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## College Square plan moves forward

### Proposal calls for renovations, 305 apartments

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An ambitious plan to renovate College Square and add more than 300 apartments to the aging shopping center moved forward Tuesday.

The planning commission voted in favor of the project, which will now go on to city council for final approval.

Fusco Enterprises, which owns the shopping center, envisions redeveloping the 46-acre site into a walkable, mixed-use complex featuring retail and residential space.

"The intent here is to create a community destination," said Mike Hoffman, a lawyer for Fusco.

Renovations on the north side of College Square – where Acme and the



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An artist's rendering shows the apartment buildings planned for College Square Shopping Center.

former Sears Hardware are – began more than a year ago, and those buildings will remain.

The southern portion of the site, however, will look much different under Fusco's proposal.

The area will retain some retail space, while 305 apartments will be built in the southeast quadrant of the

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## Election ballot finalized

5 running for mayor; 2 council seats contested

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Newark's election slate is set, with a total of 10 candidates vying for four positions.

Five candidates are running for mayor, while two each are running for the District 1 and District 2 seats. Incumbent Chris Hamilton is running unopposed in District 4.

The election is set for April 9. Voting is open to any person 18 or older who is registered to vote with the state of Delaware at a residence within the corporate limits of Newark. Those who are not registered have until March 18 to do so.

The most-watched race will be for the mayor's seat, which will be vacated by Polly Sierer, who declined to seek a third three-year term. Running to replace her are longtime Councilman Jerry Clifton, progressive community activist Catherine Ciferni, University of Delaware student Kasai Guthrie and two other newcomers, Nicholas Fader and Brandon Farzad.

Clifton, a resident of Fountainview, retired from the Delaware National Guard in 2010 and now works as a maintenance manager at Delaware Express Shuttle. He was first elected to council in 1997 and went on to be re-elected eight times before resigning due to health problems in 2014. In 2017, with his health issues resolved, he was elected to a 10th term.

Clifton said that he spent a lot of time mulling over his options for

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**Artist reception:** Tonight, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Newark Arts Alliance, 276 E. Main St. A reception will be held for Sweet, an art show focusing on "what we savor – the place, the moment, food, person, etc." The exhibit will be on display through March 1. Free.

**Opera:** Tonight and Feb. 15, 8 p.m., at Amy E.

duPont Music Building, 100 Orchard Road. UD Opera Theatre presents Stephen Sondheim's Tony Award-winning musical "A Little Night Music," featuring the perennial favorite song "Send in the Clowns." Tickets: \$15 adults; \$10 UD faculty/staff/alumni & seniors; \$5 students.

**Cupcake decorating:** Saturday, noon to 1 p.m. at Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. Decorate some President's Day-themed cupcakes using royal icing techniques. Registration required. Ages 13 and up.

**Newark Symphony orchestra:** Saturday, 6 to 8 p.m., at Caffé Gelato, 90 E. Main St. Live ensemble will play during dinner. \$62, ticket price includes \$22 donation to the orchestra. Call 302-388-0828 to reserve.

**Empty bowls:** Sunday, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. To benefit the Meals on Wheels program, enjoy all you can eat soup and a piece of handmade pottery. Individual tickets: \$50.

**Council meeting:** Monday, 7 p.m., city hall, at 220 S. Main St. Council will hear a request to demolish an existing structure and build a four-story apartment building at 62 N. Chapel Street.

**School board meeting:** Tuesday, 7 p.m. at Gauger-Cobbs, 50 Gender Road. School board will honor teachers and those involved in comprehensive school safety, discuss rescheduling the referendum vote and discuss a revised communications plan for the board.



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Jessica Williams, a senior at Newark High School, serves soup during the Newark Senior Center's Empty Bowls fundraiser last year.

# With alcohol suspension over, Caffé Gelato seeks fresh start

## Restaurant renovates, adds wood-fired pizza oven

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With its liquor permit suspension over, Caffé Gelato is hoping a new look provides a fresh start.

The restaurant, which opened in 2000, underwent a series of renovations during the month of January.

Owner Ryan German switched up the color palette – utilizing cooler colors like gray, white and black – and added a wood-fired pizza oven.

"It's fun to go out somewhere new and see a new place," German said, adding that he hopes the renovations make Caffé Gelato feel new. "This gives a warm, clean, fresh feel, and adding the wood-fired oven is pretty neat. I hope people like it and embrace it."

The renovations came in a month that is typically slow, as University of Delaware students are on break, but the last 30 days were even harder for Caffé Gelato, which had its alcohol permit suspended after undercover cops caught the restaurant serving minors on three separate occasions.

"Someone called and said, 'Why don't you take off, take a break?' Someone else called and said, 'Why don't you renovate?'" German said as the final bits of renovation were completed last Friday morning.

So, he decided to do just that.

"The renovation part has been enjoyable. It helped me get through January and gave me something to focus on, to focus my energy on something positive, something the



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY BROOKE SCHULTZ

Ryan German, owner of Caffé Gelato, poses in the restaurant's recently renovated seating area.

community likes," he said.

The biggest change is the pizza oven, German said. The restaurant now serves artisan pizzas featuring ingredients that were already on the menu, like arugula, prosciutto and gorgonzola cheese.

German said the last major renovation was in 2008, when the restaurant expanded to a space previously occupied by Bert's Music.

"This building has a lot of history," he said, noting that it has been a general store, hardware store, depart-

ment store and a cafe.

Caffé Gelato remained open through the renovations with limited hours. He said that they "worked around the clock" and staggered which spaces were available for dining while construction continued.

"It was tough," he said of the last month. "But I want to see a vibrant Main Street with good restaurants. That's what the idea of this renovation was – to make it warm and inviting and fresh, and to serve good food."

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# Proposed Barksdale Road assisted living facility clears first hurdle

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A Seattle developer's plan to build an assistant living facility on Barksdale Road received its first round of approvals Tuesday.

The Newark Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend city council approve the project.

Newark Senior Living is slated to be built at 924 Barksdale Road, directly east of Handloff Park and across the street from Newark Day Nursery.

The vacant, 7-acre parcel is owned by the International Literacy Association, which has its headquarters on an adjacent property. Both parcels have been on the market for several years, but the ILA's building would not be affected by the project.

The land in question was last used by Newark Charter School from 2001 to 2003. The school started there in trailers before building a permanent home off Elkton Road.

The plan calls for 89 assisted living suites, including studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom units. Meanwhile, 26 memory care suites – some shared and some private – would accommodate patients suffering from dementia.

The three-story building would have a total of 137 beds, plus a common area that would feature a café, beauty salon, theater, fitness center, arts-and-crafts room and other amenities.

While not a full-service nursing home, Newark Senior Living would have medical staff on duty around the clock. It would employ approximately 50 full-time and



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An artist's rendering shows what Newark Senior Living, proposed for Barksdale Road, would look like.

part-time staffers.

"We're long-term neighbors committed to the seniors in Newark," said Gregory Elmore, a representative of the developer, Columbia Pacific Advisors.

The developer has a portfolio of 2,500 senior housing units, 1,200 multi-family units and more than 800,000 square feet of commercial space around the United States. This would be the company's first project in Delaware, but the firm owns a number of complexes in the Philadelphia area.

In order for the project to move forward, the developer must ask

the city to rezone the property, approve a major subdivision and amend the comprehensive development plan for the site from commercial to high-density residential.

The land is currently zoned BL (Limited Business), which allows a number of uses, including hospitals, medical clinics and certain types of businesses. The developer is asking for it to be rezoned to AC (Adult Community).

Elmore argued that the assisted living facility would have less of an impact on the area than other projects that could be built under the current zoning.

In its standard review of the project, the Newark Police Department noted the facility will "significantly increase" traffic but said Barksdale Road can accommodate the added vehicles.

Community meetings held by the developer last year drew packed rooms as residents raised concerns about traffic, parking and siren noise from ambulances heading to the facility. However, Tuesday's meeting saw virtually no opposition to the project.

The planning commission did recommend council impose a deed restriction that the site can only be

used for an assisted living facility after Commissioner Stacy McNatt expressed reservations about changing the comprehensive development plan for the site.

"I fully believe this is what you want to do and you're going to build this, but my concern, because I've seen it in the city, is this never gets built and somebody comes in and says, 'Oh, I have high density comp plan residential, and we're going to do student housing,'" McNatt said.

Council, which is not required to follow the planning commission's recommendation, will vote on the project March 25.

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# Fire damages Park N Shop laundromat

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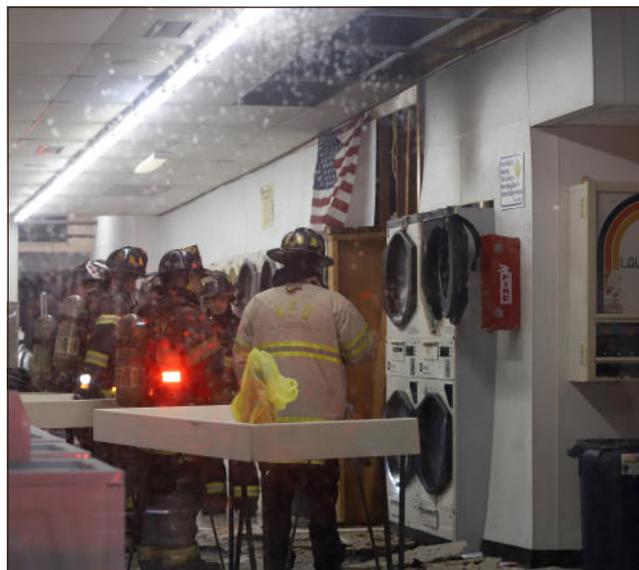
A dryer fire damaged a laundromat in the Park N Shop plaza on South Main Street on Saturday evening.

The fire broke out around 6:15 p.m., and firefighters from Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company and other area fire departments arrived to find smoke coming from the building.

Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire, which damaged the dryer and a nearby wall.

Smoke also affected two adjoining units, Anytime Fitness and a vacant storefront. Firefighters used large fans to clear the smoke from the building.

No one was injured. An Aetna spokesperson noted the building does not have sprinklers.



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A dryer fire damaged a laundromat in the Park N Shop plaza on South Main Street on Saturday evening.

A customer of the laundromat said she had put her clothes in the dryer and stepped out to go to the

Rite Aid located in the same shopping center. When she returned, the dryer and her clothes were on fire.

# Man charged with robbing gas station at knifepoint

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Police have arrested the man they say robbed a Newark gas station at knifepoint earlier this year.

John J. Nichols, 29, was taken into custody Jan. 25 during a raid on his home in New Castle, according to Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

The robbery happened just before 4 a.m. Jan. 17 at the Exxon station at 820 S. College Ave.

Nichols allegedly approached a clerk and demanded money while displaying a large kitchen knife.

The clerk handed over an undisclosed amount of cash, and Nichols ran out of the gas station toward Plymouth Drive, Rubin said.

The clerk was not injured. Detectives used surveillance video and witness



JOHN J. NICHOLS

statements to identify a getaway vehicle used in the robbery and then used the vehicle information to identify Nichols as the suspect, Rubin said.

Nichols was charged with first-degree robbery, carrying a concealed deadly weapon and wearing a disguise during the commission of a felony. He was jailed in lieu of \$27,000 cash bond.

The robbery came just after police officials released data showing that robberies in Newark hit a 13-year low in 2018.

# Three teens charged in Newark burglary ring

By JOSH SHANNON

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Police have arrested three teens accused in a string of 16 burglaries and one attempted burglary in Newark.

The burglaries happened in December and targeted the rental homes of University of Delaware students who were away on winter break, Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said. The burglaries occurred on Choate Street, North Chapel Street, East Cleveland Avenue, Prospect Avenue, Wilbur Street, Kershaw Street and North College Avenue.

In some cases, the teens damaged a door or window to get in, and in other cases, there was no evidence of forced entry, Rubin said.

In one of the incidents, which happened just after 4 p.m. Dec. 22 in a home on North Chapel Street, one of the teens was armed with what turned out to be a BB gun, Rubin said.

A 21-year-old resident and his girlfriend were on the second floor of the home when they heard voices downstairs. The resident looked down the staircase and saw a burglar holding what appeared to be a handgun.

The burglar and the victim made eye contact, and the burglar fled, said Rubin, who added that the burglar never pointed the gun at the

resident. Nothing was stolen, and the home was not damaged.

"Upon receipt of these reports, Newark Police Detectives began to investigate the crimes," Rubin said. "Using witness statements, surveillance cameras and covert surveillance by plainclothes officers, Newark Police were able to identify three suspects in these incidents."

Rubin identified the defendants as Joseph Quick, 16, of Bear; and Edward Schaffer, 16, of Wilmington; and Christian Endres, 16, of Newark. Each teen was involved in one, some or all of the burglaries, Rubin alleged.

Quick was charged with 57 offenses, including 16 counts of second-degree burglary, one count of attempted second-degree burglary, 10 counts of second-degree conspiracy, 23 counts of theft and seven counts of criminal mischief. He was held on \$117,200 secured bond.

Schaffer was charged with 37 offenses, including 10 counts of second-degree burglary, one count of attempted second-degree burglary, eight counts of second-degree conspiracy, 14 counts of theft and four counts of criminal mischief. He was released on \$75,000 unsecured bond.

Endres was charged with one count each of second-degree burglary, second-degree conspiracy and theft. He was released on \$9,750 unsecured bond.

# Man rescued from house fire in Silverbrook

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A 67-year-old man was rescued after fire broke out in a home in the Silverbrook neighborhood of Newark early Saturday.

The fire was reported just after 1 a.m. in the unit block of Park Drive, according to a spokesman for Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company.

Firefighters arrived to find smoke pouring from the front door and helped Newark Police officers rescue a man who was trapped in the basement. Two other occupants were able to escape from the home by themselves.

The man suffered smoke inhalation but de-

clined treatment.

Firefighters from Aetna, Christiana Fire Company, Mill Creek Fire Company and Cranston Heights Fire Company were able to contain the fire to a second-floor bedroom.

Aetna officials said the door to the bedroom was closed, which helped keep the fire from spreading.

"If you and your family members do not sleep with your doors closed at night, please do so right away," the spokesman said. "Should you ever have a fire in your house, you are buying your family critical minutes of protection. It is also beneficial to keep the doors closed when you're not home. Help save your possessions from additional fire and smoke damage."

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# UD biopharmaceutical building on track for completion by year's end

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This time next year, the University of Delaware will be moving into the six-story, \$160 million dollar Biopharmaceutical Innovation Building on the STAR Campus.

The building will be the home of the National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals (NIIMBL), a UD-led coalition of 150 companies, educational institutions, nonprofits and state governments. Biopharmaceuticals are prescription drugs made with living cells.

On Tuesday, Gov. John Carney, along with the students and faculty the building will benefit, toured the under-construction building.

The group looked at what will become laboratories, offices and collaborative spaces for research.

The ground floor will house the core facilities for the Delaware Biotechnology Institute, whose faculty and staff will relocate there. DBI's field of study includes advanced sequencing technologies, imaging technologies and computational capabilities.

The fourth floor will contain biomedical engineering, and the fifth and sixth floors will be space for NIIMBL.

Kelvin Lee, who will direct NIIMBL, said the goal of NIIMBL is to have shared space, where "you can bring teams of people together from the private sector, public sector, academia and so on."



Gov. John Carney (center) tours the University of Delaware's Biopharmaceutical Innovation Building on the STAR Campus on Tuesday.

"We actually feel those laboratories that will be available to serve not only Delaware-based project teams, but teams across the country, which we think provides a special opportunity," he said, adding that this will serve as a neutral site for research.

The space itself is intended to be flexible.

"The collaboration not only

along floors, but between floors, is really going to drive innovation and really provide a rich environment for our students to learn," Charles Riordan, vice president for research, scholarship and innovation, said in a presentation about the building Tuesday.

Mike Palotas, senior project manager for Whiting-Turner, said between 250 and 275 construction

workers are working each day in two shifts. Fifty percent of the workforce is local.

"Which is incredible, when you think about the complexity of life science building," he said.

Riordan said that they're also looking for doctoral and masters programming to create competitive employees for the private sector in the future.

"We intentionally, with President [Dennis] Assanis' vision, planned for some growth because the university is interested in leveraging all of that manufacturing innovation to continue to grow our basic discovery sciences in that space," he added, noting that several of the new faculty members Assanis is looking to hire will be "in areas writ large in discovery-based pharmaceutical sciences."

Carney said the building symbolizes the future.

"Our success as a state is going to depend largely on our ability to produce a quality, well-trained science and technology-based workforce," he said. "That's what this campus is all about."

Carney said he hopes the investment attracts companies to locate here in Delaware.

"The home run for us is to have one of those new advanced biopharmaceutical manufacturing facilities come to this site, come to someplace in Delaware to take advantage of that resource, to take advantage of the workforce that's being developed here," he said.

Completion of the building is slated for the end of 2019, with move in scheduled for February 2020.

"The design of the space is really designed to be incredibly flexible," Riordan said. "We couldn't predict the type of science that we're going to need to be able to have labs for the next 20 years, so how do we design flexible space and also very open?"

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# Axe-throwing venue opens near Newark

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If you want to tap into your inner Viking, maybe hurling axes through the air could help. Luckily, there's a sanctioned place for that now.

Battle Axe, located on Pencader Drive in Pencader Corporate Center off Del. 896, opened in December and looks to tap into the hobbies that owner Michael Evans grew up honing.

"I've been doing a lot of backyard things like this since I was a child. My brother and I used to throw knives and axes, Chinese stars, all kinds of things like that, in the backyard. It's kind of something that's stuck with me throughout the years, and I really enjoy doing things like this," he said.

Battle Axe is meant to capitalize on a growing trend in entertainment. It is the first axe-throwing venue in the Newark area, though similar businesses opened recently in Middletown and Elkton, Md.

"Some friends of mine from my day job went to a place in Philly – Urban Axes – and had an absolute blast,"



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY BROOKE SCHULTZ

Michael Evans opened Battle Axe in Pencader Corporate Center near Newark.

Evans said. "They raved about it, said how much fun it was. They couldn't get over that it could be so interesting and awesome."

Evans decided to open an axe-throwing venue here and started small with mobile axe-throwing units that he would set up at Liquid Alchemy, a bar in Wilmington.

People loved it, he said. "It's not something that everybody would think, 'Hey,

I'm going to go throw some axes.' I think it's because it is so different. It's actually a sport that's been around for hundreds of years, but it hasn't been very popular," he said, noting that axe throwing has typically been a sport within a larger event. "With this, it breaks it out of that and makes it its own hobby or its own activity. Since it's different and new, people are loving it."

Now in a permanent space, Battle Axe offers 10 lanes, and 20 targets per lane, he said. Groups up to five people pay \$25 per person per hour. Groups of six to 10 get two hours for \$30 per person.

In the allotted time, axe throwers will have a staff member there to help teach them the proper technique and referee the matches.

Matches entail two people

squaring off at each target in their lane. Players get about 15 throws each, Evans said.

Battle Axe is Viking-themed, and the space is adorned with swords on the wall, medieval arrows and different phrases spelled out in Nordic runes.

"They're not just for decoration. If someone were to try to translate them, some of them are pretty funny," Evans said. "I've kind of challenged my people to translate them and come back to me with what they think it is, and see how close they get."

The throwing area is constructed of all wood, and canvas runners create a sail cloth look to tap into the vibe of a Viking ship.

"We're more medieval or Viking-themed, so we don't do gift cards or awards [for winners]; we do scrolls," he said, laughing. "I actually have handmade parchment scrolls that we burn all the edges on and we have cool Old English font and we have different sayings on them for what it is, like birthday parties or if someone's just won a tournament. Every single one of them is hand-sealed by my ring."

He would eventually like to construct a throne where the victor of each tournament can pose for photos, he added.

For those serious about the competition, there is an axe-throwing league. Evans plans for the business to join the National Axe Throwing Federation, which means there is the potential to compete in Canada.

If you think you need a little bit of liquid courage to throw axes, Evans said he is working on getting a liquor license so he can sell local beers and mead. Right now, he has a receipt-exchange partnership with Liquid Alchemy and Midnight Oil Brewing Company – located just down the street – where customers can get a discount.

"I'm a huge supporter of local breweries. I would like to think we could build an awesome community right here and make this a happening place to be," he said.

If you feel Odin's blessings, Battle Axe is open Tuesday through Friday, 6 p.m. to midnight, and Saturday noon to midnight, and bookings can be made online at battleaxewilm.com.

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# Jody Russell named Newark High football coach

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Jody Russell was a three-sport all-state player at Newark High School in the early 1990s, back in the day when the Yellowjackets boasted football supremacy in the First State.

The 1994 graduate is now his alma mater's new football head coach, replacing Barry Zehnder, who in December resigned to take a teaching and assistant coaching job at Middletown High School.

"I'm excited to have the opportunity and the ability to come back as an alum, to get to come back to where I came from and give back to the school and the community and hopefully stabilize the program," Russell said.

Russell, who spent 15 years as the head coach at Tatnall before coming to Newark as an assistant last year, is the first coaching hire by new athletic director Jason Bedford, who last month took over the position vacated by Zehnder.

"When I took the job, I obviously knew that we had to get it right," Bedford referring to hiring a new football coach. "I just didn't know how we were supposed to figure that out. It soon became really simple to me — find a Newark High School guy who is on board with building. He would have to have a plan and more importantly a message to deliver to the athletes and pave the way through his own story as a Yellowjacket."

It was a story Bedford

heard from a friend about Russell that clinched the decision.

"I remember speaking to a good friend of mine, whose opinion I value greatly, and he said he remembers Jody being in ninth grade and being skinny and not the most talented player, but remembers how coachable he was," Bedford said. "How determined he was to learn how to use his body, learn the game and how he wanted to get better every day. It was honestly that message that made it clear he had the things I was looking for in our next head coach. Just tell your story [to your players], make the kids believe in you because you had to work. Show them how to work, teach them how to be better, how to never settle for 'OK' if you've got more to give."

Russell will have to settle for the fact that times have changed since his days as a student-athlete at Newark High. The Yellowjackets are coming off a 2-8 season and haven't been to the playoffs since 2011.

When he officially opens up his first preseason practice on Aug. 15, he will most likely do so with far fewer players than back in the day when more than 100 kids would show up with hopes of earning a spot on one of the most respected football programs in the state. He is also tasked with guiding the Yellowjackets into their first season as a Division II/Flight B football program.

"Now it's more like I had at



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Jody Russell is the new football head coach at Newark High School. Russell was a three-sport all-state player at Newark.

Tatnall," Russell said. "The schools are different, obviously. But from a football standpoint, they are very similar. You have a lot of guys who need to play both ways and that means there's different ways you have to coach it. You can't simply line up and [hit] each other all week. You have to make

it through to the games. It's now at Newark very much like it was at Tatnall, and that includes playing in Division II. It will be nice to be in a situation where the teams we're facing are on the same playing field as us in terms of number of players."

From a football standpoint, Russell is already

strategizing and laying the groundwork for a season that doesn't officially open for another six months.

"I think the future is bright," he said. "It's a challenge to rebuild a program that has so much tradition. The first step is to sit down with the families and players and just let them know our plan and the direction of the program and where we need to go."

Russell already knows his top priority.

"We need to get bigger, faster and stronger," he insisted. "As with any transition, there are going to be new things on offense and defense that we have to make sure the kids know. We will work during the offseason at camps and seven-on-sevens so hopefully we can get some of that stuff in before we get to next August."

One part of the program that won't change during the transition is the effort to make sure the players are involved in the community, and, in return, seek support for the team.

"The community piece is so important, and Coach Zehnder did a tremendous job trying to do that," Russell said. "Engaging the alumni, getting out into the community and getting their support back. A good football program does wonders for the morale of the city and gives them something to look forward to and do on Friday nights or Saturday afternoons."

For now, Russell works fulltime as a physical educa-

tion and health teacher at Kirk Middle School. He admitted that he would eventually like to work at the high school.

"They've said they'd like that to happen, too," Russell said. "As the head coach, I don't like to have surprises. If you're not in the building and hearing firsthand of what's going on and don't have the pulse of the building, it's a tough situation. It's much easier if I'm in the building with my eyes on my kids and being able to talk to them and staying on top of grades and doing everything I need to do to be a good football coach."

Russell has learned from some of the finest. He played for Butch Simpson and served as his assistant in 2001. Russell also played at the University of Delaware under Hall of Famer Tubby Raymond.

"I'm proud that Jody is the next coach," Simpson said. "His family has been a part of the Newark community for generations. He was a special athlete in three sports at Newark and has spent his life in coaching. Nothing better than one of your guys continuing the history."

It's that proud Yellowjacket history Russell hopes his teams will use as motivation to move the program forward.

"It's all about stability and trying to bring that back into the program," he explained. "I accept that responsibility with absolutely a tremendous amount of pride."

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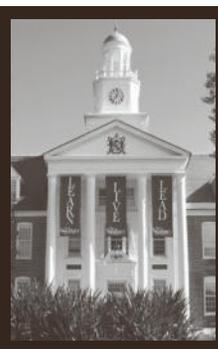
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# Five Newark girls receive highest Girl Scout honor

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Personal interest and personal experience were the driving forces for several Newark-area Girl Scouts who were recently awarded the organization's highest honor, the Gold Award.

The Gold Award recognizes girls in grades nine through 12 who demonstrate leadership through sustainable and measurable projects. Only about 5 percent of Girl Scouts achieve this designation. The award comes with potential scholarship offers, and recipients who enlist in the U.S. Armed Forces may receive advanced rank.

The Girl Scouts were honored last month in a celebration at Smyrna High School.

Five Newark-area Girl Scouts were recognized for projects that involved painting picnic tables, collecting prom dresses, raising awareness for domestic violence, creating comfort items for children in the hospital and creating more environmentally-friendly landscapes.

"It was really cool to me because my mom has been a Gold recipient," said Sarah Metcalf, a senior at Newark Charter School. "Ever since I joined Girl Scouts, my mom has made it very clear that she wanted me to get mine. So being able to get it and having my last ceremony getting my Gold and completing my senior year of Girl Scouting was really cool for me."

For her project, Metcalf received paint and picnic table donations and collaborated with a group of volunteers to build and paint 20 tables for the 3 Palms Zoo in Clayton.

"I had always really had an interest in zoos and I knew that for college, I wanted to study zoology so the first chance I had, I reached out to 3 Palms Zoo and I asked what projects they needed done," she said. "They gave us a couple different options and the one that seemed



Sarah Metcalf poses with a group of volunteers who helped assemble and paint tables for 3 Palms Zoo in Clayton.

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most viable to me was building picnic tables and painting them for them."

Friends, other Girl Scouts and a group of Boy Scouts from her brother's troop came to help.

Metcalf said that her experience with Girl Scouts has taught her a lot about leadership.

"And it has taught me a lot about giving back to the public and giving back to the community, especially with leadership and planning projects for the community," she said.

Caroline King, now a freshman at the University of Valley Forge in Pennsylvania, held three sewing classes and made pillow cases, blankets and surgery caps to create care packages for kids at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. King gathered coloring books, crayons, journals and other fun items for the kids as well.

"I chose to do it because I spent a lot of time in the hospital myself, and the project actually had to be postponed a bit a few times because of being in the hospital so much," she explained. "So just personally experiencing it, and seeing how it affected other kids in

the same situation, it made me want to do something to make being in the hospital a little bit easier."

The process, including crafting a proposal, securing approval, outlining a budget and more, was a lot of hard work, King said.

"It was really rewarding, knowing that I pushed through it and got it done," she said.

King held several classes and invited friends from church, other Girl Scouts and friends to learn to sew to create the items.

She said she enjoyed

teaching those in attendance how to sew and seeing their excitement when their projects were completed. She said the excitement was more palpable when they realized what their items were going toward.

"It was cool getting to see the excitement and everyone kind of coming together for one purpose," she said.

For her, the Gold Award was a rewarding accomplishment.

"After delivering the items to the hospital, I ended up there a few weeks later, and got to talk to some of the

people in Child Life and the nurses and hear how excited they were to receive them, because they remembered seeing those items," she

said. "It was really cool. It just felt really good to know that it was appreciated."

Newark Girl Scouts Destiny Skinner, Jacqueline Johnson and Paige Laning were also recipients of the Gold Award.

Skinner collected prom dresses donated from family, friends and community businesses to host an event for girls in foster care and from low-income families so they could try on and choose a dress. The girls each took home one dress to wear for their prom.

Johnson attended a number of neighborhood meetings to raise awareness for domestic violence and also collected food and household essentials for her project.

Laning planted flowers and plants to create a more environmentally-friendly landscape outside of her church. She also built better walkways to provide a safer, mud-free sidewalk.

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# UD makes its pitch for \$123 million in state funding

## University proposes free tuition for many Delawareans

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University of Delaware officials last week made their pitch to state legislators to increase funding to the university in order to provide free tuition for many Delawareans.

Last Thursday marked the first in a series of public hearings on state agency budget requests conducted by the Joint Finance Committee. The JFC is comprised of 12 members of the General Assembly, with six members of the Senate Finance Committee and six members of the House Appropriations Committee. Together, the committee determines a budget for the state and introduces that to the General Assembly in the spring.

The university is requesting nearly \$123 million to support its programs, an increase from last year's \$120 million appropriation.

"We want to share with you how strategic investments in higher education would benefit the entire state now and for decades to come," UD President Dennis Assanis told the committee. "The University of Delaware enjoys very productive partnerships with all higher education institutions in Delaware. We work together to serve the education needs of Delawareans and help develop the economy of our state."

### The university's argument

For fiscal year 2019, the university received \$120,660.80 in state funding, with about 76 percent of the funds going to operation costs. Scholarships received another sizable chunk of the budget.

In their presentation, UD officials laid out what they considered to be the university's most significant offerings to the state, leading up to why they're asking for \$2.25 million more this year.

Assanis discussed the university's plans for a new scholarship program, which would "complement the state's SEED and Inspire programs," he said.

The university would like to cover tuition and fees for every Delaware student whose family has an adjusted gross income of \$75,000 a year or less. The scholarship

would include transfer students.

"That threshold is the median family income for Delaware, which means that half of the state's families would qualify," he noted.

To accomplish that, the university is requesting a phased-in commitment, beginning at \$2.25 million this year, then increasing over four years.

This staggered approach would mean that they would add \$2.25 million in the first year, \$4.5 million in the second, \$6.75 million in the third and \$9 million in the fourth, equaling about \$22 million total.

Assanis also noted programs and projects that have already been rolled out that are added benefits to the state.

He pointed to the recent Spectrum Scholars, a program that will support students with autism who are majoring in computer and information science or electrical and computer engineering; the College Readiness Scholars Institute, a program that helps successful high students from low-income backgrounds receive college preparation; and an increase in minority students and staff.

Assanis also pointed to other recent initiatives, like Finish in Four – a program that removes the credit cap and allows students to take more courses in a semester without paying extra.

"Now, you might have said, 'Aren't you losing some income from tuition?' We are," Assanis said, noting that they expected to lose under \$1 million dollars of revenue from tuition. "Well, we underestimated the success of the program. We're losing more than \$3 million dollars of revenue. But we're very proud we're doing that, because it's really letting students graduate on time."

Outside of academic strides, Assanis also turned his attention to the STAR Campus, which provides educational opportunities and economic ones.

"Chemours has told us that if it wasn't for UD and the STAR Campus, they would have left our state, and all those wonderful jobs would have gone to Connecticut," he said. "So we're proud to have assisted our state in this way."

Assanis also cited a recent economic impact study, which was commissioned by the university.

"The university's direct spending, and its ripple effect, support more than 24,000 jobs in Dela-

ware," he said. "In all, UD has \$2.8 billion impact on the state of Delaware. That means that every dollar that the state invests in the university through our annual appropriation generates \$23 for Delaware's economy."

### What the committee had to say

Many of the elected officials did not hold back, even with the praise they had for the university's strides.

While State Sen. Bruce Ennis noted that arguing against Inspire and SEED "is like arguing against apple pie and motherhood," he pointed out that higher education and public education this year alone would account for just over 40 percent of the state's total budget, leaving just under 60 percent for all other state agencies.

"So, while I support SEED and Inspire, in reality you know the makeup of the budget to cover these other agencies year after year gets very difficult," he told the UD officials. "I just want to bring that to your attention."

State Rep. Earl Jacques turned his attention to the number of Delaware students enrolled as undergraduates on the university's main campus.

"Because your ask is almost \$123 million," he said. "So my residents would like to know how many Delawareans are we really helping? Are we moving forward and all that?"

The university estimated that about 39 percent of its undergraduate students are Delawareans, with Assanis noting that, "Honestly, we take every Delawarean that is qualified. And that's why we're putting so much money into the pipeline programs."

For some, the talking points the university considered to be its strengths seemed to be its weaknesses. Several committee members faulted the university for its big class sizes – with some introductory courses with students in the hundreds.

Assanis said much of the money allocated from the state goes to hiring faculty in order to reduce the faculty-to-student ratio.

"We're now down to 13 to one, which is pretty amazing because at the best private schools, you don't even find that in a number of them," he said.

In terms of keeping education



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University of Delaware President Dennis Assanis asked the state legislature to increase funding to UD in order to provide free tuition for many Delawareans.

affordable, State Sen. Laura Sturgeon said that the numbers weren't adding up for her.

She noted that, when she was an undergraduate at the university in 1983, tuition was about \$4,000 per year.

"I crunched the numbers and the tuition of \$13,680 is about 3.5 times what it was. And inflation is 2.5 times what it was," she said, adding that the Finish in Four initiative puts the burden of a cheaper education on the student.

"If you're really looking at trying for the students to get an in-depth education, it's not always in their best interest to just pile on the credits, because they're then just doing the minimum to get a passing grade," she said. "So I don't like that approach to making it more affordable. It's doing nothing to address the cost of tuition; it's addressing affordability, but not addressing the cost of tuition."

State Sen. Dave Lawson noted the increase in the university's request.

"I've been here six years, and every year the ask gets bigger and bigger and bigger. Where do the taxpayers get off the train?" he asked.

"In my three years that I've come to this, every time we've asked for the same operating appropriation. I never asked for more," Assanis responded. "This is the first time I came in and asked for more in the operating because I think it is a very worthy cause. I want to make the education free for for the families that have children and they make less than \$75,000."

He did note, however, that those students would still be paying for

room and board. He added that students do not have to live on campus to keep costs down.

The university's recent ranking as Princeton Review's No. 1 party school also loomed large in the conversation.

"I saw a banner recently advertising Coors beer with the University of Delaware emblem on it," Lawson noted. "I'm not investing money, taxpayer money, to advertise Coors beer."

Assanis said that the university is taking steps to remove the banner.

Provost Robin Morgan noted that to combat the party culture, the university's student life department is hosting events Thursdays through Saturdays to provide late-night alternatives so students have options other than "behave in ways that are not responsible," she said.

"I'm not going to tell you there aren't a few students at the University of Delaware who are very proud that it's a big party school," she continued. "But we're not proud of that. And we have many, many students who are embarrassed by that designation and want to promote UD as a place of hope, a place of building one's future."

Lawson added that he doesn't intend to "cut down" the university, as he believes it does a great job.

"But sometimes it gives the impression, at least to the taxpayers, that there's a gravy train going on here, and they're not seeing the benefit," he said. "So how do we better shine up the University of Delaware so that the public sees the benefit of another \$122 million coming out of their pocket going into yours?"



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# Former deputy chiefs represent Aetna at Super Bowl LIII

By BROOKE SCHULTZ  
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Though Super Bowl LIII was all the way in Atlanta, two local men were there representing Delaware — just not on the field.

Ed Klima, an emergency preparedness consultant, and Kevin Eichinger, an industrial hygienist and on-scene coordinator, were both at Mercedes-Benz Stadium for the big game. Both are former deputy chiefs for Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company.

Klima, an alumnus of the University of Delaware, began working with Aetna as a student in the 1990s before becoming a career firefighter in Virginia and then a director of public safety for Dover Motorsports.

“That’s kind of how I got into the world of emergency preparedness and special events,” he said. “And then around that same time, I was giving a presentation at a conference with a physician who oversaw all the medical preparedness for the Super Bowl. We kind of hit it off, and I joined his team and started working on the Super



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Ed Klima and Kevin Eichinger, both former deputy chiefs for Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company, worked at the Super Bowl on Sunday.

Bowl.” In that role, Klima oversees all of the EMS and medical operations as well as the emergency planning for the game and other official NFL events in the 10 days that lead up to the game.

Klima said that they develop a medical plan for all the official events and coordinate medical

staff for the team. On the emergency planning side, Klima said they review the emergency plan and train personnel on what to do at the various events.

“The folks that normally work at the stadium or the convention center are familiar with plans, but for the thousands of other people that don’t normally work at this fa-

ilities, we do a lot to train them on what to do in an emergency,” he explained.

Through the 14 years Klima has been working the Super Bowl, the ordeal has evolved to include more official events.

“There are a lot more events that we cover than there were 14 years ago and then obviously the world we live in today, from a homeland security perspective, many of the threats existed back 14 years ago but I think, in today’s society we’re seeing more and more things in the U.S. so that certainly adds another level of concern,” he noted.

Klima said he is typically stationed at the stadium command post during the game, but it is a work day, so his ability to enjoy the game depends on how busy they are and what’s going on in that particular game.

“The Eagles are one of my clients. Last year, having the Eagles there and winning, it was really cool,” he said. “So this year was definitely anti-climatic as compared to that.”

As he was making the drive back from Atlanta, Klima joked

that deciding whether he wants to go back for a 15th year is a tough call the day after the Super Bowl. However, he noted he has developed a connection with the group there.

“There’s kind of an extended family of people that put on the Super Bowl every year. We come together to do this every year, so there’s something kind of unique and special about that,” he said. “At least we’re going to Miami, so it’ll be warm.”

This opportunity, Klima added, is all thanks to Aetna, which he still volunteers for as a safety officer. He noted that there’s a lot of people who came to Aetna as students.

“They’ve really gone on to have pretty successful public safety careers. I think that Kevin and I, we’re just two of many,” he said. “I think that students that come through Aetna have the ability to network with a lot of people and build relationships and open doors that they wouldn’t elsewhere. So this is kind of an example of that.”

Eichinger could not be reached for comment.



SUBMITTED IMAGE

Plans show the proposed layout of College Square Shopping Center. Library Avenue is at the left, and Marrows Road is to the right.

## SQUARE

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site, the portion that currently contains Hair Cuttery and Payless Shoes.

Most of the units will have one or two bedrooms, with a handful of three-bedroom units mixed in. The apartment complex will also feature a lounge/concierge area, leasing center, business center, fitness center, media room and an outdoor area with a pool.

Though developers can’t legally restrict apartments to a certain population, Hoffman said the apartments will be designed for young professionals and empty-nesters.

“We do not anticipate or intend this to be student housing,” he said.

Fusco also plans to build a road through the center of the shopping plaza — essentially extending Delaware Avenue through to Marrows Road.

In between the lanes of the road will be a community plaza containing tables and benches. The plaza will create a neighborhood atmosphere and also serve as a traffic calming measure, Hoffman said.

Surrounding the central road will be five buildings, expected to be occupied by a coffee shop and restaurants with outdoor seating.

Two more standalone retail buildings — expected to house a fast-casual restaurant and a pharmacy with a drive-thru —

are planned for the side near Library Avenue, including one where Pep Boys is now.

The building that houses WSFS Bank will remain, and a grassy open space will be built nearby.

“We want it to be a usable open space where you can actually go there and throw Frisbees and throw footballs,” Hoffman said.

No tenants have been announced.

In order for the project to proceed, Fusco needs a comprehensive development amendment, major subdivision with site plan approval and a special-use permit for apartments, a fast-food restaurant, a drive-thru restaurant and a cafeteria-style restaurant.

The planning commission voted unanimously to recommend council approve all three requests.

Council, which is not required to follow the planning commission’s recommendation, will vote on the project March 25.

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# For seniors: Transportation equals independence

## Life After 50

Carla Grygiel



Have you ever thought about what you would do if you were no longer able to drive?

Although the greater Newark area has many walkable communities with safe sidewalks and walking trails, there are few neighborhoods that have access to services that we all need on a daily or weekly basis. Grocery stores, drug stores, doctor's offices,

etc. usually require some form of transportation.

Many retail establishments now provide home delivery, which can be very helpful to meet some needs. However, even with home delivered products, there is the threat of isolation that can have devastating health effects. Isolation has been found to be as dangerous as smoking and obesity.

If we do make the choice to stop driving when we are no longer safe on the road, what are our options? How would you continue to maintain your daily routine? It is always a good idea to have a plan well in advance of the need. I en-

courage you to consider some options, and maybe even try out a few before the need arises.

The city of Newark provides free transportation via the Unicity Bus service. Buses circulate throughout the city on a regular schedule. A route map and schedule are available at [newarkde.gov/78/Unicity-Bus](http://newarkde.gov/78/Unicity-Bus). This service is free, but it does require you to get to a bus stop. In most cases, drivers will provide drop off at a more convenient location. These bus routes provide access to all of the shopping centers around town as well as service to the Newark Senior Center.

The Newark Senior Center also provides transportation throughout the greater Newark area for \$1 per ride. This service requires NSC membership, which is \$33 per year, as well as signing up for the bus at least one day in advance. Busses leave the center each morning, and individuals are picked up at their home and brought to the center.

Once at the center, riders can participate in a wide range of activities: fitness, a therapeutic pool, social and enrichment activities, enjoy a freshly prepared meal and even take something home for dinner. Members are also

welcome to bring something from home for lunch while they enjoy the company of others.

The center also provides weekly transportation to shopping centers, which can help people maintain independence. The NSC, the first and only nationally accredited senior center in the state, is a safe and accessible facility that also offers many other services. Additional information can be found at [www.newarkseniorcenter.com](http://www.newarkseniorcenter.com) or by calling 737-2336.

Another option is the DART Paratransit service. Door-to-door service is available to those over 65 who do

not have a qualifying disability. The fees are either \$4 or \$6 per ride. The fee is based upon the ADA service area or the Demand Response Area. Additional information can be found at [dartfirststate.com](http://dartfirststate.com).

Many factors can impact our ability to maintain our independence. For some, we have no control. For others, advance planning can make a tremendous difference in our ability to live in the community of our choosing.

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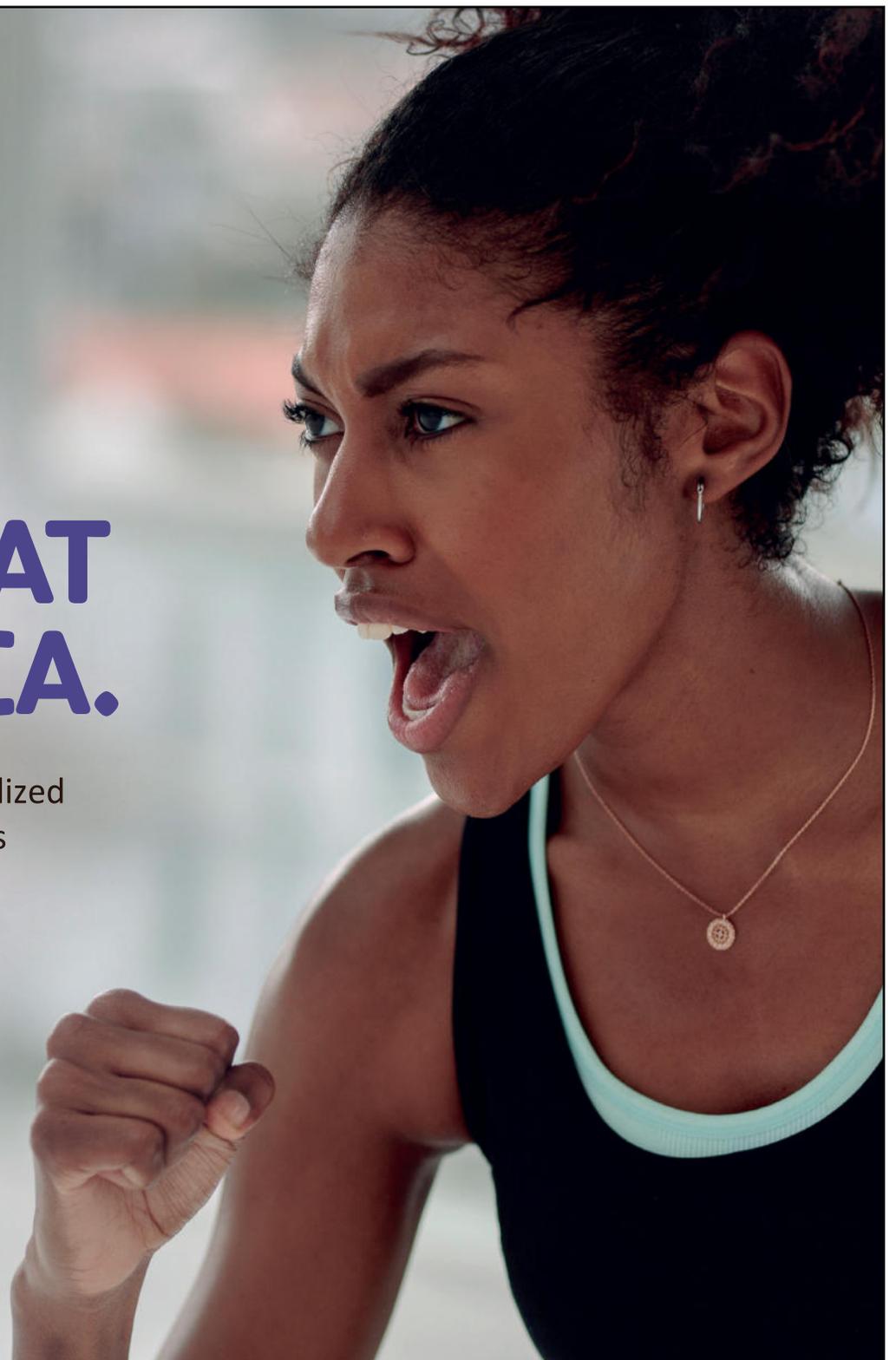
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# BALLOT

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this year but ultimately decided to run for mayor, believing he has the experience to guide Newark.

"We have a critical mass of issues. It's going to take someone with institutional knowledge and the skill set to bring us through the issues at hand," he said. "I don't want to just be a mayor, I want to be the mayor of the people."

Clifton said he sees the role of mayor as a "facilitator," and the six council members as "co-equals."

"Being mayor, I need to make sure this is a team sport where we have council members who are utilized for their assets and strong points," he said. "There are some council members who feel their voices aren't heard or heard fully. We need to be cognizant of that."

If elected, he hopes to work with the Delaware Department of Transportation to minimize the impact of the looming Main Street construction project. He also wants to keep his focus on fiscal responsibility.

"We need to make sure we're the best stewards of our neighbor's money," Clifton said.

Ciferni is running for office for the first time but is no stranger to politics. She frequently attends council meetings to voice concerns about various issues and she is involved in Democratic Party politics, having served as president of Progressive Delaware for Democrats and as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 2016.

A resident of Colonial Garden apartments, she works as a tutor at UD's English Language Institute.

Ciferni said that, if elected, she would focus on better planning and smarter growth for the city, a concern she said she often hears from other residents.

"They're happy with the growth, but they'd like to see the growth better planned," she said. "I think that also citizens would like to be involved in the planning. We've had an explosion of growth, but there's a lot of issues as a result of that growth."

She would like to get more citizens involved in government through the city's various boards and commissions.

"Newark is a place where we are very skilled, highly knowledgeable, very talented. You have a lot of university professors here. There's lots of problem solving going on, and there's lots of ways to work around issues that we've had," she said. "I think if we can tap into that raw material that not everyone does have but we have as an asset in Newark, we would be even better than where we are today."

Guthrie is an undergraduate student at UD and lives in a rental house on West Main Street. While a student at Glasgow High School, he formed the We Need Our Fathers initiative, which seeks to

connect people with their absent fathers. He is also a rapper under the stage name CodeBoy Sai.

At age 21, he would be the youngest person to ever serve as mayor of Newark.

"Growing up, I always wanted to provide a solution for problems," Guthrie said. "I always wanted to be the solution, or find solutions for the common ground of people, so I thought, why not run for office."

He said he was prompted to run because of a bad experience with the Newark Police Department. Guthrie, who is black, said he believes he was the victim of discrimination when he and his roommates were jailed after throwing a party.

"We didn't really like the way the police handled the situation, just because we've thrown parties in the past with other Caucasian fraternities, and the police handled it way differently," he said. "That's what really sparked my interest into what's wrong with Newark."

Though he wants to base his platform around feedback he receives from the community, Guthrie is interested in several different issues – primarily the gap between the university students and the community.

"I feel as though, me leading the charge, me being the center of the unity of all the councilmen and the council, could definitely spark change because I'm close to the crowd of the students but I also can communicate very well with older citizens," he said. "I need to bridge that gap."

Farzad is a native of Binghamton, N.Y., and moved to Newark seven years ago when he took a job as an aerospace engineer at Northrop Grumman in Elkton, Md., where he supervises the manufacturing of rockets and missiles.

"I fell in love with this town," Farzad said, noting that he was drawn to Newark because it reminds him of where he grew up.

He believes there is a disconnect between the full-time residents of the city and the UD students who live here.

"Those two groups don't really talk to each other," he said, adding that he doesn't believe the current city government tries hard enough to bridge the gap. "They don't get it. They really don't."

Farzad, 32, said he understands both sides and believes he can close the divide.

"I really want to be that voice in



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GUTHRIE



FARZAD

the middle," he said, pointing out that Clifton and Ciferni are older while Guthrie is still in school. "I'm the only one who can speak for both sides."

Farzad said, if elected, he would seek to set up regular meetings between city council and UD's board of trustees.

Fader lives in Nottingham Green and, according to his social media profile, works as a bartender. He did not respond to interview requests.

## District 1

In District 1, Councilman Mark Morehead is seeking his fifth term and is being challenged by newcomer James Horning Jr.

District 1 is in the western part of the city, roughly between Barksdale Road and West Main Street.

Morehead, a Timber Creek resident who works as a contractor, was first elected in 2011. He survived a challenge in 2015 and was unopposed in 2013 and 2017.

"I'm running for re-election because I think I've got a steady hand on council," Morehead said. "I'm probably the person who gets the most in-depth on the details with the information provided to council."

He noted that District 1 is facing a number of major development projects, including the Rodney stormwater pond and park, a proposed apartment complex at the site of UD's Dickinson dorms and a proposed assisted living facility on Barksdale Road. More broadly, the city is facing "serious policy decisions" about parking and downtown development, he said.

"I think I have a lot to add to that conversation," Morehead said.

He also wants to continue advocating for "fiscal moderation," he said.

Horning is a Delaware native and lived in Windy Hills before moving to his current home in Nottingham Green. He works as an attorney at Wilbraham, Lawler & Buba in Wilmington with a focus on defending companies from asbestos-related lawsuits.

Horning said he is running because he believes he can improve citizen engagement in District 1. He hopes to emulate the way council members Jen Wallace and Jason Lawhorn use their websites and social media to explain their position on the issues and solicit feedback from constituents.

"I'm used to taking a complex stack of papers and boiling it down to the nitty gritty issues," he said.

He believes Morehead could do a better job reaching out to residents.

"His Facebook page's last update was in 2015," he said. "We could improve in that area."



MOREHEAD



HORNING

He listed the Rodney site and the pending Main Street construction project as major issues facing the city and added that it's important to hire a permanent city manager. The city has been without one since May 2017. Council voted to begin salary negotiations with Acting City Manager Tom Coleman in early December but has not taken further action.

"There's something broken in the process," Horning said. "We've elected a U.S. president in a shorter time period than that."

Primarily, he said, he wants to listen to what issues are on residents' minds.

"I'm not going into this with any agenda or platform of my own," he said.

## District 2

In District 2, which encompasses the eastern part of the city, two candidates are vying to replace Clifton, who chose to run for mayor rather than seek re-election to his council seat.

Both candidates, Sharon Hughes and Maria Ruckle, are no strangers to city elections.

Hughes, a resident of Stafford, first ran for the District 2 council seat in 2005 but lost to Clifton's write-in campaign. When Clifton resigned in 2014, Hughes made a second bid for the seat, but ended up losing to Todd Ruckle in the special election. She ran again in 2017 but withdrew prior to the election, guaranteeing Clifton the victory.

Hughes did not return calls seeking comment.

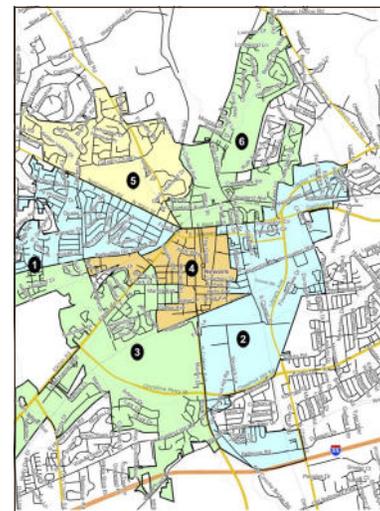
Maria Ruckle has never served in office herself but said she learned a lot about the city during her husband's three years on city council.

She and Todd live in Stafford and run a real estate business together. The family is also well known in the broader community after receiving an outpouring of support when daughter Emily was attacked by a pit bull in 2014.

Ruckle said she and Todd encouraged Clifton to run for mayor and, with Todd too busy to return to council, she decided to throw her hat into the ring.

"When we saw the candidates for mayor, I jumped on the phone with Jerry and said 'You need to run,'" she said.

If elected, she said, she would work to find a balance between the city's needs and the desire to keep taxes and fees as low as possible. She noted that residents have seen increases in city taxes as well as school taxes, with the Christina School District planning another referendum for this spring.



A map shows Newark's election districts. Only districts 1 and 2 (shown in blue) have contested races, though all eligible Newarkers will be able to cast a ballot for mayor.

"They feel like they've been nickel-and-dimed," Ruckle said.

Another issue she wants to focus on is the relationship between UD and the city.

"We need to balance the university's need for growth with the day-to-day life of residents who live here," she said.

Ruckle said she also wants to ensure that the Florida T is not proposed again. The controversial traffic configuration – which officials said would reduce congestion but would close an exit out of Stafford and surrounding neighborhoods – was rejected by city council two years ago. However, a DelDOT consultant recently hinted that an alternative configuration could be in the works.

"The Florida T is huge," Ruckle said. "If that thing were to rear its ugly head, I would be right there in the fight."

## District 4

Councilman Chris Hamilton is running unopposed for his second term representing District 4, which encompasses the central part of Newark. Because there is only one candidate, there will be no election, and Hamilton will be declared the winner.

A resident of Old Newark, Hamilton was first elected in 2017, when he unseated two-term incumbent Marge Hadden.

"I don't know whether to feel lucky or grateful," Hamilton said Monday after learning he is running unopposed. "I won't be sitting on my laurels. If anyone has a disagreement, please, let's chat."

He said he believes he has helped foster a better relationship between the city and UD and wants to continue that work.

"What a great town this could be if we keep working together," he said.

The other three council members, Jen Wallace, Jason Lawhorn and Stu Markham, won't be up for re-election until next year. Council members serve two-year terms.



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**ADDRESS: 229 ELDERFIELD  
ROAD NEWARK 19713  
PARCEL: 0902230046  
SHERIFF #19-000001**

**ADDRESS: 58 CHAUCER  
DRIVE NEWARK 19713  
PARCEL: 1100220018  
SHERIFF #19-000004**

**ADDRESS: 108 CYPRESS  
DRIVE NEWARK 19713  
PARCEL: 0902840133  
SHERIFF #19-000006**

**ADDRESS: 5 MEADOW  
KNOLL COURT BEAR 19701  
PARCEL: 1004430088  
SHERIFF #19-000007**

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ROAD BEAR 19701  
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SHERIFF #19-000011**

**ADDRESS: 61 LOCHVIEW  
DRIVE BEAR 19701  
PARCEL: 1004410105  
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**ADDRESS: 833 SALEM  
CHURCH ROAD  
NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1101900031  
SHERIFF #19-000015**

**ADDRESS: 133 BALMORAL  
WAY NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1003330411  
SHERIFF #18-010807**

**ADDRESS: 201 TAMARA  
CIRCLE NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 0901710141  
SHERIFF #18-010812**

**ADDRESS: 26 BASTILLE  
LOOP NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1102530032  
SHERIFF #18-010872**

**ADDRESS: 528 CONCORD  
BRIDGE PLACE  
NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1003910155  
SHERIFF #18-010875**

**ADDRESS: 110 HAUT BRION  
AVENUE NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1103040029  
SHERIFF #18-010877**

**ADDRESS: 3 ANDRIES ROAD  
NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 0806010139  
SHERIFF #18-010886**

**ADDRESS: 37 BOYDS  
VALLEY DRIVE  
NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 0804240063  
SHERIFF #18-010887**

**ADDRESS: 447 HAYSTACK  
DRIVE NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 0803610244  
SHERIFF #18-010888**

**ADDRESS: 17 CASSANDRA  
ROAD NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1004410006  
SHERIFF #18-010901**

**ADDRESS: 7 HIGH POND  
DRIVE NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 1800500057  
SHERIFF #18-010911**

**ADDRESS: 1127 FLINT HILL  
ROAD WILMINGTON 19808  
PARCEL: 0803140081  
SHERIFF #18-010912**

**ADDRESS: 3 FIRETHORN  
COURT NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 1803100304  
SHERIFF #18-010946**

**ADDRESS: 12 CLARION  
COURT NEWARK 19713  
PARCEL: 0902140132  
SHERIFF #18-010955**

**ADDRESS: 96 DENNY  
CIRCLE NEWARK 19702  
PARCEL: 1003910549  
SHERIFF #18-010963**

**ADDRESS: 2308 HENLOPEN  
AVENUE WILMINGTON 19804  
PARCEL: 0804440397  
SHERIFF #18-010990**

**ADDRESS: 107 NEWTON  
DRIVE BEAR 19701  
PARCEL: 1003310773  
SHERIFF #18-011006**

**ADDRESS: 1 CORDELE ROAD  
NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 0806010088  
SHERIFF #18-011007**

**ADDRESS: 614 S. TWIN  
LAKES BOULEVARD  
NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 1805400076  
SHERIFF #18-011009**

**ADDRESS: 5 DUET COURT  
NEWARK 19713  
PARCEL: 0901640076  
SHERIFF #18-011018**

**ADDRESS: 402 TAMARA  
CIRCLE NEWARK 19711  
PARCEL: 0901720052  
SHERIFF #18-011049**

**ADDRESS: 60 ALEXIS DRIVE  
NEWARK 19720  
PARCEL: 0902930110  
SHERIFF #18-011059**

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT  
FEBRUARY 21, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.**

Pursuant to Chapter 32, Article XIX of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Board of Adjustment on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Newark Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street, Newark, Delaware, to hear the following appeals:

- The appeal of Kevin Mayhew, property addresses 34, 38 & 40 Corbit Street for the following variances:**
  - Sec. 32-10(c)(1) - Minimum lot area** - Except as specified in Article XVI, Section 32-56.2(a) of this chapter, the minimum lot area for any dwelling or permitted nonresidential use, together with the accessory buildings, shall be 6,250 square feet for a semi-detached single-family use.
    - 38 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows a lot area of 3,042 square feet, which requires a variance of 3,208 square feet.
    - 40 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows 3,042 square feet, which requires a variance of 3,208 square feet.
  - Sec. 32-10(c)(2) - Maximum lot coverage** - The maximum lot coverage for any building, accessory buildings, and manmade improvements on the ground surface which are more impervious than the natural surface and which are used for parking and driveways, but not including swimming pools, patios, terraces, outdoor grills, and similar facilities not intended for parking shall be 50%.
    - 34 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows a lot coverage of 61.2%, requiring a variance of 11.2%. The developer requests an additional 4.8% variance for a future 20% building footprint increase, for a total variance of 16%.
    - 38 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows a lot coverage of 62%, requiring a variance of 12%.
    - 40 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows a lot coverage of 56%, requiring a variance of 6%.
  - Sec. 32-10(c)(3) - Minimum lot width** - Except as specified in Article XVI, Section 32-56.2(b) of this chapter, the minimum lot width for a lot shall be 50 feet.
    - 38 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows a lot width of 25.37 feet, requiring a variance of 24.63 feet.
    - 40 Corbit Street - The proposed plan shows a lot width of 25.37 feet, requiring a variance of 24.63 feet.

The application and related materials may be examined at the City Secretary's Office, 366-7000, prior to the meeting.

Jeffrey Bergstrom  
Chairman  
np 2/8



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**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE  
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

February 11, 2019 – 6:00 P.M. – CC

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

**MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

- A. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (4) and (9) for the purposes of a strategy session, including those involving legal advice or opinion from an attorney-at-law, with respect to pending or potential litigation, but only when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body and discussing personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees are discussed.
- B. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (4) and (9) for the purposes of a strategy session, including those involving legal advice or opinion from an attorney-at-law, with respect to pending or potential litigation, but only when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body and discussing personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees are discussed.
- C. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (4) and (6) for the purposes of a strategy session, including those involving legal advice or opinion from an attorney-at-law, with respect to pending or potential litigation, but only when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body and discussion of the content of documents, excluded from the definition of "public record" in § 10002 of this title where such discussion may disclose the contents of such documents

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

**RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

- A. Potential Vote on Hiring Special Counsel
- B. Potential Vote on Disability Pension

**SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- \*1. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (15 minute limit):**
  - A. Government Finance Officers Association Award Presentation – Finance Department
  - B. The Newark Partnership Update – Dr. Daniel Rich
2. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
  - A. Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers
  - B. University
    - (1) Administration (5 minutes per speaker)
    - (2) Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker)
  - C. City Manager
  - D. Council Members
  - E. Public (3 minutes per speaker)
3. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**
  - A. Approval of Council Minutes – January 28, 2019
  - B. Receipt of Planning Commission Minutes – January 2, 2019
  - C. Receipt of Green Building Code Work Group Minutes – November 27, 2018
  - D. Receipt of Green Building Code Work Group Minutes – December 18, 2018
  - E. Approval of Polling Places for the April 9, 2019 City Election
  - F. **First Reading – Bill 19-03 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Amending Management Positions, Titles and Pay Grades Related to Communications and Human Resources – Second Reading – February 25, 2019**
4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
- \*5. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:**
  - A. Reappointment of Sydney Goldberg to the At-Large Position on the Election Board for a Three-Year Term to Expire January 15, 2022
  - B. Appointment of Nikki Lane to the Newark Housing Authority Position on the Community Development/Revenue Sharing Advisory Committee for a Three-Year Term to Expire March 15, 2022
  - C. Appointment of Marcia Hallio to an At-Large Position on the Community Development/Revenue Sharing Advisory Committee for a Three-Year Term to Expire March 15, 2022
- \*6. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
  - A. General Assembly Update and Associated Requests for Council Direction – Lobbyist
  - B. Year-End Pension/OPEB Report – Finance Director/Vanguard
- \*7. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**
  - A. Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process in Accordance with the Code of the City of Newark for the Purchase of a Pair of Redundant SonicWALL Firewalls
- \*8. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** (None)
- \*9. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**
  - A. **Bill 19-01 – An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Rezoning from BL (Business Limited) to BB (Central Business District) 0.471 Acres Located at 62 North Chapel Street (See Items 10-A and 10-B)**
- \*10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:**
  - A. Request of Chapel North, LLC for the Major Subdivision with Site Plan Approval of 0.471 Acres in Order to Demolish the Existing Structure and Construct One Four-Story Apartment Building with Parking on the First Floor and 18 Two-Bedroom Apartments on the Remaining Floors at the Property Located at 62 North Chapel Street (**Agreement and Resolution Attached**) (See Items 9-A and 10-B)
  - B. Request of Chapel North, LLC for a Special Use Permit for 18 Apartments in the BB Zone at the Property Located at 62 North Chapel Street (See Items 9-A and 10-A)
- \*11. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
  - A. Council Members: None
  - B. Others: None

\*OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Agenda Posted – February 4, 2019

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF NEIGHBORLY LABS, INC.

To the creditors of and the claimants against Neighborly Labs, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"):

NOTICE is hereby given by Neighborly Labs, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), which was dissolved by the filing of a Certificate of Dissolution in the Office of the Department of State of the State of Delaware on the 23rd day of January, 2019 that pursuant to Section 280 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, all creditors of and claimants against the Company are hereby required to present in writing their claims, respective accounts and demands and must contain sufficient information reasonably to inform the Company or successor entity of the identity of the claimant and the substance of the claims, accounts and demands. All claims, accounts and demands must be sent to the following address: Neighborly Labs, Inc., 2606 2nd Avenue #130, Seattle, WA 98121, and must be received on or before 5:00 pm Pacific time, the 9th day of April, 2019, or such claims, accounts and demands shall be forever barred as against the property of the Company and its directors and stockholders. The Company or successor entity may make distributions to other claimants and the Company stockholders or persons interested as having been such without further notice to the claimant. No distributions have been made by the Company to its stockholders for each of the three (3) years prior to the date the Company dissolved.

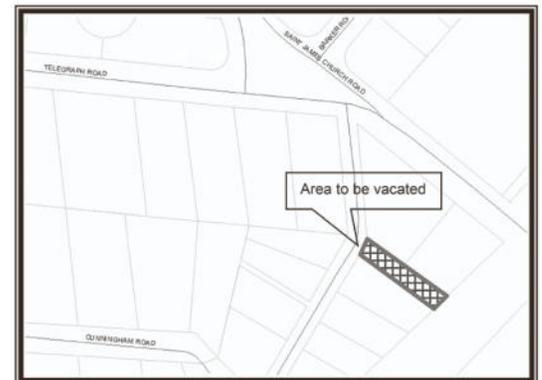
Dated at Seattle, Washington, on the 29th day of January, 2019.  
np 2/8,15 2832093



Delaware Department of Transportation  
Jennifer Cohan, Secretary

### PUBLIC HEARING

For The Abandonment & Vacation of an  
Unimproved Portion of Terscon Lane  
Newark, Delaware



Thursday, February 28, 2019 5:00 p.m.  
Stanton Middle School, Multipurpose Room  
1800 Limestone Rd, Wilmington, DE

WHEREAS, The Delaware Department of Transportation, (DelDOT) has custody and control of an unimproved portion of Terscon Lane, Newark, Delaware, New Castle County and is located adjacent to Kelbark Lane, south of it's intersection with Telegraph Road, also known as Newark Stanton Road; and

WHEREAS, the adjoining property owners, have petitioned DelDOT to consider the vacation and abandonment of an unimproved portion of Terscon Lane, measuring approximately 30 linear feet +/- wide by 160 linear feet +/- in length, which has ceased to be of necessity to the highway system.

WHEREAS, Title 17, Section 1311 of the Delaware Code grants DelDOT the authority to vacate and abandon public roads or parts thereof, ceasing to be of necessity to the general highway system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by DelDOT that a Public Hearing shall be held with regard to the proposed vacation and abandonment of an unimproved portion of Terscon Lane. The hearing will be held at the Stanton Middle School, Multipurpose Room, located at 1800 Limestone Rd, Wilmington, Delaware, on Thursday, February 28, 2019 5pm. Public comments concerning this matter will be received at this time.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
Jennifer Cohan, Secretary  
Robert B. McCleary, P.E.  
Chief Engineer and Director of DOTS

For additional information contact Laura Peretiatko, DelDOT Right of Way Agent III: 302-760-2223.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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## CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

February 25, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street, Newark, Delaware, on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Second Reading and Final Passage the following proposed Ordinance:

Bill 19-02 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Chapter 27, Subdivisions, and Chapter 32, Zoning, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Sunsetting the Downtown Newark Partnership and Forming the Design Committee

Renee K. Bensley, CMC  
City Secretary

np 2/8

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## PUBLIC AUCTION SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

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

A Public Auction will be held on Thursday, March 14th, 2019 at 11:00 AM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

**Unit #4005 - Carl Massey** - Bags, Boxes, Clothing, Fishing Equipment, Tiller, Power Tools, Shelving, Suitcases, Folding Table, Totes, Browning Gun Safe, Rolling tool Chest, Deer Head, Work Bench, Hand Truck, Framed Deer Skin

**Unit #3025 - Betty Tuckerson** - Bags, Headboard, Bicycles, Boxes, Chairs, Chest of Drawers, Dresser, Sewing Machine, Folding Table, Big Screen TV, Washer, Heater, Armoire, China Cabinet, Assorted Household Items

**Unit #3027 - Betty Tuckerson** - Air Conditioner, Bags, Boxes, Kitchen Cabinets, Dryer, Speakers, Suitcase, Totes, Photo Developer, Patio Table, Canopy, Weed Wacker, Garden Tools, Assorted Household Items

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

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, 3/13/19 at 12:00 pm. All sales are cash only. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

**Unit #5002 - Daniel Igo** - couch, love seat, totes, flooring in boxes, floor samples, toys

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

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 1:00pm. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

**Unit #333 - Erin Linderman** - baby crib, mattress, boxes, kitchen chair, stool totes, high chair, changing table, night stand

**Unit #1259 - John Humphreys** - hamper, coffee table, totes, heater world globe

**Unit #9279 - Nicolas Rhoads** - air conditioner, box spring, dining chairs, lamps, dining table

**Unit #9444 - David Southall** - bags, bed frame, box spring, mattresses, boxes, upholstered chair, clothing, couch, ironing board, loveseat, stereo, coffee table, end table, totes, mics household items, 1 car rim, shovel, crutches, board games

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

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 2:00 PM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

**Unit #102 - Rashawn J. Maddrey-Reed** - Bags, pictures, toys, freezer, shoes.

**Unit #198 - Aide Burnett** - Bags, clothing, (2) dressers, pictures, toy basketball net, comforters, space heater.

**Unit #28 - Dubei Group, Inc, George Dubei** - New microwave, (2) new refrigerators, (3) tires, boxes.

**Unit #333 - Eeyesha N. Mitchell** - Baby crib, bags, mattress, totes.

**Unit #316 - Latisa C. Ails** - Headboard, kitchen chairs, bench stool.

**Unit #267 - Larry A. Joyner** - Bags, clothing, (2) suitcases, totes, TV.

**Unit #178 - Gregory Jordan** - Office chair, tires, tool box, (2) rolling tool boxes with tools, air compressor, car hubcaps.

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

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 3:00 PM. Sales are "cash only". The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

**Unit #151 - Jamie K. Osman** - Boxes, bags, totes, golf clubs, footlocker

np 2/8,15

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## CITY OF NEWARK Newark, Delaware

### Traffic Committee Meeting Notice

The Traffic Committee meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, February 19, 2019**, has been canceled due to a lack of agenda items.

The above agenda is intended to be followed, but is subject to changes, deletions, additions, and modifications, as permitted under the Freedom of Information Act of the State of Delaware. The agenda is posted (7) seven days in advance of the scheduled meeting in compliance with 29 Del. C. Section 10004 (e)(2). Copies may be obtained at the [Insert Department], 220 South Main Street, or online at [www.newarkde.gov](http://www.newarkde.gov).

np 2/8

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## CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

February 25, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Chapter 32, Zoning, Sections 32-78 and 32-19(b)(4) Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing in the Council Chamber, Newark Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street, on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. to consider the request of Rashid, Inc. for a Special Use Permit for a used car lot at the property located at 804 South College Avenue, Newark, Delaware, with accessory parking at the property located at 810 South College Avenue, Newark, Delaware.

ZONING CLASSIFICATION - BC (General Business) and BN (Neighborhood Shopping)

Renee K. Bensley, CMC  
City Secretary

np 2/8

2833075

Estate of **DOROTHA M. HARTMAN**, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that **Letters Testamentary** upon the estate of **DOROTHA M. HARTMAN, aka DOROTHA HARTMAN** who departed this life on the **19th day of October, A.D. 2018, late of 225 TIMBER KNOLL DRIVE, BEAR, DE 19701**, were duly granted unto **JUDITH C. DOWLING on January 4, 2019**, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to make payments to the **Personal Representative** without delay, and all persons having demands against the deceased are required to exhibit and present the same duly probated to the said **Personal Representative** on or before **June 19, 2019**, or abide by the law in this behalf.

Address **CURRAN, JAMES P., ESQ.** Personal Representative **JUDITH C. DOWLING**

LAW OFFICES OF  
**JAMES P. CURRAN, JR.**  
700 PRIDES CROSSING, STE 302  
NEWARK, DE 19713  
File #170390

np 1/25,2/1,8

2829861

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**DANIEL SCOTT BLEEKER**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**JACK DANIEL WOLFE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **DANIEL SCOTT BLEEKER** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **JACK DANIEL WOLFE**.

**DANIEL SCOTT BLEEKER**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/9/2019

np 1/25,2/1,8

2828164

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**HURKLEE LAWTON**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**HERCULES LAWTON**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **HERKLEE LAWTON** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **HERCULES LAWTON**.

**HURKLEE LAWTON**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/15/2019

np 1/18,25,2/1,8,15

2829615

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**MICHAEL ANTHONY ROJAS**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**TAKASHI UZUMATI ROJAS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **MICHAEL ANTHONY ROJAS** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **TAKASHI UZUMATI ROJAS**.

**MICHAEL ANTHONY ROJAS**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/23/2019

np 2/1,8,15

2831069

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**TRUC THANH HUYNH**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**VIVIAN PHAM**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **TRUC THANH HUYNH** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **VIVIAN PHAM**.

**TRUC THANH HUYNH**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 12/10/2018

np 2/1,8,15

2831105

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**ANH NHAT HUYNH**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**KELLY PHAM**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **ANH NHAT HUYNH** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **KELLY PHAM**.

**ANH NHAT HUYNH**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 12/10/2018

np 2/1,8,15

2831108

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**RODNEY SHONTAI DUFFY**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**SEAN RENZEL CARTER**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **RODNEY SHONTAI DUFFY** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **SEAN RENZEL CARTER**.

**RODNEY SHONTAI DUFFY**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/25/2019

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2831256

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**KATHRYN VERONICA HOPKINS**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**KATHRYN VERONICA HOPKINS MILAM**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **KATHRYN VERONICA HOPKINS** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to **KATHRYN VERONICA HOPKINS MILAM**.

**KATHRYN VERONICA HOPKINS**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/25/2019

np 2/1,8,15

2831413

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**HAYDEE KADENCE MANLEY**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**HAYDEE KADENCE AYCOX**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **JASMINE AYCOX** intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her minor child's name to **HAYDEE KADENCE AYCOX**.

**JASMINE AYCOX**  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/16/2019

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2829920

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
**GABRIELA CAGLIARI**  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
**GABRIELA MONTANEZ**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **VANESSA MONTANEZ** and **ANTONIO MONTANEZ** intend to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change their minor child's name to **GABRIELA MONTANEZ**.

**VANESSA MONTANEZ & ANTONIO MONTANEZ**  
Petitioners  
Dated: 1/16/2019

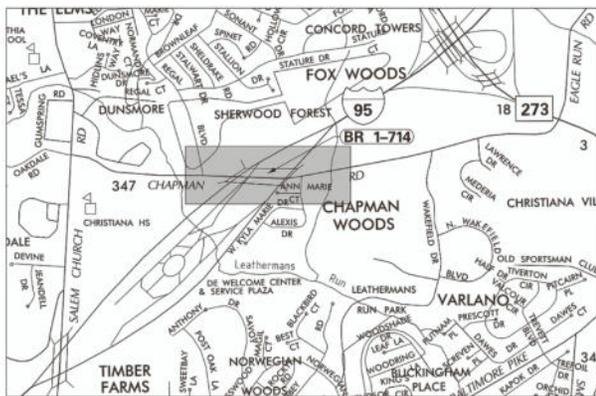
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**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO ALL CREDITORS OF OR CLAIMANTS AGAINST AEC PELLET 1 USA LLC.** On January 7, 2019, the sole Member of AEC Pellet 1 USA LLC ("Company"), a Delaware limited liability company, resolved to dissolve the Company and on or after February 15, 2019 will file a Certificate of Cancellation of Limited Liability Company with the DE Secretary of State. All parties must submit a written summary of any claim against Company, including name, address and phone number of claimant, date on which the claim arose, basis for the claim, and supporting documentation to Abengoa North America LLC, c/o Legal Department, 3030 N. Central Ave., Suite 808, Phoenix, AZ 85012. All claims will be barred unless a proceeding to enforce is commenced within three (3) years of publication of this notice.  
np 2/8,15 2832081

Meffco, LLC, dba Finn McCool's Irish Gastropub, has on October 17, 2018 applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control ("Commissioner") for a substantive change in the area utilized for entertainment—i.e., removing tables and chairs in the first floor dining room and upstairs banquet room to accommodate occasional musical entertainment and dancing, including during the hours of approximately 9:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. on Thursdays and on St. Patrick's Day—for the premises located at 102 E. Main Street, Newark, DE. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against the application the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before March 10, 2019. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office.  
np 2/8,15,22 2832100

 Delaware Department of Transportation  
Jennifer Cohan, Secretary  
**PUBLIC / VIRTUAL WORKSHOP**



**BR 1-714 Chapman Road over I-95**  
<https://www.deldot.gov/projects/vw/T201507402/index.shtml>

**Gauger-Cobbs Middle School**  
50 Gender Road  
Newark, DE 19713

**Tuesday, February 19, 2019**  
4:00PM to 7:00PM

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) would like to invite residents from in and around Newark and all other interested parties to public workshops to discuss the proposed replacement of Bridge 1-714 Chapman Road over I-95. The purpose of the workshops is to present details of the proposed replacement and to solicit feedback from the public. Construction impacts to Chapman Road are expected to begin January 2020 and be complete by June, 2021. The virtual workshop will be available online at the website above beginning February 19, 2019 and will be accessible for at least 30 days. The live public workshop will be held at the Gauger Middle School from 4:00PM to 7:00PM on Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

Interested persons are invited to express their views either online or in writing, giving reasons for support or opposition to the project. Comments will be received during the workshop or can be mailed to DelDOT Community Relations, P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903 or emailed to dotpr@state.de.us.

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Tiffany Hardy Samick  
1/31/19  
np 2/8 2832472

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Cheryl Lynn Kincaid  
2/1/19  
np 2/8 2832610

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2/4/19  
np 2/8 2833019

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np 2/8,15 2832077

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Vernon Scott Kincaid  
2/1/19  
np 2/8 2832607

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