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UP FRONT

Talk about a horse race

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NLIKE county and state elections - when Newark's roadsides are decorated by zillions of ugly political signs - gazing at the scenery as you motor around town would not tip you off that there is a hotly contested mayoral election less than one month away. (Okay, there's a few blue-

and-green "Ad-Vance the city" posters in various Main Street businesses, but the proliferation of placards that other elections produce is absent, thank



Streit

God.) Throughout three decades of community journalism, I've always hated it when voters have no choices at the polls for the governmental offices that are closest to them. A Newark resident has a slim chance of affecting change in the U.S. Congress but he or she can influence the actions of the Newark City Council.

Incumbents love it when no challenger feels they have any chance to defeat the office holder. Those in office coast back in without any evaluations by the voters.

Such is not the case in Newark this spring (I use that term loosely in light of Tuesday's weather).

A veteran councilmember and incumbent mayor is being challenged by a respected local attorney.

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After years of playing the trumpet in high school and at the University of Delaware Sam Ferrara finally put down his instrument.

More important things in his life took precedent, including a wife and eventually three

"I had to put all their needs first," said Ferrara, of Newark. Fast forward approximately

20 years when his children are grown, and all get married in the

"I found I had more time on my hands and my wife really nudged me to pick up an instrument again," Ferrara said. But instead of the trumpet he took up the trombone and then the baritone. After about a year of practice, Ferrara decided to join the Newark Community Band.

Seventeen years later, he's still involved with the non-profit group, which begins its 2004

son Friday, March 19 with a free concert at George V. Kirk Middle School in Newark.

"I always had a love for music and now it's a big part of my life," he said. "You feel like you are part of something special playing with this group."

Most of the 35 to 45 active

members of the Newark Community Band have similar stories, but some have no background in music, learn from someone, then join the band. It's a band that has fun, stays togeth-

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Story by Darrel W. Cole · Photos by Scott McAllister

From top to bottom, Jay Pierston and Ron Brabson on the clarinet, Frank Hoagey on trumpet, Fraser Bauck on the French horn, Harry West on the drums, and assistant conductor Brenda LaBounty leads the band at a recent rehearsal.



Cecil nixes project

By KATY CIAMARICONE

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

THE Cecil County, Md., Planning and Zoning Commission on Monday voted 3-0 against a proposal to build 370 houses and a private golf course in Fair Hill. Two of the seven commission members abstained from the vote and two others were absent.

Carl Walbeck, president of the commission, said he voted against the proposed Aston Pointe development because he didn't think the developer's revised plan would fit the rural character of the area. The plan had been scaled down from 510 houses earlier this year.

The developers now have two choices: they can present an alternate plan to the commission or appeal the decision to the county Circuit Court.

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Election heats up

Funk raises \$17,620, Dist. 6 now 3-way battle

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

EWARK mayoral challenger Vance Funk III has raised \$17,620 in individual contributions of less than \$100 each, far out pacing incumbent Mayor Hal Godwin's \$3,220, according to campaign finance reports filed Monday, March 15.

The money was raised between Jan. 1 and March 14. Prior to that period, Funk had a balance of \$3,058 and Godwin \$2,124.

Funk said he's received far more contributions than expected and is no longer asking supporters to send money.

Meanwhile, as of the Monday, March

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PNC in Pencader Plaza robbed

The Delaware State Police Robbery Squad is investigating a bank robbery in which unidentified man fled on foot with an undisclosed amount of currency.

On Tuesday, March 9 at approximately 1:34 p.m. troopers responded to the PNC bank, 255 E. Chestnut Hill Road, Pencader Plaza, for a report of a bank robbery.

Troopers were informed that an unidentified male assailant entered the bank and approached one of the

The assailant displayed a demand note that implied he had a weapon and wanted money, police said. The teller complied and handed over the currency. The assailant then fled on foot and was last observed running towards the intersection of Rts. 4 and

The assailant is described as a white male, in his late 20s to early 30s, approximately 5 feet 6 inches

tall and approximately 170 pounds. He has dark brown eyes and dark brown hair, clean-shaven, olive complexion and a medium build. He was wearing a white baseball hat with an unidentified logo and a dark-colored shirt, troopers said.

Any person with information pertaining to the incident or who knows the identity of the pictured assailant is asked to contact detectives at 834-2620 ext. 4.

Police discover driver asleep at the wheel

Newark police said they were called to South College Avenue and East Main Street on Sunday, March 14, at 5:03 a.m. to investigate a report of a driver slumped over in a

Police reported they discovered a 1998 Chrysler Sebring sitting in a left-turn lane. The traffic signal was green but the car's brake lights were Officers reported they approached the car and found a male slumped over. Officers were able to awaken the driver and conduct field

sobriety tests, police said.
Police said Jeffrey Michael
Owens, 20, of Hockessin, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and underage consumption of alcohol. He was released after processing, police said, pending court appearances.

Fight at party ends with injuries

A birthday party in the unit block Ethan Allan Court turned to violence, Newark police were told on Sunday, March 14, at 2:50 a.m.

Police were called to a residence after receiving a report of a fight in progress. As officers arrived, two persons fled but were detained by officers.

Party-goers told police that two men arrived and started "causing trouble" immediately. They were asked to leave but instead became disorderly and began fighting with attendees.

Police were told one 20-year-old Pennsville, N.J., woman was

Neighbors The College Park
Neighborhood Association's
Landlord Committee is offeroffer ing a \$500 reward for information that leads Newark Police to make an arrest in the sexual assault of a 19year-old woman.

The attack of the Madison Drive resident in her home occurred Feb. 25 at 8 p.m.

The woman reported to police that six men, one of whom she had invited to her home, were involved. The woman told police that one man restrained her, another undressed her and several others sexually assaulted her.

The assailants are described as black males in their mid-20s.

Anyone with information is urged to call Det. Keld at 366-7110, ext. 106.

punched in the eye and knocked to the ground. During the fracas, a pic-ture, wallboard, coffee and kitchen tables were damaged and the front window of the home shattered. One of the men attempted to pull a guest

through the broken glass.

David L. Lee, 19, was charged with assault, criminal trespassing, underage consumption of alcohol, disorderly conduct, criminal mischief and resisting arrest. Daniel Lee, 18, was charged with both of Wilmington, were charged with criminal trespassing, underage con-sumption of alcohol, disorderly conduct and criminal mischief. Both reside in Wimington. Police said they were released pending court appear-

Police look into attack

A 22-year-old University of Delaware student was beaten, punched and kicked as he arrived at a party at 700 Scholar Drive, University Courtyard apartments, on Sunday, March 14, at 1:12 a.m.

Newark police interviewed the victim and friends at the Newark Emergency Center and said that he needed nine stitches to his eyelids. Police reported the victim may be subjected to serious eye problems in the future.

Police have suspects and an

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STATISTICS FOR FEB. 22-28, 2004 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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investigation is underway.

Vandals, thieves hit cars

A number of reports of car thefts and vandalisms were reported to

Newark police recently.

Some of the incidents include:

Parking lot behind Colonial Garden apartments, Building L, 33 E. Main St., on Sunday, March 14, at 8:29 p.m., theft of CDs and electronic equipment; Lot behind Building A, Ivy Hall

apartments, 400 Wollaston Ave., on Sunday, March 14, at 12:57 p.m., hood of vehicle scratched with key;

Parking meter at 294 E. Main St., on Sunday, March 14, at 1:43 a.m., 1998 Saturn stolen;

312 Ashley Road, on Saturday, March 13, at 4:35 p.m., mirror dam-

Parking lot, Newark Shopping Center, on Saturday, March 13, at 1:12 a.m., window shattered;

654 S. College Ave., on Friday, March 12, at 7:51 p.m., two briefcases, computer, checkbook, keys taken from vehicle after window was shat-

Madison Drive near Thorn Lane, on Friday, March 12, at 11:30 a.m., mirror damaged; and

255 E. Cleveland Ave., on Friday, March 12, at 7:11 a.m., rims and tires

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Handyman woes

After hiring a handyman, a resident of the 100 block Capital Trail noticed several household items, including cash, DVDs and books missing, Newark police were told on Saturday, March 13, at 7:50 p.m.

Some of the missing items showed up later at a Main Store bookstore that sells used merchan-

Investigation is continuing.

Wins lottery?

A 67-year-old Newark man told Newark police on Saturday, March 13, at 10:28 a.m. that he had received a call from Jamaica informing him he had won \$2.5 million in a

The man told police the caller requested that he wire \$500 within hours to cover the cost of processing a check. The man told police he had not entered any lotteries.

Coffee thrown at woman

Following a dispute over a parking space outside Dunkin Donuts, 1002 S. College Ave., on Saturday, March 13, at 9:45 a.m., a man threw hot coffee on a pregnant woman.

Store employees intervened and the man left before officers arrived. Investigation is continuing.

Items disappear

Computer equipment and a TV set were removed from a home in the 100 block Kershaw Street, it was reported to Newark police on Saturday, March 13, at 3:20 a.m.

Rug stolen from store

Newark police are investigating the theft of an embroidered rug from the DP Dough store, 127 E. Main St., on Friday, March 12, at 11:50 p.m.

Store employees told police a young woman grabbed the rug off the floor, left and got into a SUV, which then left the area.

The rug contained a DP Dough

Shoplifting arrest

Newark police reported on Friday, March 12, at 2:34 p.m. that William Joseph Yanchulis Jr., 22, of New Castle, was charged with shoplifting.

He was released. Store employees at Pathmark in College Square told police DVDs and peanuts had been removed from the store without being paid for.

Fight at Newark High

Two youths, ages 15 and 17, were arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct after a fight broke out at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, March 10, inside a basement classroom.

Newark police reported the two began fighting after a verbal altercation. Chairs were thrown during the melee and both suffered cuts and

Vehicle overturns

Delaware State Police Troop 9 are investigating a single-vehicle crash, which sent a Newark man to the hospital.

On Thursday, March 11, at approximately 7:55 a.m., a 1998 Chevy S-10, blazer was traveling on Rt. 1 southbound, north of Rt. 72.

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University of Delaware ROTC cadets are rushed off buses and into line for drills during a recent training session at New Castle County Airport, where they participated in a variety of exercises.

A different type of education

BOUT 60 Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets, undergraduate students at the University of Delaware, took part in a mobility training exercise recently at the New Castle County Airport.

The college students received briefings and boarded a C-130 Hercules aircraft from the 166th Airlift Wing, although the aircraft remained parked during the Feb. 26 exercises.

Maj. Steve Hornish, of the UD Air Saturday, March 6, involving two Newark

Detachment Commandant of Cadets said, "This is an excellent opportunity for our ROTC cadets at the University of Delaware to work with the Delaware Air National Guard and for them to understand the role the Air Guard plays in the TotalForce and

the Expeditionary Air Force."

Meanwhile, the 166th Airlift Wing of the Delaware Air National Guard had change-of-command ceremonies residents.

Second Lt. Mike Vinzinski of Newark will assume command of the 166th Security Forces Squadron from Lt. Col. Dennis Hunsicker of Pa. Hunsicker will then take command of the 166th Logistics Readiness Squadron from Capt. Scott Hudson of Newark.

The Airlift Wing has conducted many operations in Iraq and elsewhere in the

invite others to dig

HE Friends of White Clay Creek State Park are seeking volunteers to plant trees on Saturday, March 27 along the bank of White Clay Creek.

This planting continues efforts by the Friends and members of the community to extend the forest buffer at key locations along the creek. Volunteers will plant trees along the border of a field on the east side of the creek opposite the Nature Center.

Key goals of the reforestation project are to increase the riparian buffer zone

To volunteer, call Christa Stephanisko at 369-1933.

along the creek and to improve wildlife habitat and forest quality. Another virtue of streamside plantings is to shade the creek to control its temperature and otherwise promote its good health.

The area to be reforested stands between the creek and a field. The reforestation project will also help preserve Delaware's natural forests by ensuring that open land is planted with native species.

Volunteers will park at the Nature Center parking lot with overflow parking close by. The field is often muddy, so old shoes or boots are recommended. Volunteers should bring a shovel or rake to move dirt into the holes.

More information on the project and on the Friends is available on their Web site at www.whiteclayfriends.org.

Newark pediatrician

ONNI Field, a Newark pediatrician, was the winner of the 25th Delaware Duck Stamp Contest held Wednesday, March 10 at the Delaware Agriculture Museum in Dover.

Field's watercolor painting of American (also called common) scoters bested 21 other entries from throughout the U.S. in the first of a special five-year series that pairs up one of the final five eligible waterfowl species with one of Delaware's historic or existing lighthous-

Next year's contest will feature the American merganser and the Fenwick Lighthouse.

This year's winning artwork, which will become the 2004 Delaware Duck Stamp, portrays a pair of scoters flying past the Cape Henlopen Lighthouse before it fell into the Atlantic Ocean in 1926.

The composition of the lighthouse and the birds intrigued me," Fields said. "I also did a lot of research at the library and on

the Internet for accuracy, right down to feather counting."

She said she worked on the



period of a couple of months, put it away for a month, made a few more changes, then sent it off, never expecting to get a call.

"I'm still in shock but very happy,"

Fields said. "I wanted to portray the beauty of the lighthouse, the flying birds and the sky. I'm thankful that the judges appreciated my painting."

This is her fourth entry in the annual contest, the first in 12 years.

Second place in the Duck Stamp Contest went to a New Yorker and third place went to a New Jersey resident. The state Division of Fish and Wildlife, in partnership with Ducks Unlimited, began the stamp and limited edition print program in 1980 to raise funds for waterfowl conservation, including acquiring and improving the wetland habitats that are vital for the survival of migratory waterfowl. To

date, more than \$2 million has been

Stamps bearing this year's winning design will go on sale July 1 at agents throughout the state. Collectors' stamps and prints can be reserved at the Division's Dover office, 89 Kings Highway, Dover or by calling 302-739-5841.

Automated garbage collection approved

new automated garbage collection service — which includes supplying all residents with large, wheeled containers - will begin later this year for Newark city residents and be phased in over three or four years.

The new program comes at no cost to city refuse customers. The city expects it will save almost \$900,000 over a nine-year period because the system is more efficient, require fewer refuse workers and is less hazardous to workers.

The system would use mechanical arms on trucks to pick up the city-supplied garbage cans, which come in sizes of 65 gallons or 95 gallons. Smaller 32-gallon cans will be offered to residents who need them. One new twist is that if any garbage is left outside the supplied cans, residents will be charged a fee.

The council passed the new program by a 5-1 vote March 8. Councilman Karl Kalbacher voted against, saying he thought the proposal should have included a curbside recycling component. Mayor Hal Godwin was in Washington D.C. at a conference in his role as President of the Delaware League of Cities

'What did you do?'

City Public Works Director Rich LaPointe's initial failed attempt to give a PowerPoint presentation on automated refuse to the council March 8 drew a gathering of city officials, all pondering how to fix the problem.

While the council went on to other business, several seemed baffled. First, Assistant City Administrator Carol Houck walked over and asked "What did you do?" Then, city Finance Director George Sarris moved in, looked at the computer, pushed a few buttons, and then said, "I'll call John," who apparently knows something about computers.

As Sarris left, up came city Water Director Joe Dombrowski, who simply leaned over and looked at the set up, then looked at the blank screen.

A few minutes later Sarris came back with "John" apparently on the line giving him instructions. At one point even a member of the audience came up to give some advice.

After many minutes, LaPointe finally got the system working.
"Now you know why I'm involved

in garbage collection and not computers," he said, laughing.

Voters can get involved

Voters who want to participate in the April 13 Newark city election must register to vote by Saturday, March 20.

An all-day register to vote drive will be held Saturday, March 20 at Newark Municipal Offices, 220 Elkton Road from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For information on how to register call the state Department of Elections at 302-577-3464.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

NOTEPAD

Blue-Gold basketball contest Sat. at The Bob

THE 2004 Blue-Gold All-Star basketball games will be played at the Bob Carpenter Center, Saturday, March 20 with girls' game at 2 p.m. and boys' at 4 p.m. Three Christina students will play: Donna James, from NHS, Andrea Oliver, from CHS, and Sean Hammond, from GHS. Tickets are \$7. Info, 762-9792.

Governor speaks

Gov. Ruth Ann Minner will speak at the Family Enrichment Academy on Saturday, March 20, from 9 a.m. to noon at Bancroft Intermediate School, 700 N. Lombard St., Wilmington. Free to all students and families of the Christina School District. Info., 325-1756.

Seeking input

Three more public meetings to explain the Christina Transformation will be held at Shue-Medill Middle School on Tuesday, March 30; Peoples Settlement on Wednesday, March 31; and Wilson Elementary on Thursday, April 1. All begin at 7 p.m. Info.,

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

HAWNA RILEY, a senior at Glasgow High School, was selected by Vice Principal Bill Conley and staff as this week's Student of the Week. Conley considers Shawna a

rising-star in the school. being vicepresident of student government, in the honor society, and on lacrosse team. She



Riley organized the blood drive and "puts out fires" in any event, taking charge to get things

A bitter sweet season

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

HEN the first ball of the season is thrown out Tuesday, March 23, 40 members of Christiana High-School's Vikings baseball team will have a season to remember.

But for them it will be a bitter sweet season.

Teammate Adam Lewkowitz, 17, a junior, will not be standing at first base ready to catch the ball. He was killed in a car crash Jan. 6, 2004.

"He was a real character, funny," said senior Ryan Pugh. "He made baseball an enjoyable time, it was an uplifting experience to play with him.'

This season will be dedicated to Lewkowitz, with a specially made wooden box with glass lid, holding his baseball shirt and a team ball to be presented to his parents. The players will wear Lewkowitz's name on the back of their helmets.

But if Lewkowitz were with his teammates on opening day, he would be just as proud of the new facilities as the rest of the team is.

There are newly installed dugouts, freshly laid sod, new bullpens and a shed to hold equipment. It was the perseverance of the students and the Vikings boosters that made it possible.

Dedication of the new base-ball field and 2004 season in the name of Lewkowitz will take place Saturday, March 20, at 10 a.m. at Christiana High School,

ather jackets give

Justin Eg



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Seniors on the Vikings squad, from left, Jason Schuster, Kevin Ellis, Kevin Majewski, Luis Hernandez, Edan Quinones, John Morris and Ryan Pugh stand before the newly installed dugouts.

Chapman Road, Newark. When Marvin Dooley, a comprogrammer puter AstraZeneca, came as head base-ball coach in 2001, he said he had big plans and a vision for the baseball program. This was the only field in the conference that had no dugouts, just benches, and a single box for equipment. Players sat out in the rain during games. The infield was just dirt.

When he approached officials in the district for better facilities, Dooley said he got a "run around." So Dooley, the parent boosters and team members got busy raising the money to get what they needed.

For three years students and parents worked concession stands at University of Delaware football games and other major events at the stadium. They

cooked hotdogs and poured sodas. Each earned \$6 per hour. On a busy day, the team could take in almost \$1,000, with the money going directly into the baseball booster's account. Steadily the account grew.

When Christiana High's new principal Scott Flowers arrived in September, Marie Schuster, parent of a senior on the squad, and

See FIELD, 5 ▶

Trained opera singer has role in Newark High production of 'Grease' "Grease" is not exactly opera, By ROBIN BROOMALL but Zhou likes dancing and NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER singing and performed in a few

> hen thespians and dancers at Newark High School take to the stage for their performance of "Grease" next week, you might hear just a bit of a Chinese accent in the singing from Teen

Luyi Zhou, a 17-year-old jun-ior, came from Mainland China and has been in the United States for only two years. Zhou is a trained opera singer, with both his mother and stepfather being professional opera singers.

productions in his homeland, so he decided to try out for the musi-

"It's a challenge since my first language is not English," said Zhou, "but I must work on my American accent and sing in English."

Teacher director Susan Mitchell had no idea of the musical talent Zhou possesses until he auditioned.

"He's a sleeper student," said Mitchell, being very impressed

See GREASE, 5 ▶

'Grease' opens March 25 Godwin says he's 'on plan' at Newark High School

► GREASE, from 4

with his voice.

But Zhou will not be the only one singing his heart out on stage. The 40-member cast is full of talented Newark High singers and dancers.

"The cast and crew is a microcosm of the school," said Mitchell. "There are all academic and interest levels, from Wilmington and from Newark, some in chorus and some from athletes, all different ethnic and cultural backgrounds."

The production crew also pulls from a variety of staff abilities and resources, including the chorus teacher, art teacher, band conductor, and wood shop teacher. Marty Gorin, parent of one cast member, is a professional choreographer who works in

community theater.

"Grease" is a popular musical for high school productions because of the many voices that can be showcased, according to Mitchell.

Earlier in the school year, the theater club produced "The Crucible," a drama based on

characters living in the witch community of Salem, Mass. One cast member's grandmother was a character written into that

Arthur Miller play.
Ironically, "Grease" also has a
Newark High connection.

The orchestration for the original 1979 musical movie was done by Michael Gibson, uncle of Joe Matterer, a student at NHS. Gibson still lives and works in New Jersey.

Matterer is not in the cast of "Grease." He says he's not musi-cally inclined, that he didn't inherit that family trait.

Alumni Night

Friday, March 26 will be NHS Alumni Night at the performance of "Grease." All alumni will be recognized, especially members of the Class of 1959.

If you go

"Grease," March 25, 26, 27 2004, 7 p.m. in the Newark High School Auditorium, 750 E. Delaware Ave. Advance tickets \$5, at the door \$7. Info., 454-2151.

► ELECTION, from 1 15 candidate filing deadline, no

other residents filed for mayor or the three council seats up for election April 13. As expected, Kevin Vonck filed his petition to run for the District 6 seat currentheld by Chris Rewa, joining challenger Ken Bartholomew.

Funk said he was only accepting personal donations of less than \$100, although he did allow the Copy Maven to donate \$100 worth of copies, according to the report.

Funk estimates he's received contributions from almost 300 people so far.

Godwin received an estimated \$2,320 in personal contributions of less than \$100 each, three of \$200 each and one of \$300.

State law requires that candidates identify people who donate more than \$100.

As of March 15, Funk reported he has spent \$10,081, including \$2,771 for bumper stickers and brochures at Shamrock Printing, \$2,000 for T-shirts at Taylor's Ink, \$1,975 for a fundraiser at Caffé Gelato, and \$1,422 for advertising with Chesapeake Publishing (Newark Post's parent company).

Godwin reported that he spent \$2,257, including \$1,382 for printing at Shamrock and \$489 for mail distribution.

Funk said people donated as a result of his walking to thousands of homes, and people responding to a section of his flyer that allows people to volunteer or donate.

"I'd go out and walk to 500 homes, the next day there'd be 30

Having a voice

- The last day to register to vote in the April 13 city election is Saturday, March
- The Newark Election Board is holding a voter registration day Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road.
- For more information call the state elections department at 302-577-3464.
- A City Election Forum, sponsored by the Newark Post, is scheduled for Tuesday, March 23 from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. at the Newark Library. All candidates for city office are attending and will be questioned by a panel. The forum is free and open to the public.

or so checks in the mail," Funk said. "It was just getting ridiculous, so now we have taken out the line asking for money.

Godwin said he's not intimidated by Funk's money-raising capabilities, and expects to meet his initial expectations of raising about \$10,000.

"We're pretty much on plan for what we want to do," said Godwin, a veteran of several elections. "We try to really focus where we're spending our money.

Of Funk's expense on T-shirts, odwin said, "T-shirts? My Godwin said,

goodness what is that good for? All I can say is the people I am communicating with seem favorable and pleased with the city's direction.'

District 6 race

As expected, Vonck filed his nominating petitions for the District 6 seat Monday, March 15, the last day to file, hoping to unseat Rewa. But two challengers make it even more difficult to unseat an incumbent, although Vonck said he's clearly

different from both Rewa and Bartholomew, a former county police officer and retired M B N A retired

employee. Vonck, 23, is currently working on his Ph.D. in urban affairs and public policy at the University of



Delaware, and received a master's in public administration from UD in 2003. Touting his educational background in government and being on the city's Conservation Advisory Commission since 2002, appointed to the panel by Rewa, Vonck

insists he's more than a student.
"I am not about just students," Vonck said. "It's important the city have their perspective, but there are many others, too. I don't want to get on council to change everything, but instead I want to take what is there and make it work even better.'

CHS team hopeful

▶ FIELD, from 4

Dooley approached him and told them of their fundraising efforts. The district's maintenance department then agreed to install the new dugouts and help with refurbishing the field.

Schuster approached Home Depot about buying a shed, but was surprised when the company donated one. On field day this spring, more than 40 parents showed up to help cleanup the field, build new bullpens and lay

"We pushed the kids along and now they're reaping the ben-efits," said Dooley. "Opening day will show the kids hard work

Seniors agreed it was a good feeling to know they were playing on something they had a big part in building.

"It makes our school and program look better," said Pugh.

Just having proper facilities makes the team members feel like they can play better. One predicted they would be "fishin' for number one spot in the conference.'

Even if that prediction does not come true, this team will have a winning season.

"Sports is about competing and working with a team," said Dooley, "not just about winning."



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PER CHANCE

Walking the political tightrope

By ELBERT CHANCE

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

HOOSING a topic that might interest the readers of this column is an on-going challenge. Since politics dominates the news as the presidential election approaches, it seems a logical

Yet to write about politics is fraught with danger. Some of my normally rational, intelligent friends already wear the glassy-eyed look of party zealots and want to hear no opinion but their own. A discussion with the faithful is usually unproduc-

But while doing research for an entire-ly different subject, I encountered a man who exerted tremendous and positive influence on the politics of his day, and it is my hope that I may recount what I learned about him without ruffling the feathers of those on either side of the political aisle.

Thomas Nast has been called the Father of political cartoonists, for creating the symbols of the Democratic and Republican parties, recog-

nizable Uncle Sam and even Santa Claus. But perhaps of even greater importance are the words of his contemporaries who describe him as a man who spent his life fighting oppression, and as the first cartoonist to professional Chance stress integrity.



Nast was born in Bavaria on September 27, 1840. His father was a member of a German military band who later joined the French Navy. He eventually moved to New York City with his wife and six-year-old son.

The young man became interested in sketching, receiving encouragement from a neighbor who gave him a set of crayons. Tom became fascinated by local fireman and their equipment and soon began to draw pictures of their activities. He showed no special aptitude for academic work, but his teachers encouraged his artistic expression and at age 12 his father

■ The author, who for five decades was the familiar voice announcing University of Delaware home football games, now is retired and has authored a number of books. Chance is a long-time Newark resident and has written this column for a

As a political cartoonist, Nast was guided by principle rather than party..."

permitted him to enroll for private study with artist Theodore Kauffman. He later enrolled at the Academy of Design.

He was 15 when he sought work with the owner/publisher of Leslie's Illustrated Weekly and, after successfully completing a trial assignment, he was hired. Within five years he had moved to the New York Illustrated News, and was given the choice assignment of covering a major championship prize fight in London between the English champion Thomas Sayers and an American challenger, John C. Heenan, known as the Benicia Boy. Incidentally, that April 17, 1860 bout was halted by the police after 42 rounds and was ruled a

Nast had expected to return to New York immediately after the fight, but he received word that the much-admired Italian patriot Guiseppe Garibaldi had invaded Sicily, and he decided to join his forces and cover the conflict. Many of the drawings he made during that conflict appeared in British and American publica-

On March 19, 1859, Harper's Weekly had published a full page of Nast's cartoons that cited wrongdoing by the New York Metropolitan Police Force. It was a prelude of things to come. Soon after his return from Europe, Nast became Harper's Civil War correspondent.

His drawings drew praise from all parts of the nation, and Gen. Ulysses S. Grant said Nast "did as much as any one man to preserve the Union and bring the war to an

President Lincoln described him as 'our greatest recruiting sergeant."

Though he was a supporter of the Union, his drawings depicted the carnage and tragedy of war and his artistic style became a commentary reflecting his feelings as well as representing what he saw.

In 1868 Nast was responsible for a masterstroke in support of the election of Gen. Grant as president. Before the opening of the May 20 Republican convention in Chicago, he painted a large cartoon mural on a stage curtain. Grant was shown as the

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's "Out of the Attic" shows more than a dozen children cooling off in the This week's "Out of the Attic" shows more than a dozen children cooling off in the old concrete wading pool at George Read Park, east of downtown. The shallow pool no longer exists but several members of the East End Civic Association recalled the fun they had there at one of the group's recent meetings. The photo is another borrowed from the files of the city of Newark Parks and Recreation Department and its predecessor, the Newark Recreation Association. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. For information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos. Special care will be taken. For information, call the Newark Post at 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

■ March 14, 1929

MAY WITHDRAWAL **NEW CHARTER**

A special meeting of the Council of Newark was called last night to discuss revisions to the new town charter now in the hands of the Sate Legislature.

As Charles B. Evans, the town attorney, was prevented from attending the meeting because of illness, the meeting was postponed until Monday.

There is some sentiment in the Council toward withdrawing the charter from this meeting of the Legislature and allowing it to go two years in order that suggested revisions and additions be considered at length.

Red Men's bill arouses local taxpayers

There is considerable agitation among taxpayers and property holders of Newark, regarding a bill

passed, Friday, in the House, exempting the Red Men's Home, in Newark, from any claims or assessments which have been or may be levied, on the property, while it belongs to the State Red Men's organiza-tion. The town of Newark has now a claim of \$5,892 against the property for sewer and curbing.

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

■ March 14, 1979

City sewer fees should drop in '80

Newark residents can look forward to further reductions in their sewer bills but the reduction won't take place until next

Council decided last night to continue its present sewer rate until the city wipes out its projected sewer budget deficit this year of \$176,000.

Council chose that route instead of two other alternatives which would have lowered sewer rates immediately for city customers.

■ March 12, 1999

Rentals menu?

After considerable discussion, Newark city council has requested a smorgasbord of ordinances from city staff dealing with the issue of rentals.

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Donkey, elephant form a monument to Nast

► CHANCE, from 6

Republican Party's standardbearer seated on a pedestal opposite an empty pedestal awaiting the Democratic nominee to be chosen on July 4 in New York.

When it was announced that Grant was the unanimous choice, a curtain hiding Nast's drawing was raised, revealing Columbia pointing to the empty pedestal opposite Grant. The caption read, "Match Him." The delegates reportedly erupted in "a pandemonium of exultation." Grant later acknowledged that Nast had been a major contributor to his election.

Nast's work continued to evolve from that of illustrator to political cartoonist, and soon launched a journalistic assault on the New York City political machine ruled by the tyrannical William M. "Boss" Tweed and his Tammany Hall Gang.

his Tammany Hall Gang.

As Nast's pictorial attacks escalated, the Tammany Tiger, the symbol he used to characterize the Tweed Ring, became widely recognized, and the circulation of Harper's Weekly rose from 100,000 to 300,000. Tweed clearly understood the threat, telling his henchmen that he didn't care what the newspapers printed because many of his constituents couldn't read, "but damn it," he said, "they can see the pictures." He tried several times to bribe Nast by offering him money to leave the country and study art abroad, but this ploy failed.

New York's voters responded by rejecting the Tweed candidates in the next election and the Boss and several of his associates were jailed. Tweed later escaped and fled to Europe, but he was recaptured in Spain in 1876. Ironically, the customs official who arrested him could not speak English, but recognized him from a Nast caricature.

The donkey had for some years been used occasionally to represent the Democratic Party. Nast first used it to identify a group of party members who had attacked the memory and reputation of Secretary of War Edwin Stanton. Though he occasionally employed other symbols as well, he began in the early 1870s to use the donkey as his "standard" representation of the Party and its members.

It was on Nov. 7, 1874, that Nast first used the elephant to represent the Republican Party, of which he had become a member. As a political cartoonist, he was guided by principle rather than party, however, and on several occasions he refused to create cartoons that reflected positions with which he did not agree. In 1884, much to the displeasure of his fellow Republicans, he supported Grover Cleveland rather than his party's presidential nominee, James H. Blaine.

Nast left his full-time position with Harper's in 1887. Though he continued to contribute to it and to other publications, his popularity and influence began to wane. His health also deteriorated and he lost much of his personal fortune through failed investments. His friendship with Secretary of State John Hay and President Theodore Roosevelt led to his appointment as consulgeneral to Ecuador, but less than a year after his arrival in that country, he contracted yellow fever and died.

In addition to the Tammany tiger, the Democratic donkey and the Republican elephant, Nast introduced other symbols that remain with us today – a friendly, lovable Uncle Sam; a graceful, majestic Columbia; and a jolly, fat man with red cheeks and a white beard he created to illustrate Dr. Clement Moore's famous tale, "A Visit to St. Nicholas."

As one of his biographers has accurately stated, the donkey and the elephant "form a monument to Nast ever present, and more enduring than bronze, a memorial that daily speaks to the multitudes."

Plan to build cemetery wall 'back on track' after council vote

▶ PAGES, from 6

Council reviewed a report on various proposals submitted from the staff before deciding which ideas to pursue.

"We'll discuss them and then, if we agree, we'll put them into ordinances," said Mayor Hal Godwin as the review began.

Cemetery wall in progress

Where there's a will there's a way - especially when it comes to

safety in Newark, apparently.

According to city public works director Richard Lapointe, a plan to build a wall between the Newark Cemetery on New Street and the CSX railroad line is back on track.

Newark city council voted to extend the concrete wall that currently runs along the rail line near Fraser Field as part of an agreement which would provide safety upgrades at railroad crossings and along the tracks. LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Task force's role clarified

To: The editor

From: Terry Schooley and Hector Figueroa, Co-Chairs, Christina Superintendent's Task Force

THERE are a number of misconceptions about the work of the Superintendent's Task Force and the three recommendations we presented to Dr. Wise and the Board in January. In light of the continuing dialogue, both in the community and with the Christina Board of Education, we believe it is important to clarify our work and help parents/families, school staff, the media, public officials, and community leaders understand our role in supporting school improvement in the District.

The Task Force was charged by the superintendent and the Board to respond to several hypotheses about improving student achievement, encouraging community involvement, and helping students, parents, and staff build stronger bonds in the Christina elementary and secondary

schools. We did so by creating a Vision for the Christina School District and three guiding principles. In addition, we made three broad recommendations with a clear rationale for each. The three Task Force recommendations were:

1. The secondary schools commit to higher and higher levels of academic and social excellence for all students

The Board of Education creates a nationally renowned high school of excellence in the City of Wilmington

Change the current grade configurations to minimize the number of transitions between different schools.

These recommendations were submitted to the Board on January 10th. This was and is the extent of our deliberations regarding the recommendations.

In response to our three broad recommendations, the district staff released eight detailed recommendations. We are gratified that four of these

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OUTLOOK

Low-carb diets and calcium

By MARIA PIPPIDIS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

O to any bookstore and you'll see books on the low carb diets being followed these days. Yesterday someone called to ask for good sources of calcium since the diet she was following didn't allow for a lot of milk or dairy products, an excellent source of calcium. She was concerned about osteoporosis since she recently attended one of Cooperative Extension's

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nutrition with
a wide variety
of foods is
critical to
overall health

and healthy bones. Healthy bones need a variety of nutrients including calcium, vitamin D, magnesium, and others. Calcium plays an important role in muscle contraction, blood clotting, and bone health.

When your diet provides enough calcium, your body deposits it in your bones, where it rebuilds and strengthens bone tissue. Bone formation starts in childhood, increases during adolescence, and continues until about age 25.

After 25, your daily calcium intake helps maintain bone health. If calcium levels in the body drop below normal, calcium will be taken from bones and put into the blood to be used for other body functions.

That's why it's important at all ages to consume enough calcium to maintain adequate levels in the body.

Nearly half of U.S. children and adults do not eat enough calcium. The National

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60 years later, classmates to gather

NUMBER of area residents whose school no longer exists will hold their 60th class reunion at the Christiana Hilton in Newark on June 5.

George C. Brown chairs a committee that has been working for several months to locate members of the Henry C. Conrad High School Class of 1944 and organize the program that will begin with an 11:30 a.m. social hour. Vaughn Rutter of Wilmington, class treasurer, will accept reservations by telephone at 998-7292.

About 100 of the 128 graduates are living from a class whose undergraduate years were overshadowed by World War II. Several of its members entered military service before completing their senior year and others enlisted or were drafted shortly after the June commencement. Many of the alumni reside in Delaware, including in Newark, or the neighboring states of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey.

The reunion is of interest locally because Conrad and Newark became archrivals in interscholastic sports, and the annual Thanksgiving football game between the Redskins and the Yellowjackets became a long-standing tradition.

Some years ago, the Conrad school building in Woodcrest was converted to a middle school, but it retained the name of Henry C. Conrad, a distinguished jurist, civic leader and historian.

Long after its days as a high school ended, Conrad graduates maintained an alumni band that continued to perform in regional parades and functions throughout the area. Its musical ability was recognized when it was invited to perform at a major celebration in



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOHN LLERA

NEW HOME FOR ARTS ALLIANCE

Members and supporters of the Newark Arts Alliance helped cut the ribbon Feb. 27 to mark the official opening of the NAA's new home on Elkton Road in the Grainery Station.

Ireland.

Area residents serving on the planning committee are Florence Reynolds Clark, Helen and Edward Eckles, Madelyn and Harry Price, Constance Marvel Hitchens, Anna Forsstedt Matthes, Barbara Boyer Norman, Jacqueline Stewart Thompson, Charles Gondek and Elbert Chance.

Newarkers bring books, much more

Success Wont Wait, Inc. and volunteers Vincenza and Italo Carrieri-Russo celebrated National I Love to Read Month in February with a donation of more than 1,000 books, and the creation of permanent library for the Telegraph Road Learning Center in Wilmington.

The donation was made after organization founder Vincenza Carrieri-Russo, of Newark, learned that the school was in

need of books and a permanent space to house them. "When we learned about the

"When we learned about the school through Telegraph Road Learning Centers principal Betty Park, we knew this was a perfect match for our organization," said Carrieri-Russo. "Not only did we provide the facility with a wide array of books, we were also able to coordinate the donations of other organizations such as the Brandywine Library, and incorporate existing books at the site. After much hard work, we've

created a wonderful space to be used and enjoyed by the Centers' students for many years to come."

The Telegraph Road Learning Center utilizes the PACE Program (Providing Academic and Career Experiences). Each student follows an Individual Education Plan specially developed to give them the opportunity to succeed. This program provides middle and high school level students basic educational skills with intensive individual-

ized instruction in language arts, mathematics, computer education, science and social studies, with the primary focus on reading ability. The Centers focus on reading as a life skill immediately interested us, says Italo Carrieri-Russo. And because of the tremendous range in reading abilities by the various students, this project posed a real challenge — to organize and put together the appropriate mix of books that would both interest students and motivate them to keep reading.

Relive railroad fairs of time gone by in Strasburg

ANY things have changed in museum operations over the years I have been reporting on the fine and performing arts.

As an example, when I was young man there were industrial museums, history museum, art museums and never the twain did meet. I am happy to say that distinction has blurred and we are all the richer for it. A case in point is my topic this week.

Certainly one of the finest industrial museums in the tristate area is the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania in Strasburg. Now through April 19 the museum is offering an exhibit which combines its work as an industrial museum with the work of an art museum and the work of a history museum. We are offered a wonderful chance to relive the great Railroad Fairs of times gone by. The multi-faceted exhibit is called "Pageant of Locomotives: Photography from North American Fairs

.The term "Railroad Fair" may be a new one to some younger readers. But in my own lifetime they caused excitement and great anticipation. People older than I have even more recollections of these exciting events. The fairs were PR showplaces for railroads. They were circuses. They were many things to many people and literally had "something for everyone to enjoy.

The new exhibit has captured the majesty and the allure of

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.





Railroad Fairs in a unique and most interesting way. It is done with vintage photographs, booklets, tickets, posters, film footage and many artifacts of those great fairs. The show will bring back many memories for some and new experiences for others. Just like the fairs whose stories the exhibit retells, there is "something for everyone to enjoy.

To the fair goers of those days, the railroads were something very special. They had united our country as nothing before had ever done. They were THE way to travel. They were excitement. They were the stuff of which dreams were made. They were They were a far cry from

As a boy I had opportunities to attend two of the last great Railroad Fairs, the one at the New York World's Fair, 1939, and The Chicago Railroad Fair, 1949. The latter is, of course, much more vivid in my memory. But the exhibition has the stories of many more fairs to tell. It tells these stories beautifully.

Of all the photos from which museum PR director Deborah Reddig gave me from which to select, I choose the one with my column today because it showed so many facets of

these fairs. There is the brass band, the parade, the special track going by the reviewing stand, the circus tents to protect the reviewing stand, American flags flying from every post, and on and on.

Museum Curator Bradley K. Smith put it so very well when he commented that no aspect of railroad history can match the splendor of the great Railroad Fairs.

These spectacles of nostalgia and progress gave railroad companies an opportunity to show-

This photo, referred to in the accompanying column, is from the Baltimore and Ohio 1927 "Fair of the Iron Horse." Of all the photos in the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania exhibit, this one almost screams "Railroad Fair."

> case their celebrated equipment of the past and to unveil their latest technology and innovations, which helped to shape the habits and attitudes of an entire nation,'

> In the era of the Railroad Fairs there were many great railroads crisscrossing America and each wanted to have its time in the sun. Today there are only a few great railroads and only one of them carries overland passengers. It is a far cry from the 1890s and the start of the 20th century when

zenith of transportation evolution and were regarded by many as leading the country in the revolution of technolo-

Each fair has its own story. With the "Railroads of Tomorrow" exhibit at the World's Fair the Pennsylvania Railroad presented many of its historic locomotives and glimpses into the future. Many of those exhibits are preserved at the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and are part of this exhibit.

By 1949 things had changed drastically. Railroads were on the wane.

But they made one more valiant attempt to recreate what once was, with the Chicago Railroad

The museum is an easy drive from Newark. Just go out Rt. 896, New London Road, until you come to Strasburg, Pa. Turn right about half a mile and the museum is on your right. It is open Tuesday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 to 5

Enjoy!

people need

▶ OUTLOOK, from 8

Academy of Sciences recommends the following amounts of calcium per day for various ages. Children ages four to eight years old need 800 mg calcium, youths aged eight to 18 years old need 1300 mg calcium, adults aged 19 to 50 years old need 1000 mg of calcium and adults 51 years and older need 1200 mg calcium. The National Institute of

Health Consensus conference and the National Osteoporosis Foundation support a higher calcium intake of 1,500 milligrams per day for postmenopausal women not taking estrogen and who are adults 65 years or older.

No one should take more than 2500 mg of calcium daily. In the body can only absorb 500mg of calcium from food or supplements at a time. Therefore, calcium intake should be spaced out throughout the day.

Everyone needs calcium in their diet, everyday, to build and maintain healthy bones. Milk and foods made from milk are the most concentrated sources of calcium. One cup of reduced fat milk has 300 mg of calcium and one cup of nonfat yogurt has 490 mg. Some people avoid milk products because they don't like these foods, do not eat any animal products, or have lactose intolerance. Calcium fortified juices, cereals and pasta have 300 to 400 mg calcium per serving. Even if you don't drink milk,

you can get the calcium you need by eating high-calcium foods. Milk and foods made from milk are not the only sources of calcium. Other good choices are calcium-rich, low fat foods from the other food groups. Some fruits and vegetables that are high in calcium include kale, collard greens, bok choy, broccoli, and Other calcium-rich foods that are low in saturated fat include calcium-treated tofu and cooked dried beans. Foods that are fortified with added calcium, such as soymilk, juices, cereals, and pasta, are also excellent sources of calcium.

If you believe you are not getting enough calcium, talk to your doctor or dietician about your diet and whether calcium supplements are needed to meet your calcium needs.

For more information about bone building, go to: http://ag.arizona.edu/maricopa/fc





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FRIDAY

POKER NIGHT 7 p.m. third Friday of month at Newark Senior Center. Public welcome. 737-2336. FX TOY ROADSHOW, March 19 - 21, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. A display of the most collectible toys from Baby Boomer era. It will feature some of the rarest 1950s and 1960s toys such as Barbie dolls, GI Joes, Hot Wheels, battery operated cars and robots, trains, dolls and other classic toys. Roadshow appraisers will also be available for interviews at this time. Embassy Suites in Newark. Info., 561-876-9610. WHITE CLAY RAILROAD HISTORY 7 p.m.

Debbie Paruszewski Keese, former manager if the Nature center at White Clay Creek State Park, will present "Tracking the Pumpsie Doodle," the story of the Pomeroy and Newark Railroad that ran through the White Clay Valley from 1873 until the late 1930s. How and why the railroad got started, what it carried, where the stations were located, and why it stopped operating are just some of the topics to be covered. The program is free and open to the public in the public meeting room of the Newark Library. Info., 302-239-2471

BLUEGRASS 8 p.m. Lynwood Lunsford & the Misty Valley Boys will perform at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Hall, 420 Willa Rd., Newark. Info., 302-475-3454.

BAREFOOT BALL 6 - 10 p.m. Wilmington's event for the area's young professionals. This evening with great microbrews, spirits and cuisine is a benefit for the Delaware Theatre Company at Wilmington's Bank One Center on the Riverfront. Tickets are \$50 the day of the event. Info., 302-594-1100.

NEWARK COMMUNITY BAND 7:30 p.m. 21st Anniversary Concert celebration will feature the 45 piece concert band, conducted by David Harris. They will play a variety of music from lively marches to light classical, as well as novelty, show tunes, and Dixieland. The Newark Dixie Ramblers will also perform. George V. Kirk Middle School, 140 Brennan Dr., Newark. Free and open to the public. Info., 302-738-3683.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH 7:30 p.m. Special Music Masters series concert which will highlight women composers, such as Clara Schumann and

cert which will highlight women composers, such as Clara Schumann and fanny Mendelsohn, and feature female artists. The Philadelphia Trio-cellist Deborah Reeder, pianist Elizabeth Keller and violinist Barbara Sonies will perform, along with flutist Rachel Thompson and soprano Jacqueline Beach Faulcon. The Wilmington Music School, 4101 Washington St., Wilmington. Tickets for the program are \$10 (\$5 for students and age 60+). Info., 762-

SATURDAY

SWAP SHOP CONSIGNMENT SALE 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. St. John the Beloved Swap Shop has thousands of items. Proceeds go to parish activities, outreach and other worthy causes. Will be held at 905 Milltown Rd. in Sherwood Park. Info., 302-633-

FLEA MARKET & SUB SALE 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Newark Elks Lodge 2281 is having a flea market and sub sale. Tables available for rent. Newark-Elks



Brass Band Coming To Newark For Free Concert March 28

The Chesapeake Silver Cornet Brass Band, a nonprofit based in Newark, will perform Sunday, March 28, 2 p.m. in a free concert at the University of Delaware's Amy DuPont Music Building. The 35-piece brass band is made up of people from several surrounding states and has been developed in the tradition of the English brass bands of the early 1900s. The band was founded in 1996 and performs a variety of styles including light classics, marches, jazz, big band and contemporary.

.odge, 54 Elks Trail, New Castle. Info., 302-834-2147.

BAY-TO-BAY FISHING AND OUTDOOR EXPO March 20, 9 a.m. -8 p.m., and March 21, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Discussions and demonstrations about saltwater fly fishing, bass fishing local lakes and rivers and fishing inland waterways will highlight the variety of events. Delaware State Fair Grounds in Harrington. Fisherman can also compete for the title of "Delmarva's Most Accurate Caster." Tickets at the door are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Info., 302-678-2208.

SPAGHETTI DINNER 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. Complete meal includes: drink, salad, spaghetti and dessert. Kingswood Methodist Church, 300 Marrows Rd., Newark. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults; \$3.50 for ages six to 12; three and under are free. Info., 302-738-4446.

■ MONDAY, MARCH 22

CHARITABLE AND SOCIAL CLUB AUCTION 6:30 p.m. Bid on unique handmade craft items. This annual talent auction features exceptional quality items including floral arrangements, quilts, homemade jellies and baked goods and other craft wares. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Rd., Newark. Info., 302-737-2336 ext. 13

MOONLIGHT FROG FROLIC Registration underway for Friday, April 2 event at 6 p.m. Join a park naturalist to learn the different calls of our local frogs. Then venture into the moonlight to listen for the sounds of those awakening amphibians. Space is limited; preregistration is recommended.

White Clay Creek State Park Nature Center. The cost is \$2 per person. Info.,

LEARN TO HAWK WATCH Registration underway for Saturday, April 3 event at 1 p.m. Bring your binoculars and meet for an afternoon of hawk identification and observation. We will watch from one of the park's hilltop sites as these magnificent flyers migrate. White Clay Creek State Park Nature Center. Preregistration is recommended. Call to register 302-368-6900.

■ TUESDAY, MARCH 23

HAGLEY MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SPRING LECTURE SERIES 7 p.m. David K. O'Neill will speak about his book, "Reading Terminal market: An Illustrated History." The book is the first history of this Philadelphia institution, which is also one of the premier markets in the nation. All lectures will be held in Hagley's Library building. The cost of each lecture is \$7 or \$5 for Hagley Associate members. Info., 302-658-2400 ext. 235.

■ THURSDAY, MARCH 25

SPAGHETTI DINNER 5 p.m. The senior class of 2004 and JrNAD are hosting a spaghetti dinner at Delaware School for the Deaf's cafeteria. Tickets can be purchased from any Senior Class of 2004 or JrNAD member, or call the school to reserve your seat. Adults are \$8 and Children under 12 are \$5. Info., 302 454-2301.

■ FRIDAY, MARCH 19

SETON SENIORS MEETING 6 - 9

p.m.This month's meeting is a card and board game party. Pizza and dessert are being served for those who previously paid \$5 per person but walk-ins are welcome. Anyone who does not like pizza is asked to bring his or her own food. Coffee and soda will be available. Anyone age 50 or older are always welcome and you do not have to be a member of Seton parish. Gardiner Hall, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 345 Bear-Christiana Rd., Bear. Info, call 302-834-

"CRYSTAL STRUCTURES" LECTURE 4 p.m. Allan Matte, of the Biotechnology Research Institute, will discuss "Crystal Structures of the rRNA specific pseudouridine synthases RsuA and RluD from Escherichia coli," 214 Brown Laboratory, on The Green of UD's Newark campus, as part of the Biochemistry Seminar series. Info., 302-

■ SATURDAY, MARCH 20

VOTER REGISTRATION DAY 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. held at Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road in Newark

The day is being held to promote voting for the upcoming April 13 city election. It is the last day voters can register to vote in the city election. Info., 302-366-7070.

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. every Saturday at Greater Grace Church, 30 Blue Hen Dr. \$5 donation goes to missions. Info. 302-738, 1530

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KARAOKE 8 p.m.-midnight every
Saturday at the American Legion of
Elkton. No cover, all welcome. Info., 410-398-9720

DIVORCECARE Saturdays and Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info., 302-737-5040.

NATURE VIDEOS 1 p.m. every Saturday. Video and one-hour guided walk for all ages at Ashland Nature Center. Info., 239-2334.

■ SUNDAY, MARCH 21

DELAWARE ACCORDION CLUB 2 - 5 p.m. Meeting for an open mic session at the Adria Cafe in the Newark Shopping Center. Open to the public. Info., 302-738-7378.

■ MONDAY, MARCH 22 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL

DINNER 6 p.m. President and CEO of AAA Mid-Atlantic Allen J. DeWalle will be the guest speaker. Wyndham Hotel, 700 King St. in Wilmington. This event attracts Delaware's key decision makers representing business, government and the community. Info., 302-368-5700 ext.

MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 9 p.m. Mondays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 302-765-9740.

ESL Afternoon and evening classes for English Conversation held every Monday at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street. Registration required. Info., 302-292-2091.

SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE Mondays at 10:15 a.m., Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 302-737-2336

CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE 7:30 p.m. Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogletown.

All welcome. Info., 302-655-SING. NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 - 7:30

p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn, Route 273. Info., 453-8853. GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children at Children &

Information and registration, 302-658-5177, ext. 260. NCCo STROKE CLUB noon at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., call Nancy Traub at 302-324-4444.

Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info., 302-368-

■ TUESDAY, MARCH 23

CITY ELECTION FORUM 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. at the Newark Public Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark. The forum, sponsored by the Newark Post, will include a question and answer session with mayoral and council candidates for the April 13 city election. The event is free and open to the public. Info., 302-737-0724.

SAFE BOATING 7 - 9 p.m. Tuesdays through April 20, at Bohemia Manor High School. Classes are free; however there is a fee for texts and material. Info., 410-885-2567.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. every Tuesday. For men who like to sing at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., call Will at 302-368-3052.

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support group meeting at Evangelical
Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park
Rd., Newark. Info., 302-737-7239.
SWEET ADELINES 7:30 - 10 p.m. every

Tuesday. Singing group meets at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark. Listeners and new members welcome Info., 302-999-8310.

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SCRAPBOOKING 7 - 9 p.m. Tuesdays at Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church, Summit Bridge Road, Glasgow. Nursery, \$2/child. Info., 302-834-GRPC.

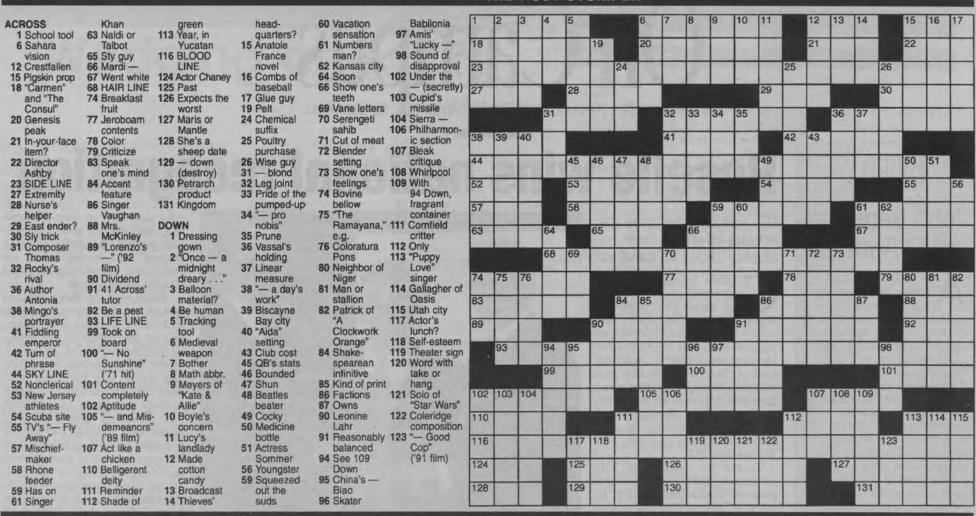
MS SUPPORT 4 - 6 p.m. Tuesdays at MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Road, Wilmington. Info., 302-655-5610.

■ WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

GLOBAL TRADE OUTLOOK 12 - 1:30 p.m. World Trade Center Institute Delaware announces their business luncheon featuring Assistant U.S. Trade Representative Christopher Padilla. The discussion is regarding Global Trade

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Outlook: Prospects for Free Trade Agreements in 2004. The cost of the event is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members. University & Whist Club in Wilmington. Info., 302-656-7905.

SKY AND TELESCOPE 8 - 9:30 p.m. The Delaware Astronomical Society (DAS) will hold a seminar series, intended for those who wish an introduction to observing the sky. It will cover observing and understanding solar and lunar phenomena, stars, constellations, planets plus telescopes and their use. The four session series will be held on March 24, 31, April 7 & 14. All sessions will be at the Mt. Cuba Observatory on Hillside-Mill Road in Greenville. The fee for the series is \$35. To register, call 302-654-6407.

INORGANIC/ORGANIC SEMINAR SERIES 4 p.m. Scott Ruchnovosky, of the University of California at Irvine, will speak on a topic to be announced, 214
Brown Laboratory, on The Green of UD's
Newark campus. Info., 302-831-1247.

BINGO 12:45 p.m Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Rd. Lunch available for \$2.25/platter at 11:45 .m. Info., 302-737-2336.

DIVORCECARE 7 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 302-737-3544.

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. Seminar and support group every week for those who have lost someone close to them. At Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 302-737-5040

NEWARK DELTONES 7 - 10 p.m. at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 302-737-4544.

TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Wednesday or Monday; 11:15 a.m. Friday, at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Rd., \$20/month. nfo..302-737-2336

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Rd. Info., 302-658-5177.

■ THURSDAY, MARCH 25

WILMINGTON COLLEGE CAREER FAIR 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. The career fair will be held in the gymnasium of the Pratt Student Center at the college's main campus at 320 DuPont Highway in New Castle. The event is free and open to the public. Job seekers are encouraged to attend in professional attire and bring copies of their resume. Info., 302-328-9401 ext. 323

NATIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR CERE-MONY 7 p.m. The Delaware Medal of

Honor Historical Association's fourth Annual National Medal of Honor Ceremony honoring all our Nation's Medal of Honor recipients. Veterans Administration Hospital Auditorium, Kirkwood Hwy., Elsmere. Ceremony is open to the general public and all veterans and their organizations. Info., 302-994-

WOMEN'S DEPRESSION 7 - 9 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting location provided only with registration at 302-765-9740.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Separated/divorced persons meet at uthern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7 and up get to swim. Info., 610-869-2140

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark Info., 302-737-1711 or 302-737-0724.



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On Campus NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

BRIEFLY

John Berendt at UD April 27

WARD-WINNING author John Berendt will be the guest speaker at the University of Delaware Library Associates annual dinner Tuesday, April 27, in Arsht Hall, at 2700 Pennsylvania Ave. on UD's

Wilmington campus.

Berendt's "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil: A Savannah Story' became a New York Times bestseller six weeks after its publication in 1994.

The April 27 dinner is open to the public but reservations are required. Dinner prices are \$72 per person for members of the University of Delaware Library Associates and \$92 per person for guests. Refreshments will be available at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m.

Invitations are available by sending an e-mail to UDLA@udel.edu or calling the Office of the Director of Libraries at 831-2231.

UD to mark 50 years since Brown vs. Bd. of Educ.

A one-day symposium to mark the 50th anniversary of "Brown vs. Board of Education," the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision that ended segregation in public schools, will be held Friday, April 23, in Clayton Hall, on the University of

Delaware's Laird Campus. The Redding Symposium, titled, "Celebrating the Past, Considering the Present and Contemplating the Future,' was named after the late Louis L. Redding, a distinguished Delaware civil rights

Participants will include lawyers, academics and civil rights leaders, who will discuss the Brown decision and examine the present, past and future of school desegregation in the United States.

The symposium, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end with a reception at 5:20

For registration and more information, visit www.udel.edu/suapp/brown/i ndex.htm.

Roselle wins national recognition

UD president honored for leading efforts to curb alcohol abuse on campus

ITING his ground-breaking action to rein in alcohol abuse on campus, a health problem that claims the lives of 1,400 American college students each year, the Education Development Center's Center for College Health and Safety presented University of Delaware President David P. Roselle with its Presidents Leadership Award during a ceremony at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

Under his leadership, UD instituted the nation's first parental notification policy in 1996, a "three strikes and you're out" alcohol policy, a rating system for Greek organizations and a stringent tailgating policy.

UD also overhauled the students

dent judicial system, increased enforcement of campus alcohol policies and launched an educational campaign.

UD is one of 10 universities funded by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's A Matter of Degree program, through which it has developed a broadbased campus and community coalition to address the problem



SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST . PHOTO BY KATHY F. ATKI

Congratulating President David Roselle on his Presidents Leadership Award are U.S. Sen. Joseph R. Biden (left) and U.S. Rep. Michael Castle.

of high-risk drinking on campus and in the surrounding communi-

William DeJong, director of CCHS, praised Roselle for "having the courage to address the issue of alcohol problems on campus."

College administrators can no

longer afford to stand by and allow alcohol abuse to destroy lives but should follow their lead in changing the campus culture and creating an environment that

is safer for all students, he said. U.S. Sen. Joseph Biden (D-Del.), the former chairperson of the Senate Judiciary Committee who has written key national drug and alcohol policy legislation, praised Roselle for his early interest and strong stand on 'what is a genuine health prob-

lem for young people."

Biden said the tough stand is part of Roselle's overall work to make the University of Delaware one of the nation's best public institutions of higher education. Under his leadership, more than two dozen new buildings have been constructed and the quality of both professors and students has improved greatly. "But," Biden said, "without putting this last piece in place, it is hard to be the great university you aspire to

"As is characteristic of David Roselle, he took this issue by the horns," Biden said, adding, truly appreciate what you have done for my alma mater.

U.S. Rep Michael Castle (R-Del.) noted it is interesting that the two smallest states are leading the way on an issue of great national importance.

Castle said Roselle "has the gumption to take on anything that comes along," adding that the president has "made a vast difference" and that "this award is richly, richly deserved."

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Championship team honored with gala in D.C.



U.S. Sen. Joseph Biden (right) hosted a reception in Washington, D.C., March 10 for members of UD's national championship football team and Head Coach K.C. Keeler (left). Many senators joined the midday festivities, including (center) Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-N.Y.).

OLLING out the blue and gold carpet, U.S. Sen. Joseph Biden (D-Del.) sponsored a gala event for the NCAA Division I-AA national champion University Delaware football team in Washington, D.C.

Biden, himself a UD alumnus and former Fightin' Blue Hen football player, took more than two dozen players, coaches, Athletic Director Edgar Johnson and President David and Louise Roselle on a personal tour of the Capitol, which included the introduction of a resolution hon-

oring the team as they from the Senate gallery.

Joined by colleagues U.S.
Sen. Thomas Carper (D-Del.)

Cappressman Michael Castle (R-Del.), Biden then hosted a luncheon that featured presentations and appearances by a "Who's Who" of the U.S. Senate.

From the Senate floor, Biden introduced the resolution, saying, "I stand here with great

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Ted Kennedy urges Hens to 'go easy' on U. Mass.

► CHAMPS, from 12

pride that my alma mater, the University of Delaware, has won the national championship for the NCAA Division I-AA."

Biden told his colleagues that UD has a long tradition of "firstrate football teams," including six national champions, "but none like this team."

He said the Hens had one of the outstanding seasons in college football history, winning 15 games and sailing through the playoffs by outscoring opponents 149-23.

Biden said he felt bad mentioning that UD defeated Colgate University 40-0 in the championship game because Senate Parliamentarian Alan S. Frumin is a Colgate graduate.

Carper, who noted that the Hens could well be "America's Team" given the many home states of the players on the roster, said from the Senate floor that the team provided fans with two moments they will likely never forget, one the gripping 51-45 triple overtime victory over the University of Massachusetts and the other the championship game.

Of the championship contest played Dec. 19 in Chattanooga, Tenn., Carper said he has been to a lot of games in his life but never to one "where everybody on our side of the field stood up" through all four quarters.

"It was just the most incredible spirit I have ever witnessed," Carper said.

After the visit to the Senate chamber, Biden took the contingent into the historic meeting room of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and then off to lunch, where they were greeted by a huge banner proclaiming "Welcome University of Delaware 2003 National Football Champs."

U.S. Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-N.Y.) arrived to congratulate the team and pay off a friendly bet she placed before the championship game, with Biden backing the Hens and Clinton favoring Colgate, which is located in Hamilton, N.Y. The payment, she said, was several cases of "terrific apples" from upstate New York.

Clinton told the team that in recent days Biden had been bubbling over with enthusiasm about the pending visit. "He reminded me often, 'Don't forget, don't forget, the Fightin' Blue Hens are coming,'" she said.

Clinton said she grew up in a football family and so understood the hard work and sacrifice that went into the achievement. "A national championship is a very big deal," she said. "You are the team that accomplished it, and you will always be remembered for that."

UD Head Coach K.C. Keeler presented Clinton with a national championship shirt and hat. "You have a reputation for being very thorough and doing your homework," he started, with Clinton finishing the thought, "I know, how could I have bet against you?"

U.S. Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-S.C.) came to pay his respects, given that UD had defeated Wofford College of Spartanburg, S.C., in the playoff semifinals.

He said he started watching that game on television but had to turn it off with his home state team trailing. "You're the biggest, fastest team I've ever seen," he said. "I think you could beat the Washington Redskins."

Among the players on the tour was UD All-American quarter-back Andy Hall, who is from Cheraw, S.C.

U.S. Sen. William Frist (R-Tenn.), the Senate Majority Leader, arrived to tell the team that the resolution in their honor had passed, and then U.S. Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-N.J.) and U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter (R-Pa.) visited, and both found strong contingents of UD players from

their home states.

"I didn't realize this was a political event for me," Specter said, adding he was pleased to be invited to the "luncheon of champions."

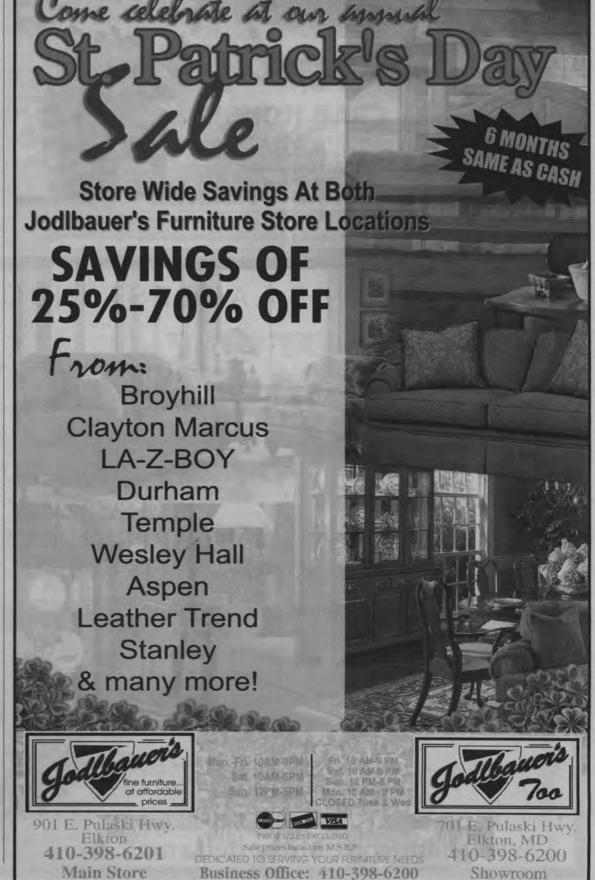
The final guest was U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), a former defensive end for Harvard University who told the Hens, "Your team hasn't got any better supporter than Joe Biden. I have been impressed by the devotion

and great sense of pride he takes in you."

The lessons learned during the championship season will be an invaluable part of your lives, he said, adding, "Go easy on UMass."

Castle, who joined Biden and Carper in attending many of the team's games in 2003, said the Hens were a special group. "It was clear throughout the season that you were a talented group of athletes," he said. "But, every now and then, something happens in which the individual efforts are transcendent, when the sum of the parts exceeds the whole. It was really fun to watch.

"This has been wonderful for the people of Delaware," he said, "and we thank you, both individually and collectively."



Roselle praised for bold initiatives

► ROSELLE, from 12

Although Castle said a parental notification policy would certainly have gotten his attention as a student, he believes Roselle's "most courageous act" was implementing a new football tailgating policy because that affected students, alumni and friends of UD.

Attendance at Fightin' Blue Hen football games has increased every year since the policy went into effect, Roselle said.

Roselle explained that UD made waves when it instituted the parental notification policy, through which parents are

informed when students run afoul of campus regulations, because it was widely assumed it would lead to legal action under the Buckley Amendment privacy statute.

"The parents have leverage," Roselle said. "They have the checkbook and the car keys."

He said he believed too many college administrators were "hiding behind the Buckley Amendment" to avoid confronting a vital health issue.

Today, Roselle said, about one-half of the nation's colleges and universities have parental notification policies and he believes eventually all of them will

Love of music common bond among volunteers in band

▶ BAND, from 1

er because of the camaraderie, and uses practice and events as a way to get away from everyday

life and make people feel good.

"We play a high level of music, but if there is a mistake it's not taken too seriously," Ferrara said. "Some work full time, some retired, some grandparents, others are in high school ... It's a melting pot of different professions and backgrounds, but all share the common bond of love for music.

The band was formed 21 years ago by long-time conductor Ed Schwartz who brought together 13 members. Today, seven of those members are still active.

For no fee the band plays a

variety of scheduled events, but also will play for shut-ins, such as nursing or retirement homes, senior centers and hospitals. They play approximately 12 major concerts a year. The music played is a variety, including light classical to show tunes to novelty to marches and Dixieland.

Through the years the band has had eight conductors, includ-

ing current conductor David Harris, whose has been the fulltime director of bands at Middletown High School since

Ferrara said at concerts people can expect to hear an in tune and professional-sounding band.
"We'll do the show tunes of

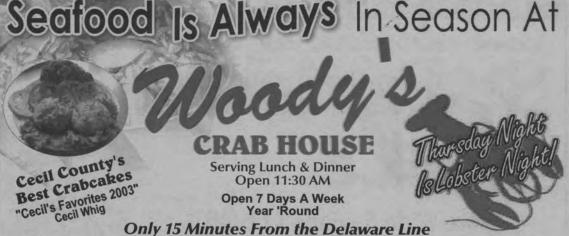
current Broadway, and then fun selections too," he said. "But our conductor also will pick something challenging like music done by the U.S. Navy Band. I think people will be surprised at how good we sound."

For information, 302-738-

3683, e-mail at newarkcommband@aol.com, or Web site e/8436/.

2004 concert schedule

- March 19, 7:30 p.m., George V. Kirk Middle School, 140 Brennan Dr., Newark.
- May 19, 7 p.m., Delaware Tech graduation, Bob Carpenter Center, UD. • June 19, 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.,
- Bethany Beach Boardwalk Bandstand.
- June 23, 6:30 to 8 p.m., White Clay Creek State Park bandstand.
- July 15, 7-8 p.m., Bellevue State Park bandstand.
- July 21, 7 p.m. to dusk, Battery Park, New Castle.
- Aug. 5, 7-8 p.m., Battery Park, Delaware City.
 September, date not specified, City of Newark Community Day.
- · December, date not specified, City of Newark holiday tree lighting.



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Dialogue will provide clarity

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(#2, #3, #4, #5) were linked to the Superintendent's Task Force broad recommendations. The other non-Task Force recommendations stand separately and were not at all connected to our work. Two of the most controversial staff recommendations - closing Drew Pyle School and moving the District Office from Newark were never discussed by the Task Force. Several individuals have

asked questions or made assumptions about the Task Force's position or opinion about these specific staff recommendations. Our official response to these questions or assertions is that the Task Force never discussed or recommended them.

We trust that continued dialogue throughout the community will help clarify all these issues and that this letter will more accurately describe the parameters of the work of the



Wedding perfection: it's all in the details

By Francine Parnes For AP Special Edition

You've found the guy, you've found the gown. Now it's time to plan the rest of your wedding.

your wedding.

Decisions, decisions. If you thought invitations were a chore, organizing your most special day also means picking not only bouquets, bridal chairs and table settings but details such as wedding cake tables, place cards and more.

That is one reason why Maria McBride-Mellinger decided to put her expertise as a wedding stylist to good use by writing *The Perfect* Wedding Details: More than 100 Ideas for Personalizing Your Wedding (HarperCollins, \$29.95 hardcover, Dec. 23, 2003)

Once you've settled on the overall style of your wedding, be it formal, casual, or somewhere in between, start thinking about location.

"Choosing the location first is such a critical component of celebration planning," says McBride-Mellinger. "If you're having your wedding at home, you design it very differently from a wedding in a vineyard or any other remarkable location. If it's a gold ballroom with lots of gold accents, then

your floral theme will need to take on some gilded aspects, as opposed to trying to force a pink and rosy wedding idea. Then you can start to dress it with the details that make a difference."

Early on, think about how to dress your tables, focussing on centerpieces, says McBride Mellinger, wedding style editor for *Bride's* magazine and author of four earlier books about weddings. On a practical note, "Centerpieces should not be so high that guests can't see each other. You want to encourage eye contact," she

says.

"It's important that centerpieces fit the location and the
mood of the event. Sometimes
I want to express a sophisticated, urbane style, other
times a charming, countrified
presence and still other times
I prefer tailored, chic details."

With all the choices, what is her favorite look? Well, she can at least narrow it down to her look of the moment. "It's extremely versatile: flowers under water," McBride-Mellinger says. She creates it with a clear glass ice bucket and a narrow cylinder vase that nests inside it. After filling both with water, she lines the channel between the bucket and the vase with col-

orful flower heads and fills the inner vase with long stems of the same flowers. "The finished centerpiece is an exuberant floral expression," says McBride-Mellinger, who also suggests centerpieces fashioned from colorful blooms paired with favorite objects including gilded nuts, a pile of pearls, polished fruits and even antique birdcages. There is so much beyond tried-and true flowers in a glass vase, she says.

With so many decisions, prioritize. Tables, for example, are key. "The tables are really important because typically wedding celebrations are a dining experience," she says. "You are breaking bread together, and your guests are anchored to the tables. That is their little home away from home for the celebration. It becomes a little oasis for them. They will get up, dance, come back, rest their feet, mingle and come back again. It's their port of call."

If you decorate your table creatively, you are helping your guests to have an instant conversation builder. "The more welcoming you can make it, the more appreciative your guests will be," McBride-Mellinger says. "You want to create easy ice-breaking opportunities. I find that when the brides take the time to set the table in an interesting way, it starts chatter among the guests. It's a subliminal way of being a really great hostess."

ting is an all-white table with chocolate-brown accents. "I love the graphic results of marrying the rich brown tones with crisp whites," she says. "Starched white linen dressed with chocolate linen napkins, vases of chocolate cosmos or calla lilies and dark wood ballroom chairs with white cushions is altogether modern, elegant and classic." And don't forget the chairs.

And don't forget the chairs. "Dressing chairs is a nice punctuation point," she says. "I find dressing all the chairs is a little like gilding the lily because having 200 chairs with decorations is definitely over the top and in most cases perhaps an unnecessary luxury. But what is great is to do the bride and groom's chairs or the bridal party's chairs as the center of attention."

McBride-Mellinger suggests making a large poufy bow, sewn with the fabric used for the tablecloth, which ties around the back of the chair. And if you don't want to take the time to sew, a fiveinch-wide satin ribbon can make an equally luxurious accent when tied into a bow, she says.

Whatever you choose, make your own individual mark, says McBride-Mellinger. "I find in talking to brides all the time that they typically have been to a number of weddings already, and they choose to marry in some of the same locations where their friends have married, but they want to find a way to make it personal," she says. They're asking: "What can I do to make my table, my flowers, my event special, but also mine?" "

If planning a wedding feels like a formidable task, take heart. "A lot of people don't come from a background of having planned a lot of events of this magnitude," she says. "We plan holiday dinners or barbecues or potlucks or dinner for six on some occasions, but we get a little stuck try-

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Diplomacy is the key

By Kathy Scott

It certainly is possible for two people of different beliefs to have a wonderful wedding and a marvelous marriage. Once you and your spouse-to-be have agreed on your differences, then it's time to approach your parents.

After you have met oneon-one with your families,
it's time to bring them
together. Meet in a restaurant, park or other neutral
place, where neither family
has "the upper hand."
Before talking about your
differences, steer the conversation to general topics.
Discuss things like jobs, college, the weather, nieces or
nephews-anything to move
the families toward getting
to know each other.

Working together to help your families find common ground is certainly a way for you and your spouse-tobe to start on the path to a strong, lasting marriage.

Although it may be difficult at times to plan your wedding to everyone's satisfaction, don't give up.

First you need to seriously discuss the site of the wedding, the officiates, who will be involved and any special vows that will be made.

Once you've come up with a plan, make an outline of it, then present it to your parents. This lets everyone know that you are serious about your commitment to each other. However, you do need to leave the door open for discussion.

When it comes to the site of the ceremony, work together with your families to find the most appropriate location. If your families cannot agree on a church, synagogue or other place of worship, talk about having the ceremony in a park, garden or hotel. Try to plan a ceremony that will make everyone-family and friendsfeel comfortable.

For instance, if any of the service will be spoken in a language foreign to either set of parents or some of your guests, consider printing the translation in your wedding program.

While focusing on your love and commitment to each other, respect the wishes of your parents. Ask your families to be a part of your ceremony. And even though you can change certain parts of the service to suit the needs of all, don't change aspects that are most important to you.

One way to make everyone feel welcome is to find those things you have in common and emphasize them.

Make everyone feel welcome by having the officiant, or officiates, explain what they are doing and the significance it holds for you.

Your choice to marry someone with different beliefs may seem to be extremely complicated when you are trying to plan your wedding. But always remember that this is a time to celebrate. Working together, and being very diplomatic, you can plan a lovely wedding and build a strong marriage.

The NAME GAME

Changing your name after marriage

To change your name or not - that is the question. Tradition holds that the bride takes her husband's name after marriage, but in today's world, there are a wealth of options for those who choose not to follow this route. You might want to keep your name or incorporate it into a new name. There are any number of options, and your decision might be based on your professional status, the ease of spelling and pronunciation of your fiance's name, a wish to preserve your family name, social ease, for the sake of children you might have, or simply commitment and tradition.

To begin with, ask your fiance for his feelings on the subject. This might direct you when making your decision. There are several other options to consider in your decision, some of which are listed below:

➤ Keeping your maiden name is the easiest choice. You probably won't have to notify any agencies or fill out any paperwork

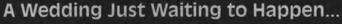
➤ You might use your maiden name professionally and your husband's socially. This is especially convenient if you are professionally established. To avoid problems, do not intermix names on legal documents. Use only your maiden name on tax returns. The IRS may, however, request proof of marriage and a copy of your marriage license.

➤ Hyphenating names (wife's last name and then husband's) is quite popular today, especially if you want to keep both last names. If you wish, you may use the full-hyphenated name on legal documents and your husband's name socially. Remember to register your new name with the appropriate agencies.

➤ If you decide to follow the traditional route and take your husband's last name, sign your marriage certificate

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ing to think about a bigger picture. We are trying to make an event for 200 feel as special as an event for six or eight. It's a tall order. Even doing it for 10 people is a tall order."

"How to make a large party intimate, that's the big trick," she says. "So focus on the details that are manageable and interesting, whether it's the way you do your napkin ring or decorate the chair backs."



Wedding checklist

for the bride

6 to 12 months before the wedding

☐ Announce your engagement.

☐ Establish a budget for the wedding and honeymoon; decide how expenses will be shared or met.

Decide the type of wedding, where and when it will take place, who will perform the ceremony, and the number of guests to be invited. Reserve date and time for rehearsal and ceremony, and compile guest list with addresses

☐ Choose and advise the members of the

bridal party.

☐ Select your wedding gown and accessories. Choose your color scheme and the attire for all participants in the wedding. Schedule fittings and arrange delivery dates.

☐ Plan reception, and book location.

☐ Select and contact: caterer, photographer, videographer, florist, entertainers, trans-

Register at the bridal registries of your choice, and advise your families and wedding party of your registries.

☐ Choose music for the ceremony and reception, advise musicians.

☐ Make plans for your honeymoon, and where you will live after the wedding.

3 to 6 months before

☐ Order invitations, stationery, and wedding programs.

☐ Complete your guest list, with addresses. ☐ Determine your marriage license require-

Order wedding cake and groom's cake.

☐ Consult beautician, arrange for wedding hair and make-up services, and experiment with hair styles.

☐ Shop for trousseau.

☐ Finalize honeymoon plans.

☐ Make living arrangements, begin furnishing home.

2 to 3 months before

Begin addressing invitations.

☐ Check newspaper deadlines for wedding announcement.

☐ Confirm all arrangements with suppliers and participants.

☐ Arrange accommodations for out-of-town guests.

Arrange rehearsal, plan rehearsal dinner

and attendant's parties.

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with this new name and change it legally on other documents.

> Your husband may decide to take your name, especially if you cannot, for professional reasons, change your name, or if you want an easier name to spell and pronounce. In this case, he will have to change his name on all appropriate legal documents.

When changing your name, there are a number of agencies that will need to be notified. You may want to get a head start before your wedding, and some places will change to name without requiring a copy of your marriage license. Following is a checklist of places that will require a name change:

voter registration

bank accounts

pension plans

subscriptions

Department of Motor Vehicles

wills

employer/school records

stocks or bonds

property titles or leases

club memberships .

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Wedding checklist

for the bride

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- ☐ Purchase attendant's
- gifts.

 Obtain marriage license
- at appropriate time.
 ☐ Purchase wedding rings and order engraving.
- Record gifts as you receive them and send thank you notes.
- ☐ Mail invitations six weeks before ceremony.

1 month before

- ☐ Have final fittings for all
- gowns.

 Have formal portrait

- taken.

 ☐ Confirm honeymoon
- reservations.

 □ Purchase fiancee's wedding gift.

2 weeks before

- ☐ Contact guests who have not responded.
- ☐ Provide directions to ceremony and reception, as necessary.
- ☐ Arrange changes of name and address on driver's license, credit cards, bank accounts, etc.
- ☐ Submit newspaper announcements before dead-

- Pick up wedding rings, check fit and inscriptions.

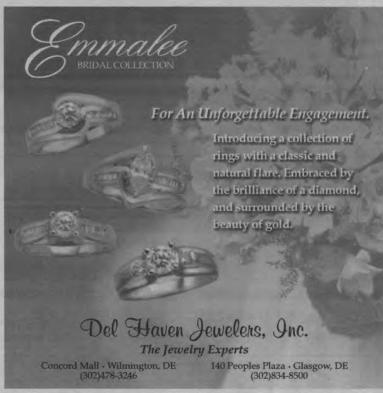
 Make arrangements for
- moving into new home. ☐ Have attendants' parties.

1 week before

- ☐ Final consultations with all suppliers. Give final count to caterer.
- ☐ Pick up wedding attire. ☐ Pack for honeymoon,
- move into new home.

 Assign tasks to wedding party, hold rehearsal.

 Get plenty of rest.





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Price makes dean's list

Elizabeth Price, daughter of John and Elaine Price of Newark, earned dean's list honors at Lynchburg College, a private college in central Virginia enrolling 2,100 students in the professional, liberal arts and sciences and graduate studies.

Gladnick demo project at X Games

Newark resident Jeff Gladnick and his team members from Rowan University in New Jersey, demonstrated their engineering project at the X Games in Aspen in January. The X Games featured, among other events, competitions in skiing and snowboarding.

The team created SnoRhino, the footrest retrofit for ski lifts that allows snowboarding enthusiasts to peacefully co-exist with skiers on chair lifts.

Biddle off to leadership forum

Newark resident Kathryn Biddle was recently selected to participate in the National Youth



Leadership Forum on Biddle
Nursing in Boston, Mass. Biddle
joined more than 200 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from

across the United States at the Forum on Nursing.

Area students graduate from Wesley

In January, Wesley College cele-ated the second Winter brated the second Winter Commencement in its 131-year history. The graduation was held in the Schwartz Center for the Arts in Dover where more than 100 students including several from the Newark area were honored.

Area students included: Joseph Kopec, Holly Maloney, Kim Mills, Christopher Belcher, Rita Essick,

Chimene Grieten, Robert Johnston, Nickolaus Mans, Traci Miller, Tina Nguyen, Dave Quailey, Armand Roy, Joseph Smith, Jacqueline Walker, Celeste Cassidy, Mark Iplenski, Amy Kline, Thomas Lake, Jr., Cheryll Martin, and Yolanda Stewart.

Locals named

The following Newark residents vere named to the dean's list at Messiah College in Grantham, Pa.:

John Anderson, a first-year stu-dent majoring in business adminis-tration; Kelly Stanwell, a senior majoring in elementary education;

Andrew Sand, a sophomore majoring in history; and Ruth Kitchin, a first-year student majoring in English.

Alderson on dean's list

Newark resident David Alderson has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2003-04 semester at the of Hartford Connecticut.

Manoi receives degree

Newark resident Varghese Manoj received a MS degree from Texas AM University in December.

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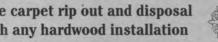
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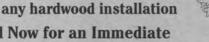
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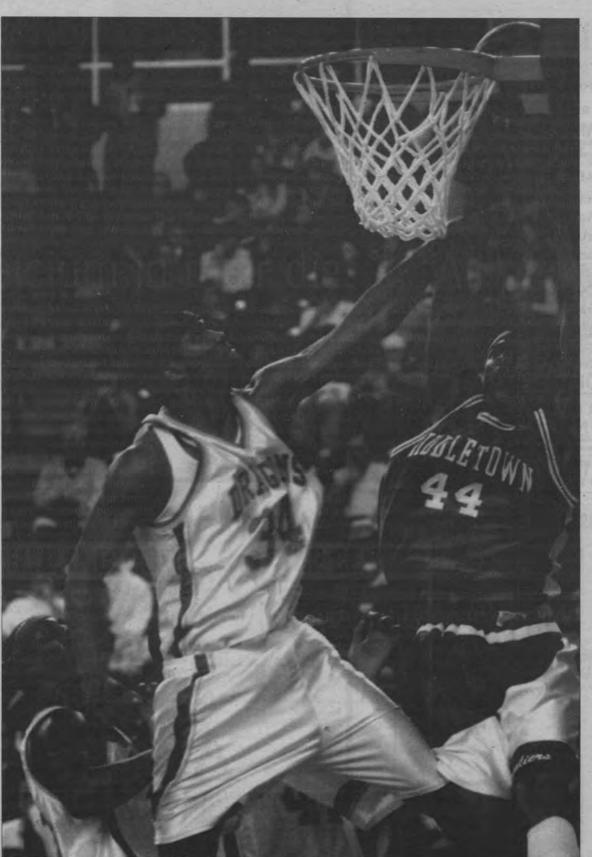
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BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



Glasgow's Marc Egerson attempts to block the shot of Middletown's Sam Scott during Saturday's state championship game at the Carpenter Center.

Glasgow upset in final

Middletown edges defending champs By JOE BACKER NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER Middletown pulled off the

upset of the year in knocking off top-seeded Glasgow 60-57 in the semifinals of the Delaware Boys High School Basketball Tournament Thursday night at the University of Delaware's Bob Carpenter Center.

Middletown's surprise victory denied the Dragons an opportunity to defend their title from last year, and awarded the Cavs their first-ever trip to a championship game in basketball. The Dragons ended their promising season with a 22-3 record.

Glasgow led most of the seesaw contest, but the Dragons were unable to put the aggressive, hustling, Middletown team

The action-packed ending featured the Cavs roaring back from a five-point deficit in the fourth quarter to take 56-55 lead on a pair of free throws by Dominique Barron with only 29 ticks left on the clock. Brandon Bryant and Mike Shipman then sealed the astonishing victory by nailing down crucial foul shots in

the game's closing seconds.
"We just didn't close the game," said Glasgow coach Don Haman. "We had a few opportunities to finish, but we missed on the foul line, on layups, and we didn't get to some loose balls that we should have." Middletown's close-checking

defense paid off as Dragon senior Marc Egerson was limited to only 10 points. In two previous Flight A games this season, Egerson, last year's Delaware Player of the Year, averaged more than 20 points against the

"They out-hustled and outworked us, especially in the fourth quarter, "said Egerson. "They just wanted it more than

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Blue Hen baseball team wins 10th straight

Junior Brock Donovan singled home senior Steve Van Note in the bottom of the 10th inning to give the University of Delaware a 5-4 win over Marist College Sunday afternoon at Bob Hannah Stadium.

The Blue Hens (10-4) have now won 10 games in a row - their longest winning streak since 2001 and 11 straight games at Bob Hannah Stadium, dating back to last season.

With Delaware trailing 4-3 in the bottom of the ninth, freshman Bryan Hagerich belted his second home run of the game and third of the season to tie the game at four and send it to extra innings.

Delaware opened the scoring in the bottom of the first on an RBI single by Donovan but the Red Foxes (2-10) tied the game in the top of the second on an RBI single by Jimmy Board.

Marist took a 3-1 lead in the top of the fourth on a solo home run from Tyler Brock and an RBI single by Eric Johnson. The Hens cut the lead to 3-2 in the bottom of the sixth on an RBI double by Van Note before the Red Foxes regained a two-run lead on Board's second RBI single of the afternoon in the top of the seventh. Hagerich's first home run of the afternoon in the bottom half of the inning for Delaware cut the Marist lead to 4-3.

Senior Mike Iannucci picked up his first win of the season for Delaware, working 3.1 innings in relief, allowing four hits and striking out two.

Scott Chambers suffered the loss for Marist, going 2.1 innings, allowing five hits and two earned runs while striking out two. Both starting pitchers - junior Chris Garrick of Delaware and Lucas Robinson of Marist - were lifted in the seventh inning.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Ursuline wins its 10th state crown

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Ursuline Academy returned to the girls high school basketball summit with a 46-39 victory over Seaford in Friday night's championship game at the Bob Carpenter Center on the University of Delaware campus.

Elena Delledonne, a poised and skilled 8th-grader, led the Raiders charge with 17 points and 9 rebounds. Junior Sarah

Williams had 13 points, and Shannon O'Hanlon had ten rebounds for Ursuline. Kate Mills, the only senior on the Raider roster, posted all of her 12 points in the second half.

Seaford (22-5), was denied the state title for the second year in a row, having lost last season's championship game to Polytech

54-46.
"This was definitely a team effort tonight," said Ursuline Charles Johnson. "That's how we became a good basket-

ball team this year, with everybody working hard in practice and in games, and everybody stepping up when it was time for

a big play."

Ursuline's pressure defense kept the Lady Blue Jays high scoring tandem of Ashlee Burbage and Roniece Williams under control during the first half. The two guards totaled only four points at the half, as Ursuline was building a 22-12

In the third quarter, Seaford

came out on fire, scoring 8 straight points.

The Blue Jays went on a 16-2 run enroute to building a 28-23 lead with 4:13 left in the period.

Shortly after Seaford took the lead, Mills collected her first bas-

From there, Mills and her teammates regained their spark and confidence, and gradually returned to their aggressive style

Sarah Williams said Mills steady play was important to the fourth quarter. "Kate's an incredible senior leader on this team. We all love her so much, and we really wanted to win this for her.

After trailing 31-30 entering the fourth quarter, Ursuline's sharpshooters regained their touch, outscoring Seaford 16-8, to win their 10th state title, and first since 1995. The Raiders finished the season at 22-4, and avenged their only in-state loss of the season to the Blue Jays.

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St. Mark's beaten in

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Ursuline led from start to finish in drubbing St. Mark's 52-31 Wednesday night in the semifinals of the Delaware High School Girls Basketball Tournament at the Bob Carpenter Center.

"We played as hard as we could, all the way until the end of the game," said Spartan coach George Chellew. "Unfortunately for us, every time we played them, they got better and better. But I am proud of the girls, they worked very hard tonight and all season to get to this point."

Ursuline's strong defensive effort also kept St. Mark's under tight wraps most of the night. The Raiders held the Spartans to single digits in the first two quarters in building a 23-14 lead at the

UD nine keeps winning

► HENS, from 20

Van Note finished the afternoon 4 for 5 with an RBI and two runs scored for the Blue Hens while Board went 3 for 5 for Marist with two RBI.

An extra inning win on Saturday kept the winning streak alive

Junior Kelly Buber hit his first home run as a Blue Hen and Donovan added a solo home run as the University ofDelaware ran its winning streak to nine games with a 7-5 win over Marist College Saturday afternoon at Bob Hannah Stadium.

Delaware broke the game open in the bottom of the fourth with the scoretied at one. Donovan followed a leadoff walk by junior Dave Harden with his second home run of the season over the right field wall to give Delaware a 3-1 lead.

Over the final two quarters, the Lady Spartans were unable to start a much-anticipated run and

close the gap.
Senior Kate Mills and 8thgrader Elena Delledonne set the offensive pace for Ursuline in the second half, while guards Caitlin Mullarkey and Sarah Williams keyed the rugged defense.

Mills led all scorers with 18 points, Delledonne had 13 points and 13 rebounds, and Shannon O'Hanlon contributed 12 points for the Raiders.

Ursuline coach Steve Johnson

said his team was pleased with the victory

St. Mark's loss also meant the end of an era for four Spartan forwards Andrea starters. Hochstuhl, and Jenna Logan, and guards Alyssa Hertzenberg and Sarah Sammons.

These girls have played a lot of basketball together at St. Mark's these last four years. They did a great job, and their skills and leadership will be missed next year," said Chellew.



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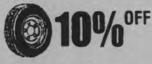
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Super Soccer Saturdays

The Newark Parks and Recreation Department will be Super sponsoring Soccer Saturdays between March 27 and April 24 from 9 - 10:30 a.m. at Handloff Park for kids ages 6-9. Registration is on-going. Fees are \$20 for Newark residents, \$25 for non-residents. For more information, call 366-7060.

Youth baseball

The City of Newark will be sponsoring t-ball and baseball for boys and girls. T-ball is for ages 6-7. Colt baseball using a pitching machine is for ages 8-9. Leagues emphasize sportsmanship, participation and the funda-mentals of the game.

Practices begin the week of March 15. Games begin the week of April 19. Each team plays or practices twice weekly.

Registration is on-going. Fees are \$34 for Newark residents, \$39 for non-residents. For more information, call 366-7060.

Soccer camps

The Newark Department of Parks and Recreation, in conjunction with the Soccer Academy, will present week-long day camps and half-day camps for kids ages 5-13.

The camps are designed to be fun for the players as they learn the techniques and tactics of the

Day camp hours are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for ages 7-13. Half-day camp is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for ages 5-7. Fees for the day camp are \$165 for residents, \$170 for non-residents. Fees for the halfday camp are \$130 for Newark residents and \$135 for non-residents. Camps run June 21-25 and Aug. 9-13 at Downes Elementary. For more information, call 366-7060.

Youth softball

The City of Newark is sponsoring a youth ponytail softball league for girls ages 10-13 and a

senior softball league for girls ages 13-17. Practices begin the week of March 15, games begin the week of April 19. Fees are \$34 for Newark residents, \$39 for non-residents. For more information, call 366-7060.

Parks and Rec. offers fee assistance

Newark Parks and Recreation is committed to providing recreational opportunities to everyone. For this reason, a fee assistance program is available for qualifying individuals (youth and adult) to aid in the expense of its recre-ation programs. All inquiries and requests are strictly confidential. For more information, please contact Joe Spadafino, recreation superintendent at 366-7060.

Spring tennis classes

Newark Parks and Recreation is currently taking registrations for spring tennis lessons.

Classes are offered for ages 4adult, from beginner to advanced levels.Classes begin the week of March 20 and run for six weeks. Cost is \$20 for residents and \$25

For more informatin, call 366-7060.

Adult Summer Volleyball

The Newark Department of Parks and Recreation will be sponsoring an outdoor co-rec volleyball league from early May through mid-August. There will be four divisions.

New teams are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis as space allows. The league entry fee is \$290 for nine five-game matches

Call the recreation office at 366-7060 for more information.

New adult summer softball leagues

The Newark Department of Parks and Recreation will be sponsoring three new adult softball leagues. There will be an industrial co-rec league, a competitive men's league and a recreational men's league. Games are played from may until August.

For more information, call

366-7060.

New horseshoe league slated for Dickey Park

Grab a partner and pitch some shoes every week in Newark Parks and Recreation's new horseshoe league on Tuesday evenings.

The league will be at Dickey Park. Cost is \$35 per team. Call the Parks and Rec office at 366-7060 for more information.

Senior Softball League

In partnership with the Newark Senior Center, a new senior softball league will be offered. Teams will be formed based on the numer of participants. An 18-game schedule will be played followed by a singleelimination playoff.

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Games are held Mondays and Wednesdays fromMay 3 to July 28. Registration fees are \$20 for residents and \$35 for non-residents. For more information, call

ragons tall in tinal

► GLASGOW, from 20

we did tonight," he said.

Middletown's Sam Scott had 14 points and 11 rebounds, while Barron added 13 points, and Mike Griffin 12 points. The Dragons were led by Khyle Nelson's 16 points and 10 rebounds, and Sean Hammond

chipped in with 13 points.
"Our guys never quit this entire game," said Middletown coach Charles Robinson. "We learned from playing a tough Flight A schedule to never, ever quit on the court," he said.

A strong second-half offensive surge led Salesianum to a 49-33

victory over Caravel Academy in the semifinals of the Delaware High School Boys Basketball Tournament.

The Sals, which lost to Middletown in Saturday's state championship game, finished the season with a 21-4 record.

Caravel finished one of its best seasons ever with a 20-5

The game had all the intensity of the Sals' 22-21 victory over archrival St. Mark's in the quarterfinals.

Caravel boys beaten in state semifinals

A great defensive effort by both teams led to a low scoring first half that saw Salesianum lead 5-3 after the first quarter and 15-13 at halftime

The second half was a different story, however, as Sallies

exploded for 34 points, including 18 in the decisive fourth quarter. Seniors Drew Stem, Rob Testa and Pat McKusker controlled the tempo and hit on a number of inside and outside shots down the stretch.

Will Rollins and Jarrod Wright each had nine points to lead Caravel. Danny Rozman added seven rebounds for the





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John O. 'Bud' Mooney, 78, owned Brookside barber shop since 1963

EWARK resident John O. "Bud" Mooney, of Brookside, Newark, died on Tuesday, March 9, 2004.

Mr. Mooney, 78, worked for the Chrysler Corporation in Newark for many years before taking a position as a barber at the Brookside Barber Shop in 1963.

He later purchased the shop and continued to operate it with the help of his devoted wife, Carmen, until his retirement in 1990.

An avid sports fan, Mr. Mooney especially enjoyed following the Eagles, Phillies and 76ers. He will be remembered as a kind and devoted family man who won many friends with his excellent sense of humor and

his gift for telling stories and jokes.
His wife, Carmen Ellison
Mooney died in 1993. He is survived by two sons, John O. Mooney, Jr. and his wife, Diane, of Newark and James E. Mooney and his wife, Patricia, of Bear; two sisters, Edna Pontino and Sylvia Booker, both of Pa.; two brothers, William Mooney of Pa. and Orville Mooney of Fla.; six grandchildren; two great grandchildren; 10 nieces and nephews; and

his beloved pet boxer, Alice.

A funeral service was scheduled
Friday, March 12 at the SpicerMullikin Funeral Home, Newark. His niece, The Reverend Patricia Epprecht, officiated.

Burial is in Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear.

James McDonald, Jr.

Newark resident James Patrick McDonald Jr., died Friday, March 5, 2004, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Mr. McDonald, 63, was a graduate of West Catholic High School for Boys and St. Joseph's University and

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was an accomplished track and field athlete at the regional and national levels in both high school and col-

In 1968, he was honorably discharged as a sergeant from the United States Army Reserves.

He then began a long and successful career in the aerospace and defense industries, recently retiring an administrator from the Northrop Grumman Corporation in Baltimore, Md.

Mr. McDonald was an avid supporter of Special Olympics Delaware and a parishioner of St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church in

He is survived by wife of 36 years, Trudy (Waters) McDonald; daughter, Mary Kate Campbell and her husband, Cres, of Wilmington; three sons, James Patrick III, Jude P., and Kevin O. McDonald, all of Newark; two brothers, Francis X McDonald of West Chester, Pa. and William J. McDonald of Wyomissing, Pa.; and two grandsons, Creston and Patrick Campbell.

A service was scheduled for Wednesday, March 10 at Our Lady of Fatima R.C. Church, New Castle.

Burial was in All Saints Cemetery, Wilmington. . Contributions to Special

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James Patrick McDonald, Jr. Esther Watson Joshua Robert Dickerson James Waldridge Carmen Louise Gueffroy Nelson David A. Pedrick Edith Leona Gibson Beatrice Taylor Annabelle B. Boswell John O. "Bud" Mooney Betty J. Marvel Dolores Ann Triviets Frank H. Zalewski Harry T. Bridge, Sr. Justyne E. (Straub) Reess Carl "Pat" Weik

Carmen Louise Gueffroy Nelson, helped found Friends of Newark Free Library

WARK resident Carmen elson died Monday, March 8, 2004 in her

home.

Mrs. Nelson spent her child-hood moving with her father's ministry throughout Oregon, serving as church organist. After receiving a BA from the University of Washington, she dedicated her life to libraries, edu-

cation and community service.

She taught at The Sanford
School and was coordinator of the
University of Delaware Student Advisement Center. She was one of the well-known "Book Ends" four women who were close friends and founding members of the Friends of the Newark Free

Library.
In 1981, she was appointed to the State Library Advisory
Council helping pass legislation that tripled state funding for

In 1985 she was honored with a Distinguished Service Citation from the Delaware Library Association. She joyfully participated in League of Woman Voters, AAUW, Great Decisions, Weed & Seed and Soup Group.

After retirement, she and her

husband enjoyed countless gypsylike sojourns across the U.S birdwatching on Sanibel Island, attending concerts at Tanglewood and returning to their roots in the Pacific Northwest. One week

before she passed away, she celebrated her 60th wedding anniversary with her husband, Jerry.

She is survived by children,
Chere in Stockholm, Clark in
Washington, D.C. and Gwyneth in
Minneapolis; and grandchildren,
Caroline in Chicago, Scott in
Denver, Julia in Washington,
D.C., and Ross and Libby in
Minneapolis. Minneapolis.

A service was scheduled for Friday, March 12 at Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church, Wilmington. Contributions can be made to the Friends of the Newark Free Library, PO Box 9965, Newark, DE 19714.

Olympics Delaware, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716-1901; or to Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810.

Joshua Dickerson, 9

Newark area resident Joshua Robert Dickerson died on Saturday, March 6, 2004 at his home.

Dickerson, 9, was in the 4th grade at Olive B. Loss Elementary School.

He was an avid Eagles fan and enjoyed participating in the Relay for Life benefiting the American Cancer Society last year at Hodgson Vo-Tech High School.

He is survived by parents, Beth and Anthony Zych; father, Gene Dickerson of Salisbury, Md.; two brothers, Joshua Zych and Jacob Zych; and a sister, Julia Zych, all at home; and many grandparents and extended family. He will also be missed by his friends and teachers at Olive B. Loss and Southern elementary schools.

A service was scheduled for Monday, March 8 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, Newark. Burial is in All Saints Cemetery,

The family suggests contribution to Give Kids the World, 210 S. Bass Rd., Kissimmee, FL 34746 (800/998KIDS); or the Make-A-Wish Foundation, 10920 Connecticut Ave., Ste. 1600, Kensington, MD 20895 (301/962-9474).



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NEWARK POST * POLICE BLOTTER

▶ BLOTTER, from 2

Gregory B. Woodward, Jr. 29, of Newark, was the operator and lone occupant of the vehicle.

Troopers reported that for an unknown reason, the vehicle drifted off of the right side of the roadway and struck a guardrail.

After impact the vehicle rolled onto its roof and ejected Woodward. The vehicle then slid down an embankment before it came to rest.

Woodward was airlifted to the Christiana Hospital where he was treated for a head injury and facial lacerations. He was treated and released. Woodward was issued a citation for inattentive driving and not wearing a seatbelt, police said.

Recent DUI arrests

The Newark Police Department has released the names of persons arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol here

recently. They include:

Adam M. St. Laurent, 23, of Bear, on Thursday, March 11, at 1:54 a.m., on East Delaware Avenue;

Greg Slater, 20, of Newark, on Saturday, March 13, at 1:54 a.m., at Elkton Road and Thorn Lane, also charged with underage consumpiton of alcohol;

Jason W. Landis, 22, of Bear, on Friday, March 12, at 1:30 a.m., on Papermill Road;

Joseph T. Smith, 18, of Bear, on Saturday, March 13, at 2:45 a.m., at East Cleveland Avenue and Wilbur Street, also charged with underage consumption of alcohol; and

John R. Brannon, 31, of Newark, on Saturday, March 13, at 12:11 a.m., at Manuel and Kells avenues.

Police said all were released pending court appearances.

Alcohol, noise violations detailed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued their stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws.

Marked units and special plain-clothes details operated here during what police describe as "peak party periods." Officers out of uniform also conducted "Cops In Shops" details in Newark liquor outlets. Some of the recent arrests

include:

Nathan Samuel Moy, 21, of Lincoln, noise violation, on Sunday, March 14, at 3:46 a.m., at 366 Manuel St.;

Tanya E. Paoli, 20, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, March 14, at 3:09 a.m., at 115 S. Chapel St.;

Logan A. Ulshafer, 21, and Allan M. Wolf, 21, both of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, March 14, at 2:08 a.m., at 312 Delaware Cir.;

Lucy C. Short, 21, of Lewes Tara J.

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Pelaez, 21, of Newark, Jordan Schaefer, 21, of Newark, and Taylor M. Glah, 22, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, March 14, at 1:16 a.m., at 7109 Scholar Dr., University Commons apart-

ments;
Todd Allan Jones, 25, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, March 14, at 12:13 a.m., at 702 S. College Ave.;
Robert A. Schenkel, 21, of West Hartford, Conn., and Alexander R. Dougherty, 20, of Newark, noise violation, after police observed about 200 persons at a party on Saturday, March 13, at 11:44 p.m., at 4 Prospect Ave.;
Daniel R. Hechtkopf, 21, of Virginia Beach, Va., criminal mischief, on Saturday, March 13, at 11:58 p.m., at 394 S. College Ave.;

S. College Ave.;

Joseph Smith, 18, of Bear, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, March 13, at 2:45 a.m., at East Cleveland

Avenue and Wilbur Street;

Thomas Noonan Jr., 18, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, March 13, at 1:23 a.m., at 36 Benny St.;

Lauren M. Trevisan, 21, of Lancaster, Pa., possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, March 13, at 12:45 a.m., at 329 E. Main St., Main Street

a.m., at 329 E. Main St., Main Street Courtyard apartments;

Jeremy Dehitta Jr., 18, of Rutherford, N.J., underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, March 13, at 12:16 a.m., at 115 Lovett Ave.;

Cynthia Anne Carmine, 21, of Wilmington, possession of an open con-

Wilmington, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, March 12, at 11:30 p.m., at 22 Duke St., School Lane

apartments;

Bryon C. Geiger, 20, of Wilmington, underage possession of alcohol, on Friday, March 12, at 9:30 p.m., at 236 E. Delaware Ave., Main Street Court;

Joanna Teresa Ryan, 20, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, March 12, at 9:15 p.m., at 109 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Steve Dennis Holt, 19, of Frederick, Md., noise violation, on Friday, March 12, at 12:45 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments;

Michael A. Ellias, 23, and Vasilios G. Pavlakis, 24, both of Townsend, disorder-

Pavlakis, 24, both of Townsend, disorderly conduct-failing to disperse, on Friday, March 12, at 12:52 a.m. at 400 Wollaston

March 12, at 12:52 a.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments;
Randy Scott Eingalt, 19, of Voorhees, N.J., underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, March 12, at 12:55 a.m., at 400 Woolaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments;
Nicole M. Gadaleta, 20, and Joseph R. Buscemi, 19, both of Manhasset, N.Y.,

possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, March 12, at 12:20 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments; Kylie M. Wilgus, 20, of Bethany Beach, and Maryon P. McIntosh, 18, of Newark, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Thursday, March 11, at 11:33 p.m., at 121 Thorn I are:

Newark, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Thursday, March 11, at 11:33 p.m., at 121 Thorn Lane;

Jennifer L. Peterson, 22, of Newark, noise violation and maintaining a disorderly premise, on Thursday, March 11, at 10:24 and 11:58 p.m., at 11 Odaniel Ave., Victoria Mews apartments;

Kristina L. Robinson, 20, of Newark, noise violation, on Thursday, March 11, at 11:50 p.m., at 65 S. Chapel St.;

John Thomas Mozzillo, 22, of Cherry Hill, N.J., possession of an open container of alcohol, on Thursday, March 11, at 11:20 p.m., at 65 S. Chapel St., Continental Court apartments; and Scott Goldberg, 21, of Rockville, Md., Michael Denson Jr., 21, of Newark, and Mitchell L. Lango, 20, of Columbia, N.J., noise violation, on Thursday, March 11, at 10:46 p.m., at 5304 Scholar Dr. 10:46 p.m., at 5304 Scholar Dr.

Police said all persons arrested were released pending court appear-

Comcast cable offers reward in thefts

New Castle County Police are looking for the person or persons involved in stealing Comcast Cable line amplifiers from outside green metal cabinet cable boxes.

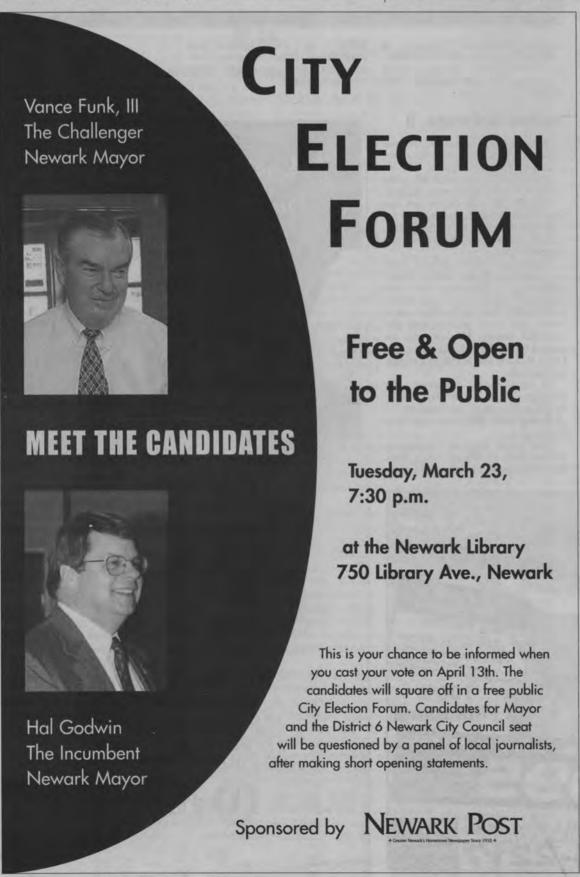
Police said approximately 50 to 60 amplifiers have been stolen since Feb. 2003, including five to seven stolen on March 8.

Comcast is offering a \$2,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the persons involved in the

Witnesses have reported seeing a white van or pickup truck parked in the area of the thefts.

Witnesses to suspicious activity around the green boxes are asked to call 911, police said.

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▶ UP FRONT, from 1

Not that previous mayoral challengers haven't been serious, this year it's a real horse race. Considering war chests alone, the challenger can outspend the incumbent four to one.

Hal Godwin's running on his record, and it's hard to dispute that the reservoir and head-on attack of student behavior issues are noteworthy.

The Mayor is boasting his leadership in town-gown and alcohol issues, construction of the reservoir and action to correct other water issues, and his work with WILMAPCO and DelDOT to deal with traffic congestion.

As is true with any incumbent – particularly one that has been on the Newark council since 1987 – Godwin's re-election is hindered by people who take

issue with his council votes and priorities (just ask any landlord). Simply put, he's rubbed some people the wrong way. Any office holder does.

Challenger Vance Funk III jumped into the race with significant name recognition.

As the city's Alderman for 13 years and through his busy real estate legal practice, many city voters know and like Vance. And many of them even ponied up cash to boost his campaign coffers to \$20,000.

His strong support from within the University of Delaware community evidenced itself when top UD officials – including its governmental relations laision – signed his nominating petition to get on the April 13 ballot.

Like Godwin, Funk has ideas. Both of these candidates, each in their own way, have long-term and demonstrated devotion to Newarl

To the candidates' credit, both have taken the high road to date running on records and issues instead of personal attacks.

Godwin is a proven vote-getter and appears to be using the system that has propelled him into office in the past (even when the kitchen was very hot). The Mayor's challenge is to retain that base of support.

Funk has been working strategically, mostly quietly until lately, for nearly a year to gain support. His challenge is get those who have smiled when he knocked on their door, and told him they support him, to the polls to vote for him.

In the same election, there will be an interesting 6th District city council race. Christine Rewa, who was unchallenged in 2002, now has two competitors.

Ken Bartholomew, a retired

county police officer, believes his Woods at Louviers neighborhood lacks an advocate and threw his hat into the ring.

A third candidate who bills himself as "a different kind of student candidate," Kevin Vonck knows government through past work and his public affairs studies as a graduate student here.

Student candidates have generated good news copy but few votes in past city elections. Couple that with the fact that Rewa won her seat by one vote (34-33) in 2000 and this race is anyone's guess.

Two races, both too close to call. If you haven't already made up your mind, what's a voter to do?

I have a suggestion.

Next Tuesday night from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m., this newspaper is sponsoring a City Election Forum at the Newark Free

Library. It's free and open to all.

All five candidates have confirmed they will be there. They'll each make short (key word here is "short") opening statements, then will be questioned by a panel of local journalists about Newark issues.

This will be a good, if not only chance to hear the candidates contrast their takes on issues and promote themselves side by side.

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I hope you'll join us.

■ The columnist has been covering local elections since 1971. He became publisher of the Newark Post in 1992. Streit and his family live around the corner from Mayor Godwin, but he was greeted Sunday morning by Funk campaigning on Rahway Drive.

Cecil residents fear development would disturb rural atmosphere of Fair Hill

FAIR HILL, from 1

The commission heard the updated plan from Newark-based Aston Development Group, at its meeting at noon Monday. The plan called for the houses and golf course to be built on a 420-acre site bordered by Appleton, Telegraph, Cat Swamp and Jackson Hall School roads.

The decision leaves in limbo the offer to build a new facility for the Newark Country Club by developer William Stritzinger, also of Newark. Stritzinger had proposed that the club, where he is a member, give him the land that the current club now sits on so he could build homes, possibly around a 9-hole course. In exchange he would build the club — which is struggling to attract new members and is restricted from expanding — a new course and facilities in his Maryland development.

Country club members have not made a decision yet.

In voting against Aston Pointe Monday, Commissioner Walbeck said the proposal went against the county's comprehensive plan.

"The small size of the lots wouldn't have been compatible with the community," he said. "The comprehensive plan says the water supply must be under control of the county, and this would have brought the water in

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from Delaware."

Commissioner Josh Brown said he didn't have a problem with the plan. "I personally couldn't find anything wrong with it," he said, "but people were so adamantly against it that I decided to abstain."

During the public-comment portion of the meeting, about 20 people — most of whom lived near the area — spoke out against the developer's plans. Most agreed that if the new development was approved, their rural community would be bubbling over with people, with overflowing schools, congested roads, bigger potholes and a tapped-out water supply.

body and peace of mind.

"New development is only going to create an extension of New Castle County," said Lisa Lemzi of Elkton. "Is that what we want to be remembered for?"

Laura Gleason said most area schools are already overcrowded, with Elkton High School at 111 percent, Cecil Manor at 105 percent capacity

cent capacity.

George Whitmyre of Elkton said the best part of living in Fair Hill is the wildlife he encounters daily. "It's the occasional fox we see, the deer, the occasional songbirds," he said. "There are 209 different species of songbirds, and even a couple flybys of bald eagles."

Several months ago, the

developers met with a community group opposed to the plan in an effort to allay area residents', concerns. While the Aston Development Group changed its plans considerably, concerns remained about access to water and sewer lines, the influx of traffic into the area, roadway wear, law enforcement needs and school classroom expansion costs.

City of Newark officials have also come out against the proposal for the same reasons.

Ciamaricone is a staff writer for the daily Cecil Whig in Elkton, Md., sister paper of the Newark Post.







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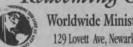
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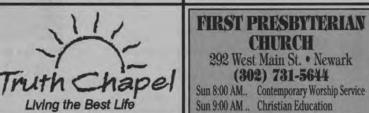
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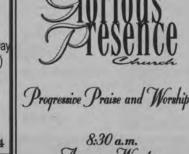
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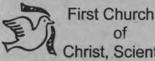
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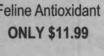


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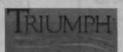


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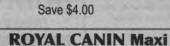
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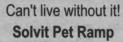
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