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MR. GOODBUY

Newark residents have love affair with yard, garage sales

by Beth Hannum

Whoever said "one man's trash is another man's treasure," must have foreseen American in the 1980's.

Yard sales, garage sales, carport sales, basement sales, moving sales. Whatever the name there are ample opportunities to rid yourself of "trash" and collect new "treasures." In two weekends of yard sale shopping for the Newark Post, we've seen everything from yard sale staples such as used clothing, knickknacks and furniture to tools, tires, a sofa marked "free to good home" and even a circus tent.

Newark area yard sales attracted hordes of bargain hunters, who paraded across lawns and driveways. One multi-family sale in Brookside, for example, attracted close to 200 shoppers in its first day.

Some people go to yard sales for fun and some go seeking a particular item, but most go to browse.

One elderly Brookside couple said they have picked up yard sale shopping as a hobby. They go looking for specific items and keep careful check on each other to avoid impulse buying.

Last Saturday, for example, the husband was looking for a special tool, which he found at the very first sale they hit, and she was looking for baby clothes to dress a doll she had made.

"We tell each other if its bigger than a toothpick we don't need it. Our house is full of stuff already!" she explained.

Other people have a more difficult time keeping a check on impulse buying. One woman explained that her husband's excessive bargain hunting has led to the purchase of so many electronic timers that she never knows when the lights are going to start popping on all over her house each evening.

"Lights pop on in this room and that room. It looks like Christmas. Oh well, I don't think we'll ever get robbed!" she said.

Some people go to yard sales for the express purpose of buying bargains only to resell them when they hold sales of their own.

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At the Sheerans' yard sale.

Photo/Bob Varell

Tying peace ribbon

Newark residents joined more than 200 Delawareans who journeyed to Washington, D.C. on Sunday for "peace ribbon" ceremonies which marked the 40th anniversary of the A-bombing of Hiroshima.

The peace ribbon event, in which about 15,000 anti-nuclear demonstrators stretched 15 miles of handmade tapestries from the Pentagon to Capitol Hill, was "intended to be a gentle reminder that we are for peace," said Jean Dunson of Newark.

"We don't want what happened in Japan to ever happen again to anyone."

Dunson, who was a member of the Delaware delegation, is president of the Newark unit of Church Women United of Delaware. The organization sponsored four buses which carried area residents to Washington.

"We hope we can avoid nuclear warfare by making friends, trying to cope in that way rather than taking up arms," Dunson said.

Although the crowds watching the peace ribbon were smaller than expected, Dunson said the ribbons themselves were "marvelous."

The theme, she said, was that "everything God created, we do not want to lose."

Delaware led the peace ribbon from the Capitol grounds toward a link up with the ribbon which started from the Pentagon. "It was quite impressive to look back down the Mall and see lines of people carrying the ribbons," Dunson said.

Dunson hopes the event made an impact on the nation. "I would hope people will realize you can make a statement without being militant," she said.

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The following list reflects the average prices found on yard sale items at recent sales in the Newark area. Keep in mind that prices vary according to an item's age, condition and original price.

- Children's rompers, sunsuits — 25¢-\$1
- Children's shirts — 10¢-25¢
- Children's dresses — 50¢-\$1
- Children's coats — 50¢-\$2
- Women's skirts, slacks — 50¢-\$2
- Women's dresses — \$1-\$3
- Men's shirts — 25¢-\$1
- Men's suits — \$1-\$5
- Toys — 15¢-\$5
- Circus tents — \$100
- Chairs — \$5-\$30
- Small appliances — \$3-\$15
- Dinette set — \$30-\$75
- Nicknacks — 10¢-\$2

KEEP POSTED



Hike!

Capitol Trail Junior Football League, which is celebrating its silver anniversary, will hold sign ups Aug. 10, 14 and 17 at area schools. See 1/a.

Refuse crews off Friday

Newark city refuse crews will not be working Friday, Aug. 9 so trash normally collected that day will instead be picked up on Thursday, Aug. 8. Trash normally collected Thursday will be picked up Wednesday, Aug. 7. The change is the result of an agreement between the city and the refuse crews' union to change the holiday normally taken on Election Day to Aug. 9.

Council to meet Monday

The meeting of Newark City Council will be held at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12 in the Municipal Building on Elton Road.

School board to meet

The Christina School District board of education will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13 in Etta J. Wilson Elementary School, Forge Road off Polly Drummond Hill Road.

NEWARKERS

Dennis Smith

Native of England gets 'E' for effort

by Colleen Sheehan

You pull the old afghan up over your knees. There's a Coke and a bag of potato chips sitting next to you on the coffee table. Thunder crashes outside and reminds you of how much you want to be inside. The Clark Gable movie starts in five minutes.

A flash of lightning illuminates the window and another crash of thunder makes you jump. You spill the Coke. You go to the kitchen to get a paper towel and out go the lights.

Dennis Smith may have been getting ready to watch that very same movie, but now he's got work to do. He heads the electric department for the City of Newark and is responsible for handling all utility and power outages.

In addition to outages, Smith runs the electrical distribution system, new installations, traffic signals, city radio communications and electrical maintenance of all city buildings. "I guess you could say I handle anything that starts with the letter E," said Smith in the accent of his native England.

Smith said he keeps very busy working with a relatively small staff of 20 people. He's been with the city for 17 years and said, "I guess that tells the story." Smith said he enjoys living in Newark and working for the improvement of the community.

This has been his job since he came to the U.S. in September 1967. Smith said he came because he wanted a greater challenge.

Smith began his career working as an indentured apprentice in England working for the South Electricity Board. He said the

education system is run differently in England than it is in the U.S.

"They begin you with the practical side to see if you're suited for the job and then, if you are, they teach you the other aspects of it," Smith said of the English system.

For a total of five years Smith worked for the same company and attended Portsmouth Technical College. His education was briefly interrupted when he was conscripted by the air force. For two years he worked with ground radar.

Following Smith's conscription, he returned to South Electricity Board.

He said schooling takes longer in England and added that it was tough going working days and nights to get the hours in. He also said, "Theoretically the necessary things should be tougher now because people are supposed to be more intelligent now and able to handle more."

Smith said he was undecided whether it was better to be apprenticed or to receive strictly book knowledge, but he said experience in the field was important in order to find out, for one's own personal benefit, if a career choice is the right one.

Electrical engineering seems to be a good choice for Smith. He said many people work all day at their jobs and cannot wait to get home and away from their desks. He, on the other hand, mixes work with pleasure.

He said he is currently building a new house and he is the prime contractor. He said this project takes up a lot of his spare time, but added that he loves it.

A long desk filled with stacks of paper confirm Smith's statement that he doesn't have too much time to spend working on his new home.

But, he said he's not going any place. "The opportunity was here

when I was looking and I've had others before and others since," said Smith.

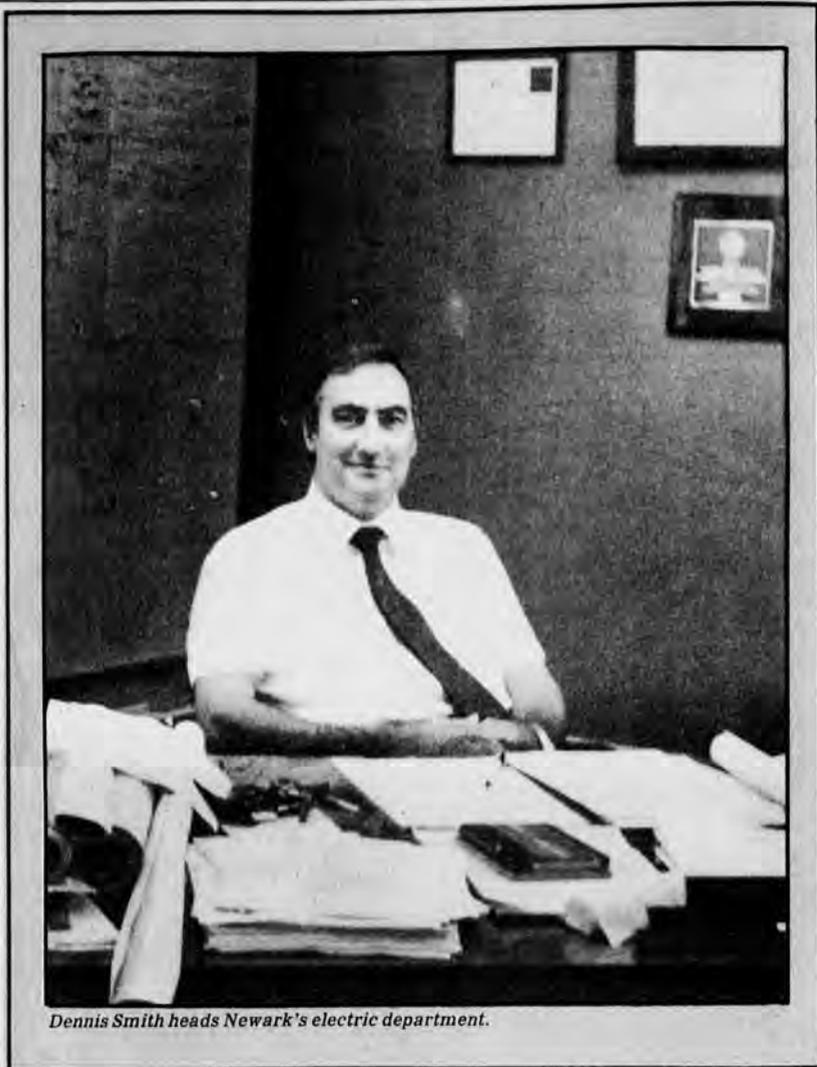
After living in the U.S. for four years Smith was able to take the professional engineering exam and be tested for an electrician's license. After passing both, he was interviewed by the city and said he didn't have to look any further.

He said his experiences working for a national company in England made him realize that he wanted something different. He explained that with a national company "you know exactly what will happen and there's not a lot of incentive to do well."

He said that in the U.S. a person can gain respect for his work. He said that here, mistakes are looked upon as a means of learning but that with a national company they simply don't care. They just don't want you to make any waves.

"I like to think there's a job for everyone who's willing to work," said Smith.

After 17 years as an American in Newark, Smith seems to have maintained the American dream he came here to find.



Dennis Smith heads Newark's electric department.

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Sea hunt

Newark man raises 'Moonstone' safe

by Colleen Sheehan

"I just couldn't let the ship get the best of me," said sportdiver Scott Jenkins of Newark.

After four years of hard work and many hours underwater, Jenkins and his two partners, Ken Smith and Captain Larry Keen, salvaged a 427-pound safe which was on board the U.S.S. "Moonstone" when it sank 40 years ago during World War II. The ship sank 27 miles off the Delaware coast and the men worked from a base at Indian River Inlet.

Jenkins said the Moonstone wreck site was very different from any other he and his partners had previously come across because the ship was still intact.

Jenkins explained that most sunken ships go down in the shipping lanes. In order to prevent other boats from crashing into the debris, the Coast Guard destroys the remains.

Jenkins said he had "feeling about this one." He realized that because the boat was relatively young, some men aboard at the time it was hit might still be alive.

Jenkins "dug up" articles on file from the New York Times and researched the history of the vessel. After two years, Jenkins was able to contact the captain of the Moonstone.

The captain's first words to

Jenkins were, "How's the old lady lying?"

The "old lady" was hit by the destroyer U.S.S. "Greer" on her return voyage from south America and sank in three minutes.

This prevented the crew from salvaging anything by themselves. All but one member of the crew survived the wreck and the captain attributed this to experience and good training.

Jenkins drafted a picture of the wreckage with the captain's assistance and help from the original builders plans. The divers closed in on the treasure.

Jenkins is a design engineer by profession and said that his training helped greatly when he tried to narrow down the location of the safe underneath all the mud and silt.

Jenkins said he and his partners made numerous dives at a depth of 130 feet. They worried constantly that the ship might fall on top of them, but they pressed on.

"I knew it was there and it had to come out," said Jenkins.

The bathroom, which the captain said contained the safe, was buried beneath 40 years of accumulated muck and this presented further complications for the divers.

Jenkins said they worked with a pump and a fire hose strong enough to blow a hole in a person's chest but, "the stuff wouldn't move."

In July 1984 they designed some special tools to assist them and

one year later the safe was taken up out of Davy Jones' locker.

"I remember hitting something with my crowbar and I could tell by the sound that it was hollow. I was able to trace the outline of a box, but we still had to clear out all that muck," said Jenkins.

He and his partners took turns working on the safe and after more long underwater hours, Jenkins hit the dial on the front of the safe.

"The dial made me absolutely sure and that was such a thrill," he said.

"Some divers are dealers and sell what they find. I'm what they call a junker. I save all my stuff. Sometimes they call me Junks instead of Jenkins," he said with a chuckle.

Jenkins said the captain of the Moonstone will be notified that the safe has been lifted out of the water in the very near future. He said he and his partners plan to return the captain's gold initial watch and may cut a plank from the ship and award it to him.

Upon the recovery of a sunken vessel, all surviving members of the original commissioning crew are awarded a plank from the ship. This is a tradition among men of the sea.

Jenkins said plans for the remainder of the treasure - jewelry, foreign coins and documents - are still undetermined.

One thing is certain. Jenkins, affectionately known as "the junker," will be saving his share.



The "Moonstone" (above) when it served as a luxury yacht, "Lone Star." The comfortable quarters.



Local governments see tax increases as 'last resort'

If they had their choice, local government officials would prefer to finance public works from sources other than the taxpayer's pocket.

"Unfortunately, the gap is widening between the cost of projected projects and outside funds available to communities, according to Daniel S. Kuennen, University of Delaware extension specialist in community resource development.

A recent national survey revealed that municipal planners are often forced to increase local revenues, even though many of them consider this a last resort.

Federal grants were cited as the best way to finance public works by 63.1 percent of local officials responding to the Touch Ross and Company survey. General obligation bonds were also favored over local taxes by 66.7 percent.

Although only 32.5 percent of those surveyed listed local taxes as their first choice to pay for public works repairs or expansion, 44 percent indicated that they expected future funding would actually have to come from increasing local taxes.

A 1984 study by Congress' Joint Economic Committee estimated that nationwide, public works needs through the year 2000 would

cost \$1,157 trillion in 1982 dollars.

"Only \$714 billion in revenues are expected to be available to meet those needs, leaving a \$443 billion shortfall," Kuennen says.

"Federal grants are on the wane," he explains. "Even for the most aggressive town, the job of securing outside funding has gotten tougher." Many communities like to use short-term borrowing or special assessment, but in practice don't.

Under this approach, taxpayers who use the services are required to pay more of their cost. Water,

sewer and sanitation officials should conduct user fee studies to make sure their systems can pay for themselves.

"Any government funding leaves the taxpayer footing the bill in the long run," Kuennen says. "The question becomes one of equity and the ability to pay. A town must have the needed tax base to finance services on a least cost basis."

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Joe Formisano (left) and Shirley Tarrant with Bill Schaen, commander of Newark VFW Post 475.

Christmas comes early

by Neil Thomas

To motorists driving down Newark's Main Street, the answer to your first question is, yes, that is a Christmas wreath hanging on a pole in front of the Academy building.

The answer to your second question is, no, the people who put it there don't have their seasons confused.

The wreath was hung by members of Newark Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 475. It is intended to publicize the group's efforts to raise \$10,000 for new Christmas decorations for downtown Newark.

To raise that money, the post recently established a Charles Dickens Christmas Club and will be soliciting money from Newark area businesses.

Representatives of downtown businesses and the community are helping provide leadership for the effort.

Activist Shirley Tarrant has been named chairman of the fund raising campaign. Joe Formisano of Newark Farm and Home and Salina Bing of Bing's Bakery are also involved in the project.

Formisano said new decorations are needed because they "have a lot of years on them."

"It's time to change them," he said.

He hopes that new decorations will "spark interest in Main Street again and bring people back downtown."

The \$10,000 which the Charles Dickens Christmas Club hopes to collect will be used to purchase 25 wreaths and two Christmas trees.

The wreaths will be placed on Main Street and the downtown sections of S. College Avenue and Delaware Avenue.

The trees will be placed in the traffic island at East Main Street and Library Avenue.

It is hoped the goal will be met by Oct. 1 so the new decorations can be used this year.

Donations have already been

made by the VFW post and by Robert L. Teeven of the USA Training Academy.

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Grant

Visits U.N.



Scott Grant

Scott Grant of Newark, a senior at Caravel Academy, was one of five Delaware high school students to return this week from a five-day stay in New York as a delegate in a country-wide Youth Pilgrimage to the United Nations.

Sponsored each year by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the event brings young people together from all of the United States and Canada to learn firsthand what the U.N. is all about.

Other Delaware students who were delegates are: Chris Schechinger of Dickinson High School; Debra Hollingsworth of A.I. DuPont High School; and Wendy Griffith and Tammy Wolfgang both of Laurel.

These young people will all be guest speakers at the state conventions of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs this fall in Wilmington.

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"You get the best bargains at the second day of a two-day sale," one woman said. "That's when you know people really want to get rid of their stuff."

What sorts of bargains are to be had at yard sales? One couple got a handmade oak dining room table with an inlaid, lacquered chess board for \$50.

Barbara Butterworth of Brookside, who was having a sale last Saturday, was reselling maternity clothes she had once purchased at a sale. She estimated that she had purchased a \$300 wardrobe for about \$75.

That included a flannel maternity top listed in last winter's Sears catalog for \$25 which she had purchased for \$4, and a \$16 pair of maternity jeans she got for \$1. Mrs. Butterworth was reselling all her maternity items, still in good condition, for about \$1 each.

She was also selling a bassinet for \$25. It was only four months old and had originally cost \$45 at Kiddie World. A matching changing table, originally \$19, was going for \$5.

By far the most unusual bargain was at a sale held by Pat Duncan and her daughters on Panorama Drive. The Duncans had recently sold a beachhouse

and were getting rid of leftovers that included a circus tent priced at \$100.

The tent was a holdover from an Elizabethan Fair in which the family used to participate. The local civic association also borrowed the tent on occasion.

While the Duncans hadn't held a sale since they moved 6 years ago, Rose Brohawn of Scottfield holds them regularly as her kids outgrow things. She has had six yard sales in the past few years, some with neighbor Debbie Barry.

Both women said they keep a "yard sale box" handy year-round. As their kids outgrow something or they replace something around the house, they put the old item in the box to keep until yard sale time. Barry even efficiently prices her items as she adds them to the box.

Brohawn lets her older kids sort through their toys, decide what to sell and keep the profit. One enterprising teenage son now even wants to sort, sell and keep the profits from his clothing, a practice she nipped in the bud.

Brohawn and Barry recommend Friday mornings as the prime time for yard sales.

Ann Kibino of Kimberton agreed, saying she had the most customers at her two-day sale come on Friday from 7 a.m. to noon.

That's right — 7 a.m. Kibino and her neighbors who were having the sale saw their first customer at 7:30 a.m. last Friday, although their sale was advertised to start at 10 a.m. It was the proverbial early birds who seem to be the bane of the yard sale holder's existence.

Mary Thomas of Nottingham Green, for example, had a moving sale advertised to start at 9 a.m. and found people on her lawn at 6:30 a.m. In the early morning fog, she sold an infant's car seat to an anxious buyer.

Most people seem to be willing to put up with the inconvenience just to get rid of their junk.

Reasons cited for having yard sales was the same over and over again.

"We just decided on the spur of the moment. We both had a day off and we needed to get rid of some stuff," said Stella Russell of Brookside.

"I have so much stuff I just don't have room for it!" Barbara Butterworth said.

"We just needed to get rid of a lot of things," Donna Shaver of Brookside explained.

And so it goes. Anyone with stuff to get rid of can find a willing buyer, it seems. The people we spoke to made anywhere from \$40 to \$250 in profit from a hard day of work selling leftovers in their yards.

Yes, it's true what they say. — People will do anything for a bargain.



All this for just \$5.25 at area yard sales! Pooh three-piece suit, retail \$40, sold for \$1. Also, muscle shirt, 25¢; Addidas shirt, 25¢; women's turtle neck, 50¢; wool plaid skirt, \$1; romper, 50¢; overalls and shirt, 50¢; sunsuit, 25¢; sunsuit and matching shirt, 50¢; Child Guidance alphabet board (missing R), 50¢.

Tips for buying, selling

Going to a yard sale? Here are some tips to keep in mind:

- Get a map of the city.
- Check a newspaper and list the sales you want to attend and the times they start so you can make the most of your time by shopping at sales in one area.
- Last Saturday, for example, it was possible to visit four sales in Brookside, one in Scottfield and one in Kimberton in just one morning.
- Arrive at a decent hour. Try not to wake the sellers up by rummaging through their articles at dawn.

- Take along lots of change and \$1 bills. Sellers will more likely come down in price if you can offer exact change.
- Don't be shy. If you're investing in an appliance, make sure it works.

For Newarkers planning a yard sale, here are some helpful hints:

- Keep a large "yard sale box" in the basement or the hall closet. Anytime a child outgrows clothing or you replace household goods, place the old items in the box. If you price them as you go along, it will save time come sale day.
- If you haven't been using a "yard sale box," start gathering up your goods and pricing them about two weeks before the sale.
- Use strips of masking tape for pricing.
- Advertise the sale ahead of time through newspapers and by posting signs around the neighborhood and at the supermarket. Be sure the signs include the date and address, and remember to take them down after the sale. If using newspaper advertisements, include special attractions such as baby clothes, maternity clothes or nearly-new items.
- Display things neatly in your yard or garage. Try not to make your junk look too junky.

- If possible, hang clothes on hangers. They look neater and are easier for buyers to see. You can hang them from your garage door, trees or the clothesline.
- Try to have an assortment of old paper bags on hand. Many yard sale shoppers make multiple purchases.
- Be prepared for early birds. Some people interviewed who advertised sales to start at 9 a.m. had shoppers as early as 6:30 a.m. If you don't want to be bothered before starting time, make it known that items purchased before the advertised starting time cost double.
- Have on hand about ten \$1 bills and \$5 in change.
- Friday mornings are peak yard sale times. If you are planning a two-day sale, there are several approaches: put everything out the first day; save some key items to put out the second day; arrange for additional families to contribute items for sale the second day.
- Get the kids involved. Depending on their ages, let them help sort and sell and let them keep some of the profit from used toys. Some enterprising youngsters added to the flavor of their parents' yard sales by selling produce, lemonade, and even grilled hot dogs.

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by Colleen Sheehan

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The center is located at the southern end of William S. Carpenter Jr. State Park off Del. 896 in Newark. It has much to offer both new and experienced riders.

Davidson took over the center in May 1984. "Anyone can come to ride," she said. "The trails are set up so that even someone who's never been on a horse could ride through and enjoy them. They're really beautiful, especially when all the flowers are in bloom."

The center offers riding lessons, lectures and a summer day camp. Each of these things are geared toward safe and comfortable riding, according to Davidson.

She said three-year-old children and adults in their fifties and sixties learn how to ride.

"The kids really love it here. It's sort of the local hangout, although I don't like to use that word," said Davidson. "The only rule they have to abide by is to help out. The children help to keep the shop clean or answer the phone when I'm not here."

She added they might wait all day just to get a chance to brush their favorite horse.

Many of the children who spend lots of time at the center are enrolled in the day camp. This youth program, for ages up to 18, operates in progressive week-long sessions.

Each day there are three hours allotted for riding time. In addition to riding, the youths are instructed in horse care and safety.

"It's a shame but there's some danger in anything that's fun. We try to be very careful," said Davidson.

There are also riding games like apple dunking, where the children hop off the horse and dunk for apples, races and a mini-show on Friday of each week.

Although the competition is far from cutthroat, Davidson said she thought it made it more fun for the youths and that it gave them incentive to practice hard.

On Thursday night of each weekly session, there is an overnight camp-out. "We build campfires and roast marshmallows, all that great outdoors stuff," said Davidson. "The kids go crazy for that kind of thing."

Early the next morning the campers head to the race track to see the horses gallop. Davidson said this was also a favorite with the children.

Davidson continually finds the weekly progress of the students amazing. "At the end of one week, one of them was cantering and jumping. One week!" she said, smiling from ear to ear.

Davidson said she loves her job even though hours are long, and would never trade it for a 9-to-5 lifestyle.

She said she's been riding since she was a "mere tot," and although she majored in English in college, she much prefers to be around the horses and said "the kids make her day."

Eventually Davidson said she hopes university students who work hard on riding skills might be able to obtain credit. She said they deserve some type of recognition.

For the present, Davidson said she hopes the center will grow both physically and in the number of programs available.



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DUMPS

Aug. 12 meeting

The Delaware Users of Microprocessor Systems (DUMPS) will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12 in the Community Room at Christiana Mall.

Pete Hone will give a presentation on logical data modeling.

The Community Room is located next to Liberty Travel.

Fire muster

Christina Park

Wilmington will host a fire muster in Christina Park on Sunday, Aug. 11, beginning at 10 a.m. and continuing until 4 p.m.

Fire musters have been popular throughout the New England States for decades and have become popular events in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and Virginia in recent years. A muster consists primarily of antique fire-fighting apparatus gathered together for display and competition to help promote and preserve part of American history.

Six states will be represented at Wilmington's Fire Muster including Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Virginia, and New York.

Several competitions are scheduled throughout the day, such as pumping competitions of antique hand pumpers, steamers, and motorized apparatus; all trying to "throw" the longest stream of water or race against a stop

watch trying to "show water" the fastest.

In addition, team competitions including the bucket brigade, Indian tank battle, and the ladder raise will also be held.

The entertainment line up for the day will have a bit of old time flavor featuring a barber shop quartet, and the Banjo Dusters both performing old favorites from the 1920s through the '40s. Several clowns, jugglers, and mimes will be among the crowd pleasing kids and adults alike.

Food vendor service and a beer garden will be available throughout the day.

Free parking for the event will be available at the following locations: Lang Machine Company, Rollins Outdoor Advertising, and the Wilmington Florist Exchange, all located at Third and Church Streets, as well as the Wilmington Parking Authority lot at Second and Walnut Streets (across the Train Station), and Colonial Parking at Fourth and King Streets. Free shuttle service will be available throughout the day from the Second and Walnut and Fourth and King Street locations.

The event is free and open to the public.

Whale watch

DNES trip

Drift among finbacks, minke and endangered humpback whales, harbor seals and dolphins on the Delaware Nature Education Society's Sixth New England Whale Watch.

Registration deadline is Aug. 20. Traveling by motorcoach to Provincetown, Mass., the group will stop en route at New Bedford Whaling Museum, the largest of its kind in America. Accommoda-

tions have been arranged at the Provincetown Inn, where wine, cheese, and a hearty New England dinner complete with homemade desserts will be served.

On Saturday, everyone will board a large vessel for a four-hour cruise in the nearby whale feeding grounds. There will be time to explore Cape Cod National Seashore, rent bikes to peddle along scenic trails, browse among the many shops, tour museums, and just relax along the ocean.

The fee of \$200 includes charter motorcoach with restroom, double-occupancy lodging, wine and cheese socials, all meals (except lunches and Sunday's dinner), the boat cruise and trip leadership.

Participants must be DNES members. Senior citizen and student rates are available. Transportation is available from Hockessin.

Trip leaders are DNES Executive Director Mike Riska and Coordinator of Conservation and Research Lorraine Fleming.

For more information, call the Delaware Nature Education Society at 239-2334.

Coin club

Meeting Aug. 12

The Newark Coin Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12 in the New Castle Engineering Building on Kirkwood Highway at Meadowood.

The meeting will be held in the building's lower level.

There will be a hobby update and free refreshments. Admission is free.

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The city sponsored Bicycle Safety Week recently at Fairfield Park. At left, Lindsey Davis and Merideth Mecina decorate a bike. Counselor Kathie Sczubelek gives her charges a few pointers.

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COMMUNITY FILE

Jaycees

Seesaw for dollars

The Newark Jaycees are inviting area residents to ride a giant seesaw to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The Jaycees will set up the seesaw on Main Street from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16 and Saturday, Aug. 17.

People who stop by and make a donation will be given a ride.

"Our goal is to raise \$3,000 for Jerry's kids," said Al Licatti, project chairman for the Jaycee chapter.

"Everyone is invited to come make a donation and ride Newark's largest seesaw."

Joycelyn McCord of the Jaycee chapter said this is the eighth or ninth year for the seesaw fund raiser.

The seesaw is twice the size of a child's seesaw, she said.

The Newark Jaycees is a non-profit, leadership training and community service organization open to all men and women ages 18 to 35. For information, call 738-0825.

Capitol Trail

Sign ups set

Registration for players and cheerleaders for the Capitol Trail Junior Football League will be held Aug. 10, Aug. 14 and Aug. 17.

Youngsters ages 9-15 can sign up from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 10 and Saturday, Aug. 17 at Barksdale Park, Caravel Academy, Christiana High School, Forest Oak Elementary School, Shue Middle School or Stanton Junior High School.

Registration will also be held 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14 at Shue Middle School.

Youngsters must bring a copy of their birth certificate and be accompanied by a parent.

For information, call Al Deck at 998-4707; Jerry Abbott at 994-5378 or Linda Brown at 998-6217.

Senior Center

Calendar of events

The Newark Senior Center, 300 E. Main St., has scheduled the following activities:

Friday, Aug. 9
9 a.m., bowling, Blue Hen Lanes.

9:30 a.m., shopping.
10 a.m., Newark Council of Senior Citizens.

11 a.m., garden produce.
Monday, Aug. 12

10 a.m., knitting instruction.
10 a.m., crafts.

11 a.m., exercise.
12:30 p.m., Monday movie matinee.

12:45 p.m., bridge.
12:45 p.m., canasta.

1 p.m., crewel embroidery.
6 p.m., Orioles vs. Indians trip.

Tuesday, Aug. 13
10 a.m., enjoyment bridge.
12:30 p.m., Tuesday After Lunch, "Introduction to Sign and Body Language" with Bill Pickhardt.

12:30 p.m., 500.
Wednesday, Aug. 14

9 a.m., chess and checkers.
10 a.m., art class.

10 a.m., needlepoint.
11 a.m., Lady Christina cruise trip.

12:30 a.m., pinochle.
12:45 p.m., bingo.

Thursday, Aug. 15

9:30 a.m., ceramics.
10 a.m., discussion.
12:30 p.m., duplicate bridge.
1 p.m., Scrabble.
1:30 p.m., dancing.
7:30 p.m., Alzheimer support group.

Friday, Aug. 16

9 a.m., bowling, Blue Hen Lanes.
9:30 a.m., shopping.
11 a.m., garden produce.

Calvary Baptist

Rev. Thomas resigns

The Rev. Dr. William R. Thomas, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, 215 E. Delaware Ave., Newark, has resigned.

Thomas will be moving to Somerville, N.J., where he has accepted the position of pastor at First Baptist Church.

Thomas has been very active in the community. He was co-founder of Challenge to Families: Caring for Aging Persons, a support group for residents caring for elderly relative, and a member and former chairman of the Greater Newark Clergy Group.

Thomas was also member and former chairman of the Newark Emergency Center chaplain service, member of the Governor's Commission on Families, member of the American Cancer Society and consultant to the State Division on Aging.

Within the church, Thomas has also been active. He is a member of the regional board of the American Baptist Churches of

Pennsylvania and Delaware and a member of national committees on ministries and Christian unity.

A graduate of West Virginia State College in Institute, Thomas earned advanced degrees at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary and Princeton Theological Seminary.

Mary Thomas, his wife, has worked at the Montessori Center for Learning in Newark as a teacher.

Thomas has been very active in The Thomas' have four children: Alicia, 8; Curtis, 7; Wesley, 3; and Rachel, 1.

St. Mark's

Variety show

St. Mark's High School Alumni Theatre will hold auditions for its fall variety show from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11 in the school theater.

All St. Mark's alumni and their families are invited to participate. Singers should bring their own sheet music. An accompanist will be available.

For information, call Frank Bartkowski, 798-8896, or Gregory Meece, 738-3300.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Maureen Kamerick

Weaving in the early American fashion

by Neil Thomas

In the soft light of dawn, Maureen Kamerick can often be found working quietly at her loom, at once preserving and popularizing the rich traditions of American hand weaving.

Kamerick, who moved to Newark with her husband and two small children in October 1984, works in the classic styles identified with early American weaving — overshot, summer and winter and doubleweave.

But her work reflects rather than recreates those early styles because Kamerick attempts to modernize them through new patterns, colors and textures.

"I take the old patterns and techniques and I weave modern versions of them," Kamerick said. "By taking a few old designs and changing them a little, the sky's the limit on the loom."

"The modern weaver has got a world of possibilities in terms of textures and yarns, colors they never dreamed of. One of the best ways to make historical traditions survive is by interpreting them with modern yarns."

"In one sense I'm doing something historical but in another sense I'm bringing it into the present."

Kamerick's interest in history is longstanding — her father is a history professor at the University of Northern Iowa — but her interest in weaving evolved slowly.

She first studied textiles at the university of Michigan, from which she earned bachelor's and master's degrees in art history.

After college, Kamerick painted and worked as an art gallery assistant.

With the birth of her children, Matthew, 5, and Clare, 3, Kamerick decided to work in the home and became free lance textile and wall covering designer. She created designs and sold them to such mills as Burlington.

It was while living in Nashville, Tenn. that Kamerick's growing interest in textiles blossomed into a fascination with weaving.

"The whole Appalachian area is a mecca for crafts," she said. "The old techniques of weaving never died there. The old style died early in the northeast but Appalachia was remote enough that the old techniques survived."

"I started looking at the work and getting fascinated by it."

Kamerick found that her fascination could be put to practical use because many people were still teaching traditional techniques. "There were teachers left whose families had been doing this for generations," she said.

The techniques include a great deal of inventiveness. Kamerick said that American pioneers adapted European weaving methods to fit their own needs. Because there were few frilly materials with which to work, they tried to make basic materials look as beautiful as possible.

Also while living in Tennessee, Kamerick was greatly influenced by the heritage of the Shakers, an 18th century sect which came to America from England.

"Each thing the Shakers wove, they wove as if they had 1,000 years to live but were going to die tomorrow. They brought a certain degree of intensity and care to their work."

Kamerick emulates that care in all her work, from a small scarf or place mat to a large coverlet. "I strive to make something of which you can say, this is more of an heirloom, this is something unique."

However, Kamerick is also well



Maureen Kamerick with a sample of her work.

aware of the need for practicality. Her work is machine washable and priced so that it is within reach of even young families on tight budgets.

More and more people are expressing interest in such quality, Kamerick believes. "People are more conscious of purchasing things that might last hundreds of years. They know that if you buy one thing of quality that might last, you can pass it down from generation to generation."

That is especially true in this area, she said. "There is a lot of knowledge of history and historical things. People are very interested in and receptive to

what I am trying to do." At times her interest in weaving can be a little frustrating, Kamerick said.

Often, the ideas for dedigns and materials flow much too quickly. Weaving takes time and ideas cannot be translated onto the loom immediately.

Even when the ideas are translated, the weaver can be in for a shock when they are completed.

"The weaver doesn't know exactly what the work will look like until she's woven it. You can't really know how the colors and fabrics will come together until the end.

"There's always a little bit of a surprise."

And there is the constant problem of finding chunks of time during which to work with children running around the house. Kamerick works very early in the morning and during the hours when "Sesame Street" is on television.

"It is something I really love," she said, "but also something I realize I must fit in around the rest of my life."

Kamerick's work will be on display during a textile show at Hagley Museum this fall. For more information about her work, call Heirloom Weaving at 453-8866.

NewArk Chorale seeks leader

The New Ark Chorale, a select community choral ensemble of approximately 20 voices, is searching for an experienced music director.

For the past eight concert seasons, the Chorale has been directed by founder Dr. Michael Larkin, who recently accepted a position at College Misericordia near Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Considered one of the areas finest choral ensembles, the New Ark Chorale, which is based in Newark, has performed a variety of musical literature and styles throughout the Delaware Valley.

If interested in this position, contact Dr. Larkin at 737-0172 or the organization's president Samuel Park at 239-7581 as soon as possible.

Salary is negotiable and the position will begin in September. The New Ark Chorale is in-

corporated with the state as a non-profit organization.

Larkin accepted an assistant professorship in choral and vocal music at College Misericordia.

Larkin, who received a doctor of musical arts degree from Temple University this past May, also holds a master of music degree from the Catholic University of America, and a bachelor of music degree from the University of Delaware.

Most recently in the Newark area, Larkin served as a well-known voice teacher and baritone soloist, as director of music at White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church, and as a part-time staff person in the Office of Computer-Based Instruction at the University of Delaware.

In addition, Larkin is founder and music director of the New Ark Chorale, a select, community choral ensemble of approximately 20 voices that is currently entering

its ninth concert season.

Formerly, Larkin served on the music faculties at the Sanford School in Hockessin, and Wesley College in Dover, and as director of music at Calvary Baptist Church in Newark.

At College Misericordia, Larkin will coordinate the choral-vocal program which includes conducting the college's choral

ensembles and teaching applied voice to voice majors.

College Misericordia is a liberal arts college that is administered by the Sisters of Mercy.

Of the approximately 1200 students enrolled at the college, there are 50 music majors.

Larkin and his family will be moving to the Wilkes-Barre area at the end of August.

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The Sadots

Newark brothers enjoy singing about home state



The brothers Sadot.

by Bruce Johnson

"Yea, I might find a friend to give me a place to crash
Yea, one o' these days I'm gonna make a big splash."

Although it may not be considered for the official state song, Newark residents Vic and Rob Sadot of the Crazy Planet Band have just recorded a single called "Good Time Delaware."

Written and sung by Vic, with Rob adding lead guitar and back up vocals, the song is available at local record stores.

The Crazy Planet Band has been performing periodically at various spots throughout the East Coast for the past five years and is well-known to Newark residents for its annual appearance at the Newark Community Day. They will play at Community Day again this year in mid-September.

The song "Good Time Delaware" is a tribute to the beauty of the Delaware shore and its beach culture. But the song also expresses concern over the pollution of the state's coastal zone.

Written in 1979, the song is well received when played at local establishments such as the Deer Park.

"When I wrote it I was thinking of other songs about states such as 'California Girls' and 'Sweet Home Alabama,'" said Vic. "I wanted to write a song that could appeal to more people than just Delaware."

The song begins with the narrator, tired of his dead-end job, dreaming of the serenity that can be found at the beach.

"You got to break away to where you see sea-gulls glide
You got to find a lover who can roll with the tide."

The song takes an abrupt turn when the narrator realizes that pollution might spoil the shoreline paradise. It calls upon the public to protect the beach areas.

"You got to keep the coastal zone as clean as can be
You got to stop the heavies in the Big Industry
You got to hold the shoreline for the summertime fun
You know it can be done if you'll be one of the ones
There's got to be a place to let the wildlife run!
We're goin' to good time Delaware."

The song is upbeat rock-n-roll, with the vocals of Vic and Rob adding a nice backdrop to Rob's lead guitar.

"We originally started out as folk musicians, with Joe on the banjo," said Vic. "We were blgrass-oriented but writing original songs."

When the band performs, they continue to play a cross-section of styles.

"When we play a gig, Vic starts out playing some folk music," said Rob. "He'll be accompanied by a mandolin and a fiddle and

then we come along with a bass, drums and guitar and it works out pretty good. It's a real variety of music."

The brothers, besides being influenced by folk music, were greatly influenced by their father's writing and lifestyle.

"He was a big influence," said Vic. "He loved nature and loved to take outings. He used to take our Boy Scout troop camping and he'd always take us crabbing and fishing."

"He influenced us to preserve things in the outdoors," added Rob. "We've seen a lot of places go downhill. We've got memories of places that you can no longer go to because they aren't the same due to pollution."

"He also taught us that as a citizen we had the right to voice our opinions and in particular concerning the local environment."

This influence is quite evident in the "Good Time Delaware" song. As well, the sons have written music to some of their father's songs such as "The Frog Jog," and "White Clay Creek," which is a tribute to the beauty of the old creek and the generations that have played in it.

The brothers were also greatly influenced by their older brother Joe, who passed away suddenly in the mid-1970s.

Joe, who wrote many songs and short stories, was an active member of the 1960s demonstrations and his writings reflect that period.

When Joe died, Vic felt a need to get a booklet of his writing together.

"It was a time for reflection. There were a lot of pieces to pick up and we wanted to get his booklet together. We came across a lot of things he had written that we had not heard or seen," Vic said.

The brothers prepared a book of Joe's verse, short stories and drawings that encompasses a wide variety of styles and depicts the turbulence to the times.

With each performance of the Crazy Planet Band, then, they are able to share a piece of their family with the public.



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ENTERTAINMENT



Stephen Guzenhauser, conductor of the Delaware Symphony Orchestra, brings excitement to every performance here and abroad.

Stephen Guzenhauser has earned a reputation as an important force for music in Delaware. He developed what was a community orchestra, The Wilmington Symphony, into a truly professional metropolitan orchestra, the Delaware Symphony.

He also heads the Wilmington Music school as is always at the forefront of the arts in this area. What many people do not know is that Guzenhauser's reputation is growing abroad as well. He has just returned from his second trip to record with an European orchestra, the Slovak Philharmonic. Two new albums will be the result of this collaboration.

He conducted the first recording ever made of Anatole Liadov's complete orchestral works. He also recorded two works by Reinhold Gilere, the symphony number one and "Les Syrenes." Both recordings will receive world wide distribution.

The sessions were so successful that our music director has been invited back for another recording session next year.

"I discovered some very interesting music while I was working in Czechoslovakia," Guzenhauser said. "I plan to program a few of the works during the 1986-87 season of the Delaware Symphony. Discoveries like these are what makes these trips abroad so very exciting."

"Exciting" is a good word to describe the life of Stephen Guzenhauser. He has guest conducted orchestras in this country and in others. He has been a student of Herbert von Karajan, Igor Markevitch, Hermann Scherchen and Frederick Prausnitz.

Also, Guzenhauser has been awarded an artist diploma from the State Conservatory of Music in Cologne and is a graduate of the Mozarteum in Salzburg.

With all of this musical activity, is there time for anything else? "Of course, my family," came the prompt reply. His family includes a lovely wife and two young daughters.

How can you keep up the busy schedule of music, teaching and family? "I work out every day in the gym. Music, and indeed life, is very demanding and I must be ready for every challenge." He is!

The next challenge? "We are all set for a great season with the Delaware Symphony with both a classical and an expanded 'pops' program and then, my newest musical offspring, a series of four chamber music concerts in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel du Pont, with champagne and hors d'oeuvres served at intermission."

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ENTERTAINMENT FILE

Akers

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Song stylist Karen Akers will perform at 8:15 p.m., Friday, Aug. 9 in the Bacchus Theatre of the Perkins Student Center on Academy Street.

Tickets, at \$6 for the general public and \$3 for university students with identification, are on sale from noon-4 p.m., weekdays, at the main desk on the Perkins Student Center.

Akers won widespread acclaim in 1982 when she made her Broadway debut in the hit musical "Nine." For her role as the long-suffering wife of a film director, she won a Theater World Award and was nominated for a Tony Award.

Currently, she is featured as a 1930s nightclub singer Kitty Hayes in Woody Allen's film "The Purple Rose of Cairo."

For the past decade, she has been an important cabaret star, and a critic in the New York Times wrote, "Ms. Akers has arrived as a mastery of the cabaret idiom that puts her on the top rung of her field...She has developed into one of the most polished and arresting singers in the cabaret field."

Akers' repertoire includes Edith Piaf and Jacques Brel, as well as standards and the contemporary works of composers such as Billy Joel, Peter Allen and Stephen Sondheim.

Recital

Symphony Society

Four Newark area artists will perform during the Newark Symphony Society's third annual Elizabeth O'Grady Memorial Recital on Thursday, Aug. 15.

The recital will begin at 8 p.m. in the Loudis Recital Hall of the Amy E. duPont Music Building on the University of Delaware campus.

The Newark area artists who will perform are: John Fou, violin; Miles Goldberg, piano; Petula Perdakis, viola; and Paul Preiss, cello.

The public is invited to attend. A free-will offering will be taken to perpetuate the Elizabeth O'Grady Memorial Fund.

CCA

Art show

The Center for the Creative Arts in Yorklyn has announced that applications for its fall regional fine arts show will be mailed Aug. 12.

The show will be a juried exhibit of original paintings and sculpture. It will open Sept. 29 and continue through Oct. 26.

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OPINION

At first it appeared quite beautiful, spectacularly so. It was all reds and yellows and blues, like colorful sand shimmering beneath sea water.

But then its full impact struck, the intense heat melting human bodies and setting Hiroshima, Japan ablaze.

The first atomic bomb had been dropped on Aug. 6, 1945. Another would follow at Nagasaki three days later.

Politicians argued - still argue - that dropping the bombs was the best thing to do. The United States was extremely war weary and it was not likely Japan was going to give up easily. The war in the Pacific could drag on forever, with unthinkable losses of life.

The deaths caused by the bombs, they say, were far less than would have been caused by a conventional conclusion to the war.

And they're probably right. Nonetheless, the detonating of those two bombs unleashed a horrific power which has changed our world - and our perceptions of that world - forever.

In constructing those bombs, man was tampering with the building blocks of all life, of all being. And we unleashed the building blocks of universal death.

The combination of these strange and mighty weapons with antiquated balance of power politics proved a dangerous and potentially lethal mix.

Through four decades of Cold War, the United States and the Soviet Union have eyed each other warily, all the time building their stockpiles of nuclear weapons. And these hundreds of times more powerful than those dropped on Japan's unsuspecting people.

Balance of power is now

balance of death. Each of the world's two strongest nations has the power to end life as we know it, a power once the province of God alone.

We opened Pandora's box and were sucked in, with the lid pulled tight behind us.

It's a frightening thing. As a member of the generation which had drill after macabre school drill in which teachers told us to drop and tuck in the event of nuclear attack, I know it's a frightening thing.

As an education reporter who has seen drawings and writings about nuclear destruction flow from the pens of elementary schoolchildren from Newark to Kentucky, I know it's a frightening thing.

It is there; it is as much a part of our lives as the sun, the wind and the rain.

How it affects our daily lives varies from person to person, but somewhere in our hearts we all

know the end could come at any moment.

Political evolution has not matched the weapons at our disposal so it is difficult for any of us - you, me, Henry Kissinger or Ronald Reagan - to figure what the solution will be.

Unfortunately, it is harder yet to figure if there will be a solution. Let's just remember not to forget Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Thanks to the folks who have written and stopped by our office to let us know "whatever happened to 'ol' musical bird whistles and Jerry Blavat.

It seems musical bird whistles are alive and chirping, at least at Claire's Bears and Collectibles on Main Street.

They sent over a sample, ranging in price from 80-cents to \$2. I have expensive tastes and like the \$2 one - a trombone-like instrument adorned with a cat

POSTSCRIPT

by Neil Thomas



peering hungrily into a bird cage. As you foot the bird "flies."

Phil Taylor of Windy Hills stopped by the office with a copy of Whoopi!, a New Jersey entertainment newspaper in which Jerry Blavat writes a column.

It is titled, appropriately, Geator Gab.

The formerly "heated" (heated?) Geator writes about his pals at the nightclub

Memories - Linda, Dino, Sue, Kathy and Darlene Ariene the Queen.

Love those party people, eh, Jer?

Before anyone fills me in on "whatever happened to" the Three Stooges, I too have seen them hyping Wendy's. And I never thought Curly would sell out to crass commercialism. He's such an artist at his craft!

Boosting Delaware's melon market

by Rep. Tom Carper

A real slice of summertime life was evident last week under the shade tree on the U.S. Capitol lawn, and Delaware watermelon growers were there in force.

They were part of a tasting party, a seed-spitting contest and a confidence-building effort hosted by the National Watermelon Growers Association's eastern seaboard chapters. Apparently, this event didn't come a moment too soon for Delawareans.

In two weeks, according to MarDel Watermelon Growers vice-president George Collins of Laurel, Delaware's melon harvest will be at absolute peak. As if our nation's farmers aren't having enough trouble this year, now comes a problem borne of cross-

country hysteria over the California melon crisis. That crisis has cut melon purchase orders in half in the states south of Delaware.

Collins and other growers from Laurel were in Washington to show goodwill. But more importantly, they were there to proclaim that Delaware watermelons were among the first tested by the Food and Drug Administration, and they have "received a clean bill of health."

There was no hesitancy on the part of the Delaware growers as they do not use the pesticide Aldicarb, which apparently tainted California's crop. And Senator Biden and I urged the FDA to expedite the results of Delaware's tests.

Given that over 1,500 acres of watermelons are grown in our state, the crop represents over a \$2 million direct boost to the

economy, the livelihood of many Sussex County farmers and a considerable multiplier effect of those dollars spent throughout our state.

The Delaware growers were part of a public relations effort to get equal time in the news for their healthy harvest of melons. They certainly got my vote.

Of course, this is just one example of the risks faced by family farmers in our state and across the country. Tomato growers in Delaware have had problems with the canning factory that contracted for their entire crops. Earlier drought conditions could take a toll on our corn and bean crop yields. The unpredictable and acts of nature are difficult to deal with.

But the long-term future of family farming could be even riskier, and I'm afraid it won't be because of acts of nature. At agriculture town meetings in Kent and Sussex County just last month, farmers recited a litany of impending disasters, and they

were all man-made - in my view, largely by the federal budget deficit.

Beekeepers protested that they are barely breaking even, yet are being undercut by imported honey. Soybean growers lamented the fact the imported soybean oil is replacing domestic supplies. Older farmers said anxiously that they don't know whether to encourage their sons and daughters to go into farming.

The budget deficit, most of us agreed, is causing high real interest rates, leading to an overvalued dollar, making American farm products too expensive to compete in the world markets and driving prices down here.

That's a public relations task that will require more than a gathering on the Capitol lawn. It will require tough, wise choices made inside Congress and at the White House. It's a task that will require everyone's participation, everyone's shared sacrifice and everyone's firm commitment.

POSTBOX

Police

Pay hike OK

Editor:

I am writing in answer to the July 24 article "Newark Police Angry," by Bruce Johnson in The Newark Post.

I have lived on Fremont Road in Fairfield Crest for 17 years and want to support our police force.

They are in my opinion the best when needed and have my support.

Why our city treats these men and women of the force the way they are being treated is beyond my comprehension and understanding.

Every time I've had to contact the police or ask for assistance, they have been there without fail.

Their duty and willingness to put their lives on the line for Newark citizens is worth an increase in my taxes, if need be.

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