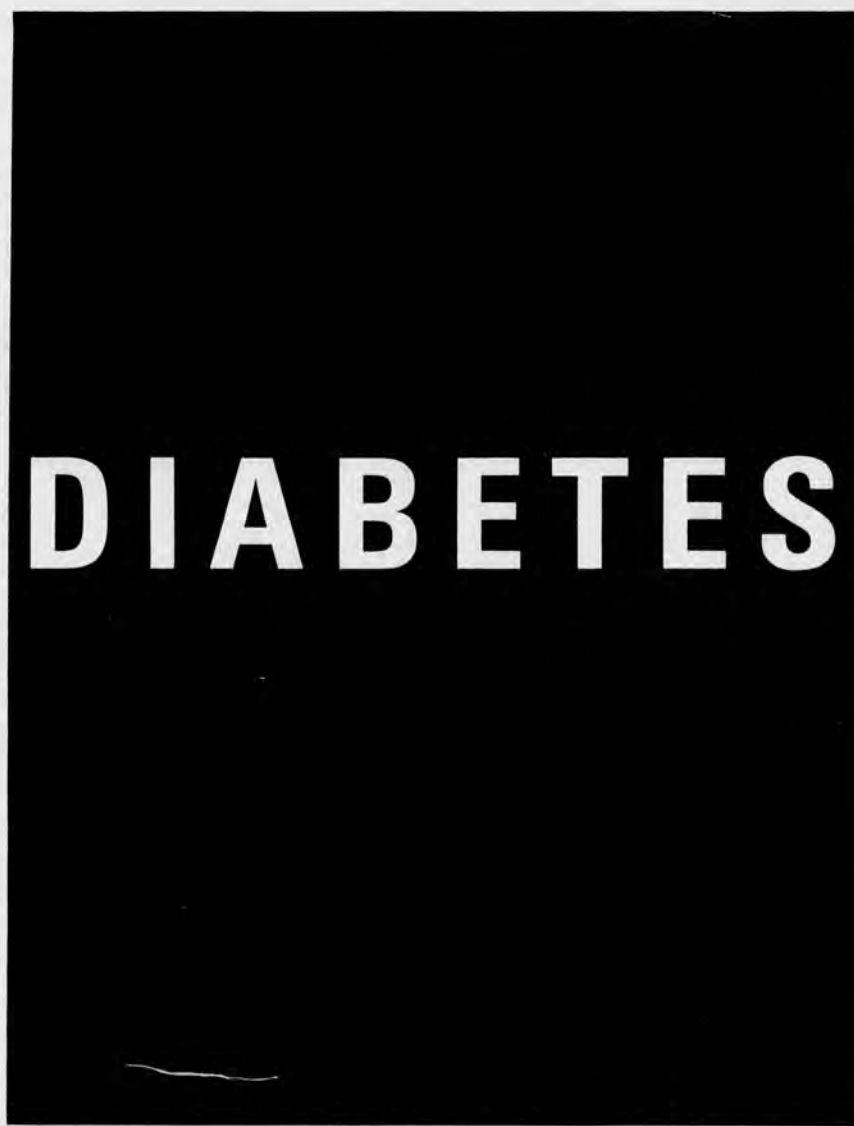
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Newark, Wilmington eye hoop showdown

It looks like the Newark High School Yellowjackets, 12-0 in Blue Hen Conference Flight A and 15-3 overall, are headed for a showdown with Wilmington High with state bragging rights at stake.

Newark cruised to two BHC Flight A victories last week and figure to represent the flight in the annual meeting of division champions.

Last week, Newark beat Concord

69-58 and dumped William Penn 76-59. Devon Chambers led all scorers in the Concord contest as he hit for 25 points. Anthony Southerland scored 13 for Newark.

Against William Penn it was the same one-two punch for the 'Jackets, as Chambers finished with 20 and Southerland hit for 18. Derrick Jackson, one of the state's premiere sixth men, came off the bench to chip in 13 against Penn.

Christiana (8-9 overall) notched

two victories last week as well, and evened its conference record at 6-6. The Vikings began the week with an exciting 71-69 win over Delcastle on the strength of 38 points by scoring sensation Bryant Harris. They then topped city rival Glasgow 66-60 (see story page 11a).

Glasgow (8-10) split a pair of conference games, dropping William Penn 56-40 but falling to Christiana.

The Dragons had little problem

with Colonials, as a balanced scoring attack and solid second-half defense proved decisive. Pat Williams led Glasgow with 12 points, followed by Stephon Curtis with 10, Duffy Samuels with nine, and Elliott Loper with eight.

Caravel (8-10 overall) fell to Philadelphia Girard 106-91, then downed Ferris 104-74. Neither game saw much emphasis on defense, and in the first two Buccaneers hit for career highs —

freshman forward Chris DiMascio had 39 points and junior Mac Dixon had 36. Dixon also scored 31 against Ferris, and DiMascio and center John Reed added 22 each.

Hodgson (6-9) took two of three games last week, including a BHC Flight B victory over Middletown. Hodgson stopped Ferris 66-59, fell to Howard 117-51, then topped Middletown 68-57. Titus Shaw scored 32 points against Howard, and another 30 against Middletown.

Caravel girls now 13-4

The Caravel Academy girls basketball team (13-4) picked up a win and a loss last week, falling to Wilmington Christian 71-48 before downing Avon Grove, Pa. 55-35.

Despite 21 points from senior guard Mo Query, the Bucs were unable to handle Wilmington Christian, which shot 57 percent from the field. But Buc fortunes changed two days later as three Caravel hoopsters hit for double figures against the Devils. Erica Patton had 16 points, Query 14 and Vicky Jones 11 in the victory.

St. Mark's (12-5) fell to Kennett Square, Pa. but regrouped to top Catholic Conference rival Ursuline 48-46. St. Mark's fought back from a 26-18 halftime deficit to surge ahead in the third quarter after a 15-4 run. The victory evened the Spartans' record in the tough Catholic at 3-3.

After downing conference foe Concord to begin the week, Newark

(11-5) hosted the William Penn Colonials conference bragging rights. Penn had beaten the 'Jackets by 11 in their first matchup earlier this season, and Newark was looking for revenge.

After a half of basketball, Newark and Penn stood tied at 24. The third quarter belonged to the Colonials, however. They built a 41-30 lead and looked to be in total control. Newark, led by a tenacious defense, fought back to close the gap to three points, but ran out of time. The Colonials held on for the 43-40 win.

Sophomore Kim Burke led 'Jacket scorers with 11 points, while Marie Roundtree had 10 and Christy Ward added nine. Penn hit 18 of 43 shots, while Newark only managed 16 of 53.

Glasgow (9-8) split a pair of conference games last week. After falling to William Penn 71-33, the Dragons rebounded with a 42-31 victory over Christiana. Donna

James paced the Dragons with nine points against the Colonials. In the win over Christiana it was Jones leading the way with 10 points, followed by Nikki Tarantino with nine and James with eight.

Christiana (5-12) began the week by registering their third conference win, a 29-18 defeat of Delcastle. Melanie Hackworth and Kelly Mozee led the Vikes offensively with seven points a piece. In other action, Christiana fell to Glasgow 42-31 despite ten points from Christy Burke.

A 20-4 second period run by Howard cost Hodgson (4-11) a conference game to begin last week. The Silver Eagles fell to Howard 59-35 despite Doreen Fields' 12 points. The Eagles fought back to pick up a BHC Flight B win over Middletown later in the week. Elaine Russell exploded for 22 points in Hodgson's 44-36 victory. Hope Archie chipped in 11 toward the win.

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Is the nation reading?

Games, gizmos compete for time

by Suzanne Sczubelek

As America celebrates national reading month, there is an increasing amount of competition for free time once spent reading and concern that such competition is diminishing literacy.

Does reading still rate in this electronic age of Nintendo, Walkman and CDs?

Sally Brown, director of New Castle Public Library, maintains that the number of customers there has been "holding steady" through the past few years.

However, she has noticed a decline in children's reading.

Instead of choosing such classics as "Little Women," kids are selecting books with lots of pictures. Books that used to be on the shelf for third graders are being read by fourth graders, she said.

Danielle Steele and Jackie Collins are often whisked through the checkout desk, along with Hollywood biographies, Stephen King thrillers and mysteries.

An ardent handful of science fiction buffs frequent the library as well.

A good collection of seldom-used books includes non-fiction best-sellers, Brown says.

"And there's still a demand for the gentler books, like Jane Austen, which steer clear of realism," she says.

Paula Higgins, a senior employee of Volume II book store on Main Street in Newark, says that children's literature is a main seller, and the store takes pains to stock Caldecott Medal winners.

Cashiers there ring up a good number of Thomas Pynchon's "Vineland" and Robert Fulghum's "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten."

Study guide notes are a perennial best seller, and mystery and fiction does well, she says.

Customers clammer for more books like "Clan of the Cave Bear" by Jean Auel, but the author passed away within the past year, Higgins says.

Around town, people are reading all sorts of things.

Newark Police Chief William Hogan peruses professional journals and keeps updated with news magazines.

Likewise, State Sen. Robert T. Connor finds little time for novels but reads books dealing with legislative or administrative matters.

He did take time out recently, though, to finish an 18-chapter book by Arnold Palmer on golf.

H. Thomas McGuire, New Castle city council president, maintains he does not read fiction but thrives on World War II military history, with such favorite authors as William Manchester, Antonia Fraser and Barbara Tuchman.

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Newark photographer Karl Leck won a Delaware Camera Club gold medal for this work entitled "Greg Best."

57th Wilmington photograph exhibition will open Sunday

An exhibition of outstanding photographs from around the world will open this weekend in Newark.

The 57th Wilmington International Exhibition of Photography, one of the largest and oldest juried competitions in the United States, will open Sunday, Feb. 18 in Clayton Hall on the University of Delaware's north campus.

The exhibition will run through March 4, with free public receptions 1-5 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 18 and Feb. 25.

Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fridays. For weekend and evening hours, call the Clayton Hall front desk at 451-1259.

More than 750 photographers from the United States and Europe submitted entries to this annual international competition of prints and slides.

Of the 4,017 prints and slides submitted, the jury accepted 1,115 and awarded 51 medals and 167 honor ribbons.

Slides and prints are judged for technical quality, composition and interest. Photographic Society of America gold medals are awarded for best of show in five categories.

Gold medals were awarded to Tak-shing Cheung of Australia for best color print, Turner O. Veith Jr. of San Antonio, Texas for best monochrome print, Joseph Brilla of Burton, Ohio for best color slide, Barbara Pike of Denton, Texas for best photojournalism print, and John Sokol of Lakewood, N.J. for best photojournalism slide.

Delawareans who won awards include Karl Leck of Newark for two outstanding photojournalism prints, "Greg Best" and "Hopping Mad"; William F. De Marski of Wilmington for an outstanding monochrome print, "Miss M"; Ray Firmani of Wilmington for the monochrome print, "Union Officer"; and Aavo Koort of Wilmington for the photojournalism slide, "The Poster."

This is the 12th year that the exhibition, sponsored by the Delaware Camera Club in cooperation with the university's Division of Continuing Education, has been presented at Clayton Hall.

The show is considered the nation's oldest continuous photographic competition endorsed by the Photographic Society of America.

Players open 'Nerd,' honored by city

by Nancy Turner

The Chapel Street Players' production of the Larry Shue comedy "The Nerd," directed by Craig A. Hall, opened Friday to a full house in Newark.

Alan Harbaugh plays the title character, a "nerd" who pays an awkward visit to an old Army buddy, Willum Cubbert, played by Blair Ferguson.

There are appearances by Bob Schaefer as Axel Hammond, a meddling neighbor, Cindy McHenry, Chris LeGuilloux, Tom Sweeny and Gavan Young.

The comedy takes place in the Cubbert apartment in Terre Haute, Ind.

On opening night, the first act got off to

a rather slow start but was salvaged by the subtly humorous Schaefer.

Fortunately, when the nerd arrived on stage both the story and the audience seemed to warm up quickly.

Harbaugh is very entertaining in the lead role. The awkwardness that his character brings to otherwise common events is transmitted to the audience to the extent that they feel a little uncomfortable and embarrassed also. They responded favorably.

The play will continue Feb. 16, 17, 18, 23 and 24. Tickets may be obtained by calling the company box office at 368-2248.

Opening night began on an especially

festive note when Newark Mayor Ronald Gardner presented the Chapel Street Players a certificate naming them the official theater group of Newark.

The honor was granted Nov. 13, 1989 by Newark City Council because the community theater organization has attracted a broad spectrum of people who have worked together for many decades to enhance the cultural experience of the city.

Philip J. Dowd Jr., president of the Chapel Street Players, accepted the honor on behalf of the organization.

Chapel Street Players, now boasting a membership of more than 300 people, with more than 100 actively involved in

play production, was originated 56 years ago by a small group of University of Delaware and town drama enthusiasts.

The first plays were performed in Mitchell Hall by the University Drama Group, as the organization was called in its early years.

Since its inception in 1934, the organization has produced more than 170 plays for community enjoyment.

The current playhouse, a former church, was purchased 19 years ago and has been undergoing major renovations since 1989. Central air conditioning, currently being installed, is the most recent of these improvements.



HOMEFRONT
Dorothy Hall

Esther: Weighting for Godot

Esther's dieting. Again. I'm not sure why. She says she has a perfect reason for dieting — she needs to lose weight. If you ask me, Esther needs to lose, at the very most, one-half pound. That's right, one half of a pound. To look at it another way, she needs to shed approximately eight ounces.

If Esther wasn't such an otherwise terrific friend and all around nice person, it would be very easy for the rest of the ladies of the lunch table — who are dieting or should be dieting — to loathe her. Not that I am gossiping, but you should hear Esther whine. Patrice put it best: "Esther's diet involves cutting out her pre-bedtime ice cream, thereby justifying her right to snivel about the agony of fitting into society's norms."

Patrice is a hard bitten professional when it comes to dieting. She can tell you the caloric content of a large fresh apple (117), a two-inch wedge of cheesecake without strawberry topping (257) a whiff of divinity fudge (378 per shallow whiff, 905 per deep whiff) a tablespoon of grated horseradish (12), a cup of sauerkraut juice (8), and three slices of baked venison (200).

She knows the potassium content of bananas (high), the cholesterol levels of peach yogurt and Baby Ruth candy bars (20 milligrams per eight ounces and 0 mg per 1.8 ounce piece, respectively) and how to get complete protein in vegetarian meals (mix rice with lentils or bean curd with sesame seeds).

Patrice is such an expert that she knows exactly where to put her feet on the doctor's scale to minimize her weight gain.

She not only knows that she is big boned, but that she is heavy haired. Thanks to her logic, I now believe that very curly permanents decrease your weight because your hair floats. Patrice is checking on her dentist because she suspects that he uses extra heavy material when he fills her cavities. Finally, she has proven scientifically that the right hand mirror in the ladies' room minimizes double chins and the mirror in her upstairs bathroom makes eyelids look fat.

I'm not nearly the calorie expert that Patrice is, but I know something about exercise: climbing 15 flights of stairs on a dare may use up heaps of calories, but it leaves your thighs, gluteals and hamstrings twanging for a week. Just last week I read that soon it will be illegal to jog until you look great in those shiny tights, which is the only reason that I haven't taken up marathoning.

Not wanting to be completely out of touch, however, I learned some exercise lingo: interval training, cross training, work through the burn, washboard belly, personal trainer, upper body toning, power walking, and target heart rate.

If you ask me, there is something inherently unfair about the way calories are burned. You can't tell me that reading a Thesaurus, making 14 dozen peanut butter cookies for the Cub Scouts, sorting 127 socks, pacing the living room until a teen comes home from a date, and driving 178 carpool miles per week with four trombone

See ESTHER/4b

Met marks 50th

by Phil Toman

Do you know what happened 50 years ago in New York City that has profoundly changed the lives of large numbers of Americans? It certainly changed mine and many of my generation. It changed many before and since, too.

Part of what happened centered around a building dubbed "The Yellow Brick Brewery" that once stood between 39th and 40th streets on Broadway. It now involves a magnificent structure which is the central focus of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts a little further up Broadway.

Another important part of what happened centered around one of America's petroleum giants with offices well above New York City in a place called White Plains.

But the most important "place" involved in the story is your home, car or office, wherever you listen as "Texaco Presents The Metropolitan Opera."

This is the 50th anniversary season of the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network broadcasts.

The business types are quick to point out that this is the longest continuous sponsorship in radio history. True as that is, the most important thing is what those 50 years of broadcasts have accomplished.

Opera after opera, Saturday afternoon after Saturday afternoon, year after year, decade after decade, they brought opera into homes on the North American continent and beyond.

When I was in elementary and high school, a Wilmington radio station carried the broadcast. Now local listeners have to turn to WFLN-FM (95.7) in Philadelphia or WBJC-FM (91.5) in Baltimore to enjoy the opera. Too bad no Delaware radio stations are inter-



Milton Cross, the "voice of the Metropolitan Opera" for 44 years, made opera come alive for generations of devoted listeners.

ested in such superb broadcasts. Says something, doesn't it?

The half-century relationship began quietly on Dec. 7, 1940 when Milton Cross introduced the first Saturday matinee broadcast of the new season, Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro."

Milton explained, "The matinees are now under the auspices of The Texas Company, manufacturers of petroleum products. You can trust your ear to the man who wears a star."

I admit I was too young to hear him say it the first time, but I heard him saying it for many years. For those who enjoyed the opera broadcasts, can't you just hear those words rolling off his tongue? In jest, and jealousy, it was often heard that his voice was so perfect because he gargled with vanilla extract.

The program had aired before the Texaco sponsorship as a sustaining broadcast of the National Broadcasting Company, also with Milton at the helm.

As the photo with my column

today clearly shows, he was a one person team, giving his interesting commentary and doing his own engineering. That has changed. Next time you are at the Met, go to the Grand Tier and see the broadcast setup Texaco has today. It's a far cry from a space in box 44 at the old Met.

Milton Cross's association with the radio opera broadcasts goes all the way back to 1931. The very first opera on the series was "Hansel and Gretel" on Christmas Day. Himself a fine tenor, Milton stockpiled operatic lore for ad libs. He was never at a loss for words about opera throughout his 44 years at the mike.

He died of a heart attack preparing for his broadcast scheduled for the next day. Milton missed only twice in 44 years, at the tragic death of his young daughter and at the death of his beloved wife. That's quite a record. He truly loved his work.

As the years passed, the broad-

casts left NBC and moved to ABC in 1943 and to CBS in 1958. But a problem began to bother the folks at Texaco. Many of the stations were now using the tape recorder to "delay" the broadcasts to suit themselves.

Affirming "an obligation to present Saturday matinees live on the radio," the Metropolitan Opera and Texaco commissioned G.H. Johnson, Inc., to organize an independent group of stations into the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network, linked by AT&T cables.

This Saturday on the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network, broadcast locally on WFLN-FM or WBJC-FM at 1:30 p.m., you can hear Saint Saens' "Samson et Dalila" with Charles Dutoit conducting. In the cast are Placido

Domingo as Samson, Shirley Verrett as Dalila and Alain Fondary as the High Priest.

More about the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network, and more pictures, next week.

Newark Chamber concert Saturday

For folk fans, Willow presents Spaelimenninir

The Newark Symphony Chamber Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark.

The program will include Diver-timento for Strings in D, K. 136 by Mozart, Symphony No. 2 in D, Opus 36 by Beethoven, and Concertino for Oboe and Strings by Arrigo Pedrollo, featuring soloist Eric Bennett.

The concert also features solo and small ensemble works.

Goodwill donations of \$3 per person are suggested, though not required.

Chamber performances are provided by musicians from the Newark Symphony Orchestra and coached by music director Roman Pawlowski.

This is the third concert of the four-part chamber series.

Also this week, the Green Willow Folk Club will present a concert by Spaelimenninir at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 at Immanuel

Episcopal Church, 17th Street and Riverview Avenue, Wilmington.

Spaelimenninir specializes in music from Scandinavia and the British Isles, and performs using a wide variety of instruments.

Tickets cost \$9 in advance, \$10 at the door. Children 12 and younger will be admitted free. Call 994-0495 or (215) 444-0446.

Other concerts include:

□ Korean guest conductor Chai-Dong Chung and viola soloist Barbara Westphal will join the Delaware Symphony Orchestra in performances at 8 p.m. Feb. 15-17 in the Grand Opera House Wilmington. For tickets, call 656-7374.

□ The Delaware Art Museum will host a concert of Baroque music performed by University of Delaware faculty members at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18. The concert is free and open to the public.

□ The University of Delaware Gospel Choir, Hazekiah Walker and Love Fellowship Choir, and Angelic Voices of Faith will perform at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 in the University of Delaware's Newark Hall on Academy Street. Admission is \$8, \$5 for university faculty, staff and students.

Pianist John Browning to perform in Newark

John Browning, hailed as "one of the most gifted pianists of his generation," will perform Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23-24 at the University of Delaware as part of the Friends of the Performing Arts series.

Both concerts will begin at 8 p.m. in Mitchell Hall on South College Avenue in Newark.

Tickets, at \$20 for the general public, \$16 for senior citizens and university faculty and staff, and \$8 for full-time students, are available by calling 451-2204.

Browning's program will include sonatas by Haydn and Chopin, as well as works by Schubert, Debussy and Liszt.

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Met marks 50th

by Phil Toman

Do you know what happened 50 years ago in New York City that has profoundly changed the lives of large numbers of Americans? It certainly changed mine and many of my generation. It changed many before and since, too.

Part of what happened centered around a building dubbed "The Yellow Brick Brewery" that once stood between 39th and 40th streets on Broadway. It now involves a magnificent structure which is the central focus of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts a little further up Broadway.

Another important part of what happened centered around one of America's petroleum giants with offices well above New York City in a place called White Plains.

But the most important "place" involved in the story is your home, car or office, wherever you listen as "Texaco Presents The Metropolitan Opera!"

This is the 50th anniversary season of the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network broadcasts.

The business types are quick to point out that this is the longest continuous sponsorship in radio history. True as that is, the most important thing is what those 50 years of broadcasts have accomplished.

Opera after opera, Saturday afternoon after Saturday afternoon, year after year, decade after decade, they brought opera into homes on the North American continent and beyond.

When I was in elementary and high school, a Wilmington radio station carried the broadcast. Now local listeners have to turn to WFLN-FM (95.7) in Philadelphia or WBJC-FM (91.5) in Baltimore to enjoy the opera. Too bad no Delaware radio stations are inter-



Milton Cross, the "voice of the Metropolitan Opera" for 44 years, made opera come alive for generations of devoted listeners.

ested in such superb broadcasts. Says something, doesn't it?

The half-century relationship began quietly on Dec. 7, 1940 when Milton Cross introduced the first Saturday matinee broadcast of the new season, Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro."

Milton explained, "The matinees are now under the auspices of The Texas Company, manufacturers of petroleum products. 'You can trust your car to the man who wears a star.'"

I admit I was too young to hear him say it the first time, but I heard him saying it for many years. For those who enjoyed the opera broadcasts, can't you just hear those words rolling off his tongue? In jest, and jealousy, it was often heard that his voice was so perfect because he gargled with vanilla extract.

The program had aired before the Texaco sponsorship as a sustaining broadcast of the National Broadcasting Company, also with Milton at the helm.

As the photo with my column

today clearly shows, he was a one person team, giving his interesting commentary and doing his own engineering. That has changed. Next time you are at the Met, go to the Grand Tier and see the broadcast setup Texaco has today. It's a far cry from a space in box 44 at the old Met.

Milton Cross's association with the radio opera broadcasts goes all the way back to 1931. The very first opera on the series was "Hansel and Gretel" on Christmas Day. Himself a fine tenor, Milton stockpiled operatic lore for ad libs. He was never at a loss for words about opera throughout his 44 years at the mike.

He died of a heart attack preparing for his broadcast scheduled for the next day. Milton missed only twice in 44 years, at the tragic death of his young daughter and at the death of his beloved wife. That's quite a record. He truly loved his work.

As the years passed, the broad-

casts left NBC and moved to ABC in 1943 and to CBS in 1958. But a problem began to bother the folks at Texaco. Many of the stations were now using the tape recorder to "delay" the broadcasts to suit themselves.

Affirming "an obligation to present Saturday matinees live on the radio," the Metropolitan Opera and Texaco commissioned G.H. Johnson, Inc., to organize an independent group of stations into the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network, linked by AT&T cables.

This Saturday on the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network, broadcast locally on WFLN-FM or WBJC-FM at 1:30 p.m., you can hear Saint Saens' "Samson et Dalila" with Charles Dutoit conducting. In the cast are Placido

Domingo as Samson, Shirley Verrett as Dalila and Alain Fondary as the High Priest.

More about the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network, and more pictures, next week.

Newark Chamber concert Saturday

For folk fans, Willow presents Spaelimennir

The Newark Symphony Chamber Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark.

The program will include Diverimento for Strings in D, K. 136 by Mozart, Symphony No. 2 in D, Opus 36 by Beethoven, and Concertino for Oboe and Strings by Arrigo Pedrollo, featuring soloist Eric Bennett.

The concert also features solo and small ensemble works.

Goodwill donations of \$3 per person are suggested, though not required.

Chamber performances are provided by musicians from the Newark Symphony Orchestra and coached by music director Roman Pawlowski.

This is the third concert of the four-part chamber series.

Also this week, the Green Willow Folk Club will present a concert by Spaelimennir at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 at Immanuel

Episcopal Church, 17th Street and Riverview Avenue, Wilmington.

Spaelimennir specializes in music from Scandinavia and the British Isles, and performs using a wide variety of instruments.

Tickets cost \$9 in advance, \$10 at the door. Children 12 and younger will be admitted free. Call 994-0495 or (215) 444-0446.

Other concerts include:

□ Korean guest conductor Chai-Dong Chung and viola soloist Barbara Westphal will join the Delaware Symphony Orchestra in performances at 8 p.m. Feb. 15-17 in the Grand Opera House Wilmington. For tickets, call 656-7374.

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LIFE FILE

Newark AAUW seeks used books

The Newark branch of the American Association of University Women is accepting donations for its annual used book sale to be held March 1-3 at the Newark United Methodist Church on Main Street.

In addition to books, the branch will accept records, games, maps, puzzles, posters and magazines of special interest.

For information or to arrange pick-up, call 731-4039 or 731-4647. Also, cartons are placed in the lobby of the Newark Free Library for collection of materials.

The annual sale benefits the educational foundation programs and conferences of the AAUW.

She will program director. She will conduct the screening.

All members of Chapter 85 and other NARFE chapters are invited to attend. Luncheon will follow the program.

'Aging Eye' NARFE topic

A presentation on the "Aging Eye" and screening for cataracts and glaucoma will be featured when Newark Chapter 85 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 in the Glass Kitchen restaurant, Glasgow.

Guest speakers John T. Hitchens and Donna M. Vierheller of Parris-Castoro Cataract and Laser Center of Bel Air, Md. will discuss eye diseases and conditions that affect sight as people age.

They will also screen for glaucoma and cataracts.

Hitchens, a native of Newark, is a registered nurse-anesthetist and is supervisor of anesthesia service at the center.

Vierheller is an optometric technician and is senior vision

Language courses offered by city

Mini-courses in foreign languages are being offered this spring by the Newark Department of Parks and Recreation.

The courses are based on the U.S. military speed-up learning method. Students will be instructed in basic greetings and general conversation conducted at restaurants, airports and hotels.

A class in Arabic will meet 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays beginning Feb. 21 in the George Wilson Center, 303 New London Rd.

Japanese will be offered Wednesdays, March 21 through April 4, and French will be offered Wednesdays,

May 9 through May 23.

Course fee is \$32 for city residents, \$34 for the general public. For details, call 366-7060.

Newark names Valentine winners

The Newark Department of Parks and Recreation has announced the winners of its annual Family Valentine Contest.

In the preschool category, Katie Ellis, 3, won first place and honorable mention went to Douglas Adams, 5, and Quay Cobb, also 5.

Eric Justice, 7, won first place in the 6-7 category with an edible Valentine designed for his grandmother. Honorable mention was awarded Jonathon Ellis, 6; Katie McCormick, 6; and Eric Winter, also 6.

In the elementary age group 8 and older, Robert Winter won first place for "biggest, brightest, most beautiful Valentine" with a weaving project, and Eric White was honored for the most original Valentine, a tuna fish can for his cat. Patrick Lamb was cited for a Valentine cake made of sweet gum seed pods, ribbon and candy.

Honorable mention went to Michael Davis, Angela M. Custadio and Brandy Winnington.

Adrian Marsh, 14, submitted the best Valentine by a teenager, a lovely hand-stitched heart with an original poem.

Best adult Valentine was designed by Janice Robinson, who made a flower-filled wall decoration.

Master Gardeners offer workshops

Spring sessions open March 8 on UD campus

The Delaware Master Gardeners will offer a series of spring workshops beginning March 8 and running through May 23.

Master Gardeners, trained through a Delaware Cooperative Extension program, will present programs on rejuvenating landscape, planning and planting gardens, selecting plant materials, caring for roses and solving garden problems.

There will be slide presentations, hands-on exercises, individual instruction and handouts.

All classes will be held on the University of Delaware campus in Newark. Sessions are as follows:

"Rejuvenating Your Landscape," 7-9 p.m. Thursday, March 8, Room 032 Townsend Hall. \$5.

"Landscape Design," three sessions, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays, March 13, 20 and 27, Room 103 Worriwlow Hall. \$20.

"Vegetable and Berry Gardening," 7-9 p.m. Thursday,

March 29, Room 032 Townsend Hall. \$5.

"Gardening With Annuals," 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, the greenhouse. \$5.

"Flowering Trees and Shrubs," 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, Room 032 Townsend Hall. \$5.

"The Care of Roses," 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, Room 032 Townsend Hall. \$5.

"Shade Trees and Evergreens," 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, Room 032 Townsend Hall. \$5.

berry will share slides of a recent trip to Malta, Sardinia and Corsica.

Guests are asked to bring a bag lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided by the library.

On Thursday, April 19, the Delaware Herbalists will discuss growing herbs. Representatives of the group will discuss how to start an herb garden, the best herbs for this area, and garden maintenance.

Concluding the series Thursday, May 17 will be a talk by Frank Scarpitti on the Grade B Western. He will discuss the popular movies of the 1930s and 1940s that featured such screen cowboys as Tom Mix, Buck Jones and Tim McCoy. Film clips will be shown.

For more information on the series, call the library at 731-7550.

BOOKS REMAIN POPULAR

Tuchman also heads the favorite author list of former Newark mayor William Redd, who also dotes on World War II literature.

Redd's interest is fueled from having served in the Pacific Theater during the war.

Redd, who says that retirement yields time for him to catch up on his reading, is in the middle of three works — Hedrick Smith's "The Power Game"; "The American Journey," by Richard Reeves; and "Benny Goodman and the Swing Era," a book given to the Big Band

fan for Christmas.

Tom Wolfe's "The Bonfire of the Vanities" ranks as an all-time favorite.

Redd, a Baltimore native, also asserts his loyalty to the acid pen of Charm City's H.L. Mencken.

ESTHER IS 'WEIGHTING'

players and a timpanist isn't worthy of significant calorie depletion.

Sometimes I wish I had Grace's attitude. She has banned all foods and beverages with the word "lite" on the label. Moreover, she won't get on a scale because she says she doesn't care how much she weighs

just as long as size 16 is too big.

But back to Esther, all size 8 of her, wishing she were a size 6.5 and expecting us to ooze sympathy as she wimpers her way through a day without cream cheese on her mid-morning bagel, marshmallows in her midafternoon cup of cocoa and

her bedtime bowl of butter brickle icecream.

At least Esther's not as ignorant about calories as my better half who, until I brought a note home from the doctor, was sure that beer was calorie-free because you could see through it.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR/5b

Friday, Feb. 16

□ Newark Senior Center, 9, AARP tax help, bowling; 9:30, shopping; 10, Over 60 Fitness, Signing Group; 1:30, Senior Players.

Saturday, Feb. 17

□ Newark American Little League will hold sign-ups for spring league play 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the VFW Field clubhouse behind the Newark Municipal Building off Elkton Road. Registration will also be held 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24. Newark American is offering a new senior league for older players. For details, call 368-8026.

□ New Castle Little League will hold registration 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the NCLL complex on Frenchtown Road. Sign-ups will also be held noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 and 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21. League play is open to boys and girls ages 8 to 15. Fee is \$25, with discounts if a family registers more than one child.

□ Fifth annual Delaware anti-quarian book show and sale will be held 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the DuPont Country Club, Rockland Road, by the Lions Club of Wilmington. Admission is \$3.

□ Newark Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 4 will hold a casino night 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Aetna Fire Hall on Ogletown Road. Admission is \$5. For tickets, call 366-7110 or 366-7120.

Sunday, Feb. 18

□ Delaware Natural Society will hold Native Wild Animals Day 1-4 p.m. at the Ashland Nature Center, Brackenville Road, near Hockessin. There will be live animal shows featuring native and exotic species, bird walks, displays and audio-visual presentations. Admission is \$2. For details, call 239-2334.

□ Delaware Museum of Natural History's 2 p.m. Natural Wonders presentation will be on drills, members of the baboon family. Guest speaker Gail Hearn will make a

slide presentation on the endangered species. For details, call the museum at 658-9111.

□ Gail and Russ Hatton of the Brandywine Dulcimer Fellowship will entertain with traditional songs, ballads and fiddle tunes at 2 p.m. in the Brandywine Creek State Park Nature Center. For details, call 655-5740.

□ Preregistration is due today for an Owl Prowl to be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 20 at Brandywine Creek State Park. John Janowski, amateur birder, will lead the outing. Fee is \$1. Call 655-5740.

□ Newark Center YWCA, 318 S. College Ave., will continue its Sunday evening travelogue series with a presentation by Wallace and Pat Crook, "Escape to the Bahamas." The Crooks spent the winters of 1986-87 and 1988-89 traveling on a sailboat designed by Wallace. The trips have been from the Bohemia River in Cecil County, down the Intra-Coastal Waterway to Florida, then on to the Bahamas. Fee is \$3 for Y members, \$3.50 for the general public. For reservations, call 368-9173.

Monday, Feb. 19

□ An adult and pediatric Heart Saver course, featuring cardiopulmonary resuscitation training, will be held 6-9:30 p.m. tonight and Thursday, Feb. 22 at Union Hospital in Elkton, Md. For details, call 731-0743, ext. 1276 or 1277.

□ Evening Arthritis Club, sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation, will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Concord Presbyterian Church. Call 764-8254.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

□ Newark Preschool Hour will be held at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. The program is for children ages 3-6. For details, call 731-7550.

□ Newark Chapter 85 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will meet at 11 a.m. in the Glass Kitchen restaurant, Glasgow. A special program on the "Aging Eye" will be presented by John T. Hitchens and Donna M. Vierheller of Parris-Castoro

Cataract and Laser Center of Bel Air, Md. They will discuss eye diseases and conditions that affect sight as a person grows older, and will offer glaucoma and cataract screening.

□ Newark Senior Center, 9, bowling; 10, Bible study; 12:30, shuffleboard, 500, Tuesday After Lunch program on "Security At Home" with Charles McCall of the Delaware State Police; 12:45, beginners bridge; 1, Stamp Group with guest speaker Tom Poot of the U.S. Postal Service; 1:45, aquacise.

□ An introductory meeting of Lean for Life, a weight loss and control program, will be held at 6 p.m. at Union Hospital in Elkton, Md. For information on the eight week course, call 731-0743, ext. 1276 or 1277.

□ Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the ALS Association will hold a meeting of its northern Delaware support group at 6:30 p.m. in the community room of the B'nai Brith House, 8000 Society Dr., Claymont. For information, call 322-3874 or 999-1477.

□ A personal safety awareness program entitled "No Not Me!" will be presented 7-8:30 p.m. in the Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Rd. The program, developed by the DuPont Company, teaches individuals to become "street wise" and avoid crime situations at home, work and in public places. Fee is \$3 per family for city residents, \$5 for non-residents. Call

Wednesday, Feb. 21

□ Newark Senior Center, 9, chess; 10, art class, needlepoint, quilting, blood pressure screening; 12:30, pinochle; 12:45, bingo; 1:15, Hearing Support Group.

□ Suburban Little League will hold registration for the 1990 season 6-8 p.m. at Colwyck, Pleasantville and George Read schools. Youths ages 6 to 15 are eligible. Bring a copy of birth certificate and \$10 application fee. For details, call 328-0130.

□ Parent Power, a support group for parents of adolescents, will present a program on "Enhancing Adolescent Self-Esteem" at 7:30 p.m. in St. Thomas Episcopal

Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Guest speaker will be Bruce Palmer, mental health counselor for the Tressler Center and in private practice. For information, call 834-8494 or 456-0178.

□ Delmarva Ornithological Society will meet at 8 p.m. in the Delaware Museum of Natural History, Del. 52, Greenville. Margaret Brittingham, assistant professor of wildlife resources at Pennsylvania State University, will give a presentation on her research, "Impact of Supplemental Feeding on the Ecology of Black-Capped Chickadees." The meeting is open to the public.

Thursday, Feb. 22

□ A sub sale to benefit the Ladies Auxiliary of the Delaware City Fire Company will be held today in the fire hall. Regular subs cost \$3.50, ham subs \$4. Call 834-9336.

□ Newark Senior Center, 10, ceramics, discussion, Choral Group, Blue Cross representative; 12:30, membership meeting, duplicate bridge, shuffleboard; 1:15, dancing; 1:45, aquacise.

□ Newark American Little League will hold signs up for spring league play 6-8 p.m. at the VFW Field clubhouse behind the Newark Municipal Building off Elkton Road. For information, call 368-8026.

Friday, Feb. 23

□ Newark Senior Center, 9, AARP tax help, bowling; 9:30, shopping; 10, Over 60 Fitness, Signing Group; 1:30, Senior Players.

□ Second annual Hockessin Art Festival will be held 6:30-10 p.m. tonight and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at Wilmington Christian School, Loveville Road, Hockessin. Admission is \$4.

□ John LaMedica, better known locally as Jungle John, will give a presentation on exotic reptiles and amphibians at 7:30 p.m. in the Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. The presentation is part of the library's Friday Family Fun Night series. For more information, call 731-7550.

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CHURCH FILE

Mormons open Newark chapel

Local members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints celebrated the completion of their \$2.5 million chapel on West Chestnut Hill Road in Newark Feb. 3 with an open house and service.

The chapel, which serves as meeting place for the Newark ward, also is headquarters for the Wilmington, Del. stake that oversees nine church units on the Delmarva Peninsula.

Stake president is Vernon R. Rice of Wilmington, a DuPont Company lawyer.

Former University of Delaware professor Richard Bushman, now at Columbia University, was on hand to give a history of the Mormon church in Delaware.

Seton Church Mardi Gras

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Bear is planning a gala Mardi Gras to benefit the new church building effort.

The event will be held 8 p.m. to midnight Friday, Feb. 23 in the church hall on Del. 7.

There will be food, drink, dancing and a casino. Costumes are optional.

Donation is \$15 per person, and tickets will be available after all Sunday Masses and at the church office 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays.

Union Methodist spaghetti dinner

The young adults of Union United Methodist Church in Bear will sponsor a spaghetti dinner 4:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24.

Tickets cost \$5 for adults, \$3 for children younger than 10. Children younger than three will be admitted free.

Union Church is located at 345 School Bell Rd., Bear.

Temple Beth El Monte Carlo Nite

Temple Beth El in Newark will hold a Monte Carlo Nite at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 10.

Tickets cost \$5 per person and include beef and beer buffet. Door prize is an RCA videocassette recorder. For tickets and information, call 366-8330.

Temple Beth El is located on Possum Park Road.



Pencader Church.

For Pencader, a busy time

Pencader Presbyterian Church is in the midst of an exciting program, according to the Rev. Patricia Singleton, pastor.

A comprehensive mission study is well under way, a survey of the church's newly acquired property has been completed and land use plans are being developed to meet growing demands for program facilities.

Singleton said the congregation's "enthusiasm and excitement shows in the activities planned."

The church school family visited the Jeanne Jugan Residence for the Elderly on Sunday to distribute

Valentines and provide a program and refreshments.

An hour-long adult Bible study is being held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, and to add variety and fellowship opportunity the church will hold a Mardi Gras party complete with costumes, games, food and fun at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25.

Singleton said members of the Glasgow/Bear community are invited to participate in all activities at the historic church, located on Del. 896 at the U.S. 40 intersection.

Regular Pencader programs include church school at 9:15 a.m. Sundays and worship at 10:30.

Caring: A fashion statement

by Suzanne Sczubelek

WILMINGTON — A Delawarean now an acclaimed New York City designer will make a fashion statement this spring.

Stanley Platos, a Brandywine High School alumnus and co-owner with Martin Ross of Stanley Platos, Ltd., will perform his first local show since his New York success at the Hotel du Pont May 29 in a benefit for the Ministry of Caring, Inc.

The Ministry of Caring works to house the homeless.

"I look forward to being part of the benefit here in Wilmington," Platos said at last week's kick off in the Hotel du Pont. "I promise a very good show."

The benefit will feature a fashion show at The Playhouse and lunch at the hotel, Saks Fifth Avenue in Bala Cynwyd, Pa. will provide models to

exhibit Platos' 1990 fall and winter lines.

Tickets run \$50 each, with corporate tables of 10 available for \$1,500. Benefactor tables of 10 may be reserved for \$1,000.

Platos' line of women's fashion features refined and elegant clothing available at such stores as Saks Fifth Avenue, Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman, Nordstrom's and Bonwit Teller.

Platos attended the Fashion Institute of Technology, New York University and Traphagen School of Design. He also has worked with Givenchy and Valentino.

Born in Delaware, Platos is a former resident of Fairfax, where his parents still live. He now lives in Manhattan, where he paints in addition to his design work.

The benefit represents the area's first all-designer fashion show, and

all proceeds will directly benefit the homeless, said representatives from the Wilmington-based ministry.

"I'm very excited," said Platos, who got involved with the show when he received a phone call from the ministry.

Platos said the New York factories are currently working on his fall and winter collections. Fabrics are imported, he said, but the clothes are made in New York.

The Ministry of Caring provides shelter for men, women and children. Food is provided through the Emmanuel Dining Room. The organization, established in 1977, also runs a job placement service.

Those interested in attending the event should send payment to Barbara Kreur, 2 North Cliffe Dr., Wycliffe, Wilmington, DE, 19809.

Checks should be payable to the Ministry of Caring Guild. For more information, call 798-1571.

Study: Mormons are healthy

A study of 10,000 active California Mormons, who were followed over an eight-year period, indicates that good health habits observed by Mormons contribute to some of the lowest mortality rates ever reported from cancer and cardiovascular disease for any population group.

Participants in the study all observe healthy lifestyle habits recommended by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints: they abstain from tobacco, alcohol, caffeine and drugs, and they eat a well-balanced diet. In addition, they maintain a strong family life.

Compared with the general white population, men in the study had one half the expected number of cancer deaths, and women had two-thirds the expected number of can-

cer deaths. Lower death rates were also found among subgroups adhering to additional health habits.

The research was conducted at the UCLA School of Public Health and results are reported in the Dec. 6 issue of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

"We knew from previous studies of Mormon death records that this population has an unusually low cancer mortality rate that is only partially explained by their lack of smoking," said Dr. James Enstrom, principal investigator of the study.

"The current study allowed us to follow a large group of active Mormons over a long period of time and to examine subgroups adhering to specific health habits."

The study evaluated three general health habits: never smoking cigarettes, regular physical activity and regular sleep. These habits were selected because of their relation to low mortality in other studies.

Findings from the study indicate that middle-aged high priests adhering to all three health habits had 34 percent the rate of cancer mortality of U.S. white males, 14 percent the rate of cardiovascular disease mortality and 22 percent the rate of overall mortality.

A 25-year-old high priest adhering to the three health habits has a five percent chance of dying before age 65 and has a life expectancy of 85. A U.S. white male the same age has a life expectancy of 74.

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<p>GRACE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH Meeting at INDEPENDENCE SCHOOL PAPER MILL RD.</p> <p>Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Adult & Children 11:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Nursery Provided</p> <p>Affiliated w/Evangelical Free Churches of America Office: 175 E. Delaware Ave. 456-0408</p>	<p>EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 525 Polly Drummond Rd., Newark 731-9495</p> <p>Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m. Nursery Available Handicapped Accessible Church School for all ages 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Robert W. Starrert, Sr. Pastor Mary Lou Green, Assoc. Pastor George W. Goodley, Visitation Pastor Earl T. Cozens, Youth Director</p>

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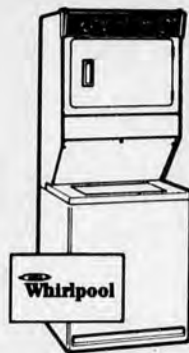
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 • Large Capacity • Equa-Flow Drying System • 4 Drying Cycles • 3 Temperature Settings • Special Knit Setting • Cool-Down Care
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