

# THE NEWARK POST

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## UP FRONT

### Tax hike for a civic center?

By MARTY VALANIA

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Should Newark businesses suffer so that the Delaware State University basketball teams can play in a nicer building than they currently do?

The group that is backing the building of a civic center in Dover is proposing a statewide tax hike on hotels to help secure \$20 million in bonds that the General Assembly gave the Kent County Levy Court the right to issue.

Basically, people in Kent County think that hotels in the Dover area would be at competitive disadvantage with others in the state if they have to levy a higher tax on customers. That's why they want the hotel tax hike to be statewide — even though the tax is



Valania

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## Another Year



With this edition, the Newark Post begins its 99th year of continuous publication. In recent years, it has become a tradition during our anniversary week to print a colorized version of the original newspaper flag that appeared on the first issue in 1910. Nearly 100 years later, the Post continues to fill the same role founder Everett Johnson imagined for the paper — to report the news that matters and is of interest to Newarkers.

## ROLLING FOR STRIKES

Special Olympics athletes compete in bowling tourney

By PATRICIA E. LANG

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." That's the Special Olympics Oath, and, on Saturday, Jan. 19, more than 500 athletes repeated those words during the opening ceremony for a Delaware Special Olympics Bowling Tournament.

The event took place at the Bowlerama in New Castle. It was cheerful, colorful bedlam, syncopated by the sounds of heavy balls rolling down the lanes and knocking over pins. The excited chatter of spectators was in sharp contrast to the intent expressions on the faces of the athletes and their coaches. They were there to have fun, but also to do their best.

"We have been practicing for three hours every Saturday for the past 14 weeks," explained Ann Henderson, head coach for the Thunderbears, a Newark based team that has been in existence for more than 20 years. "We have about 45 members on our team, and around 40 would always show up for practice. We do it for the camaraderie and the exercise."

Special Olympics is one of the largest international programs that provides year-round sports training and competition for children and adults, with intellectual disabilities. Their mission is to give these athletes a constant opportunity "to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, and experience joy."

Bowling, introduced in 1975, is becoming one of the more popular Special Olympics sports.

Newark Lightning was one of the larger teams participating in the tournament. The team, which started in the fall of 2000, had 28 unified doubles register to bowl.



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Andrew Trzonkowski, a University of Delaware junior, bowled with his cousin, Kira Olesky in the unified doubles division. The team won a gold medal in their division.



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Kyle Ryser of Newark bowls with his coach, Kelly Franklin. Ryser bowls for the Mary Campbell Center Youth Program.



A unified team of Amber Benson and her father, Jeff, both of Bear, hit the lanes.

"Bowling is an event where family members and friends can train and play, side-by-side, with our athletes," Head Coach Libby Cusack commented. "We have unified partners who are

parents, cousins, siblings and friends of the athletes."

In the tournament, each bowler played two games. There were several different

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## Yard waste ban to take effect

Residents reminded to separate yard waste from regular trash

By CHRISTINE NEFF

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Grass clippings, leaves, brush and shrubs.

For more than a year, residents of northern New Castle County have been hearing about these "yard waste" materials and a better way to dispose of them.

This week, barring any last-minute changes by the Delaware State legislature, the ban on yard wastes in Cherry Island Landfill will take full effect. First enacted in early 2007 and then delayed until 2008, the ban is to be implemented on Thursday, Jan. 24.

By now, most Newark area residents

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## Neighborhood schools at last

DSBA approves Christina District NSA plan seven years after law passed

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Seven-plus years after the Delaware General Assembly mandated neighborhood schools in northern Delaware, the Delaware State Board of Education (DSBA) has finally approved a Neighborhood Schools Plan submission from Christina District.

Called the Community Consensus Plan (CCP), this plan was conceived by the Christina District community and approved by the District school board in 2007. In November 2007, District voters approved a \$10.47 million referendum to fund the plan.

Main components of the CCP include:

- Create grade configurations K-5, 6-8, 9-12 district-wide to minimize the

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## Newark man charged with sexual abuse

New Castle County Police have arrested Paul Hayes, a 67-year-old man who lives in the 100 block of Fantasia Drive in Newark, and charged him with three felony counts of unlawful sexual contact in the first degree.

Detectives arrested Hayes, a retired reverend, the evening of Monday, Jan. 14, after completing a sexual abuse investigation that was reported approximately two weeks ago. The investigation revealed the victim, a 9-year-old girl, was taken to the A.I. Hospital for Children on Dec. 29, 2007, after she disclosed she was sexually abused by Hayes, said police.

Investigators learned the victim was assaulted while at the Hayes residence. Further details surrounding the investigation have been withheld in an effort to protect the victim's identity.

Hayes has been arraigned and released after posting \$1,500 secured bail. He has also been ordered to have no contact with the victim and no unsupervised contact with anyone under the age of 18, said police.

## Suspects break-in, ransack apartment

Four unknown suspects wearing masks and gloves kicked open the back door of an apartment in the 100 block of Thorn Lane and ransacked it, police were told on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 5:07 p.m. Police said the suspects tipped over a couch, threw clothes and other items about the room, and opened all of the kitchen and bathroom cabinets. They then exited the building through a back sliding glass door. It is not known if any items were taken. Investigation will continue.

## Items stolen during house party

A laptop computer, Ipod, gold ring and checkbook were among items stolen from a home in the unit block of Wilson Street while residents hosted a party there, police were told on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 2:07 a.m. Some people that attended the party were unknown by residents, police were told. The unknown suspects forced open the doors to two upstairs bedrooms. Nothing was taken from the second room though it was ransacked. Investigation will continue.

## POLICE BLOTTER

# Employee chases away would-be robber

The Newark Police Department is investigating an attempted robbery of the Dunkin' Donuts at 1142 Elkton Road in Newark that occurred on Jan. 16, around 10:10 p.m.

Police said the man, whose face was concealed, told an employee he had a knife and demanded money. The employee armed himself with a bagel-slicing knife and refused to turn over any cash. The suspect fled the store without obtaining any property, said police.

The incident was not reported to the police until the following day, after a Dunkin' Donuts man-

ager learned that a High's Mini-Mart in Elkton, Md., was robbed in the same manner.

The suspect is a male of unknown race, 5'6" to 6' tall, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans, tan coat and yellow gloves with a black horizontal stripe. The gloves are shown in the photo.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Det. Nelson at 366-7110, ext. 136. Information can also be given anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.



Suspect

## Other incidents

More than \$400 was reported stolen from an apartment in the unit block of Country Club Drive on Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 6:04 p.m., said Newark Police. The owner said the money had been left unattended in a desk drawer.

Police investigated a report of a 6-year-old child being left alone in a car parked in the 200

block of E. Main Street while her caretaker was shopping on Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 6:01 p.m. The child was unharmed but waited more than 25 minutes in the car in 35-degree weather. The investigation will continue.

Money was stolen from a cash register in a Chinese restaurant in the 1000 block of S. College Avenue, police were told on Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 5:16 a.m. An unknown suspect shattered

the front door to gain access to the restaurant after it closed for the night.

## Vehicles targeted

An unknown suspect broke the front passenger window of a Chevy Silverado parked in the 1000 block of Christina Mill Drive and stole a GPS unit and a bag of change from inside, police were told on Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 1:11 p.m.

A license plate was stolen from a Ford Escort parked in the unit block of Chapel Street, police were told on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 11:20 a.m.

An unknown suspect threw a piece of a parking curb through the window of a Mitsubishi Lancer parked in the 100 block of E. Main Street, police were told on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 7:17 p.m.

The side rear view mirror of a Ford Focus parked on Amstel Avenue was broken off by unknown means, police were told on Monday, Jan. 14, at 1:24 p.m.

## Alcohol, noise law violations detailed

The Alcohol Enforcement Unit and other officers of the Newark Police Department continued their stepped-up, strict enforcement of alcohol and noise related laws last week.

Some of the recent violations include:

**Jacquelin Ronca**, 21, of Newark, noise law violation, on Monday, Jan. 14, at 10:31 p.m., in the 3000 block of Scholar Drive;

**William Radford**, 18, of Clarksville, Md., underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 2:11 a.m., in the 100 block of S. Chapel Street;

**Michael Smith**, 20, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Jan. 12, at 12:38 a.m., in the 100 block of Wilbur Street;

Police said all were released pending court appearances.



## Weekly crime report

STATISTICS FOR JAN. 6-12, 2008, COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

	INVESTIGATIONS			CRIMINAL CHARGES		
	2007 TO DATE	2008 TO DATE	THIS WEEK	2007 TO DATE	2008 TO DATE	THIS WEEK
<b>PART I OFFENSES</b>						
Murder/manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted murder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnap	1	0	0	1	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unlawful sexual contact	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	2	0	0	0	1	0
Aggravated assault	1	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	8	7	2	3	3	0
Theft	31	27	13	14	19	6
Auto theft	5	3	1	1	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
All other	1	0	0	9	25	23
<b>TOTAL PART I</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>PART II OFFENSES</b>						
Other assaults	16	15	5	17	11	4
Receiving stolen property	0	0	0	4	0	0
Criminal mischief	17	10	4	3	12	0
Weapons	0	0	0	3	4	0
Other sex offenses	1	1	1	0	1	1
Alcohol	6	9	8	11	28	12
Drugs	9	4	1	13	13	10
Noise/disorderly premise	17	23	13	15	11	6
Disorderly conduct	35	23	13	11	14	4
Trespass	7	8	5	11	6	3
All other	17	15	11	11	11	3
<b>TOTAL PART II</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>						
Alarm	57	31	16	0	0	0
Animal control	18	11	7	0	0	0
Recovered property	9	5	3	0	0	0
Service	327	258	145	0	0	0
Suspicious person/vehicle	30	24	16	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

	THIS WEEK 2007	2007 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2008	2008 TO DATE
<b>TOTAL CALLS</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>892</b>



## IN THE NEWS

# Warm house, warm hearts

## Local business helps heat homes of needy families

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

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**G**loria Choudry's hands may have been cold, but her heart couldn't have been warmer.

For two years, the Newark area homeowner had used a kitchen stove to heat her Scottfield home because the house lacked a working heating system. When the stove gave out last year, she and her three sons faced the unthinkable: a winter with no heat.

They tried to make do, hanging blankets over doors to keep in the warm air. At night, they huddled around a portable space heater in a single bedroom. Choudry tried to keep up the boys' spirits by making their dilemma seem like a game — an outdoor adventure, indoors.

But, when the amusement wore off, it was just plain cold. "I'm always cold," she said last week, as she shook hands with



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY CHRISTINE NEFF

**Mark Aitken, left, owner of Horizon Services, and Glenn Moore, vice president of Delmarva Power, speak with Newark area homeowner Gloria Choudry about the new furnace being installed in her home, free of charge, through the Warm the Heart program.**

Mark Aitken, owner of Horizon Services Inc.

"Well, we're going to change that," he told her.

Aitken and Horizon co-owner Dave Geiger established a non-profit organization in 2005 called

Warm the Heart. They had been in homes in New Castle County that had little or no heat. Many of the families had resorted to unsafe alternatives, such as the open stove method or a dangerous kerosene heater, to provide

relief.

Aitken and Geiger decided to help, and, with the support of other companies, including Delmarva Power, Wilmington Trust, TRANE and Valero Energy, provided heating units, free-of-charge, to some of the county's neediest residents. This year, they will have installed 39 units — one of which will pump heat through the Choudry home.

Aitken speaks passionately about the Warm the Heart program and the "huge need" it helps to abate. "I feel like part of my job, as a business owner, is to give back to the community," he said.

He realizes that many families in the region face "tough life decisions" fueled by financial need. "They have to make decisions about whether to buy food or heat their homes," something that may seem unimaginable to many people, he said. But, unfortunately, not all.

The Warm the Heart program received 180 applications this year from New Castle County residents. A committee of volunteers from such organizations as Catholic Charities, the

Kingswood Community Center and Habitat for Humanity, shortened the eligibility list to 40 families. Organizers then did a home inspection and evaluated families' needs. Twelve homes will receive furnaces, valued at nearly \$5,000, this year.

Aitken said the effort that goes into the program is worth it when he sees the reaction of the grateful homeowner. "You just hope, at the end of the day, you help somebody out a little bit."

Glenn Moore, vice president of Delmarva, a major contributor to the project, calls that moment "priceless." "This is the best part — the look on their faces. There's nothing like it," he said.

The look on Choudry's face ranged from shock to tearful joy as workers installed her new furnace last week. "I still can't believe it," she said. "I'm shaking."

As she greeted Aitken and Moore, she expressed her deep appreciation. "My heart feels warm," she told them.

For more information about Warm the Heart or to contribute to the program, visit [www.warmtheheart.com](http://www.warmtheheart.com).

## Diabetes screening has 'really been successful'

### 103 donors alerted to elevated blood sugar levels

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

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**I**n three months of testing, the Blood Bank of Delmarva has alerted more than 100 blood donors to the fact that they have an elevated blood sugar — a sign of diabetes.

The organization, which has a permanent location in the Newark area, started offering the diabetes screening to all donors, free of charge, in October 2007.

Since then, nearly 14,000 people in the Delmarva region — about 75 percent of donors — have opted to be screened. One hundred and three donors were informed they had high blood sugar and should seek professional medical advice; 24 donors had dangerously high sugar counts.

"Our diabetes screening program is identifying potential diabetics at a rate of more than one per day," said Bob Travis, Blood Bank of Delmarva president and CEO. "This program is proving that blood banks can make a lifesaving difference not only to blood recipients but to donors as well. We are now potentially saving lives on both sides of the blood bag."

The local Blood Bank is the first in the nation to offer this sort

of testing. The privately-funded program, said Spokeswoman Carrie Aiken, has "really been successful." "Being the first in the country, and not having anyone else to mirror our program by, we knew we had high expectations," she said.

Diabetes is a metabolic disorder characterized by high blood sugar that can cause problems related to the heart, kidneys, eyes, feet, nerves, teeth and gums. The disease is the fifth leading cause of death, with more than 400,000 Americans dying each year from its complications. Detected early, the disease is treatable.

About 75,000 people in the region served by the Blood Bank have diabetes, according to the American Diabetes Association. As many as one-third of those affected don't even know it. These people are called "hidden diabetics," and it's those people the Blood Bank hopes to find. "We're potentially giving them information that could ultimately save their life," said Aiken.

The program is simple to use; it takes just an extra step during the donation process. Donors can volunteer for the screening when they check in. An extra blood sample is drawn, and the results of the screen are posted,

confidentially, to a secure online server, which donors can access by password. In cases where glucose results proved potentially dangerous, Blood Bank employees have called donors personally to let them know their results.

"This is a screening process, not a testing program," emphasized Aiken. "We're telling them they have elevated glucose levels and encouraging them to talk to a doctor."

Aiken said the Blood Bank is glad to help area residents become more aware of risks to their health, and people have responded positively to the program. "There really has been a lot of positive feedback from people who hear about it," she said.

She also encouraged donors to continue giving blood during the winter months, which can be a "tough season" for the blood bank due to poor weather and cold and flu season. However, the need doesn't change; about 370 donors are needed every day to meet the demand from local hospitals, she said.

"We would like people to make (donating) a priority and remember the need is still there," she said. "That doesn't change just because the weather outside is a little messy."

## Hear candidates' views on Delaware issues this Saturday

**T**he Social Justice Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark will host a forum for candidates entered in the Feb. 5 Presidential Primary Election in Delaware on Saturday, Jan. 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Paul Baumbach, chair of the UUFN Social Justice Committee, said all 12 candidates have been contacted and asked to attend or send a representative that can field questions on issues of interest to Delawareans.

Attendees will have the opportunity to write down questions on a 3-by-5 card to be read by the moderators. The Democratic Forum will be moderated by Brian Selander of WDEL. Rick Jensen of WDEL will moderate for the

Republicans.

After 90 minutes of comments and questions, the campaigns will meet with guests one-on-one.

The event is free and open to the public. The forum will take place at UUFN's MacKinnon Hall at 420 Willa Road, across from the West Park Elementary School playground.

"Our denomination proudly supports the democratic tradition and strongly advocates for an informed electorate," said Baumbach. "We look forward to this event as a wonderful opportunity for the general public to examine the similarities and the differences between the primary candidates for the Feb. 5 election."

For more information, contact Baumbach, chair of the committee, at 737-4546.

## HEADACHES?

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# In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

## NOTE PAD

### Teacher Externship Program

The Delaware Business, Industry, Education (BIE) Alliance is coordinating the Teacher Externship Program to place educators inside the business community to learn about the academic skills used every day and to talk to the employers who use them. This program is a collaboration between the Business, Industry, Education (BIE) Alliance, the Delaware Department of Education, and the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce.

Businesses will host educators for 18 hours the week of June 16. The program is open to all Delaware certified educators currently employed in Delaware, and businesses of all sizes and types. Educators will receive 25 professional development hours toward renewal of their continuing license. Interested educators should contact Lori Aldrich at (302) 836-4591 or [laldrich@bie.k12.de.us](mailto:laldrich@bie.k12.de.us), and visit [www.bie.k12.de.us](http://www.bie.k12.de.us) (click on externship) for complete registration information.

### Onsite ESL classes

As more immigrants enter the U.S. workforce, some businesses are offering employees onsite classes in English as a Second Language. Not only is on-the-job communication easier, but morale goes up and so does employee retention. An ESL instructor from Wilmington-based Back to Basics Learning Inc. can come to business offices twice a week to lead a 90-minute class. For info about small group instruction in Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania, visit [www.backtobasicslearning.com](http://www.backtobasicslearning.com) or call 302-594-0754.

### Lowe's scholarships

Applications are now available for two Lowe's Scholarship programs, funded by the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation. The Lowe's Scholarship is available to high school seniors nationwide and the Carl S. Buchan Scholarship is available to Lowe's employees, spouses and their dependents. The deadline to apply is March 15. Applications for both scholarships are available at [Lowe's.com/scholarships](http://Lowe's.com/scholarships).

## National FFA officers visit Newark High

Newark High School's FFA organization hosted the National FFA Officer Team on Thursday, Jan. 9. Delaware was chosen to host the National Officers during that week and Newark was chosen to host them at their school.

In the second consecutive year that Newark has been chosen as host, central vice president Morgan Parker delivered a motivational speech to all FFA members in the auditorium. After Morgan spoke, the FFA members were invited to ask the national officers questions.

After Morgan's speech, the national officers, NHS administration, and state FFA staff were invited to a luncheon provided by the Newark FFA Officer Team consisting of Slavica Vorkapic, Brittany Linton, Anthony Bingham, Nandini Sharma, Kathleen Wisor, Amanda Hall, Yulya Holck, Brandon Gouge, Paige Kley, Melissa Rubick and Dawn Skovronski.

According to FFA advisor and NHS teacher Jackie Kook, the event was a great way for the NHS officers to get to know the National Officers a little bit more. It also was a great opportunity for the NHS Administration



FFA advisor Jackie Kook, agricultural sciences teacher at Newark High School, and the Newark FFA students hosted the National Officer Training Experience this month for the second year in a row.

to see find out about the officers.

At the end of the luncheon, the Southern Regional vice president, Brady Revels, and the Eastern Regional vice president, Tyler Tenbarger, spoke to the group before touring the greenhouse facility.

Members of the NHS Officer team later attended a pizza party with the state FFA officers and the national officers at the University of Delaware where the officers relaxed and had a great time eating pizza and getting to know

more about one another.

The National Officer Training Experience program allows the National FFA officers to travel the country, visiting local FFA chapters and presenting speeches and workshops to FFA members.

## Downes crowns a Geography Bee champion

Fifth grader Julia Bosso earned the title of Geography Bee champion at Downes Elementary School on Jan. 10. In an energized contest witnessed by the fourth and fifth grade students and an audience of parents, Bosso had the correct answer to the tie-breaker question.

She qualified to take the test provided by the National Geographic Society to determine if she will be invited to the Delaware State Bee, the next step in the process to select a contestant from Delaware for the National Geography Bee.

Downes first runner-up was Brian Arisman, a fourth grade student. All 4th and 5th grade students participated in the classroom selection round. Two representatives from each of the four classrooms went on to the school contest. The other

classroom representatives from grades 4 and 5 were:

Joshua Lewis  
Joshua Zalewski  
Madeleine Delbeau  
Brighton Stiefvater  
Aariz Gawandi  
Julia Russ.

Talent Development teacher Lisa Wilson said the school's Geography Bee was a great team effort and a very worthwhile activity for the students. Each participant received a certificate of participation, a medal and maps as prizes. Arisman also received a AAA tour book of the mid-Atlantic region.

The fourth and fifth grade teachers did the preliminary Bee screening in classrooms. Mr. Bates was the question moderator, and Mr. Lukaszewicz coordinated the public contest and assembled the map/book prizes from AAA.



Geography Bee winner Julia Bosso, a fifth grade student at Downes Elementary School, shared honors with one of her teachers, Mr. Lukaszewicz, who coordinated the event at the school.



## IN OUR SCHOOLS

# Century-old parish celebrating Catholic Schools Week

During Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 27-Feb. 2, St. Elizabeth Parish in Wilmington is celebrating its 100th Anniversary with a very special look at education in St. Elizabeth Elementary School.

With a theme of "Catholic Schools Light the Way," planned events at St. Elizabeth's include:

- Prayers to start off each day
- St. Elizabeth Parish Centennial fact each morning
- CSW School Recognition Banners
- Viking Shoppe week-long 10 percent off sale.

On Sunday, Jan. 27, the Campus Ministry and Language Club invites parishioners to the St. Elizabeth Center for breakfast

after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses at St. Elizabeth Church for an Art Department Exhibit.

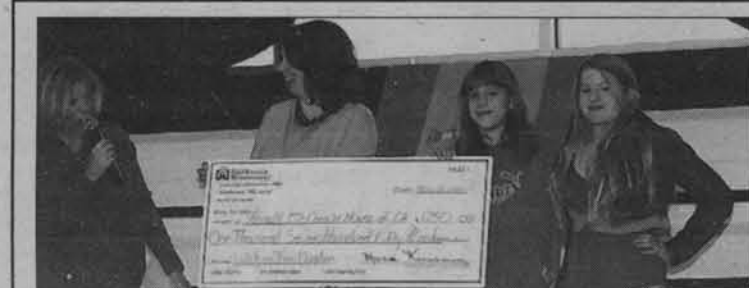
Other events during the week include the annual CSW Fundraiser, the Great Penny Race to benefit Ronald McDonald House; Yearbook dedication and Centennial Citizen Recognition; the 7th grade students' Variety Show at 10 a.m. on Tuesday which is also Student Appreciation Day; Teachers Dress Down day and Game Night, 6:45 - 9 p.m., on Wednesday; Parish Centennial History Assembly at noon on Thursday when the school's SADD group also delivers neighborhood appreciation gifts; and Viking Spirit Day with a Pep Rally recognizing the winter

sports' teams and senior athletes on Friday.

St. Elizabeth Elementary School is a K-8 co-educational Roman Catholic institution of the diocese of Wilmington. There are approximately 33 students in each of two homeroom sections at every grade level. School activities vary from year to year but include sports teams under the supervision of the Athletic Association, Declamation League, Student Leadership Group, Choir, The Viking View (student newspaper), Grade 8 Diocesan "It's Academic" Team, and Math and Science Olympiad Team.



St. Elizabeth Elementary School is a K-8 co-educational Roman Catholic institution of the diocese of Wilmington.



Head of School Marcia Kinnamen, along with Hockessin Montessori middle school students Amelia Marchiani and Alex Niedenzu, presented the check to Dawn Brooks, special events coordinator for the Ronald McDonald House of Delaware.

## School donates more than \$1,700 to Ronald McDonald House

Hockessin Montessori School presented a donation check for \$1,750 to the Ronald McDonald House of Delaware after a Charity Walk during the school's 45th Anniversary Celebration in which children walked laps around the HMS athletic field to raise the money.

Through the generous donations of school staff, parents and the community, the children raised more than \$3,500. Fifty percent of the proceeds were donated to The Ronald McDonald House and 50 percent of the money was given back to the school.

During a school assem-

bly, Marcia Kinnamen, head of school, along with HMS middle school students Amelia Marchiani and Alex Niedenzu, presented the check to Special Events Coordinator Dawn Brooks who accepted the donation on behalf of the House. "This generous donation from your school will go a long way to helping the House," Brooks told the assembly. "There are 50 guest rooms at the House and at this time all 50 rooms are filled with families. We appreciate your school's hard work and dedication in raising money for the Ronald McDonald House of Delaware."

## League of Gentlemen provide holiday cheer

Students in the League of Gentlemen program at Newark High School prepared Christmas stockings and wrapped gifts for children living in a local shelter. The stockings and gifts were delivered during the week before Christmas. While at the shelter, the high school students had a tour and met with the facility's directors.

The 2007-08 League of Gentlemen group consists of 12 Newark High students. This is the fifth year of the program at Newark, currently facilitated by G. Wesley Jones of the NHS

Wellness Center and Corporal Greg Micolucci of the Newark Police Department.

The League of Gentlemen program has several components:

- A weekly afterschool homework/tutoring program (aimed at helping the students achieve academic success)
- Community Service Projects (allowing the students to give back to their community)
- Group Activities (including the Philadelphia Auto Show, playing basketball, attending a Philadelphia Phantoms Hockey game, and a ropes course activ-

ity).

The afterschool homework/tutoring program and the some of the group activities have been made possible through a grant from the New Castle County Council.



(Back left to right) Bernard Johnson, Zach Vinson, Kyle Fletcher, Vance Barnes, Luther Ward; (Front left to right) group advisor Wesley Jones, Angel Alverio, Derrek Eddy, John Tucker, Keenan Harvey, Cpl. Greg Micolucci, also a group advisor.



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# Opinion

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POST COLUMNIST

## The clock is ticking

By RUTH KELLY

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

The recent assassination of former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pakistan was a pivotal moment for me as I consider the upcoming presidential election. I was much shaken to hear of her death.

My first reaction was great sympathy for her three children on losing their mother. Then, I feared for the region, as the tensions in the Middle East just seem to be spiraling out of control.

Until now, I had been undecided about who I would support and cast a vote for to be President of the United States, but at this turn of events, I've pretty much made up my mind.

In times like we are experiencing, the need to have a candidate who could easily make the transition to assume the presidency is critical. For me, the two candidates with the experience needed to be effective in today's world are Joe Biden or Hillary Clinton.

Joe Biden is brilliant and has been right on the money with his analysis of world politics. If he had not pulled out of the presidential election after a disappointing loss in the Iowa primary, I would have cast my vote for him.

Barrack Obama's platform on sweeping changes and the prospect of a new face in the political arena was very exciting to me. But, in turbulent times, I cannot vote for a novice. I need to see stability with someone assuming office that has the experience. That person for me is Hillary Clinton.

The Bible tells me not to be concerned about what is happening in the world. There is only one person who knows all, sees all, is the beginning and is the end and is the answer. God is in control no matter who is sitting in the White House or any other of the world's global leaders.

We are a blessed generation because we



Ruth Kelly

are witnessing biblical prophecies occurring all around us, many at a phenomenal pace. The establishment of the state of Israel by the Jewish people and the occupation of the city of Jerusalem during the Seven Day War in 1967 are two. Parties coming against Israel over the issue of who will control Jerusalem is another.

The prophetic clock is ticking. I see it daily in the newspaper headlines of natural disasters, economic and political crises, and the breakdown of civility and morality in our society. During a conference held in Florida in 1995, one of the speakers who had been preaching Bible prophecy for many years said, "I began preaching Bible Prophecy on the signs of the coming of the Lord 60 years ago when there were very few that you could actually see. Today they are everywhere. I am no longer looking for signs; I am listening for sounds!"

Why I write this now is simple; I feel led by God to do so.

My life has not been my own for almost two years now. Everything that I set out to do on my own just doesn't materialize. All I can do now is awake in the morning and yield myself to what God wants me to do. In a past column, I wrote about "Messed up spirituality" and my struggles to be something I will never be, that is, a perfect Christian. I feel God truly does want messed up people carrying his message to the world – and I feel I am more than qualified.

This commentary is not meant to strike fear or be seen as the ranting of an alarmist. My message is simply to watch and pray. As a citizen, that's about all that we can do. We can stay informed and involved and most importantly exercise our right to vote for our local, state and national leadership.

*The author, a single parent, has been a columnist for the Newark Post from time to time since 1994. A retired Dupont employee and a former specialist for the Christina School District, Ruth is now working part-time at Providence Service Corporation doing the work she loves on behalf of children.*

### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Storm wreaks havoc, but not for long

A fast and furious winter storm rolled into Newark the afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 17, covering lawns and roads with several inches of snow.

City crews worked to plow area roads in time for the evening commute, but the snow came down heavy and hard, making

some roads – especially in neighborhoods – difficult to drive on.

Fifteen hundred residents in the western section of the city lost power around 5 p.m., according to the city's electric department, after a tree branch fell on a wire.

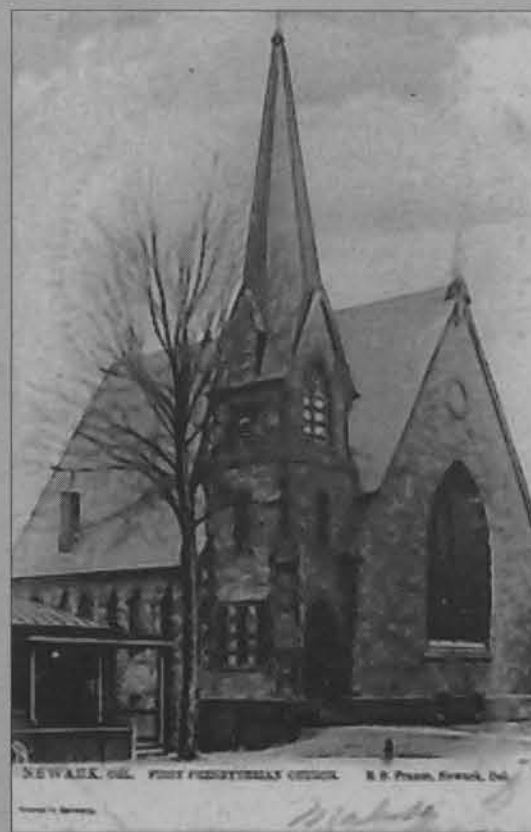
Newark Police Officers directed slow-moving traffic through malfunctioning stoplights. Power was

restored 37 minutes later, said the department.

By late evening, snow had turned to sleet, then rain. The rain cleared the roads and sidewalks of snow, making the Friday morning commute a much easier ride.

Thursday's storm was only the second snowfall of the season. The first snow fell on Wednesday, Dec. 5.

## OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's Out of the Attic features a postcard of First Presbyterian Church in Newark, published between 1901 and 1905. The postcard is part of the University of Delaware Library Postcard Collection, which contains more than 2,000 postcards of Delaware and nearby areas. The cards date mainly from the very end of the 19th century to the mid 20th. The collection can be viewed online at [www.lib.udel.edu](http://www.lib.udel.edu). Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in these space. Special care will be taken. For more information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

## PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post through the years

### Jan. 26, 1933 Unheard of Bargains for Newark's two Dollar Days

Next Friday and Saturday, February 3 and 4, have been designated as Dollar Days for Newark merchants. These days have been sanctioned by the Chamber of Commerce and will be deemed official Dollar Days. It is expected that practically every merchant in town will offer greater values on these two days than have ever been offered in the history of Newark and vicinity.

### Grocery Company Celebrates Forty-Second Anniversary

This week is a gala one for the American Stores Company, which is celebrating the successful completion of forty-two years in the grocery business.

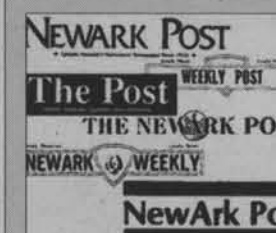
Throughout the entire system of over 2950 stores many extra attractive values

are being offered to millions of homekeepers with an invitation to come to the festival and take home their share of the Birthday Party.

Figures given out by the popularly known ASCO concern reveal that 1932 has been a year of expansion in the business.

### Jan. 25, 1978 Elkton road's future: industrial development

"Westward, ho?" The



"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 style.

cry that sent Americans to the Pacific in the last century to fulfill "Manifest Destiny" seems equally applicable to the City of Newark, where officials have long looked westward to the Maryland border as the city's ultimate boundary.

The officials envision the three-mile stretch between Cecil County, Md., and Newark – now under the jurisdiction of New Castle County – as a prime target for an expanded tax base. Is an area, according to Newark Mayor William M. Redd Jr., that could offer a commercial and industrial balance to a city heavy with residential and institutional land.

### W. L. Gore awarded city's highest honor

Wilbert Lee Gore is 66 years old today.

The celebration of his birthday, however, took place last Saturday night at a "party" attended by

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## COMMENTARY

# Time to put education back into equation

To: the Editor  
From: St. Sen. David Sokola  
Newark

Here's an interesting fact: Polls show that Americans — jolted by a falling stock market and the subprime credit crisis — are now more worried about the economy than the war in Iraq and Afghanistan. While we may be focused on our short-term bottom lines, it's a good time to put education back into the equation.

We all know the story. In key areas, such as computer science and biotech, American colleges and universities are drawing students from abroad. Many of those students are going back to their home once they graduate, helping fuel the economic booms in places like China and India.

While making the global economy stronger ultimately makes the world a safer place, we need to start thinking about the effect those changes have on us — and we have to start doing something about it because as the old saying goes: "You can't run an economy selling hamburgers to each other."

Sadly, the connection between education and the economy hasn't reached the questions being posed of our candidates for president — let alone our statewide or legislative candidates.

While education may be getting the short shrift on the presidential stage, we in Delaware are lucky. That's because we've been working on education for more than a decade — well ahead of No Child Left Behind. We've been looking at education and



working to improve the ability of our most important resources, our young people, to compete in the marketplace of today and, more importantly, to learn so they can stay competitive as the marketplace changes around them.

As chairman of the Senate Education Committee, I've watched as our test scores have steadily risen in areas, such as math and reading. For example, on the National Assessment of Educational Progress our reading

scores have climbed from below-the-national-average scores of 213 for fourth graders in 1992 and 254 in 1998 to above average scores of 225 for fourth graders and 265 for eighth graders last year. In math, we've made equally steady progress climbing from respective fourth and eighth grade scores of 218 and 242 in 1992, both below the national average to above average scores of 263 for fourth graders and 283 for our eighth graders in 2007.

The scores are significant because the assessment is viewed as the nation's report card for schools, judging our educational programs on an apples-to-apples basis. That kind of success makes me incredibly proud to be a Delawarean.

Even now, with the leadership of the Rodel Foundation and its Vision 2015 project, Delaware is looking to the best examples from around the country to make its students better lifelong learners.

But success here isn't enough. As Americans we need to push for more.

We must look regionally and nationally to improve areas, such as developing standards that help our students build on their strengths and shore up their weaknesses. I plan to work on legislation that will do that here. We also need to help our teachers

stay ahead of the curve. We need to reward the teachers taking on the toughest challenges and provide incentives for all teachers who are delivering stellar results. We also need to make sure that schools are providing students who need extra time and help the resources they need. Delaware already has started down those roads, but we must elevate the debate. We need to press candidates for their ideas. But first, we must educate ourselves and arm ourselves with the right questions to ask.

Two good starting places are our own Vision 2015, which you can visit at [www.vision2015delaware.org](http://www.vision2015delaware.org), to learn what's going on locally. You also can visit a group called EDin08, a non-partisan group supported by the Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the Eli and Edith Broad Foundation, that's driving to put education at the top of the national agenda. Its Web site is [www.EDin08.com](http://www.EDin08.com). With a presidential primary coming up on Feb. 5 and state elections later this year, now is the time to join the debate.

Sen. David Sokola is chairman of the Senate Education Committee and represents the Eighth Senatorial District in Delaware.

## Godwin running for mayor

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more than 400 people held in the University of Delaware's John M. Clayton Hall.

And the present Gore received was the Dr. Wallace M. Johnson Community Service Award — an honor established by the Greater

Newark Chamber of Commerce in 1969 to recognize an outstanding area resident.

Jan. 30, 1998

Godwin running for mayor

City Council Member Hal Godwin, currently Deputy Mayor,

will run for Mayor of Newark in April.

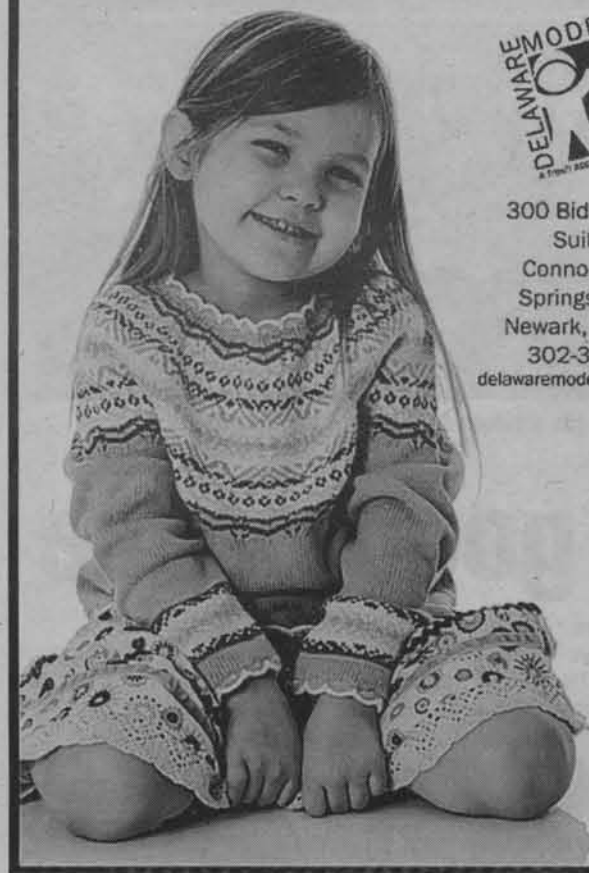
Godwin, a councilmember for the past 11 years, made the long-rumored decision official last night at a news conference in his home.

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## OUTLOOK

### Much to do about Ag

By ANNA STOOPS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

This past week was Delaware Agriculture Week at the Harrington State Fairgrounds. You may ask yourself, "What does Ag Week have to do with me?"

Well, for one, it is a great opportunity to learn about the farming community in Delaware and Newark. Farmers may make up less than two percent of the American population, but they supply our nation with our food, as well as provide export products to many other countries around the world. Just driving

down the roads, you can tell the Newark farming community has changed vastly over the last 50 years and continues to do so. Technology and research have allowed growers to maximize production efforts which will continue to be very important as the landscapes of our communities turn from traditional farming communities to smaller farms that meet our local food needs and keep green space open to support our environments.

And, that's not all — many of the topics geared toward the traditional grower can most certainly be applied to the backyard gardener, conservationist and hobbyist farmer, alike. There were sessions ranging from vegetable crop fundamentals, the importance of our bee species in pollination and conserving their populations, organic

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## SEEING IS BELIEVING

Public invited to tour 'dream come true' in new Bear-Glasgow YMCA

By CHRISTINE NEFF

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One brick on the donor wall in the lobby of the new Bear-Glasgow YMCA says it all: "A dream come true."

For more than 10 years, the YMCA of Delaware and its many local supporters worked towards a long-held dream of establishing a new facility in the Bear-Glasgow area. Those dreams turned into reality last Saturday, Jan. 19, when the facility opened its doors to the public for the very first time.

Community members streamed into the building off of Route 40, near the intersection of Route 896 and across from Delaware State Police Troop 2, for Saturday's tours.

Staff members led groups of people through the 63,000-square-foot facility, showing off the new fitness center with its state-of-the-art equipment, gymnasium, locker rooms, pools and more.

"It's so fun, after 10 years, to finally bring a Y to this area," Mary Young, vice president of facility maintenance and development, told her tour group.

She spoke of some of the programs that will be offered there — Kids Zone babysitting to free parents up for work outs, group fitness classes, including a popular Spinning course, senior aquat-

ic programs and more. "As a Y, we reach out to people at all different ages," she said.

And, all ages were represented at Saturday's tour. Children delighted in the outdoor pool with the giant yellow slide. Grandparents asked about activities for their grandkids, and adults eyed the new television screens attached to the stationary bikes.

The YMCA prides itself on being a place that strengthens, not just individuals, but their communities, as members forge connections with one another. Already, that could be seen happening in the facility's beautiful and comfortable lobby where visitors greeted each other around tables and couches.

Mike Graves, president of YMCA Delaware, looked happily on the scene. He recalled working every other Friday for years trying to establish the support necessary to build a YMCA in the Bear-Glasgow area. Standing in the completed building was an exciting moment for him, he said.

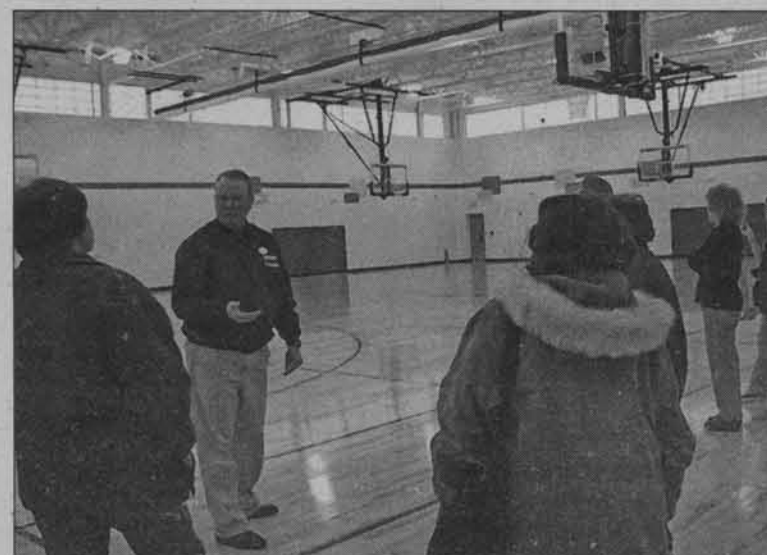
Now, the community can see what the excitement is about. The facility will open for public use on Monday, Feb. 18, but interested persons can tour it during the next couple of weeks. Tours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, visit <http://www.ymcade.org/branches/bear-glasgow/> or call 836-YMCA.



NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY CHRISTINE NEFF

Visitors to the YMCA open house check out the new exercise bikes.



The new facility is located off of Route 40 near State Police Troop 2.

Mike Graves, leads visitors on a tour of the facility.

## Nosh on gnocchi for good cause

A Newark area restaurant is hosting a gnocchi-eating contest to benefit a 25-year-old Newark woman battling invasive breast cancer.

"Beat the Chef for Jen" will be held Saturday, Feb. 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Soffritto Italian Grill on Kirkwood

Highway. The contest will begin promptly at noon.

On June 12, 2007, Jen Wickersham found out she had invasive breast cancer—more specifically Invasive Ductal Carcinoma. Doctors found not one mass but two.

Because of the cancer's

aggressive nature, Jen has gone through extensive chemotherapy treatments for 18 weeks and a double-mastectomy. She will be going through radiation in the upcoming weeks. She is among the 1 percent of U.S. women under the age of 30 who are diagnosed with breast cancer each

year.

Her friends and family have organized "Beat the Chef for Jen" to help defray her sudden medical financial burdens.

Anthony Stella, chef and owner of the former L'osteria

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## LIFESTYLE

# Learn about Ag

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gardening, marketing sessions, a forestry seminar, water and soil quality issues sessions, all of which can be applied on a much smaller – even backyard – scale.

For the farmer, along with the sessions listed above, there was a series on hay and pasture, livestock, poultry and dairy management, small grain and soybean agronomy, aquaculture and the list goes on and on. To be sustainable and viable in the Ag industry, it is imperative to keep up with the latest information and technology. Ag Week provides just that.

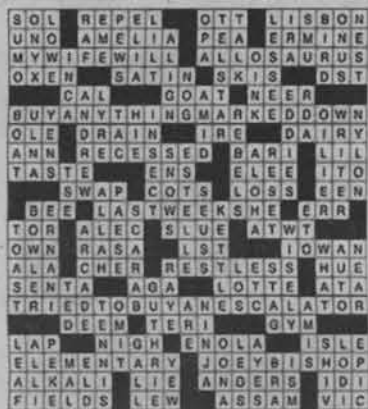
The event, sponsored by the Delaware Cooperative Extension, University of Delaware, Delaware State University and the Delaware

Department of Agriculture, is aimed at educating the agricultural community and the public on various farm-related topics.

As the new, New Castle County Agricultural Extension Agent and it being my first time participating, I found it to be a great experience. I got a chance to meet our Newark agricultural neighbors. We were able to talk together about important issues, while at the same time participating in educational series on timely farm topics. Each day was organized with various agricultural-related lecture sessions and lunch provided by local caterers. There were also more than 40 informational booths set up with a wealth of information and some fun freebie giveaways, as well as a large farm equipment display that one could browse at their leisure.

The week wrapped up with the Friends of Agriculture breakfast with guest speaker USDA Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics, Gale Buchanan, who gave a lively talk on agriculture research, education and Cooperative Extension from the national perspective.

Whether you went this year or not, I hope to see you the second week of January next year at Delaware Agriculture Week! For more information on the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension agricultural programs, please call 831-2506.



# Hunter makes donation to Iron Hill

Until recently, the Iron Hill Museum of Natural History in the Newark area had no turkeys on display.

Hawks? Yes. Even a black bear, a bobcat, owls, coyotes and more than 50 specimens of indigenous wildlife.

But, no turkeys to speak of. At least until Michael Hamilton, a longtime member of the National Wild Turkey Federation, and Marie Wilkinson, widow of his friend and hunting partner, Ed, donated a hen and strutting gobbler to the museum.

The two friends had hunted turkey in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York and Delaware before Wilkinson passed away two years ago. They had bagged the two fine turkey specimens with the intent of having them mounted and donated to the museum prior to Wilkinson's death. Hamilton and Marie made the presentation in his memory.

The Iron Hill museum serves the tri-state area, providing programs for more than 9,000 schoolchildren each year. The museum



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

**Michael Hamilton and Marie Wilkinson donate two stuffed turkeys to the Iron Hill Museum of Natural History in Newark. The birds were hunted by Hamilton and Marie's late husband, Ed.**

sits on 330 acres of preserved surface iron mines and ancient jasper and flint chipping grounds on Route 40 and is located in a one-room school house listed on

the National Historic Registry.

Hamilton has made arrangements to provide educational programs on the wild turkey to visiting schoolchildren

# Raise funds for medical costs

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Restaurant in Wilmington, conceived of the idea for this benefit and provided the gnocchi recipe. He started this event years ago to benefit Multiple Sclerosis, and it became a widely popular and anticipated event in

Wilmington.

Soffritto Italian Grill has agreed to staff the event and donate their restaurant and the gnocchi. Michael Waite, from 99.5 WJBR, will be the emcee.

In addition to raffling off gift items for cash, 80 tickets are being sold to the event – at \$60

each – with the goal of raising \$6,000. All proceeds will go to Wickersham and her family.

If you have any questions or would like to attend the event, please contact Stacey Wickersham at swickersham@comcast.net or Anthony Stella at 737-8405, ext. 751.

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**DANCE PARTY** 9:30 p.m. Awesome 80s. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

**LIVE MUSIC** 10 p.m. Featuring Sean Holtz. Homegrown Café, 126 E. Main, Newark. Info, 266-6993.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT** 7 p.m. Presenting the Delaware Comedy Theatre. Free. Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark. Info, 731-7550.

**SQUARE DANCE** 8 - 10:30 p.m. The 2x4 Square Dance Club will hold a Hi/Lo Halfway level square dance (no rounds). \$7. Shue/Medill School, 1550

Capitol Trail, Newark. Info, 366-0646.

**PERFORMANCE** 8 p.m. Featuring singer/songwriter John Gorka. \$30. The Grand, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Info, 652-5577.

**CONCERT** 8 p.m. Bowfire presents an "All Star Show" with fiddle and violin virtuosos. The Grand, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Info, 652-5577.

**MARRIAGE SEMINARS** 6:30 p.m. "10 Great Dates" for couples. Sessions begin with a short video followed by a "date" with their partner. Free. Pleasant View Church, 150 Downing Lane, Port Deposit, Md. Info, 410-378-4476.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 26

**LOIS YOUNG SHOW** 10:30 a.m. "It's a Bird, It's a Plane, It's You!" Life-size puppets, superheroes songs, costume parade and audience participation. Bring an action figure or superhero stuffed animal and dress as a superhero or heroine or princess. \$6. New Century Club, Delaware Ave., Newark. Info, 466-9227.

**LIVE MUSIC** 9:30 p.m. Featuring "Belly Up." Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

**LIVE MUSIC** 10 p.m. Featuring Kenny Cunningham. Homegrown Café, 126 E. Main, Newark. Info, 266-6993.

**CONSERVATION PROGRAM** 1 p.m. "Yard Waste - Conserving a Natural Resource." Free. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.

**PRESIDENTIAL FORUM** 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. The Social Justice Committee is hosting a forum for all twelve candidates entered in the Feb. 5 Presidential Primary Election in Delaware. Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 420 Willa Rd., Newark. Info, 368-2984.

**LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For the Newark American Little League. VFW Basement Hall, 100 Veterans Lane, Newark.

## WORKING IN THE FIRST STATE



The Newark Free Library will hold a presentation on applying for jobs with the State of Delaware on Monday, Jan. 28, at 7 p.m. Participants will learn how to search and maneuver through the Delaware Employment Link, a new online database. Expert Jane Hahn will assist. You may just find your future in the First State! The program is free. For more information, call 731-7550.

Info, 368-8026.

**DRIVING SEMINAR** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. A "teen-tailored" version of the National Safety Council's Basic Defensive Driving Course. \$23. DE State Police Troop 2, Community Room, Route 40, Newark. Info, 521-4781.

**ALUMNI GAME** 3 p.m. The seventh annual Cecil College Men's Basketball Alumni Game. Cecil College, North East, Md. Info, 410-287-6060, ext. 544.

**ZOO ON WHEELS** 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Enjoy the Latin rhythms of Sol y

Canto while members of the Philadelphia Zoo on Wheels show off some of their exotic creatures for kids of all ages. Included in general admission. Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 610-388-1000.

## SUNDAY, JAN. 27

**GENEALOGY PRESENTATION** 2 p.m. Genealogist Regina Barry will be holding a genealogical searching presentation with hands-on training. Free. Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark. Info, 731-7550.

**BOOK PRESENTATION** 7 p.m. Author and speaker Rabbi Brad Hirschfield will speak on his newly published book, "You Don't have to be Wrong for me to be Right: Finding Faith Without Fanaticism." Free. Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth, Washington Blvd & Torah Way, Wilmington. Info, 695-1151.

**FAMILY DAY** Noon - 3:30 p.m. Celebrate Chinese New Year with Chinese Art. Free. Delaware Art Museum, Wilmington. Info, 571-9590.

**CONCERT** 3 p.m. The Wilmington Community Orchestra. Adults \$10, seniors & students \$5. Wilmington Music School, 4101 Washington St., Wilmington. Info, 762-1132.

## MONDAY, JAN. 28

**CONCERT** 7:30 p.m. Featuring the Delaware Youth Symphony. Free. Wilmington Music School, 4101 Washington St., Wilmington. Info, 762-1132.

**AUDITIONS** 7 p.m. For the Belle Voix Chamber Singers. Bring a prepared song to sing. Chapel of the Church of the Holy Trinity, 212 S. High St., West Chester, Pa. Info, 731-5644.

**ASTRONOMY PROGRAM** 8 p.m. "Extra-Solar Planet." Limited to fifth grade and above. Adults \$2, Students \$1. Mt. Cuba Astronomical Observatory, 1610 Hillside-Mill Rd., Greenville. Info, 654-6407.

## TUESDAY, JAN. 29

**SQUARE DANCE** 7 - 8:30 p.m. The 2x4 Square Dance Club will hold an open house introduction to modern western square dance. No experience necessary. Free. Shue/Medill School, 1500 Capitol Trail, Newark. Info, 366-0646.

See **EVENTS, 11** ▶

## FRIDAY, JAN. 25

**DATE NIGHTS** 6:30 p.m. Fourth Friday for 10 weeks. Cecil County Healthy Marriage Initiative sponsors "10 Great Dates." Short video followed by a date with your partner. Free. Pleasant View Baptist Church, 150 Downin Lane, Port Deposit, Md. Info, 410-378-4476.

## SATURDAY, JAN. 26

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** 7:30 a.m. Saturday. \$5 donation goes to missions. Life Community Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd. Info, 738-1530.

**POST-POLIO SUPPORT** 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Fourth Saturday. Easter Seals of Delaware, 61 Corporate Circle, New Castle. Info, 324-4444.

## MONDAY, JAN. 28

**AAUW** - Noon. Speaker is Marc Marcus of Friendship House. Bag lunch. Newark Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 731-4724.

**DEPRESSION SUPPORT** 7:15 p.m. "What to Do in a Psychiatric Emergency?" Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 2313 Concord Pike, Wilmington. Info, 286-1161.

**CANCER SUPPORT** 6:30 p.m. Mondays in January and February. "Life Beyond Cancer" Program for cancer survivors. The Wellness Community, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2820.

**MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP** 7 - 9 p.m. Mondays. Sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To protect privacy of members, meeting

locations provided only with registration. Info, 654-6833.

**NEWARK ROTARY CLUB** 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Mondays. Timothy's, 100 Creek View Rd, Newark. Info, 453-8853.

**SCOTTISH DANCING** 7:30 p.m. Mondays. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 368-2318.

**ENGLISH CLASSES** 1 and 7 p.m. Mondays. English Conversational Classes. Free. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 368-8774, or esl-nunc@hotmail.com.

**TAI CHI** 3 - 4 p.m. Monday (Advanced); or Wednesday, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (Begin/Intermediate). \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.

**TAI CHI** 10 - 11 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. \$70/month. Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 Main St., Newark. Info, 373-2918.

**JAZZERCISE LITE** 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 - 10 a.m. Wednesdays, and 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Fridays. Low Impact, modified version for Seniors. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.

**JAZZERCISE** 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 8:45 - 9:45 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays; 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Certified instructor Nadine Weisenbach. George Wilson Center, 303 New London Rd., Newark. Info, 366-7060, or www.newarkjazz.net.

**PILATES** 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Mondays, 9 - 10 a.m. Tuesdays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Wednesdays, 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Thursdays. Newark Senior Center,

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200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

**STRENGTH TRAINING** 9 - 10 a.m. Mondays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tues. and Thurs.; 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Wed. and Fri. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.

**STRENGTH & FLEXIBILITY CLASS** Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays; 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. \$4 per session/\$50 for 6 weeks. First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main, Newark. Info, 731-5644.

**KUNG FU** 6 - 7 and 7 - 8 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. \$70/month. Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 Main Street, Newark. Info, 373-2918.

**KUNG FU** 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; 10 a.m. Saturdays. \$100/month unlimited sessions. Shao Lin Tiger and Crane Kung Fu Academy, Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main, Newark. Info, 737-4696.

**PANIC RELIEF** 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Phone workshop. Programs available. Overcome fears, anxiety and agoraphobia, and achieve positive self-image. Info, 732-940-9658.

## TUESDAY, JAN. 29

**HEALTHY HIKE** 8 a.m. Tuesdays. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.

**CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST** 7 - 8 a.m. Tuesdays. Join Rep. John Kowalko for coffee and conversation. Friendly's

Rest, 1115 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 577-8342.

**NEWARK DELTONES** 7:45 p.m. Tuesdays. For men who like to sing. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info, 376-8934.

**DIAMOND STATE CHORUS OF SWEET ADELINES** 7:30 - 10 p.m. Tuesdays. Women's acapella singing group. Curious and enthusiastic singers welcome. Limestone Presbyterian Church, 3201 Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info, 731-5981.

**PARKINSON'S STRENGTH TRAINING** 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

**OPEN SWIM** 4:30 - 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Gore Aquatic Center, Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

**YOGA** 2 - 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 - 10 a.m. Thursdays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

**TAI CHI** 6 - 7 and 7 - 8 p.m. Tuesdays, \$70/month; Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 Main St., Newark. Info, 373-2918.

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## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30

**CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST** 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Terry Schooley will attend to field questions and concerns. Eagle Diner, Elkton Road. Info,

577-8476.

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

**EVENING YOGA** 5:30 - 7 and 7 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Sponsored by Newark Parks & Rec. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 366-7060.

**TAI CHI** 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Free for people touched by cancer. The Wellness Community in New Castle, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2850.

**DIVORCECARE** 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info, 737-2300.

**GRIEF SHARE** 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info, 737-5040.

**RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION GROUP** 7 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Current events and religious discussions led by Rev. Bruce Gillette. Limestone Presbyterian Church, 2301 Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info, 994-5646.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 31

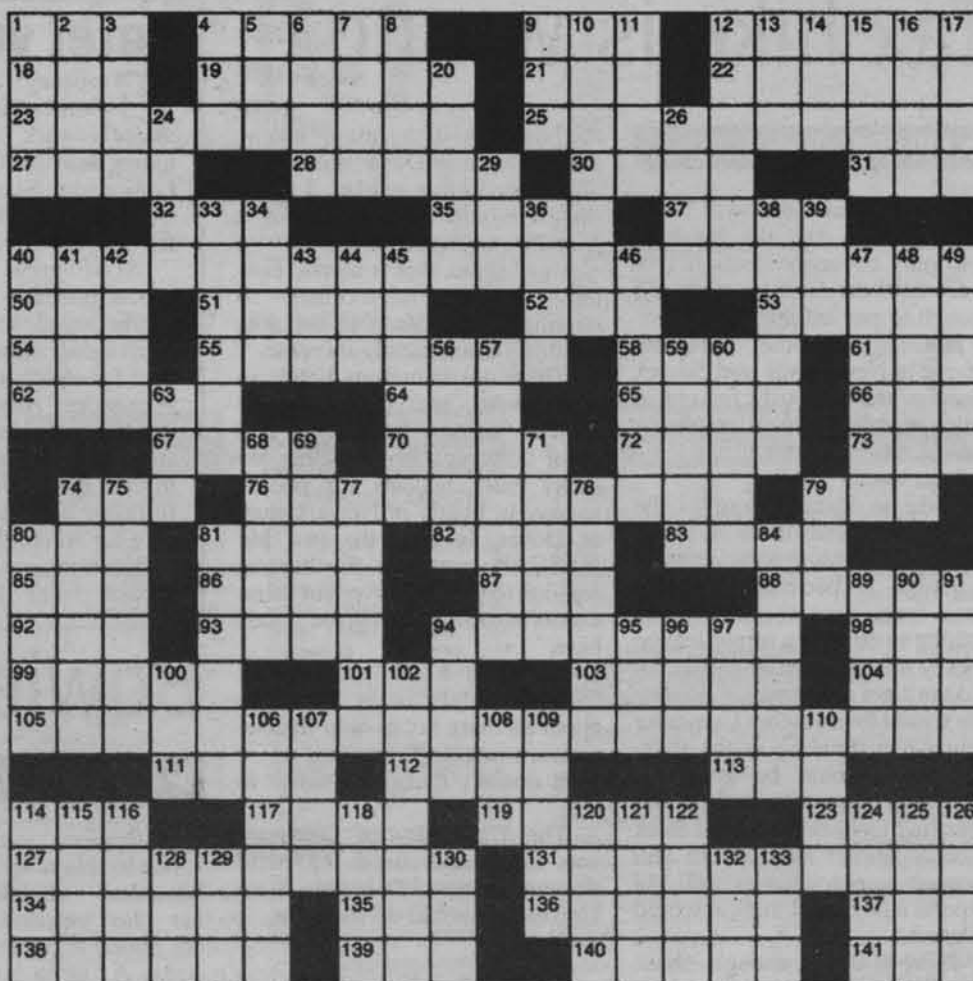
**YOGA** 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Thursdays. Free, pre-registration is required. For people touched by cancer. The Wellness Community in New Castle, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2850.

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**TAI CHI** 4:15 p.m. Thursdays. Free for people touched by cancer. The Wellness Community in New Castle County, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2850.

**LET'S DANCE CLUB** 4 - 6 p.m. Thursdays. Features ballroom and line dancing. Free. Meets at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

**WOMEN'S DEPRESSION** 7 - 9 p.m. Thursdays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration. Info, 654-6833.

**DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS** 6:30 p.m. Thursdays. For children ages 5 - 12 of families experiencing divorce and separation. Berea Presbyterian Church, 957 Old Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Info, 737-7239.

**NEWARK MORNING ROTARY** 7 - 8:15

a.m. Thursdays. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info, 738-9943.

**BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM** 7:20 - 10 p.m. Thursdays. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 368-4644.

For a complete list of meetings visit our website: [www.newarkpostonline.com](http://www.newarkpostonline.com)

## ► EVENTS, from 10

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30

**LIVE MUSIC** 9:30 p.m. Featuring Mos Eisley. No cover charge. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

**FOLK DANCE** 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. With Bob Witt & Friends. \$4. Arden Gild Hall, 2406

Granby Rd., Wilmington. Info, 478-7257.

**BOOK REVIEW** 9:30 a.m. Pilot Jan Churchill will be discussing her new book, "From Delaware to Everywhere," on the history of the New Castle County Airport. New Castle Senior Center, 400 South St., New Castle. Info, 325-2718.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 31

**MUG NIGHT** 9:30 p.m. Featuring Kristen

& The Noise. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

**ROSE REVERIE** 7 p.m. Stephen Scanniello, author and current president of the Heritage Rose Foundation, will speak from his vast knowledge of roses. \$15. Delaware Center for Horticulture, 1810 N. Dupont St., Wilmington. Info, 658-6262.

**AUDITIONS** 7:15 p.m. Seeking Chancel Choir section leaders for alto and tenor voice parts. First Presbyterian Church, 292

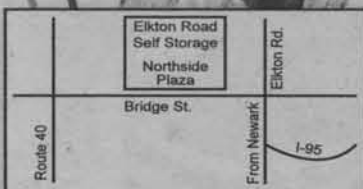
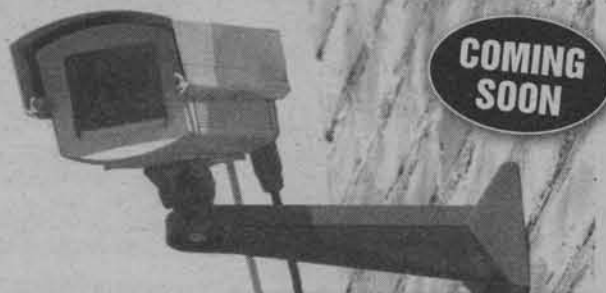
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## IN THE NEWS

# Tax hike is wrong

## ► UPFRONT, from 1

for a civic center that will be in Kent County. And the tax hike is to only cover the costs if revenues from the civic center aren't enough to pay off the bond.

Hotels and other business groups in New Castle and Sussex counties are obviously fervent in their opposition to a statewide tax.

I am too.

Make no mistake about it — the real reason that there is even thought of building a civic center in Dover is because Delaware State wants one to use. It has nothing to do with a minor league hockey team or anything else.

Don't get me wrong. I personally would love another Carpenter Center-like building in the state. I think it would be great for state high school basketball and wrestling tournaments and I think it could attract large youth and summer tournaments as well. As a sports advocate, I think it would be great.

There is doubt, though, about

the viability of a minor league hockey team in Dover — or really anywhere in this market. I agree that it would be difficult for a franchise to sustain itself.

In addition, this is a civic center — not a convention center — so overnight hotel stays in the area wouldn't dramatically increase.

There are numerous hotels in the Newark area and with UD football games, graduation and other university events, there are many more reasons for people to stay in hotels in Newark than in Dover. In fact, the two big NASCAR races are the biggest reasons to stay in Dover but those events also sell out all the hotels here.

So again I ask why should Newark hotels have to worry about an extra tax to help finance a civic center in Dover?

It doesn't make any sense to me.

The University of Delaware was able raise funds to build its own arena — Delaware State University should do the same.

## Hotel volunteers collect for Alex's Lemonade

Embassy Suites and Homewood Suites in Newark have raised more than \$4,000 for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF), their charity of choice for the year 2007.

ALSF grew from a young cancer patient's front yard lemonade stand to a nationwide fundraising movement to find a cure for childhood cancer. Since Alexandra "Alex" Scott (1996-2004) set up her first lemonade stand at the age of 4, over \$17 million has been raised towards fulfilling her dream of finding a cure for all childhood cancers.

Utilizing their location across from the University

of Delaware's Campus & Sports Complex, the H.O.S.T. Committee, a group of volunteers from each hotel, decided to hold a lemonade stand during Homecoming Weekend.

The lemonade stands, paired with collecting parking lot fees throughout the season, and donating all the change in their fountain, Embassy Suites easily surpassed their goal of \$2,000.

"We were so pleased to have tallied the total for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation and realize we had not only surpassed our original goal, but doubled it," said Bill Silva, general manager of the Embassy Suites. "This was an incredible experience

for our team to come together, and we were so excited to have accomplished this for Alex's in the fight to eradicate childhood cancer one cup at a time."

Embassy and Homewood Suites in Newark are managed by PM Hospitality Strategies and owned by Buccini Pollin.

The H.O.S.T. Committee selected Alex's Lemonade Foundation as their charity of the year for 2007 because there have been many associates among the hotels impacted by cancer.

For more information on Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation, please visit [www.alexlemonade.org](http://www.alexlemonade.org) or call 610-649-3034.

## Bowlers earn medals

### ► BOWLING, from 1

classifications, such as "singles" — bowler plays by himself — and "doubles" — bowler and a partner play together. Their scores are added together to get a final score. A "ramp bowler" requires the use of a ramp.

Then there are "unified doubles" — one player is a Special Olympics athlete and one is a non-disabled peer. They are similar in age and athletic ability. Unified Sports foster the integration of persons with

mental handicaps into community sports programs.

Andrew Trzonkowski, a junior at the University of Delaware partnered with his cousin, Kira Oleksy, on the Newark Thunderbears. The two have been partners since grade school, and, this year, they won the gold medal in their division of the tournament.

For more information about Delaware Special Olympics go online to [www.sode.org](http://www.sode.org), or e-mail [sode@sode.org](mailto:sode@sode.org), or call 831-4653.

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## IN THE NEWS

# Full NSA implementation depends on bond issue

## ► SCHOOLS, from 1

transitions between schools for all students.

- Conversion of Bayard Intermediate School to operate as a grade 6-8 Wilmington middle school.

- Completion of Porter Road Elementary School on Route 40.

- Creates space for district-wide full-day kindergarten.

- Utilize district facilities and resources as efficiently as possible, and

- Assign students to schools as close to their home for as many years as possible.

According to District administrators, the CCP will be implemented over two school years. Renovations required at Bayard will start this spring so Wilmington middle school students can attend classes there beginning in the 2008-2009

school year. Students in grades K-5 residing in Wilmington will attend Pulaski, Stubbs, Elbert-Palmer and Bancroft starting in fall 2008. Full-day kindergarten will be offered in all four schools.

In the suburban portion of Christina, suburban middle school students (grades 6-8) will attend Kirk, Shue-Medill, and Gauger-Cobbs middle schools. Until the Porter Road Elementary School is complete, suburban students will attend grades K-5 in their 2007-08 K-4 feeder patterns for an interim period in 2008-09.

District administrators are hopeful that the construction bond funding will be available to allow the district to complete the Porter Road school project for the opening of school in August 2009. Completion of Porter will allow Christina to complete the transition for student assignments according to the CCP and space

also would be available at all District K-5 schools for full-day kindergarten.

In the year 2000, the General Assembly passed the Neighborhood Schools Act (HB300). It required the four northern New Castle County School Districts - Red Clay, Brandywine, Colonial and Christina - to submit NSA plans by Nov. 15, 2001, to the State Board of Education for review and approval. Once approved, these districts would receive a \$1.25 million appropriation to implement their plans - a plan whereby students will attend their closest school while in grades K-5. Districts would then have 18 months to implement them.

Christina District submitted two plans in the years following the mandate. However, neither was acceptable to the state DSBA that concluded in 2003 that the [Christina] District was "unable

to comply with the Neighborhood Schools Act in a way that is fair and equitable to all students."

The DSBA acknowledged, at that time, the enormous investment of time and effort of many parents, community members and District staff in attempting to devise a workable NSA plan, but recognized that, due to the unique challenges facing the District, "... regardless of how creatively one tries to reassemble the pieces, there is no solution to the puzzle that insures a fair and equitable education for all students..." The unique challenges cited in 2003 included the District's non-contiguous boundaries, the overcrowding of suburban schools, the underutilization of city schools, and the creation of high poverty schools in the city.

Last year, Kelli Racca, Christina's supervisor of facilities services, noted that there were 1,364 K-5 students in the

District's five schools in the city of Wilmington. "But, we have 3,500 seats in those schools. What do we do to use that capacity and still comply with the NSA?"

But, Racca also noted that the demographics of the District's student population is "very different" than it was in 2000 when the NSA was passed. "People don't realize how the level of poverty and economic disadvantage has changed," Racca said. "Fifteen of our schools - elementary, middle and high school - have over 40 percent of students eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch program."

In addition, Racca said, for the first time, the population of black students District-wide is greater than that of white students.

For more info about implementation of the NSA and Christina District's Community Consensus Plan, visit [www.k12.Christina.de.us](http://www.k12.Christina.de.us).

# City's special pick-ups 'increased substantially' last year

## ► WASTE, from 1

should have a plan in place for dealing with their yard waste.

Outside city limits, private haulers and landscapers have offered curbside pickups or special collections to their customers. The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has opened two community drop-off sites in the area, one near Bear and another in Pike Creek.

And, organizations, such as the New Castle County Cooperative Extension, have offered classes and workshops on composting materials at home. (Another program will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 26, at White Clay Creek State Park.)

Newark residents living within city limits already have been dealing with the ban.

Rich Lapointe, director of public works, said, "We went ahead and had the ordinances changed so that the program was in effect

last year. We just did not enforce it to the extent that we will."

The city continues to pick up grass clippings, leaves and Christmas trees at certain times of the year. "Residents should continue to put their grass out and their leaves out in accordance with those programs," said Lapointe.

In addition, the public works department will arrange a special pick-up for miscellaneous yard waste. It must be prepared in bundles less than four feet long and

weighing less than 40 pounds, or be placed in approved containers - with no plastic bags - that weigh less than 40 pounds.

A maximum of six bundles or six containers or a combination of the two will be picked up at no charge on a first-call, first-served basis. Residents must call the Public Works Department at 366-7045 to schedule the pick-up.

Lapointe said, last year, these special collections "increased substantially" as residents adjusted to the ban. "We anticipate it

will increase somewhat this year, though we think most of our residents, hopefully, started to get in the habit," he said.

DNREC imposed the yard waste ban in 2006 as a way to extend the life of Cherry Island Landfill. Yard waste, which can be recycled into mulch and compost, made up a quarter of the residential waste in Delaware at the time, according to DNREC.

Enforcement procedures are to begin at the landfill in July 2008.

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# On Campus

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## CAMPUS BRIEFS

### UD in top 20 among Kiplinger's 'best values'

The University of Delaware has been ranked in the top 20 nationally in the Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine list of the 100 best values among high quality public institutions of higher education. The list ranks four-year public colleges and universities that combine outstanding economic value with a first-class education, with the 100 best values selected from a pool of more than 500 institutions.

For out-of-state students, UD ranks No. 8, just behind the University of Virginia and just ahead of Texas A&M University.

For in-state students, UD ranks No. 20, just behind the University of Wisconsin Madison and just ahead of the University of California Irvine.

The University of North Carolina Chapel Hill topped the Kiplinger's 100 list as a best value for in-state students and the State University of New York Geneseo topped the list for out-of-state students.

The rankings are available in the February 2008 issue of Kiplinger's Personal Finance, which is now on newsstands, and at the magazine's Web site [www.kiplinger.com](http://www.kiplinger.com).

### Politics of climate change focus of spring lectures

The University of Delaware's Global Agenda speaker series on foreign affairs will turn a heated lens on global warming this spring semester with lectures from seven visiting experts in the field.

Titled "Boiling Point: International Politics of Climate Change," the spring 2008 series, which kicks off Wednesday, Feb. 27, is organized and mediated by Ralph Begleiter, Rosenberg Professor of Communication and Distinguished Journalist in Residence at UD. All lectures begin at 7:30 p.m. on the desig-

nated Wednesday, and are held at Mitchell Hall, South College Avenue at Amstel Avenue, on UD's Newark campus.

The following is the schedule and lineup of the speakers.

Wednesday, Feb. 27: Rajendra K. Pachauri, chairperson of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning International Panel on Climate Change, will lecture on the findings by the United Nations group of scientists whose reports on global warming have focused worldwide attention on the problem—and humanity's responsibility for it.

Wednesday, March 12: Andrew Revkin, environmental and climate correspondent for The New York Times and author of several books and a blog on environmental affairs, will lecture on the role the media plays in climate change.

Wednesday, March 27: Janet Hall, senior policy adviser at the United Nations Foundation in Washington, D.C., will lecture on special challenges faced by the poorest nations in the fight against global warming.

Wednesday, April 9: John Byrne, director of the Center for Energy and Environmental Policy at UD and Distinguished Professor of Public Policy at UD, as well as a member of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning International Panel on Climate Change, will lecture on the importance of making sustainable energy into public policy.

Wednesday, April 23: This speaker, to be announced, will address the national security implications of climate change.

Wednesday, May 7: John Hofmeister, president of Shell Oil Company and adviser to the American Petroleum Institute and the U.S. Department of Energy, will lecture on achieving energy security through sound public policy.

Wednesday, May 14: Speaker and topic to be announced.

The series is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.udel.edu/global](http://www.udel.edu/global).

## Students travel to Argentina and Antarctica for study abroad

For 25 University of Delaware students and their two professors — Jacob Bowman, associate professor of entomology and wildlife ecology, and Jonathan Cox, supplemental art faculty — Friday, Jan. 4, was not a typical first day of class. At 4 p.m., they boarded a plane at New York's JFK airport heading for Argentina and Antarctica as part of the University of Delaware Winter Session Study Abroad Program.

The group departed Argentina from its port city of Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, headed toward the South Pole. Ushuaia is often referred to as the "Gateway to the Antarctic" because of the port's popularity as a departure point southward.

The timing of this trip coincides with the International Polar Year (IPY), a worldwide scientific program that focuses on physical, biological and social research of the Arctic and Antarctic. To cover the breadth of science occurring at the poles, IPY actually runs from March 2007 to March 2009. The program comprises the efforts of 200 projects being conducted by more than 60 nations. And while students are not going to the geographic South Pole, they will set foot on the Antarctic Peninsula and will experience polar science on their journey.

The Antarctic portion of their trip will end on Jan. 16, when



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Twenty-five students from the University of Delaware and two professors traveled to Argentina and Antarctica as part of the University of Delaware Winter Session Study Abroad Program.

the group returns to Ushuaia and spends the remainder of the session backpacking through small towns and parks. Local guides will be on hand to ensure a true Argentinean experience.

Four courses are offered through this study abroad program: Nature/Wildlife Photography, Advanced Wildlife Photography, Wildlife Conservation: An International Perspective, and Communication of Natural Resource Issues. All students are required to take the communications course and then either focus on wildlife conservation or photography.

While offered and led by the College of Agriculture and

Natural Resources, the students come from diverse majors. The group includes 11 students from the college, majoring in wildlife conservation or animal science; the remainder, more than half of the students, are from other colleges at the University.

To learn about the adventures of students on a UD Study Abroad Program in Brazil, check out their blog at <http://landscapesofbrazil.blogspot.com>.

To follow the journey of UD students studying in Turkey and Greece, go to [http://www.udel.edu/global/turkey/Turkey\\_Abroad/Blog/Blog.html](http://www.udel.edu/global/turkey/Turkey_Abroad/Blog/Blog.html).

## Doctoral student receives award

Michelle O'Malley, a doctoral student in chemical engineering at the University of Delaware, has won a \$500 student travel award to attend the Joint Meeting of the Biophysical Society and the International Biophysics Congress in Long Beach, Calif., being held Feb. 2-6.

The meeting is the world's largest gathering of biophysicists, with more than 6,000 attendees anticipated this year, according to conference organizers.

Biophysicists use the ideas and methods of physics and chemistry to study and explain the structure and behavior of living organisms and the mechanisms of biological processes. They often explore biological questions at the molecular level, from analyz-

ing tumors to deciphering protein structures.

Fifty-four students representing universities in the United States, Austria, Canada, Germany, India, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom were selected by the Biophysical Society to receive the competitive award, which is based on scientific merit.

O'Malley's presentation will highlight her research on G-protein coupled receptors (GPCRs). These proteins, which reside in the cell membrane, are linked to HIV, heart disease, diabetes and other diseases.

According to researchers, more than half of all the pharmaceuticals on the market affect these proteins in some way; however, detailed information about

their structure is not yet available. Such information could foster the design of more effective, disease-fighting therapeutics.

As part of a research project led by her adviser, Anne Skaja Robinson, associate professor of chemical engineering, O'Malley is working to grow human GPCRs in yeast in order to garner sufficient quantities of the protein for laboratory analysis. Ultimately, researchers in the Robinson laboratory hope to use these methods to obtain a snapshot of what these proteins look like at the atomic level.

This latest award is one of several honors that O'Malley has received recently.



## IN THE NEWS

# A colorful Main Street scene

'Painter of American traditions' portrays Newark

By CHRISTINE NEFF

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Folk art, said Carol Dyer, a contemporary artist well known for the craft, often revolves around tradition and celebration, two things Newark will be immersed in this year as the city honors its 250th anniversary.

It's appropriate, then, that Dyer, "a painter of early American traditions," has portrayed some of Newark's most treasured traditions in a colorful, lively piece of folk art commissioned by Mayor Vance A. Funk III. Prints of her painting are available now to the public.

Dyer's art provides a colorful, idyllic look at America of 100 years ago. Dozens of characters bring her city streets, maritime ports and small town scenes to life, and many of her paintings include recognizable buildings from the towns she depicts.

"I don't know how this evolved," she said, laughing, of her style. "Maybe, I'm a frustrated architect. Actually, I think it's my personality. Carefree, fun-loving, but I can also do a lot of precise work."

Dyer describes herself as "a grandmother who paints seven days a week." Self-trained, she has been "extremely lucky" in her career as an artist, she said, but

she's also extremely talented.

Her work has been commissioned by the Library of Congress, displayed in private and public collections around the country and can be seen in her new book, "Album of American Traditions." She's even been to the White House for breakfast as a guest of First Lady Laura Bush.

Mayor Vance A. Funk first saw Dyer's work while shopping for art for his Bethany Beach home. "We went to a local store that had artwork by different people, and I saw a print that she had done for Bethany Beach and really loved it," he said.

A few years later, when he started organizing events for Newark's 250th anniversary, he decided to commission Dyer to do a special painting for the city. He tracked down her address through the beach gallery and sent off several letters to her Washington, D.C., area home. The letter went unanswered, so a persistent Funk went back to the art gallery for advice on reaching the artist.

"The girl there said, 'there's an easy way to solve your problem. She has a house only a few blocks from where you live in Bethany Beach,'" said Funk.

So, he contacted Dyer about the project. Soon after, she came to Newark for the weekend and photographed buildings she thought would look good in the painting.

"Don't you know, everything I photographed — those were the (buildings) he wanted, so it was absolutely meant to be," said



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY CHRISTINE NEFF

The painting of Newark by Carol Dyer is on display now in the lobby of City Hall. Prints can be purchased at the Planning Department in City Hall, Mayor Vance Funk's law office on Main Street and from the Newark Arts Alliance.

Dyer.

The Mayor complemented the photographs with historic information and old pictures of the buildings so Dyer could get a feel for their role in Newark's history.

After the research, she started

mapping out the painting. "All of a sudden, it becomes a story," she said. "All of my paintings relate to the story of where I'm painting."

Newark's "story" unfolds in a colorful, cheerful scene. The blue and gold University of Delaware

marching band leads a parade down Main Street, followed by the Mayor of Newark and a Bing's Bakery truck. Recognizable buildings line the street — Rhodes Drug Store, the Green Mansion, Old College, Newark Academy, the Newark United Methodist Church and more.

"When looking at the painting of Newark — or any other painting — you should look at it like you read a book. There are stories all over the page," she said.

Dyer called the Newark painting a "fun one to do." Funk said he was thrilled by the way it turned out. "It was beyond my imagination it would even turn out this good," he said.

He gave out copies of the print to businesses featured in the painting. And, already, he said, he has sold more than 60 copies.

Prints are available for purchase in the Planning Department in Newark's City Hall on Elkon Road, in Mayor Funk's Law Office at 273 East Main Street, and at the Newark Arts Alliance. Signed prints are \$100; Unsigned prints are available at \$50 each.

Carol Dyer will be exhibiting her work at the McBride Gallery in Annapolis, Md., April 27 through May 11. For more information about her art, visit [www.caroldyerart.com](http://www.caroldyerart.com).

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## IN THE NEWS

## Health rocks with 4-H

Delaware 4-H is looking for teens, ages 13 and up, who are interested in developing important life skills and earning \$100 or more by teaching the 4-H Health Rocks curriculum to youth in out-of-school sessions.

"Health Rocks!" is a curriculum-based life skills development program for youth ages 8 to 12, sponsored by the National 4-H Council. Health Rocks helps youth learn life skills such as

decision-making, critical thinking, and stress management, but places a special emphasis on tobacco-use prevention.

The program also includes components that bring youth and adults together as partners in developing community strategies that prepare young people to make healthy lifestyle choices.

Delaware 4-H will provide training to teens in how to deliver the curriculum and assist them

as necessary to find sites that are interested in having the curriculum delivered, including after-school programs, church groups and more.

Health Rocks can be taught anywhere in the state. Teens do not have to be a member of 4-H to participate. For more information on Health Rocks, please contact the 4-H Health Rocks Coordinator, Karen Johnston at krjohn@udel.edu or call 831-8866.

## Newark hotel wins prestigious award

The Courtyard Newark at the University of Delaware qualified for the Marriott Platinum Award for exceptional guest service in 2007. This is the second year in a row the hotel, now in its third year, has won this prestigious award.

The hotel was ranked 16th globally out of the 708 Courtyard Hotels and fifth in the eastern region. The score is based on direct feedback from guests and the hotel.

The award will be presented formally to the hotel at the Marriott General Managers Meeting in March 2008.



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Tracy Holmes, director of hotel operations, and Bill Sullivan, hotel managing director.

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## IN THE NEWS

# Newark Day reaches 80 percent of campaign goal

Pre-school children dropping spare change into a donation jug is just part of the community support Newark Day Nursery and Children's Center has received during a capital campaign to raise nearly \$800,000.

Campaign co-chairs Cathy Wojewodzki and Charlene Benson, announced last week that the campaign for the non-

profit center has raised \$604,000 – about 80 percent of the goal – in just nine months.

Funds will be used for numerous projects to improve safety and quality of the children's care and education at the daycare facility on Barksdale Road.

Planned improvements include better security systems, higher energy efficiency, mod-

ern kitchen equipment, enhancements to the four playgrounds and new classroom learning environments.

The center serves about 300 children from families with diverse economic and cultural backgrounds each year. About 110 kids – ranging in age from six weeks to 5 years old – participate in the early childhood education

program; 55 children are enrolled in New Castle County Headstart, which has several classrooms at the facility. The center also offers before and after-school programs and hosts a summer camp for school-aged children.

The daycare depends on donations and corporate support to help cover expenses not paid by parent fees.

Even with this tremendous support thus far, campaign volunteers acknowledge the last 20 percent of the goal will be the most challenging to meet.

Any one interested in volunteering to help or to contribute should contact the center at 302 731 4925 or email cabarlow@newarkdaynursery.org.

## Nominees wanted for women's conference

The 24th annual Delaware Women's Conference will be held on March 1, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the University of Delaware's Clayton Hall.

This year's theme is Women Unite! No Borders, No Boundaries. Mariane Pearl, award-winning

international journalist and noted author, will attend this year as keynote speaker.

One of the highlights of the conference is recognizing one woman who has made a significant contribution to the development and improvement of the Delaware community.

Nominations are being accepted for the 2008 Impact Your Community Award. Nominees should be someone who has made a difference in the lives of Delaware residents, is committed and focused on giving to the community and gaining from the experience.

Her service must address human service or civil needs/issues. The nominee should have proven success in leading and mobilizing members of the community. The nomination must reflect accomplishments achieved on a voluntary, not employment basis and the nominee should be

seen as a role model to others in their organization or community.

Visit the Delaware Women's Conference Web site at [www.delawarewomen.org](http://www.delawarewomen.org) to obtain the nomination form and more information about the Conference. Deadline for nominations is Feb. 15.

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# Sports

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## Mayer remembered fondly

By TOM TOMASHEK

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The editorial "I" article has never been my thing, but when something becomes profoundly personal it's a policy worth abandoning, so let it be recorded that I will miss Vincent L. "Winnie" Mayer, who Friday night died at age 98.

In my 30 years as a Delawarean, nearly 25 of them as the beat reporter for University of Delaware athletics, he was one of the kindest, most considerate and supportive individuals with whom I associated on the job, always quick with a compliment and never wont to criticize. Not that it makes me unique because Winnie was that way with everyone he knew or met. He greeted individuals with that engaging smile, a firm handshake, and conversation focused on the positive.



Tomashek

Winnie Mayer's legacy is a mixture of many things involved with his commitment to family, business, and community, but many will remember him best for his unyielding loyalty to University of Delaware and Blue Hen athletics. He was just as much of a Blue Hen football fan in 1983, when Delaware endured a rare losing season, as he was in any of the program's championship seasons. Blue Hen basketball was certainly more entertaining for him to watch over the last couple decades than it was before the late 1980s, but he was never one to demean or mock Delaware's hapless basketball past.

In an interview two years ago, he expressed a trace of dismay regarding the increase of transfers into the Blue Hen football program, but he conceded that it was a sign of the times and emphasized that in no way was a criticism of coach K.C. Keeler. It can be safely said that even down to the last transfer to whom he was introduced, he seldom -- if ever -- met a Blue Hen athlete he didn't like, but he did have some favorites. In the same interview, when asked about his favorite

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## Former Newark football players honored

By TOM TOMASHEK

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Two former Newark High School football players have gained All-American recognition on the collegiate level.

Jon Lanouette and Chet Turner, now teammates with the Wesley College Wolverines, received the honor for their contributions to the team's outstanding success during the recently completed 2007 season.

The Wolverines finished with an 11-2 record, received their

third consecutive NCAA Division III playoff berth and captured a third straight Atlantic Central Football Conference title. The team also won a Lambert Award as the top Division III team in the East for the first time.

Turner, a junior cornerback, and Lanouette, a junior tight end, were both selected as Honorable Mention members of the D3football.com All-American squad.

Wolverine head coach Mike Drass credited Turner with solidifying the team's defensive backfield.

"Chet did a tremendous job in covering the opponents' top receivers, and was successful in winning his battles all season."

Turner was also selected to the D3football.com's first team for the All-South Region team, and Lanouette was named to the second team.

Both players were also selected as All-Conference First team members in their respective positions.

Turner was credited this season with 47 total tackles, six interceptions and 11 pass break-ups in 13 games.

Lanouette caught 39 passes for 506 yards and six touchdowns in 12 games.

Drass said Lanouette has exceptional skills as a receiver and as a blocker on running plays.

"John didn't have huge numbers like before, but he caught a lot of key passes for us that kept scoring drives alive and he was a terrific blocker for our tailbacks," said Drass.

The awards were announced at the Wolverines' annual post-season banquet held on the Dover campus.

## Sallies edges St. Mark's in boys hoops



Kyle Sullivan looks to drive to the basket during the Spartans' Monday night game against Salesianum.

Salesianum holds on in tight, defensive Catholic Conference rivalry game

Salesianum jumped to a quick lead and then held on down the stretch to gain a 35-29 victory over St. Mark's in a Catholic Conference boys basketball game Monday night at St. Mark's High.

The game was moved from Friday night to Monday night due to the passing of long-time Salesianum coach and teacher Father Kenney.

The Sales opened up an early lead by holding the Spartans to just four points in the first quarter.

St. Mark's, though, hung tough and entered the fourth quarter trailing just 18-15 in a low-scoring contest.

Both teams, however, nearly doubled their point totals in the fourth quarter with Salesianum out-scoring St. Mark's 17-14 over the final eight minutes.

## Newark wrestling phenom having success at Smyrna

By TOM TOMASHEK

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Kurt Howell will return to Newark this Thursday evening in a homecoming of sorts, leading his Smyrna wrestling team against St. Mark's in a marquee state high school dual meet.

Howell was raised in Newark, attending Newark High where he

wrestled for the Yellowjackets and compiled a 108-0 individual career record. A banner with his name and record still hangs from a wall in the NHS gymnasium where St. Mark's often challenged the one-time prodigy and his teammates for four seasons.

Howell, however, looks at this visit as a business trip to familiar representing the town he and his family now call home.

"I miss Newark and some of the memories, and my mom [Bev] still lives here," he said early this week. "But I'm happy down here," he said. "It's a great community and the really appreciate and support wrestling. In fact, I always had a soft spot for Smyrna when we came down here to wrestle. I saw how much support they had and it made me jealous."

Howell went to Minnesota after an All-American career at Clemson University, earned his masters degree and his teaching credentials before returning to Delaware. He started in the Shelbyville Middle School until moving over to Indian River where he taught and coached wrestling for six years. Four years

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## SPORTS

# Howell was 108-0 at Newark; now coaching at Smyrna

## ▶ HOWELL, from 18

ago, he got an offer from Smyrna which he accepted, putting him closer to his mom and his brother, Dick, wrestling coach at nearby Caesar Rodney.

Smyrna wrestling has prospered in his brief tenure. Howell, who has 33 wrestlers in the practice room, said that to wrestle is a status symbol at his school but the wrestlers know that to become successful means sacrifice. He also is delighted by the support of parents and the general community. He can't imagine

## Mayer was always a big supporter of UD athletic teams

## ▶ TOMASHEK, from 18

Blue Hen quarterbacks, Winnie skipped the obvious choices of Tom DiMuzio, Scott Brunner, Rich Gannon and Andy Hall and singled out Bill Vergantino. Winnie loved the throwback kind of athlete, a quality the diminutive but gritty quarterback demonstrated during his four years as a Blue Hen starter.

Until physical woes slowed him down, he frequently attended Blue Hen football, basketball and baseball contests, and no matter what the scoreboard or thermometer read, he never abandoned his trademark smile or dwelled on the negative.

Sitting next to Winnie in a competitive venue or sharing a restaurant table with him on a Blue Hen football road trip was frequently a history lesson about Newark and the university from which he graduated in 1933. He loved to discuss his competitive days, but almost always in the context of the era rather than a glimpse at his personal prowess. He was proud to have been part of the UD athletic program, but took greater pride in how it had progressed under the guidance of many coaches and administrators for whom he expressed respect. He was a member of the Blue Hen past who rallied fans to support Blue Hen teams and team leaders of the present.

When an individual dies, the emphasis is generally on the positive, and whatever flaws he or she might have possessed are justifiably tossed aside. As for a tribute to Winnie Mayer's, it's an indisputable case of so many positive traits and so little space to record them, and in no way is embellishment necessary to honor him. As for my association with the gentle gentleman, he helped make my professional career gratifying and personally made me feel comfortable, and this commentary is an abbreviated statement of why I will miss Winnie Mayer.

many schools having a situation such as Smyrna where parents vie for the right to wear the school's eagle mascot uniform and run around flapping the wings.

"It's really an exciting year," Howell said not long after his team routed William Penn. "We've moved up to Division I where all the teams are pretty well evenly matched. Our match with St. Mark's should be close. It could be a blowout for them, but if our kids come to wrestle we could win."

Howell believes the quality of top-notch wrestlers has improved from his days at Newark High, explaining that technique has become so much more sophisticated that high school boys must begin competing before their freshmen year if they hope to be competitive at the state level.

Conversely, he is skeptical about the open enrollment rule that affords the athlete opportunity to transfer to a school where he deems he can be more competitive.

"I can't remember who said it, but someone said, 'It's crazy that you have to recruit your own kids, to get them to stay in their own school,'" Howell said. "But some people, determined to do what they believe is best for their kids, will send them to a school where they think they'll have a better coach."

"My dad [the late Dick Howell] found somebody to help make me a better wrestler, but he didn't question the [Newark] program's integrity. I went to the school where I could be with my friends. I know we have a team that is together. Some schools

have lost that sense of community and it's too bad."

High school coaches have begun getting their wrestlers more competition by staging weekend quadrangular events and mini-tournaments. Howell doesn't question the value of increased competition, but he still favors keeping marquee duals such as Smyrna-St. Mark's and Smyrna-Caesar Rodney on the schedule. The latter has become one of the major events on the state calendar since it pits Kurt against his brother.

"I don't think you need Dick versus Kurt to make it the great match that it usually is," Howell said, "but having two Howells involved probably helps."

Splitting the team tournament and the individual state championships is a welcome change to

Howell from the days when team and individual titles were decided in the same competition. "In the state team tournament, everyone in your lineup has an opportunity to contribute in some way," Howell said, "but in individual competition, it's strictly about determining the best wrestlers."

"I know when you go to the NCAA Championships you're just looking for great matches. You're not concerned about the team standings."

Thursday night, it's about team competition. Kurt Howell learned what St. Mark's wrestling is all about during his days at Newark High. He always found a way to beat St. Mark's on his own, now he hopes that he's given his Smyrna team the necessary training to do the same.

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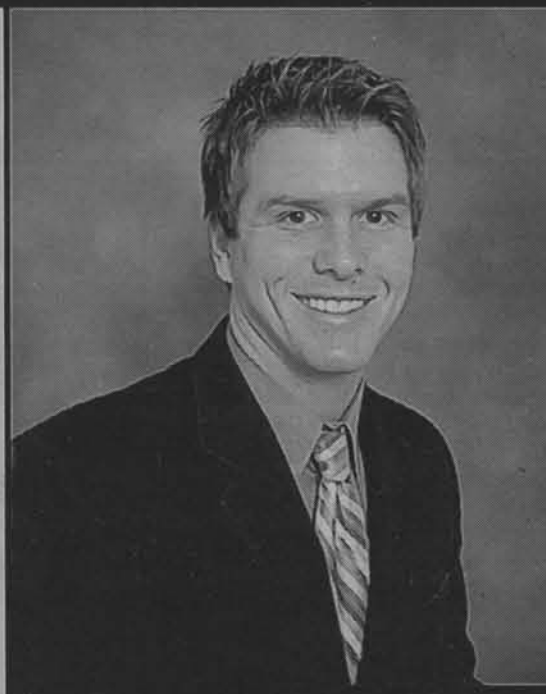
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### Ralph D. Brown

Ralph D. Brown, 71, of Lantana, Texas, formerly of Newark, died at his home in Lantana on Dec. 20, 2007.

He was born on June 10, 1932, in Brockton, Mass. He was formerly employed with Novartis in Newport.

He is survived by his wife, Benita Brown; two daughters, Denise Hennesy of Argyle, Texas and Debra Engel of Seaford; and five grandchildren, Erin and Molly Hennesy, Douglas, Daniel and Kelley Snyder.

A memorial service was held on Friday, Jan. 4, at St. Philips the Apostle Roman Catholic

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## Vincent L. Mayer, Delaware Sports Hall-of-Famer

Vincent L. "Winnie" Mayer, 98, of Newark, died on Friday, Jan. 18, 2008.

Born in Frogtown, Md., on Sept. 14, 1909, he was the son of the late Pauline A. (Reager) and John Mayer. After graduating from Newark High School, he enrolled at the University of Delaware, where he became one of the most outstanding athletes in the school's history. He was a three-year letter winner in football and led the Blue Hens to the Class B Eastern Title in 1931. He was also a standout baseball player and received a letter in that sport in 1931.

Mayer earned his bachelor's degree in agriculture in 1933 and worked on his family's dairy farm for a time before establishing his own land-

scaping firm. He continued in professional landscaping, designing some of the area's most beautiful grounds and parks, including All Saints and Cathedral Cemeteries, until his retirement. He also worked as a state extension agent for many years and managed the Mayer family farm on Elkton Road.

Throughout his life, Mayer remained the Blue Hens' most ardent and well-known supporter. He was the founder of the Newark Touchdown Club and until recently attended all home and away football games, where he and his wife, Jean, were beloved and welcome figures in the stands. In 1989, he was named to Delaware's All-Time football team and, in 1997, was inducted into the inaugural class

of the Athletics Hall of Fame. In a 1997 interview, Mayer noted that "continued interest in the Delaware football program has helped make my golden years good ones." For his significant contributions to Delaware sports and to the community, he was awarded the University of Delaware Medal of Distinction in 2001. He was further honored for his outstanding athletic career in May 2007 when he was named to the Delaware Sports Hall of Fame.

After a lifetime as a community leader, Mayer again made headlines in 2004, when, at age 95, he fought off a burglar in his Newark home by striking the intruder repeatedly with his wife's cane. Though he suffered some minor injuries in the

struggle, Mayer regarded the incident with good humor and joked that "I would've taken him down on the football field." Mayer was a member of the Newark Country Club and a former member of the Newark Rotary Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean Lentz Mayer, in 2007, and by four brothers, Frank, John, Arthur and Eugene. He is survived by his brother, Eric G. Mayer of Newark; and many devoted nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at St. John the Baptist R.C. Church, Newark. Interment followed in All Saints Cemetery, 6001 Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington.

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**Richard Cutts III**

Richard Cutts III, 72, of Newark, died on Friday, Jan. 18, 2008, at his home.

He was born in Mount Vernon, N.Y., on March 8, 1935, son of the late Richard Cutts, Jr. and Esther Schwier Cutts. A graduate of the Army Language School in Monterey, Calif., he proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1962, serving for a time in the Office of the Army Attache at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, Iran.

He received his bachelor's degree in history from the University of Colorado and later his master's degree in hospital administration from the University of Michigan. As a hospital administrator and project director, he enjoyed a varied and international career, working for such institutions as the Detroit-Macomb Hospitals Association, the Wilmington Medical Center, the Greater Baltimore Medical Center, al-Mutabagani Health Services in Jubail, Saudi Arabia, and the al Fanateer Project, International Hospitals Group in the United Kingdom.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Silke M. Gerken Cutts; daughter, Christina E. Cutts of

Rehoboth Beach; son, Richard K. Cutts of Julian, N.C.; grandson, Connor R. Cutts of Rehoboth Beach; stepson, Gernot Jobst and his wife, Laurie, of Newark; two stepdaughters, Ulrike Spencer and her husband, Chris, of Dover; and Sabine Casazza and husband, Chris, of Indianapolis, Ind.; and six stepgrandchildren, Emily, Hannah and Abigail Jobst, and Shannon, Alexa and Breanna Casazza. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Elizabeth Cutts.

The funeral service and interment were held privately.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 1501 Casho Mill Rd., Ste. 1, Newark, DE 19711.

**James Dacus**

James "Tex" Dacus, 69, of Newark, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2008.

He retired from Carpenters Union Local #626, Wilmington.

Survivors include his children, Cheryl Dacus and Alvin Dacus, both of New Hebron, Miss.; Harvey Dacus of Washington and Carmon Hackett of Washington, D.C.; siblings, Beatrice Chavis, Eugene Howard Dacus and Eldreth Dacus; several grandchildren; and longtime companion, Delores V. Smith of Newark.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Jan. 22, at Hicks Home For Funerals in Elkton, Md. 21921. Interment followed in Gilpin Manor Memorial Park, Elkton.

Contributions may be made to Northern Chesapeake Hospice Foundation, c/o the funeral home.

**William E. Knarr**

William E. Knarr, 78, of Newark, died on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008, at Beebe Medical Center

in Lewes.

Born in Schuylkill Haven, Pa., on Jan. 14, 1929, he was a son of the late Emanuel W. Knarr and Maude Lengle Knarr. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, spending much of his military career stationed at Parris Island. A graduate of Penn State University, he was an accountant by profession and worked for the DuPont Company for 33 years until his retirement in 1985. He was a lifelong member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, where he had served as treasurer on the church council. He was also a member of the Delaware Saengerbund and the Newark Senior Center. An avid sports enthusiast, he coached in the Newark National Little League from 1964 to 1967 and was a fan of University of Delaware football.

His wife, Mary Jane E. Asief Knarr, died in 2005. He is survived by three sons, William M. Knarr and wife, Wendy, of Verona, Va., John F. Knarr and wife, Amelia, of Lewes and James E. Knarr and wife, Linda, of Bear; and six grandchildren, William, Shannon, Diane, Hunter, Katherine and Konner Knarr.

A funeral service was held on Friday, Jan. 18, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 701 S. College Avenue, Newark. Interment followed in Silverbrook Cemetery, Lancaster Ave. and DuPont Rd., Wilmington.

Contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 701 S. College Avenue, Newark, DE 19713.

**Marlene Ann Mitchell**

Marlene Ann Mitchell, 70, of Newark, died on Monday, Jan. 14, 2008, at Christiana Hospital.

She was born in St. Paul, Minn., on March 16, 1937, the

daughter of the late Francis and Kathleen Haggemiller. She was a member of the Newark Charitable and Social Club. She attended St. Thomas Moore Oratory.

She is survived by three sons, Stephen Mitchell and his wife, Ann, of Bear, Thomas Mitchell and his wife, Christine, of Kansas City, Mo., and James Mitchell and his wife, Rebecca, of Lakeland, Fla.; and a daughter, Margaret Jarrell and husband, John, of Newark; 10 grandchildren, Lisa, Anna, Matthew, Christopher, Ryan, Sarah, Brooke, Luke, Jeremy and Dylan. She also leaves behind two sisters, Joanne Steen of Lakeville, Minn., and Mary McCarthy of Gloucester, Va. She was preceded in death by her husband of 31 years, Ronald Mitchell, who died in 1989; and her sister, Mary Kathleen.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. John's Catholic Church, East Main & Chapel St., Newark, on Saturday, Jan. 19. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery.

**Chester W. Myers Sr.**

Chester W. Myers Sr., 52, of Newark, died on Monday, Jan. 7, 2008, at Heartland Hospice House. A funeral service was held on Wednesday, Jan. 16, at The House of Wright Mortuary, 208 E. 35th St., Wilmington.

**Clarinda Elizabeth Paxton**

Clarinda Elizabeth Paxton, 73, of Newark, died on Saturday, Jan. 12, 2008, at Christiana Hospital.

She was born in Gap Mills, W.Va., the daughter of Nellie Mae Baker of Roanoke, Va., and the late Edwin Curry Baker. Paxton

was a homemaker for 53 years and a faithful member and volunteer of Ogletown Baptist Church and Friendship Baptist Church.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her husband of 53 years, David W. Paxton of Newark; three daughters, Linda Paxton of Columbus, Ohio, Janis McGovern and her husband, Ron, and Lorrie Williams and her husband, Fran, both of Wilmington; seven grandchildren, Lisa Sanden and her husband, Ron, Kathy Ray and her husband, Jason, Susan Sawyer, Devon Williams, Matthew Williams and his wife, Ashley, Kelly and Michael McGovern; eight great-grandchildren, Brooke, Gabrielle, Aden, Emily, Nathan, Riley, Rian and Elizabeth. She also leaves behind her sister, Nancy Puckett and her husband, Jim, of Roanoke, Va.

A funeral service was held on Friday, Jan. 18, at R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home, 122 West Main St., Newark. Burial followed at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Charitable contributions may be made to Ogletown Baptist Church Building Fund c/o the funeral home.

**David Steven Wilson Sr.**

David Steven Wilson Sr. died on Jan. 15, 2008.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, Jan. 24, 2008, at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Road, Newark. Burial followed at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Contributions may be sent to Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home to assist the family with expenses.

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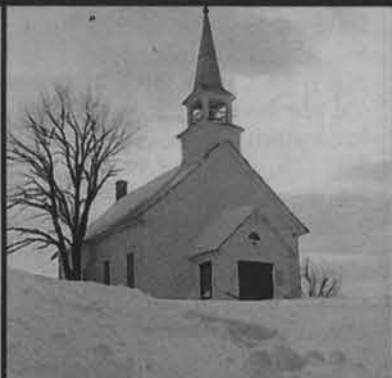


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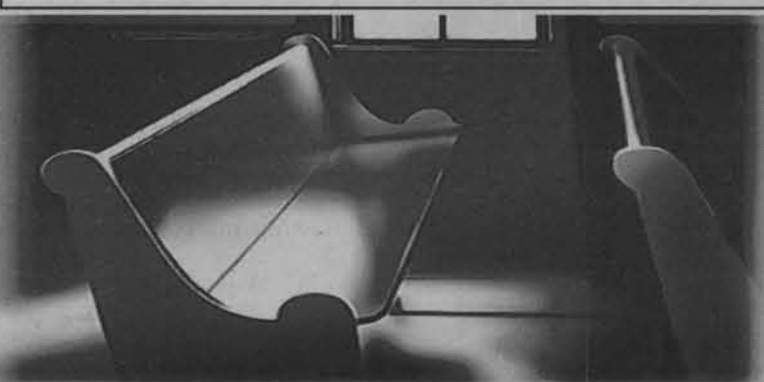


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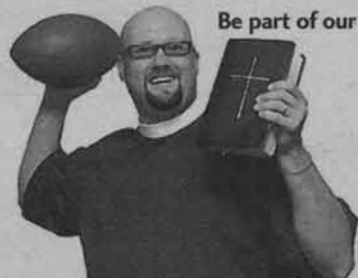
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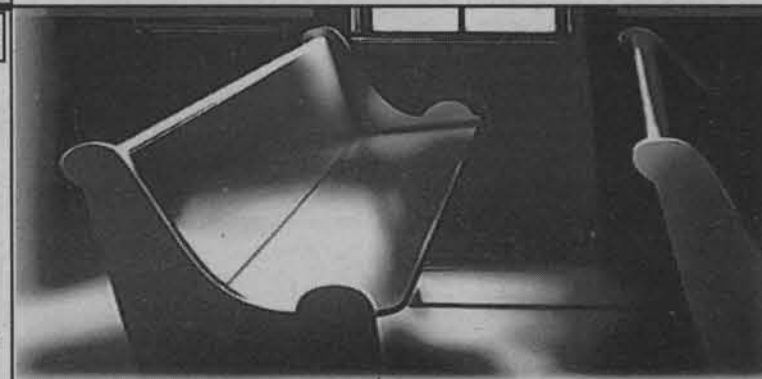
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The facility opened to the public in September. Members of New Castle County Chamber of Commerce joined the staff for an official ribbon-cutting last Monday.

LaBarre Everette, marketing director for Simon Eye, said the company was going in a “new direction” with their new locations by including retail sales in addition to eye care and exams.

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Staff at the new Simon Eye Associates on Haines Street in Newark were joined by members of the New Castle County Chamber of Commerce for a grand opening event held last week.

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all eye health of the Delaware community.

For more information, visit the Web site at [www.simoneye.com](http://www.simoneye.com).

## OBITS, from 21

### Mary Janet Vail

Mary Janet Vail, 81, of Newark, formerly of Florida and Ohio, died at home on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2008.

She was born in Toledo, Ohio, to the late John and Emma (Schilling) McFarland. Her husband of 51 years, Edwin George Vail, and her granddaughter, Carly Michelle Rose Vail, also preceded her in death. She was a 1947 graduate of the University of Toledo. She was an elementary school teacher for more than 30 years, and was a member of the Chi Omega Sorority and the Bay County, Florida Teachers Association. She attended Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church in Bear.

She is survived by her daughter, Valerie A. Gray and husband, Jim, of Newark; four sons, E. Jay Vail and wife, Gail, of Tallahassee, Fla., Thomas C. Vail and wife, Patricia, of San Antonio, Texas, Michael A. Vail and wife, Christa, of Zephyrhills, Fla., and Richard A. Vail and wife, Cheri, of Baltimore, Md.; and 11 grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, Jan. 19, at the Beeson Funeral Home of Newark, 2053 Pulaski Hwy, Rt. 40. Interment was private.

Contributions may be made to Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810.

### Charles Richard Wolhar

Charles Richard Wolhar, 62, of Newark, died at home on Monday, Jan. 14, 2008.

He was born in Wilmington on Feb. 1, 1945, the son of the late Charles R. Wolhar and Doris Taylor Wolhar. A 1962 graduate of Salesianum High School, he attended the University of Delaware and later proudly served his country in the National Guard for six years. He was employed with Avon Corporation in Newark for 37 years until his retirement in 2001.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Viva E. Straitiff Wolhar; his daughter, Joy R. Wolf and her husband, Craig, of Ocean City, Md.; his sister, Joan M. Mayer and her husband, Ronald, of Newark; and his granddaughter, Elana Arielle Wolf.

A funeral service was held on Friday, Jan. 18, at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 121 West Park Place, Newark.

Contributions may be made to The Elana Arielle Wolf Fund, c/o Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 121 W. Park Place, Newark, DE 19711.

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## Delaware Department of Transportation

Carolann Wicks, P.E.  
Secretary

### PUBLIC HEARING

For The Abandonment & Vacation of a Portion of New Castle County Road 317/Old Milltown Road



**Tuesday, February 5, 2008  
10:00 AM**

(Snow Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.)

**Canal District DelDOT Administration Building,  
Basement Conference Room  
Bear, Delaware**

**WHEREAS**, The Delaware Department of Transportation, (DelDOT) has custody and control of New Castle County Road 317; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward S. Marshall has petitioned DelDOT to consider the vacation and abandonment of a portion of New Castle County Road 317/Old Milltown Road. The area is referenced as follows: beginning at the point of intersection of Pike Creek Road and New Castle County Road 317/Old Milltown Road, proceeding in a north-easterly direction, approximately 264 +/- linear feet to the intersection of re-constructed Old Milltown Road.

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by DelDOT that a Public Hearing shall be held with regard to the proposed vacation and abandonment of a portion of New Castle County Road 317/Old Milltown Road. The hearing will be held at the Canal DelDOT Administration Building (Basement conference room), located at 250 Bear-Christiana Road, Bear, Delaware, on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. (Snow Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.). Public comments concerning this matter will be received at this time.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Carolann Wicks, Secretary

Ralph Reeb, Director, Division of Planning

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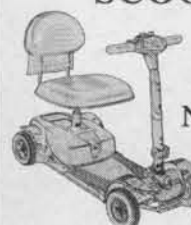
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TO

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Alana Lynne Montgom-

ery

Alicia Montgomery

Petitioner

Dated: Dec. 27, 2007

np 1/11,18,25

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

IN RE: CHANGE OF  
NAME OF

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PETITIONER(S)  
TO

Christine Ludwig

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change his/her name to

Christine Ludwig.

Christine

Ludwig-Diciasare

Christine Ludwig

Petitioner

Dated: January 4, 08

np 1/11,18,25

## CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE

### COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

January 28, 2008 - 7:30 p.m.

#### 1. SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF

#### ALLEGIANCE

#### 2. CITY SECRETARY'S MINUTES FOR COUN-

#### CIL APPROVAL:

A. Regular Council Meeting of January 14, 2008

#### 3. ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:

A. Public (5 minutes per speaker)

B. University

(1) Administration

(2) Student Body Representative

C. Council Members

#### 4. ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS

#### MEETING: None

#### 5. RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS

#### & BIDS:

A. Recommendation on Phase II Services as

Associated with RFP No. 06-05, Engineer-

ing Services for the Development of Repair

Alternatives for Two Sanitary Sewer Creek

Crossings

#### 6. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING &

#### PUBLIC HEARING: None

#### \*7. PLANNING COMMISSION/DEPART-

#### MENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Request of Ryan German for a Special Use

Permit for Caffè Gelato, Located at 90 E.

Main Street, In Order to Extend the Clos-

ing Time for the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages

from Midnight to 1:00 a.m.

#### 8. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:

A. Bill 08-01 - An Ordinance Amending Ch.

27, Subdivisions, By Clarifying the Time

Limits for Construction Improvements

& the City's Authority to Utilize the Devel-

## PUBLIC AUCTION

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toys

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spring, headboard, mattress, upholstered chair,

chest of drawers, night table

1130 - Leon Smith - 10+ bags, boxspring, mat-

tress, kitchen chair, clothing, dresser, table lamp,

microwave, stereo, 5+ totes

1081 - Pauline C. Henry - 20+ bags, 5+ boxes,

6+ totes

1051 - Shaunta' Jones - bed frame, boxspring,

mattress, 10+ boxes, sofa, speakers, stereo,

stool, 5+ totes, portable TV

2057 - James D. Greene - baby playpen, 20+

bags, 10+ boxes, clothing, rug, speakers, night

table, big screen TV, portable TV

5079 - Theophilus T. Strand - 10+ boxes, fan,

floor lamp, vacuum

np 1/18,25

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tioner, stereo

C005 - Tara Newberry - boxes, desk, office,

chair, dresser, coffee table

C032 - Susan Bonnett - boxes, totes, ottoman

C044 - Keri Ann Benedekovits - bed, exercise

equipment, boxes

F008 - Tanisha Gregory - fish tank, couch, bed,

totes, toys, TV

F034 - Daseaye Burton - coffee table, end table,

floor lamp, lamp

F066 - Rose White - dresser, bags, boxes suit-

case, toys

F077 - Koryn Fields - crib, stroller, bags, boxes,

totes

G022 - Carmelo Rivera Jr. - bookcase, bags,

boxes, couch, chair

C010 - Matthew Perialas - bags, boxes, fishing,

equipment

F073 - Hermaine Jackson - misc. household

goods

np 1/18,25

## INVITATION TO BID

Newark Housing Authority  
Sale of Cleveland Heights

### NOTE NEW DATE AND TIME

A public auction will be held by the Newark Hous-  
ing Authority, 313 E. Main Street, Newark, DE  
19711 on **Friday, March 14, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.**

Cleveland Heights is an approximately 5.56 acre  
housing development consisting of 42 units in 13  
apartment buildings. The tax parcel number is 18-

015.00-006. The property fronts in part on Cleve-  
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auto row. The property will be sold to the highest

bidder at fair market value. The Newark Housing  
authority reserves the right to reject any and all  
bids that are not for fair market value. All bidders

must pre-qualify and provide documentation of  
the ability to close on the property within 60 days.  
Information packages are available at the Newark

Housing Authority that includes the environmen-  
tal history of the property.

The approval of HUD of the disposition of Cleve-  
land Heights should not be construed as a com-  
mitment by HUD to participate in any activities

identified by the Housing Authority concerning  
the future development of use of the properties be-  
ing approved for disposition.

Please call the Newark Housing Authority at (302)  
366-0826 with any questions regarding this solici-  
tation.

np 1/18,25,2/29,3/7

# LEGAL NOTICE

Estate of Marie J. Prod-  
gers, aka Marie Joan  
Prodgers, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given  
that Letters Testamen-

tary upon the estate of

Marie J. Prodgers, aka

Marie Joan Prodgers

who departed this life on

the 12th day of Decem-

ber, A.D. 2007, late of 87

Chaucer Drive, Newark,

DE 19713, were duly

granted unto William J.

Prodgers on the 2nd day

of January, A.D. 2008,

and all persons indebted

to the said deceased are

requested to make pay-

ments to the Personal

Representative without

delay, and all persons

having demands against

the deceased are re-

quired to exhibit and

present the same duly

probated to the said Per-

sonal Representative on

or before the **12th day**

**of August, A.D. 2008,**

or abide by the law in

this behalf.

William J. Prodgers

Personal Representative

Address:

Vanogtrop, Piet H., Esq.

Daley, Erisman &

Vanogtrop

206 Delaware Avenue

Newark, De 19711

np 1/18,25,2/1

## THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE

## IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF

NAME OF

Sylvia Rose Mattes

PETITIONER(S)

TO

Shana Rose Mattes

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that Sylvia Rose

Mattes intends to pres-

ent a Petition to the

Court of Common Pleas

for the State of Dela-

ware in and for New

Castle County, to change

her name to Shana Rose

Mattes.

Sylvia Mattes

Petitioner

Adina Mattes

Petitioner's Parent

Dated: 1/9/08

np 1/18,25,2/1

# LEGAL NOTICE

## LEGAL NOTICE

Estate of Gladys G.  
Dukes, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given  
that Letters Testamen-

tary upon the estate of

Gladys G. Dukes who

departed this life on

the 26th day of Novem-

ber, A.D. 2007, late of

2207 Nicholby Drive,

Wilmington, DE 19808,

were duly granted unto

Linda L. Machulski on

the 10th day of January,

A.D. 2008, and all per-

sons indebted to the said

deceased are requested

to make payments to the

Personal Representative

without delay, and all

persons having demands

against the deceased are

required to exhibit and

present the same duly

probated to the said Per-

sonal Representative on

or before the **26th day**

**of July, A.D. 2008,**

or abide by the law in

this behalf.

Linda L. Machulski

Personal Representative

Address:

Vanogtrop, Piet H., Esq.

Daley, Erisman & Vanog-

trop

206 Delaware Avenue

Newark, DE 19711

np 1/25,2/1,8

# LEGAL NOTICE

## LEGAL NOTICE

Estate of Ethel Ford  
Moore, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given  
that Letters Testamen-

tary upon the estate of

Ethel Ford Moore who

departed this life on the

21st day of December,

A.D. 2007, late of 138

Worral Drive, Newark,

DE 19711, were duly

granted unto James

Vinson Moore, Jr. on the

9th day of January, A.D.

2008, and all persons

indebted to the said de-

ceased are requested

to make payments to the

Personal Representative

without delay, and all

persons having demands

against the deceased are

required to exhibit and

present the same duly



## LEGAL NOTICE

## LEGAL NOTICE

Pizza Systems, Inc. T/A Grotto Pizza has on **January 8, 2008** applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner seeking renovations to include a 152 square foot bar extension and an additional 4 seats at the bar. No variances are requested. No square footage is being added to the current structure. Premise is located at 45 E. Main Street in Newark, DE.

Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against the application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least ten signatures of residents or property owners located within one mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before **February 7, 2008**. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office at 302-577-5222.

np 1/11,18,25

## LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at a lien sale on **2/18/08 at 2:00 p.m.** at:

**PS ORANGE CO PUBLIC STORAGE  
425 NEW CHURCHMANS ROAD  
NEW CASTLE, DE 19720**

The personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

E047 - Riana Todd - washer, dryer, stereo, dining table

F060 - Iesha Brown - sofa, microwave, portable TV, fan

D038 - Yvette Osborn - 15 boxes, 5 totes, sofa, portable TV

D008 - Christina McCabe - boxspring, mattress, sofa, loveseat

C176 - Alissa Mercado - boxspring, mattress, stereo, dresser, desk

C117 - Rose Adams - 10 bags, 5 totes, clothing, upholstered chair

C096 - Esther Hollis - 1 bag, 2 boxes, 2 totes

C109 - Deborah Tomasetti - 5 bags, 5 boxes, dryer, fan

F078 - Jason Isaacs - boxspring, mattress, stereo, 5 totes

F102 - Jamal Davis - boxes, folding chairs, portable TV, 3 totes

F115 - Melissa Wesley - baby chair, 10 boxes, console TV, 5 totes

C015 - Eugene Whaley - sofa, loveseat, dresser, console TV

B020 - Phillip Hurtt - desk, 5 totes, monitor, toys

B011 - Shannon Williams Norman - 15 boxes, vacuum, sports equipment, office chair

np 1/18,25

## LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE  
PUBLIC HEARING  
NOTICE

JANUARY 28, 2008 - 7:30 PM

Pursuant to Chapter 32, Zoning, Section 32-78, and Section 32-18(b)(14) Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing in the Council Chamber, Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, on **Monday, January 28, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.**, to consider the request of Ryan German for a Special Use Permit for Caffé Gelato, located at 90 E. Main Street, in order to extend the closing time for the sale of alcoholic beverages from 12 midnight to 1:00 a.m.

Susan A. Lamblack, MMC  
City Secretary

np 1/18,25

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

IN RE: CHANGE OF  
NAME OF  
Stephanie Anne Minch  
PETITIONER(S)  
TO

Stephanie Anne  
Marinopoulos  
NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that Stephanie  
Anne Minch intends to  
present a Petition to the  
Court of Common Pleas  
for the State of Dela-  
ware in and for New  
Castle County, to change  
her name to Stephanie  
Anne Marinopoulos.

Stephanie Minch  
Petitioner

Dated: 1/8/08  
np 1/18,25,2/1

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

IN RE: CHANGE OF  
NAME OF  
Scottie McCray  
PETITIONER(S)  
TO

Scottie Flowers  
NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that Scottie Mc-  
Cray intends to present  
a Petition to the Court  
of Common Pleas for the  
State of Delaware in and  
for New Castle County,  
to change his/her name  
to Scottie Flowers.

*Scottie McCray*  
Petitioner

Dated: 1/9/08  
np 1/25,2/1,8

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On **February 29, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.** Storage At-  
lantic at 1 PGA Blvd., Bear, DE 19701 (302-834-  
6640) will hold a public auction. Items will be  
sold to the highest bidder for cash.

#1022 - James Wilson Sr. - mattress/box springs,  
assorted boxes, clothing

#2004 - Devin Hubbard - assorted boxes, elec-  
tronic equipment

#2010 - James Johnson - asst. boxes, min bike  
(2), bicycle

#3025 - Bayardo Vilchez - furniture, assorted  
boxes

#3029 - Ruth Corey - furniture, assorted boxes

#3065 - Alice E. Haman - household items, as-  
sorted boxes, clothing

#5001 - Dutch Mufasia - asst. plastic containers,  
box spring/mattress, lawn care equipment

#5010 - Anchor J. Williams - assorted boxes,  
wooden chairs, bags of clothing, assorted  
household items

#8054 - Patrick Kinyanga - assorted household  
items

#8074 - Christopher Ferrara - assorted house-  
hold items

np 1/25,2/1

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR  
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 08-DR-003033

Division: Judge: Starnes, Hugh E.

Matthew Philip Jaynes

Petitioner

and

Sanja Kubinek Jaynes

Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR  
DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

TO: Sanja Kubinek Jaynes  
(name of Respondent)

(Respondents last known address) Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been  
filed against you and that you are required to  
serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it  
on (name of Petitioner) Matthew Phillip Jaynes  
whose address is 6975 Highland Park, Ft. Myers,  
FL 33912 on or before (date) **February 13, 2008**,  
and file the original with the clerk of this Court  
at (clerk's address) 1700 Monroe Street, Ft. Myers,  
FL 33901, before service on Petitioner or immedi-  
ately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default  
may be entered against you for the relief de-  
manded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case,  
including orders, are available at the Clerk  
of the Circuit Court's office. You may review  
these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit  
Court's office notified of your current ad-  
dress. You may file Notice of Current ad-  
dress, ☐ Florida Supreme Court Approved  
Family Law Form 12.915) Future papers in  
this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on  
record at the clerk's office.

**WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family  
Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain  
automatic disclosure of documents and in-  
formation. Failure to comply can result in  
sanctions, including dismissal or striking of  
pleadings.**

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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DELA-  
WARE LIQUOR LICENSE  
PIT MASTERS CHRISTIANA LLC

Pit Masters Christiana LLC has on **January 7, 2008** applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for a restaurant liquor license that includes Sundays and permits the sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premise where sold for a premises located at 100 West Main Street, Newark, Delaware 19702. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before **February 6, 2008**. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office at (302) 577-5222.

np 1/11,18,25

THE COURT OF  
COMMON PLEAS  
FOR THE STATE  
OF DELAWARE  
IN AND FOR

NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF  
NAME OF  
Katherine Ward Smigie  
PETITIONER(S)  
TO

Katherine S. Ward  
NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that Katherine  
Ward Smigie intends to  
present a Petition to the  
Court of Common Pleas  
for the State of Dela-  
ware in and for New  
Castle County, to change  
her name to Katherine  
S. Ward.

Katherine Ward Smigie  
Petitioner

Dated: December 28, 2007  
np 1/11,18,25

THE COURT OF  
COMMON PLEAS  
FOR THE STATE  
OF DELAWARE  
IN AND FOR

NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF  
NAME OF  
Victoria Irons Creed  
PETITIONER(S)  
TO

Victoria Lynn Irons  
NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that Victoria  
Irons Creed intends to  
present a Petition to the  
Court of Common Pleas  
for the State of Dela-  
ware in and for New  
Castle County, to change  
her name to Victoria Lynn  
Irons.

Victoria Irons Creed  
Petitioner

Dated: 1/8/08  
np 1/11,18,25

THE COURT OF  
COMMON PLEAS  
FOR THE STATE  
OF DELAWARE  
IN AND FOR

NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF  
NAME OF  
Elizabeth Jean Gillard  
PETITIONER(S)  
TO

Elizabeth Jean Hall  
NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that Elizabeth  
Jean Gillard intends to  
present a Petition to the  
Court of Common Pleas  
for the State of Dela-  
ware in and for New  
Castle County, to change  
her name to Elizabeth  
Jean Hall.

Elizabeth J. Gillard  
Petitioner

Dated: 1/4/08  
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