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UP FRONT

Dumpster divers are pros

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AFTER reading police reports for 35 years, I've noticed some things haven't changed:

1. Most crooks are stupid.

Remember, the guy who robbed the bank at East Main Street and Tyre Avenue a few years ago? He parked a car he owned nearby for his getaway. After he grabbed the cash, bank workers simply watched as he drove away and gave the license tag number to police. He drove directly home to the waiting arms of police.

2. The stupidity of some people who interact with police cannot be overstated.

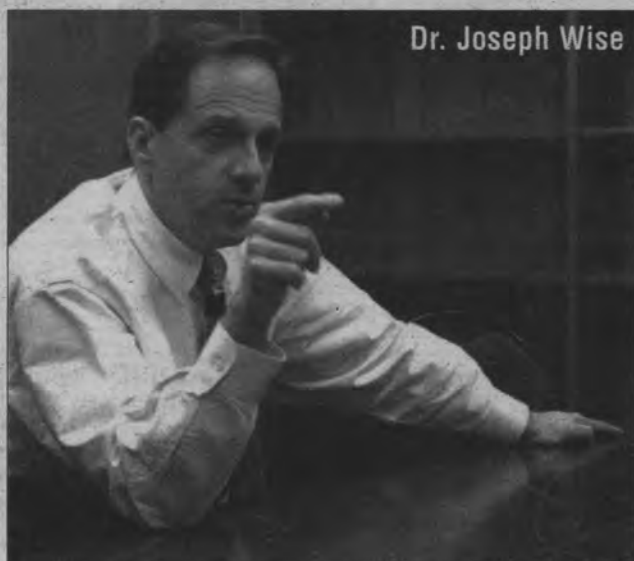
It's as though some people want to get arrested. I see this often in police accounts. The anti-alcohol squad confronts an obviously underage student in a liquor store. When questioned by officers, he or she hands over a fake ID. Now they face two charges: underage entry into a liquor store and presenting false identification. Or the smart Alec in the gang hanging out after-hours on the Burger King parking lot. The police come by and tell the loiterers to leave and one brain surgeon decides he's going to argue his constitutional rights. He won't leave...until

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Streit

Reforms put Christina 'on the map'



Dr. Joseph Wise

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Wise would stay if future was 'fragile'

NEITHER the Board nor the superintendent for the Christina School District would publicly discuss the top administrator's possible move to Florida at Tuesday night's Board meeting.

But in an interview on Wednesday morning, Dr. Joseph Wise shared

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his thoughts about his work in Delaware and his future in Florida.

Wise explained that a search firm had "aggressively" pursued him for the Florida position. "At first, I was really into the work here and couldn't think about leaving," he said. "But after awhile, I considered it and realized the District has come farther than we thought we could in such a short time."

Wise said Christina

District is "very different" than when he arrived two years ago. "We've really put the District on the map," he said. "We're known all over the country for our reform efforts."

But many people have expressed doubt about the stability of that reputation in light of Wise's expected departure. "Would it help if I went there and begged him to stay," a single mother who recently relocated to Newark from Florida with her three school-

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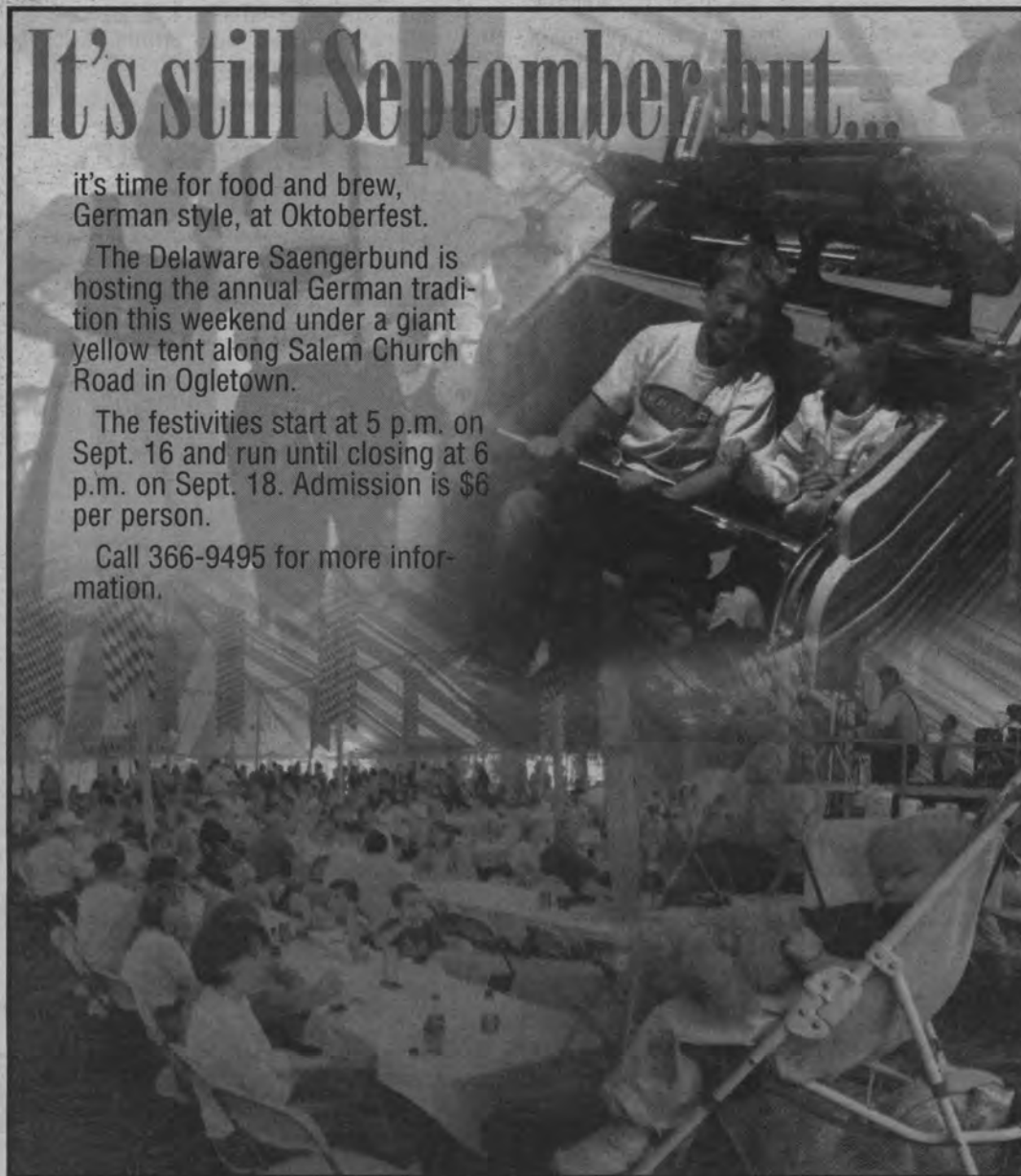
It's still September, but...

it's time for food and brew, German style, at Oktoberfest.

The Delaware Saengerbund is hosting the annual German tradition this weekend under a giant yellow tent along Salem Church Road in Ogletown.

The festivities start at 5 p.m. on Sept. 16 and run until closing at 6 p.m. on Sept. 18. Admission is \$6 per person.

Call 366-9495 for more information.



POOH could lure new buyers here

\$50,000 incentive could reduce rental permits

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

WHAT could POOH do for you? If you've had your eye on a house that has a rental permit, it could help you secure a \$50,000 home loan, with a catch. The loan only applies to properties holding a rental permit for at least two years, and buyers must agree to forgo the permit for the time they own the property.

POOH, which stands for Promoting Owner-Occupancy Homes, is the newest buyer's incentive approved by the Newark City Council designed to cut back the city's number of rental properties.

"With this, once people give up the rental permit, they can't get it back," said Roy Lopata, planning director. "That's why it's such a powerful tool. The rental market in Newark is very well taken care of. It isn't a bad thing to give up a permit."

The city has 2,500 apartments and 1,200 other rental properties.

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INSIDE: Newark's popular Community Day begins this Sunday at 10 a.m. A complete preview begins on page 15.

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Home on Dallas Avenue hit by burglars

NEWARK police are investigating the burglary of a home in the unit block Dallas Ave.

The resident told officers he returned to the residence at 1:40 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 8, and discovered the break-in.

Police said it appeared the intruders entered through a bedroom window. A gallon of milk, coins, medicine and a weather station were reported stolen.

Man attacked with bat

When a 23-year-old Warwick, Md., man intervened to halt the beating of an unknown male in front of 203 E. Main St., on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 12:14 a.m., the Good Samaritan was struck in the head with a baseball bat, Newark police reported.

The attackers jumped into a blue or green Honda and fled northbound on Chapel Street.

Man's jaw broken

A 22-year-old Wilmington man suffered a fractured jaw in two places as he was attacked outside a party on North Chapel Street on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 1:30 a.m.

Police interviewed a suspect and warrants are expected soon.

The victim was treated at the Newark Emergency Center.

Money, phone missing

An employee of Pizza University, 230 E. Main St., failed to return a borrowed cell phone and \$254 in cash after making pizza deliveries, police were told on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 7:45 p.m.

Procedures for obtaining warrants were explained to store officials by police.

The missing cell phone was valued at \$300.

Vandals attack

Graffiti was painted on a newspaper box, road signs and a drain at Abbotsford Lane and Barksdale Road, police were told on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 5:08 p.m.

At the Fairfield Park and Fairfield Swim Club facility, police reported on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 7:52 a.m. that graffiti was painted on various items.

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, police were told that vandals had sprayed graffiti on a shed behind the John R. Downes Elementary School, 200 Casho Mill Road.

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Foul play

NEWARK police were called to the The Pond ice rink on John F. Campbell Drive off Marrows Road in Newark on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 11:20 p.m. to investigate an assault that took place during an ice hockey contest.

Police were summoned after a man, 23, reportedly was kicked in the stomach during a hockey game. Witnesses told police that after the victim fell to the ice, he was attacked by a player of an opposing team. A scuffle followed on the ice.

The offending player was removed from the game and league officials will be notified, police were told by a game official.

Warrant procedures were explained to the victim.

House trashed

While a resident hid in a closet and later under a bed, intruders forced open the front and rear doors of a home in the 200 block Courtney Street on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2:30 a.m.

Once inside, on the first floor the suspects overturned a television, broke lamps, overturned furniture and knocked over a refrigerator. Upstairs a locked bedroom door was forced open, a desk and TV overturned, and a fire extinguisher was thrown through a window.

The intruders fled before police arrived.

Damage was estimated to be \$2,650.

Trespassing arrest

Newark police were summoned to the Corner Diner, 137 E. Main St., on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 1:06 a.m., after employees complained of a disorderly man.

Police ordered the suspect to leave and not return to the diner. Officers reported the man left walking eastbound on Main Street but returned a short time later to the diner.

Police said David R. Nabb, 21, of Townsend, was arrested and charged with criminal trespass and loitering.

Arrest expected

Newark police reported that a 44-year-old woman was beaten and dragged around the yard of a home in the unit block Terrace Drive, Cleveland Heights, during a domestic altercation on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 2:32 p.m.

Police have a suspect and expected to obtain an arrest warrant.

Restaurant cited

After three complaints by nearby residents, Newark police ordered an outdoor music event shut down and cited Timothy's restaurant, 100 Creekview Road, with a noise law violation on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 5:50 p.m.

Police said the business had obtained the necessary permit from the City of Newark for an outdoor event with four live bands and a disc jockey but were not exempt from noise law requirements.

Officers made restaurant officials aware of the first complaint and reported that efforts were made to reduce the noise levels. However, when complaints continued, the citation was made and music ordered to cease.

Man found bleeding on Courtney Street

A 22-year-old Maryland man was found on the ground, cut and bleeding when Newark police arrived at 209 Courtney Street on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 3:35 a.m.

The victim was taken by the Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company ambulance to Christiana Hospital, where he was treated from a fractured jaw and lacerations.

Witnesses told police the victim was punched in the face and fell to the ground. The attacker then got atop the victim and repeatedly punched the man in the face and head, police were told.

Investigation is continuing, police said.

Woman assaulted

A 21-year-old woman told police on Friday, Sept. 9, at 6:37 a.m., that she was shoved out of a car after the driver, who was giving the woman a ride home, began talking about cocaine.

The woman, who was intoxicated, told police she fell to the ground.

The incident took place at Quincy Street near Madison Drive, police said.

Vandalism arrest

Bradley Ivan Anderson, 22, of East Northport, N.Y., was charged with trespassing and criminal mischief after car windows were broken at 11 E. Main St. and 39 Center St., Newark police reported on Friday, Sept. 9, at 12:41 a.m.



Weekly crime report

STATISTICS FOR AUG. 21-27, 2005 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

	INVESTIGATIONS			CRIMINAL CHARGES		
	2004 TO DATE	2005 TO DATE	THIS WEEK	2004 TO DATE	2005 TO DATE	THIS WEEK
PART I OFFENSES						
Murder/manslaughter	1	1	0	1	1	0
Attempted murder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnap	1	2	0	4	5	0
Rape	11	11	0	27	5	0
Unlawful sexual contact	7	8	0	4	5	0
Robbery	35	32	0	26	26	0
Aggravated assault	14	27	2	6	12	0
Burglary	131	113	2	48	44	0
Theft	682	561	15	187	178	1
Auto theft	53	70	0	6	9	0
Arson	7	5	2	2	1	0
All other	--	41	1	--	58	0
TOTAL PART I	942	871	22	311	344	1
PART II OFFENSES						
Other assaults	237	267	6	191	174	1
Receiving stolen property	0	0	0	19	12	0
Criminal mischief	452	423	12	321	51	3
Weapons	7	10	0	56	63	5
Other sex offenses	11	7	0	10	10	0
Alcohol	240	218	11	464	414	26
Drugs	65	85	3	207	291	10
Noise/disorderly premise	411	471	18	161	201	5
Disorderly conduct	619	531	11	104	97	3
Trespass	107	138	5	36	63	1
All other	496	399	17	188	134	6
TOTAL PART II	2645	2549	83	1757	1510	60
MISCELLANEOUS						
Alarm	970	1021	26	0	0	0
Animal control	514	366	10	27	1	1
Recovered property	201	163	5	0	0	0
Service	6203	5857	151	0	0	0
Suspicious person/vehicle	691	1041	14	0	0	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	8579	8448	206	27	1	1

	THIS WEEK 2004	2004 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2005	2005 TO DATE
TOTAL CALLS	604	19835	470	19149



Vigil remembers hurricane victims

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST • UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PHOTO BY DUANE PERRY

300 gather on University of Delaware campus at candlelight vigil Monday, Sept. 12

MORE than 300 members of the community — students, faculty, staff, administrators and neighbors — attended an interfaith candlelight vigil Monday evening led by religious leaders on the north lawn of The Green in memory of those who died in the Hurricane Katrina disaster and in support of those left suffering.

Sitting on the lawn near the University of Delaware's Memorial Hall under a clear, moonlit sky, the community listened to prayers and readings by

UD religious leaders and music by the Deltones and then held flickering candles in solemn silence before Hilary Booker sang "Go Light Your World."

"As we offer our support to the victims of Hurricane Katrina we also remember that we are gathering this evening the day after the anniversary of Sept. 11," Kimberly Zitzner, a chaplain from the Thomas More Oratory, the Catholic ministry on campus, said. "We include in our thoughts those who continue to suffer from the events of that day. May all

those who suffer continue their journey of healing and hope."

The vigil included a reflection led by Father Michael Szupper of the Catholic campus ministry; a Buddhist teaching read by Pastor Bruce Heggen of the Lutheran Campus Ministry, a reading by Sarah Petersen, faculty adviser for the Baha'i Group; a scripture reading by the Rev. Donna McNeil of the Episcopal Campus Ministry; a reading from the Quran by S. Ismat Shah of the Muslim Student Association; and a Jewish reflection by Rabbi

Eliezer Sneiderman of Chabad Center for Jewish Life.

Szupper spoke of talking at the Oratory to a student in the Delaware National Guard who recently returned from a rescue operation in Mississippi. The student spoke of the people he had seen, their hurt and their devastation, and said he hoped his unit would be called back soon since there is so much to be done. "His military unit brought supplies and participated in rescue

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Newark adopts ravaged Mississippi town

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

PASCAGOULA, Miss., isn't so different from Newark, Del. Both towns are home to about 30,000 residents. Both flaunt successful Main Streets and host community events. Pascagoula has its Fall Festival;

Newark has Community Day. The two towns are quite similar, save one thing. Pascagoula was nearly flattened two weeks ago by Hurricane Katrina.

Now the City of Newark is reaching out to help its southern counterpart. The Newark City Council voted on Monday, Sept. 12 to adopt Pascagoula as a sister city. Over the coming months,

Newark will collect donations for the town in the hope of easing the challenge of rebuilding.

Paul South, the editor of the *Mississippi Press*, Pascagoula's local newspaper, said that the town was devastated by the storm. It seemed as if Katrina chose her victims, and wrote pardons for others. On one side of the street, roofs were ripped from their beds,

but on the other, homes sat safe from the assault.

South's home was left with relatively little ruin: the downstairs suffered water damage, his privacy fence was demolished and a few pieces of furniture have gone missing. But his home was left standing, which is more than

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Christina School Board to be more orderly

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE term "constituent services" is not part of most people's everyday language, but a vote this week by the Christina District School Board may have changed that. "Board constituent services have

never been addressed before in the Board's Policy Manual," explained assistant superintendent David Sundstrom at the regular meeting in August. "Inappropriate constituent service is defined as a Board member taking an active role in problem solving or management."

On Tuesday, the Board deleted the words "problem-solving"

from the above language at the urging of Boardmember George Evans. "One of the things the School Board does is solve problems," objected Evans.

Board member John Mackenzie urged some new wording to bolster the revision. "The Board should respect the line between government and management," Mackenzie said

this week. "We don't want to usurp management authority and direct staff — that's why we chose [the problem-solving] language."

At the previous meeting, Evans described a recent incident when he was called directly by Wilmington Police after an alarm indicated a door was open at a District building. Evans said he

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Main Street gets smooth

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Main Street won't get the makeover it was promised for 2006, but it will get a fresh shave.

Just after the Delaware Department of Transportation announced that it would not have the money to move forward with Streetscape, a pedestrian-conscious revamping of the downtown, it announced that Main Street will finally be milled down and repaved.

"The pavement management system at DelDOT decided that Main Street is in such poor condition that [repaving] can't be delayed any longer," said Maureen Feeney Roser, head of the Downtown Newark Partnership. "After this winter, it won't be in any shape to hold up another year."

Main Street's repaving has been long delayed. For several years, the project was pushed back. First, water mains below street level needed attention. Then, it was delayed so it could be packaged into Streetscape. The delays have taken their toll on the downtown's main thoroughfare. Potholes pock the street, which is a patchwork of pavement.

Feeney Roser said that no start date is set for construction, but hopes it will be "as close as humanly possible" to June 4, the day after Newark Night. The annual festival relies on the street as a stage for local entertainers, restaurants and businesses, which all have booths in the downtown for the evening. She also said she hopes that construction will be finished by the time Newark's other major summer celebration — Food and Brew Festival — takes over the downtown in mid-July.

"That is a good period of time," Feeney Roser said.

The city requested that construction occur only at night, starting no earlier than 10 p.m., to keep traffic clear and encourage people to visit

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2005 Fair Hill International to Host 100-Mile North American Endurance Championship

The 2005 Fair Hill International Festival in the Country returns to the Fair Hill Natural Resources Area in the beautiful countryside of Fair Hill, MD, October 13-16, featuring the North American Endurance Championship. The Fair Hill International also includes additional equestrian competition in the disciplines of eventing and driving.

The North American Endurance Championship, being held on Saturday October 15, is a 100-mile race, requiring riders to finish in an allotted time of 20 hours. Within that 20 hours, the racers, both rider and horse, are required to rest for three hours and 40 minutes, forcing the 100-mile race to be run in just under 16-and-a-half hours of riding time.

There are seven zones throughout North America entered to compete — USA East, USA Central, USA Mountain, USA Pacific North, USA Pacific South, Canada East and Canada West. Each zone is expected to bring between 10 and 18 riders, with USA East, as the host zone, bringing the maximum allotment of 18.

From each zone, four riders will be named as "team riders" after the veterinary inspections on Friday, October 14. Of those four riders, the fastest three will count towards the team score. The team with the fastest combined time will win. There will also be two individual awards: NAEC individual champion, who will receive a saddle from Kanavy Saddles, and a "Best Conditioned" award winner, who will receive a saddle from Freeform USA Treeless Saddles.

Endurance.Net will be on site during the ride to provide up-to-the-minute reports from the ride — they will post them on their website at www.endurance.net. There will also be a "real time" website scoring system — times and positions will be uploaded to the Fair Hill website every ten minutes, so that people at home can keep track of their riders.

Opening Ceremonies for the Endurance Championships are on the main Festival grounds on Thursday, October 13 at 4:00 p.m. Closing Ceremonies are on Sunday, October 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the Fairgrounds, which will serve as "base camp" for the ride.

"We couldn't be more thrilled about this year's competition," said Charlie Colgan, Fair Hill International Executive Director. "The 100-mile Endurance Championship, combined with one of the top three-day events in the country, as well as our Combined Driving, guarantees that this year's Fair Hill International will provide a thrilling experience for competitors and spectators alike."

Taking center stage, as always, at the Fair Hill International, is the CCI***, one of the nation's premier three-day events and one of only two three-star events in the country. Top riders prime and condition their horses to meet the challenging obstacles Fair Hill presents every year. Regular competitors at Fair Hill include Olympic medal-winners such as defending Champion Phillip Dutton, Karen O'Connor, Darren Chiacchia and Kim Severson, who won individual Silver and team Bronze Medals at the 2004 Athens Olympics. This year's CCI*** will be run under the Olympic (short) format and once again serves as the USEF Three-Star Fall Championship.

Also featured during the festival will be Combined Driving. Combined Driving has been an official international sport for more than twenty years, bringing together three phases: dressage, marathon and cones; the combination of all three tests the driving horses' versatility. Dressage is used to demonstrate the freedom of movement and command the driver has over the horse. The marathon tests the stamina and fitness of the horse, and cones tests the team's ability to negotiate a course of cones, frequently providing less than six inches of clearance on each side!

The 2005 Fair Hill International Festival in the Country will benefit Christiana Care Health System, one of the Chesapeake region's largest not-for-profit health care providers. Christiana Care, which began in 1888, serves the people of Delaware, as well as neighboring areas of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. It maintains a teaching hospital, which specializes in cardiology, cancer and women's health services, and has trauma and neonatal intensive care units that offer an exceptional degree of care.

This year's sponsors include AERC International, American Home & Hardware, Atlantic Tractor, Aventine Wealth Management, Bit of Britain, John K. Burkley Company, Dansko, Equestrian Entertainment Partners, County Banking & Trust Company, Coventry Health Care, First National Bank of North East, Glenmede Trust Company, Goldman Sachs & Company, Gulf Coast 4-Star Trailers, Herr's, Morgan Stanley, Northview Stallion Station, Nutramax Laboratories, Southern States, Summit Aviation, Thoroughbred Charities of America, Wachovia Wealth Management and Walnut Green Bloodstock.

For more information on the 2005 Fair Hill International, please call (410) 398-2111 or visit www.fairhillinternational.com.

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City offers trips to New York

THE City of Newark Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor the following trips:

On Oct. 22, residents can take a trip to Greenwich Village in New York City. The bus will depart at 7:30 a.m. from the city municipal building and return at approximately 10 p.m.

The cost is \$25 for Newark residents and \$28 for non-residents.

Participants can take a trip to Hyde Park N.Y. to visit the FDR home and the Culinary Institute

of America on Oct. 26. The bus will depart from Suburban Plaza at 8:30 a.m. and return at 1 a.m.

The cost is \$90 for Newark residents and \$93 for non-residents.

On Dec. 2, citizens can take a trip to New York City and Radio City Music Hall's Christmas Spectacular. The bus will leave Suburban Plaza at 7 a.m. and return at 9 p.m.

The cost is \$70 for Newark residents and \$73 for non-residents.

For more information call 366-7060.

Local artist decorates Main Street

A new mural has appeared on Newark's Main Street at UD Hot Bagels, featuring a varied procession of Blue Hens that is a welcome treat for the eyes for viewers of all ages.

The mural, titled "Blue Hens On Parade," is by local artist Dan Halprin, who in addition to his freelance work as an artist is an instructor of art at the Caravel Academy in Bear.

Blue Hens On Parade shows cartoon versions of the state bird of both genders and many ages and styles, lining up before an offering of fresh and tasty bagels, and gives patrons an opportunity to recognize themselves in the

mannerisms and outfits of the variously posed procession. The image is in two panels totaling over thirty feet long and nearly five feet high, but it still may escape the notice of those driving by, because it is inside UD Hot Bagels.

The eat-in or take-out eatery, which makes its own bagels on site daily, is not difficult to find. Located between Margherita's Pizza and Cluck U, and across the street from the Korner Diner, the shop's front window is easily spotted by the giant image of a hot and fresh bagel and words of welcome that exemplify the very friendly atmosphere inside.

Blue Hens On Parade caps the many updates to both the look and the offerings of UD Hot Bagels and continues the growing trend of commercial murals on Main Street.

Along with these new features, UDHB will also be expanding its weekend evening hours.

The mural is also only the beginning of a series of large-scale artworks to be produced at local business by Halprin, with a much larger outdoor mural soon to appear in Newport on the exterior of Kukurukoo Express, a new Mexican Style Rotisserie Chicken restaurant.

300 attend candlelight vigil

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operations," Szupper said. "But this student, this dedicated young man and his unit, also brought a promise. A promise first made in the Old Testament by the prophet Isaiah, 'Life will never forget you. I can never forget you. I have written your name on the palms of my hands.'"

Sneiderman said, "As a member of the clergy, one of the first questions that I am confronted with after a tragedy of this nature is, 'How could God let this happen? Why, if God is good, is there evil in the world?' The theological answer is easy. A hurricane is not evil. It is an essential part of our ecosystem, part of the natural rhythm that maintains life on this planet. The wind and rain itself are not evil. The tragedy is that we were standing in its way."

Calling consolation "a search for meaning," he quoted a colleague, Rabbi Jacobson, who wrote in a recent article about the hurricane: "In an imperfect word like ours, it is not realistic to expect that we will only have perfect moments. Life is filled with challenges. Difficult moments come our way as much, if not more than beautiful experiences. The real challenge if life is not to avoid or ignore the harder times, but to know what to do with them."

Sneiderman said the devastation of Hurricane Katrina has led to an outpouring of kindness for the victims. He gave several examples, including houses of worship have become homes for displaced families, a Florida horseracing tycoon who is housing 200 people on his property and has plans to build homes for them on 1,000 acres in Louisiana, and two young girls in Missouri who canceled their family's vacation to Disney World and donated the money to help relief efforts.

"The idea that we are all one nation, all responsible for one another, has never been more evident," Sneiderman said. "If there is a lesson to take from this event, something to be learned from this tragedy, it must be that we will no longer wait for a calamity to care about our neighbors."

As the vigil concluded, Zitzner said, "We come together this evening as a community to support the victims of Hurricane Katrina, those who lost their lives, those who lost their homes and those clinging on to hope. We gather to be a support to those who mourn, to those who weep, to those who have a long road to travel as they begin to rebuild their lives with hope for the future."

"As we gather, we recognize that we are connected as a human family, here and throughout the world. We gather together to bring light into darkness," she said, just before the candles participants

had been given were lit.

Alix Terpos, a senior exercise physiology and biology major, said news of the devastation caused by the hurricane and the suffering of the victims compelled her to attend the vigil.

"I get so caught up in my own education, and I felt that I have been selfish at times," Terpos said. "I read about the disaster, and I realized that those people out there need more than I do, and praying for them is all I can do. I don't have a lot of money. It's not completely fulfilling, but it's the least that I can do."

Jimmy, 9, from Landenberg, Pa., said he hoped that the vigil would encourage donations and more prayers.

"It's easy for everyone to not acknowledge what's going on because it's so far away," Keondia Midgette, a sophomore criminal justice major, said at the vigil. "We need to acknowledge that there is suffering. We are all in this together as the United States."

Zitzner concluded the vigil with an announcement about "Giving on The Green," set for 3-5 p.m., Friday, Sept. 16, on the North Green. The event will raise funds and inspire friendly competition among Registered Student Organizations, residential complexes and fraternities and sororities.

Is this the time for a Wise move?

Community answers in the negative

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

ALTHOUGH it was not on this week's School Board agenda, Christina District staff and members of the public had some pointed comments about School Superintendent Joseph Wise's job plans.

"He was leaving the day he came," said one administrator to another before the meeting.

His listener nodded her head and made a spiral motion with her hand. "He's like that," she responded, "always on the way up."

Wise came to the Christina District in 2003. On Sept. 6, the Florida native interviewed for the position of the superintendent's position in the Duval County School District that reportedly would pay over \$100,000 more than his current salary.

Following news reports in Delaware and Florida, Wise sent an e-mail to all District staff informing them of the situation as of Sept. 9.

"It's imperative...that we don't allow this situation to create a distraction from our core mission," Wise said in that letter. "I view this as yet another opportunity to demonstrate that we put kids and teaching and learning first, no matter what."

But it's evident that others do not feel Wise is living up to that priority.

"I feel betrayed that I had to hear through the news media

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Now you want to leave us like a toy you don't want anymore.”

LAWANDA MCINTOSH

LEASURE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT

that you were going to leave," said former State Rep. Herman Holloway Jr. at the school board meeting. "During a conversation I had with you some time ago, I asked you if you would see your [Transformations] plan through to 2008 and you assured me you would. You said you had bought a house here and you wanted another house near the beach and you wouldn't be going anywhere. I have a problem with you wanting to leave now."

A parent and PTA member was even more direct.

"You came to Leasure [Elementary School] and told us your plans and we supported you," said Lawanda McIntosh. "Now you want to leave us like a toy you don't want anymore."

McIntosh urged Wise to "think long and hard" before deciding to leave Delaware. "What will happen to those plans?" she asked. "What will happen to us?"

The District's Transformations plan sets step-by-step goals to significantly raise achievement levels for all students in Christina District schools by 2008 — the year Wise's current contract was due to expire.

According to the District's public information officer, Wendy Lapham, the school board is preparing a letter dated Sept. 12 to go out to families through students.

"Dr. Wise has laid the groundwork for reform that will continue to show results for years to come," stated Board president Brenda Phillips in a draft of the letter. "The Board of Education was not surprised that Dr. Wise was sought after by other school systems to provide the kind of leadership he has demonstrated in Delaware."

An article in the *Jacksonville Business Journal* on Sept. 8 reported that Duval County School Board "unanimously narrowed its superintendent search down to...Wise" after interviewing five finalists on Sept. 6-7. Wise expected to return to Florida yesterday to meet with Duval school district representatives. "I expect to make a determination about whether my moving there would be a good fit, both for their community, and for me," Wise said.

Wise also stated in his letter that members of the Duval School Board and a journalist from the *Florida Times Union* were to visit in the Christina District to get feedback on his work here.

"I have been advised that the Duval County School Board intends to vote on whether to offer me the position at an upcoming school board meeting scheduled [on Sept. 20]," Wise said. "Unless something unforeseen occurs, it looks likely that I will be offered the position. If the position is offered to me, I would likely accept."



NEWARK BIKE PATH ADOPTED

State Representative Stephanie Ulbrich, left, stands with Larry Koenig, controller at DaimlerChrysler's Newark Assembly Plant, at the site of the first Adopt-A-Bike Path sign, which is located at the DART Park-n-Ride at Route 896 and Route 4. DaimlerChrysler's subcontractor A.M. Consortium was the first to adopt a bike path along Christina Parkway from Elkton Road to Route 896. The DelDOT program operates much like the department's Adopt-A-Highway Program by offering individuals, businesses, civic groups and other interested people an opportunity to actively support anti-littering via adoption of a state-owned and maintained bike path.

Elvis officiates at UD

IT had everything you'd expect in Vegas, except for the Rat Pack.

The University of Delaware's Student Centers Programming Advisory Board (SCPAB) sponsored a student welcoming event, "First Fling with a Las Vegas Twist," from noon to 3 p.m., last Friday, Sept. 9, on the Trabant University Center patio, complete with celebrity poker and an Elvis impersonator. The Trabant

"Wise men say only fools rush in, so we are gathered here today to hear your vows of foolishness," Elvis told couples who stood before him adorned in bridal veil and top hat.

Dressed in a baby-blue, bead-studded jumpsuit and cape, the Elvis impersonator asked couples to select cards from a basket near a huge wedding cake and insert the message into vows written on flip cards.

Junior Ryan Neary told his "bride," sophomore Sunny Merchant, "I Ryan, take you Sunny, to be my partner and cherish the times when," [reading from the card] 'I'm all Shook Up.' I also promise to stick with you in time of good and bad when 'You Ain't Nothin' But a Hound Dog.'"

Elvis then joined them in "merrimony" with the words: "By the powers vested in me by the University of Delaware, you may now 'Shake, Rattle and Roll.'"

Students could try their luck at roulette, blackjack and celebrity poker with celebrity dealer, Steve

Hill, who starred in MTV's "Real World Las Vegas" in 2003. Hill also posed with those who wanted a picture of their "adventure in Vegas" taken against a Vegas-by-night backdrop.

The longest line was for the man twisting balloons to make flowers, puppies and kittens, but the line was almost as long to get to scented oxygen with such aromas as Zen, Chillin', Ocean Mist and Relax.

Dan Wavra, a freshman in the College of Arts and Sciences, said he had a great time. "I got married to a guy and a girl in the same day."



UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PHOTO

'Elvis' congratulates freshmen Malory Terranova and Taylor Lightcap, whom he joined in 'merrimony.'

Gardening series begins

THE University of Delaware Cooperative Extension invites residents to come out and learn more about landscaping and how to use their gardens in a series of workshops this September.

Interested persons should call 831-2667 for registration information.

The upcoming classes include:

DESIGN YOUR DREAM LANDSCAPE

Work with nature to personalize your property using basic design principles for professional looking home landscaping.

Master Gardeners will help you create your own landscape plan. Homework will be required after each class. Texts and materials provided. \$55.

Mondays, Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 10, 7 to 9 p.m.

Cooperative Extension Office

GROUND COVERS

Tired of fighting shade, tree roots, wet spots or other problem areas of your lawn? Discover exciting groundcovers - with beautiful foliage, pretty flowers, and low maintenance - that love living in Delaware. \$15

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 6:30 until 8:30 p.m.

Fischer Greenhouse

PUTTING YOUR GARDEN TO BED

This workshop explains how to wrap it all up for the winter. You will learn what to do for various types of flower gardens-raised bed, in ground, annuals and perennials. For the vegetable garden, you will learn what to turn under and tips to keep the soil healthy. The final portion of the class covers the water garden; how to make it dormant for winter or keep it semi-active with running water and textural items. \$15.

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7 to 9 p.m. Cooperative Extension Office

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COMMENTARY

What will you do?

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

THERE but by the grace of God goes Delaware. And Wilmington. And Bear. And Glasgow. And Newark.

From the comfort of my living room, my eyes were glued to Fox Network, as I watched as the people of the Big Easy were plucked from their rooftops, lifted from rising toxic waters, and evacuated to other cities.

It wasn't a pretty sight, we all agree. Who's to blame? There are plenty of Sunday morning politic-heads that will banter that around for decades. They are still arguing over who was responsible for Pearl Harbor.

Perhaps what struck me the most, after seeing the struggles of the mass of people who either did not heed the call to head for higher grounds before the storm hit or were unable to get out of their homes, was the number of people stuck there because of poverty.

The numbers of those living in poverty, in our entire country, is enormous. It is something we are aware of but, unless you are directly involved with caring for the poor or are one of the unfortunate who lives day-to-day, hand-to-mouth, it's something we try not to think about. It's like having that crazy uncle in the family that everyone knows about, but no one mentions.

Yes, the city of New Orleans is much larger than any here in Delaware. And the amount of poverty tends to be larger in the metropolitan areas.

But if the Greater Newark area had to be evacuated for a reason that only our imaginations can conceive, would we not find a similar percentage of people in desperate situations, calling out for help?

Many would be unaware or unwilling to leave the only thing they have — their homes. I'm sure many of those in New Orleans were hesitant to leave knowing the first of the month was two days away and how would they get their checks?

Don't think for one minute poverty does not exist here in Newark. Just ask those who work with the Newark Welfare Committee, Val's Needy Fund or Emmaus House. The number of children receiving free or reduced lunches in our schools increases every year.

■ The author, a former staff writer for the Newark Post, is a former school teacher here and is a Dale Carnegie instructor and trainer. She and her husband have lived in Newark for many years.



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How do we stop the rising amount of poverty? It can't be a federal, or state, or city program. It's a community issue and needs to begin with each one of us.

The key to stopping the rising flood of poverty is literacy. Being able to read is indispensable in a person's ability to live a productive life.

Without a successful accomplishment in the early years of school, a child is destined to failure, year after year, job after job. As high school dropouts, they become a burden to our community. Teen pregnancy, drug use, crime are always on the rise, especially for those already living in poverty. Did you know Newark — our precious, college-centered, All-American town — is top on the list of U.S. cities for teen drug abuse?

We cannot expect our teachers to do it all. They can do only so much. The gaps need to be filled with each of us from the community, whether you are a parent, grandparent, have no children, or just work here.

Just because your children are grown and no longer attend school does not mean you are exempt from the responsibility.

With so many children coming from single-parent or dysfunctional families, the need is greater now than ever before for mentors in our schools.

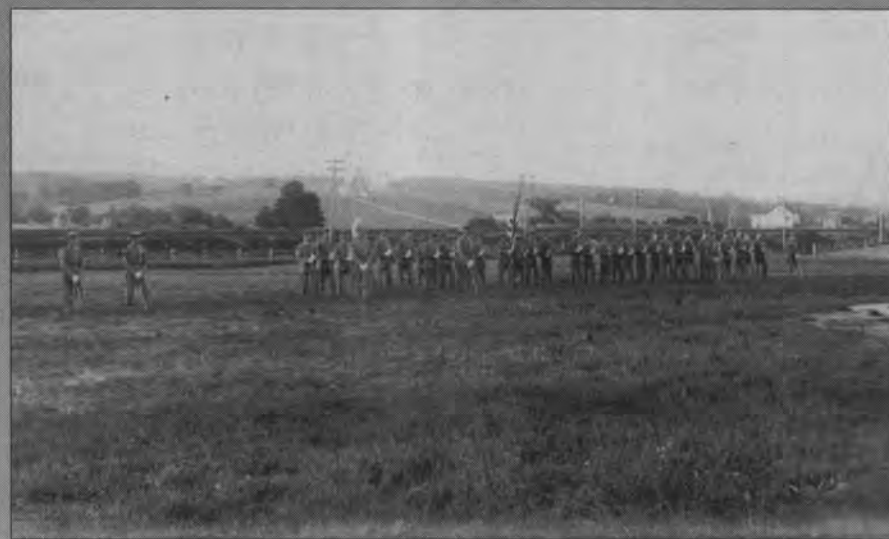
PTA officials are having a hard time finding parents who will spend three hours out of an entire school year to assist in their own child's school.

What can we do? Writing a check is not enough. Getting involved with our community in our schools, community centers, church programs, and youth organizations is a step in the right direction. Volunteer at the Food Bank, the Red Cross or Junior Achievement. Join any one of the service organizations in our area — Lions, Jaycees, Rotary. Everywhere you turn, there are opportunities to help.

Last week I signed up to tutor a child at Downes School. I haven't had a child in our school system for more than 10 years. But there's no reason why I can't help another child.

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, "Out of the Attic" features a photograph from the University of Delaware Archives. According to UD archivist Ian Janssen, this photo shows the Delaware College Cadets standing at attention on a field in circa 1892. The field on which the cadets are drilling probably is Frazer Field (note the railroad running behind the field), so the photograph would have been taken looking northeast, demonstrating the lack of the town's development in this region at that time. The Delaware Cadets were the forerunners of the modern Army ROTC program at the university.

Janssen said "note the Civil War era uniforms (kepis, dragoon helmets, etc.); these uniforms were 'cadet gray' and according to the course catalog for 1892, cost between \$13.50 and \$15.50." "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's history, recent and long ago. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. For 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

■ Sept. 18, 1930 Delaware's Civil War veterans assemble

Time has told on the veterans of the Civil War. Today, veterans who live in Delaware and those who live outside the state, but who have served in Delaware regiments, will hold a reunion in the P.O.S. of A. Hall, 406 W. Seventh St., Wilmington.

Up until last year, the soldiers of Fourth Regiments held separate reunions but because of the few left, it has been decided to hold joint gatherings. Col. Richard G. Buckingham, of Union, Mill Creek Hundred, presided.

Embezzlement cited

Following a hearing

Friday afternoon before Magistrate Gluckman, in Wilmington, a Newark man was held in \$5,000 bail for the grand jury charge of embezzlement as trustee. The complaint was preferred by representatives of the C.I.T. Corporation of New York and Philadelphia.

The suspect is alleged to have obtained six automobiles, as an automobile dealer, through the automobile finance corporation, sold the cars and kept the money.

■ Sept. 17, 1980 Officials ponder speeding problem

Warren Jones doesn't like to joke about Sunday drivers. He's seen too many Sunday accidents.

Jones lives on Elkton Road, and his house is just over the Maryland state line. Just about every other Sunday, he says, a wreck takes place in front of his house.

He was at home three weeks ago when two Newark boys, Robbie

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

Lost a running buddy, but gained a hero

To: The editor

From: Doug Wasgatt

MY buddy Keith called me on Saturday evening to tell me that he could not make our Sunday morning run. He said he just found out that he had to take a flight early Sunday morning. He had finally received something he was longing for.

We try to run every Sunday. The 6.2 miles on Creek Road north of the city is a beautiful early morning trek. We start early, before the sun rises. Often we see deer, and we always enjoy the scenery by the White Clay Creek. As we run, the sky lightens and we talk about whatever is on our minds. Our goal in running is

simple, we want to be healthy. But Keith has an added incentive: he is a full-time member of the Air National Guard.

He likes to keep in shape because the Guard occasionally tests for physical fitness. Although he mainly performs duties at a desk, he is fully aware that as a member of the Guard he can be called up for different duties. When they asked for volunteers for a mission to Louisiana, Keith was ready and willing to go.

His sister had lived in New Orleans for many years, and he visited the city several times. He would pester me to travel there, extolling the great music, delicious food and beautiful atmosphere. "Doug" he would tell me, "you absolutely have to go there. Every musician and everyone



who loves music should make at least one trip to New Orleans."

Now, no one is traveling to New Orleans, almost no one.

In the days after Sept. 11, 2001, I remember something very clear: there were no planes in the sky. When you spend most of the day outside as a postal worker, like I do, you notice at least a few planes flying every day. But as I delivered the mail on the days following the tragedy, there was an eerie calm in the air. All planes were grounded: there was no buzzing of small engines planes, no far away whine of a jet airliner.

As I drove my car early Sunday morning, Sept. 11, 2005, I noticed a big beautiful C-130 flying through the brightening sky. A smile came upon my face when I thought that the plane could very well be carrying my buddy Keith. He volunteered and was at that moment being sent to Mississippi to help in the relief effort.

There was a national tragedy. This time planes are in the sky filled with people who are ready, willing and trained to make a difference. Right now it is important that we donate and we pray for those people who have lost so much. Also, let us take time to praise those people who are working hard to help others.

For a few weeks, I have lost my running buddy, but I have gained a hero forever.

NHS band member relates experiences

To: The editor

From: Eddie Robinson

IN the Aug. 19 issue of the *Newark Post*, an article was published about the great changes being made to Newark High School's marching band.

I am a 2005 graduate of NHS and a four-year member of the band.

Every year that I attended NHS, we had band scheduled

jazz band, which did meet during lunch every day. Although it may be against Delaware state law to meet during lunch, students were encouraged to purchase their lunches before practice, and were even provided with passes that allowed us to go to the front of the line in the cafeteria.

Finally, Mr. Smisek [needs to attend] district festivals and competitions. In my freshman, sophomore and junior years in the marching band we attended three competitions along with the band trip in the spring. Of these three festivals NHS hosted one every year, and we were adjudicated at each festival by judges from across the country. However, during the 2004-05, we only attended two festivals due to budget cuts.

I know that change is inevitable and necessary and I'm not disagreeing with the choice to make Mr. Smisek the new band director, but I believe that before commenting on past years at NHS, he should make sure that all of his facts are correct.

Readers are encouraged to use the Opinion Page to speak their minds. Please remember: Letters should be thought provoking and concise; letters deemed libelous will not be printed; we reserve the right to edit for clarity and accuracy; and writers must include a telephone number so that letters can be verified prior to publication. Mail to: Letters, The Newark Post, Suite 206, 168 Elkton Road, Newark, DE 19711; or fax 737-9019.

2000: Contract extended

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Davidson and William Hall, were fatally injured on Elkton Road.

Their car was traveling 110 m.p.h. at the time of the accident, according to police.

Police said also that Davidson had been challenging other drivers to a drag race.

Fun for all this Sunday at Community Day

If you like square dancing, egg throwing, face painting, blacksmithing, wood carving, chess playing, speechmaking, dance, drink and song you should head for the University of Delaware mall this Sunday.

All those things and more will be available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. as apart of the schedule for Newark's Community Day.

A complete listing of what happens, when and where, can be obtained in advance by calling Elayne Treese.

But an information booth will be set up Sunday, Sept. 21 in the middle of the south mall.

■ Sept. 15, 2000

Plan rejected by parents

Christiana School District officials will drive children out of public schools and into private or out-of-state schools if they proceed with a proposed school realignment plan, perturbed parents said at a public hearing last week.

Officials from the district's K-4 Realignment Committee have devised a new feeder pattern map which will move some children out of their current elementary schools and reroute them into other schools in the district.

Fischer contract renewed

School board members voted Tuesday to keep Nicholas Fischer — one of the district's most controversial leaders — in the school superintendent seat for another two years.

The 4-3 vote in favor of renewing Fischer's contract came after parents and teachers stepped to the microphone and stated their reasons why he should not be re-elected.

Opportunities to help abound

► BROOMALL, from 6

Tomorrow I am going to the Food Bank to help sort canned goods.

The images of little children, clinging to their mamas or being pushed through the streets in shopping carts to escape the floodwaters will stick with me.

But so will the ones of the children in our schools collecting

coins and Teddy bears to help the evacuees. And of the volunteers at the Food Bank, grandparents who mentor at schools, retirees who tutor high school kids in their areas of expertise, businessmen and women who teach eighth graders with Choices Program, office workers who Job Shadow with JA and parents who work in their child's classroom.

Opportunities abound. What will you do?

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OUTLOOK

Kids and Katrina

By MARK MANNO

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

WE'VE all been stunned by what we've seen on television in the wake of Katrina. I'm sure we've all asked ourselves how this could happen in America. Don't assume that kids here in Newark aren't deeply affected by what they see and hear.

As the flood waters recede, the pictures coming into our homes may be even worse than what we've already seen. With celebrities getting involved, hurricane coverage is on all the stations that kids watch, even ESPN. With school in full swing now, virtually every school and every classroom is doing something to help, so kids know what is happening in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Even though we are seemingly safe from hurricanes like Katrina here in bucolic Newark, our children don't necessarily know that. There are some things that we as adults can do to help our children cope. It may be important to reassure children and correct misunderstandings. Some may be afraid that a hurricane will come to Newark. Take time to talk about the natural hazards that are local, and teach them some simple ways to keep themselves safe.

Although it is important to deal with children's fears, expect their emotions to be wide ranging. It is very likely that children will also be sad about what is happening to other people, and they may also be angry about the fact that not all of the people are being helped as quickly as they would like. Let them express their full range of emotions.

'Outlook' is a weekly feature prepared by the New Castle County Cooperative Extension Service

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Delaware Natl. Guard rallies for storm relief

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

CHAOS welcomed Maj. Heather Rogerson when she stepped off the plane in Louis Armstrong Airport. It was as if the commercial airport had transformed itself into a war zone. Overhead, helicopters clouded the skies, blocking out the sun. Ambulance lights danced on the runway.

"It was completely overwhelming," she said. "I've seen Baghdad, and it was in better shape, and there were bombs going off. Pictures aren't enough. They don't do it justice."

Rogerson is one of nearly 200 Delaware National Guard members who aided in the Katrina relief efforts. Her tour took her from New Orleans to Kelly USA Airport in San Antonio. There, she shepherded evacuees from shelters in the drowned Louisiana town to dry land in Texas. What she found was heartbreaking: separated families, lost children and nursing home patients who had no recollection of the storm.

One elderly man asked her why he had been taken from his home.

"Because there was a hurricane," she answered.

But there have been hurricanes before, why did he have to leave?

"Because there was a flood," she told him.

Why was there a flood? It never flooded in past storms.

"Because the levees broke," she explained.

That answer seemed to shed light on the situation. All of a sudden, he grasped the magnitude of the destruction in his hometown. If he couldn't remember what had happened, at least he understood.

Not every scene that played out before Rogerson was one of devastation, although there



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KAYTIE DOWLING

Roger Rodriguez of Bear and Eileen Maher of Newark both trekked to Texas to help evacuees in the days following Hurricane Katrina.

was a lot of that, too. There were little glimpses of hope shining through, like a wayward sunbeam on a dismal day.

One couple, both in their 70s, was inseparable. Neither had shoes. He had lost his shirt. She had been badly cut on both arms. Both were dehydrated and hungry. But neither lost their grip on the other's hand. Whenever there was food available, they made sure the other had enough to eat. Each put the other first.

That devotion wasn't lost on Rogerson, who managed to see hope hidden in the tragedy.

"No job was too much for anyone," she said. "There was no one there who said 'I don't

have time for that,' no matter how stressed they were, no matter how much they already had to do."

The scene at Kelly Airport in Texas was just as heart-wrenching. What Delaware Guard members found there will be etched into Sr. Master Sgt. Eileen Maher's memory for a long time. The international airport's terminal walls hardly seemed strong enough to hold the hundreds of ambulatory patients waiting for her.

"It was like walking into Philadelphia International Airport and seeing it filled," she said. "You could see patients as far as the eye could go."

Outside, a line of helicopters half a dozen deep waited for a place to land to bring more of the dehydrated and displaced.

"They just kept dropping in more people," she said. "There were helicopters from the Coast Guard, the Army, even the private sector. It was a huge undertaking."

Even as these Guard members came home, more were on their way to help. On Sunday, Sept. 11, 90 additional troops left, 75 headed to Mississippi, 15 to Baton Rouge, La. The departure is part of an ongoing joint effort by the Delaware National and Air National Guards.

The silver screen is coming to Newark

THIS year will mark the first Newark Film Festival. The three-day festival will show classics like "Raging Bull" and "Big" alongside lesser-known flicks such as "Touching Void" and "Babette's Feast." Each of the films have a different focus; some carefree and funny while others are somber. On the light-hearted end is "Spellbound," the 2002 surprise documentary hit that featured eight students on their way to a national spelling bee in Washington D.C. More serious movies like "Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room" offers reflection on issues that have rocked the nation.

Another sobering film, "Winter Soldier," kicks off the series on Thursday night. The 1971 film about the Vietnam War takes the distant war and puts it into our backyards. University of Delaware political science professor Kenneth Campbell is one of seven veterans interviewed throughout the feature. In 1967, at the age of 18, Campbell enlisted in the Marine

Corps. He served 12 months in Vietnam. There, he earned a Purple Heart, a Navy Achievement Medal and a lengthy list of other medals. After being honorably discharged in 1970, he joined the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, the group that funded "Winter Soldier." In the course of the movie, he and other veterans including U.S. Sen. John Kerry, share their experiences and views on the war.

Campbell will give a short introduction to the movie on Thursday, Sept. 22, at 7:30 p.m. He will be

introduced by PBS film critic Patrick Stoner. A question and answer session will follow the movie.

All movies will be shown at the Newark Cinema Center, located on Main Street.

For a complete listing of the films, visit www.newarkfilm.com.

Tickets can be purchased at the Delaware Center for Contemporary Arts.

A percentage of each tick-

et sold through the DCCA is returned to the art museum for exhibitions and educational programming.

Call 656-6466 for more information.

Castle, The Food Bank of Delaware team up

DELAWARE Congressman Mike Castle joined the Food Bank of Delaware, the Red Cross and the Salvation Army to kick off "Hunger Drive 2005" for the Katrina Hurricane Victims at the Food Bank of Delaware by donating groceries, preparing meal packages and announcing that his Wilmington Congressional office will serve as a satellite office in collecting goods for the victims.

"In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, we have all been searching for ways to help -- and help in more ways than just donating money. We wanted to do something that directly impacted the lives of the victims and their families," Castle said. "What could

be more satisfying than providing for their health and medical needs. So that is how we can up with Hunger Drive 2005. By working directly with the Food Bank of Delaware, we can coordinate with all of the Food Banks across the United States to ensure those in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama are getting the products they need."

The Food Bank of Delaware will collect the following food

and grocery items until the end of September for Hurricane Relief: bottled water, hand-held snacks such as granola and energy bars, breakfast bars, beefy jerky, peanut butter, canned meals such as hearty soups, stews, chili, and/or pasta, plates, bowls, cups, and utensils, bleach, disinfecting household cleaning items, and diapers.

Brandywine Creek State Park needs volunteers for this year's haunted trail

DELAWARE: Do you remember when you were young and you looked forward to Halloween just to be scared to death in a haunted house or on a haunted trail? Well, here's your chance to "give a little back" with the Brandywine Creek Haunted Trail. Park Nature Center Manager Barbara Woodford says, "We can't do this trail every year without the help of lots of volunteers. It's fun, and more than a little spooky!" she says with a shudder. "I can barely stand to be on the trail that night! And I know everything that's coming!"

The trail requires a lot of prep-

aration for the haunted program. So, the park will be signing up volunteers to assist them for the entire month of September and into October. The park staff will also need a lot of help on the night of the Haunted Trail, Oct. 21.

Woodford says, "We don't need you to sign over every available hour you have. Just call us and let us know how much time you'd like to give, and we'll come up with something for you to do." Woodford can be reached at (302) 577-3534 or by e-mail at Barbara.woodford@state.de.us.

Children will want to help, feel a part of the solution

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Answer their questions, but when they seem satisfied, don't belabor the point.

Monitor your child's media exposure. Young children should not be watching news of this intensity for long. Most of the time they will become bored, but what they retain can frighten

them later. Older children need to be aware of current events, but newspapers, the internet and magazines can present the information in a less dramatic and traumatic way. Television is very difficult to monitor and news crews still work hard to get more dramatic and graphic video than their competitors.

Most children will want to help in some way, no matter how

small. As a parent you can make sure that will happen. Even if it's donating one dollar at the supermarket check out, kids need to feel a part of the solution, just like the rest of us.

As bad as this crisis, it will recede until the next disaster. By talking with your children now and answering their questions honestly, you'll prepare them for what is sure to come again.



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EXHIBIT 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Runs till July 31, 2006. "Centuries of Progress: American World's Fairs, 1853-1982." \$5 adults, \$2 children 6-14, free under 6. Hagley Museum and Library, Route 141, Wilmington. Info., 658-2400.

HAWK COUNT 1 - 3 p.m. Runs till November 18. Watch as hawks travel between their breeding grounds and their winter residences. White Clay Creek State Park, 425

Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info., 398-6900.

GALLERY TOURS 1 - 3 p.m. Runs Thursday through Sunday till September 30. Victoria Wyeth, Daughter of Andrew Wyeth, will guide tours through the work of her father and uncle Jamie Wyeth. \$8 for adults. \$5 for seniors, students and children 6-12. Free to children under 6 and Conservancy members. Brandywine River Museum, Route 1, Chadds Ford. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

ART EXHIBIT 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday. 12 - 4 p.m. Sunday. Closed Monday. Runs till October 8. Artwork from collage and assembly show. The Newark Arts Alliance, 100 Elkton Rd. Info., 266-7266.

TWILIGHT FITNESS WALK 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Join an "Almost Power Walk" to stay in shape. Meeting House, White Clay Creek State Preserve, Landenberg, Pa. Info., 610-274-2471.

QUILT EXHIBIT 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays. 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Wednesdays. 1 - 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Runs through Dec. 7. Features of 25 contemporary quilters. Mechanical Hall Galleries, Main Street and N. College Avenue. Info., 831-8037.

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Dec. 9. Features selections from the Paul R. Jones Collection. Mechanical Hall Galleries, Main Street and N. College Avenue. Info., 831-8037.

SENIOR BEACH DAY 7:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Take a fitness walk with the governor. \$30 members. \$35 non-members. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

MUSICAL THEATER PERFORMANCE

2:30 p.m. Melissa Martin and the Mighty Rhythm Kings will perform. \$14 adults, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 6-15, free under 6. Special Events Pavilion, Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square. Info., 610-388-1000 or visit www.longwoodgardens.com.



'HAY FEVER' AT THE PLAYERS CLUB

Check out local performer, Donna Dougherty of Newark, in her role as Myra Arundel in "Hay Fever." The show starts this weekend and runs through Oct. 8 at the Players Club Theatre in the Village of Swarthmore. Shows are Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15. For more information, call 610-328-4271.

org.

FOOTBALL 7 p.m. University of Delaware will play West Chester University. Delaware Stadium, David M. Nelson Athletic Complex, S. College Avenue. Info., 831-4367.

HARVEST MARKET 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Runs Saturdays and Sundays till November 6. Regional artisans will showcase their crafts. \$8 for adults. \$5 for seniors, students and children 6-12. Free to children under 6 and Conservancy members. Brandywine River Museum, Route 1, Chadds Ford. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit

www.brandywinemuseum.org.

RESALE 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Infant to pre-teen clothing, toys, books and more will be sold. Cash only. Gauger Cobb Middle School, Gender Rd. Info., 791-3853.

PERFORMANCE 8 p.m. Lenny Schranze, viola, and John Peterson,

piano, will perform. \$10 adults. \$7 seniors. \$3 students. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Info., 831-2577.

WILDFLOWERS ON DISPLAY 10 a.m. Come see what flowers are on display as fall arrives. The Meeting House, White Clay Creek State Preserve, Landenberg, Pa. Info., 610-274-2471.

■ SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

MUSICAL THEATER PERFORMANCE 7:30 p.m. Janet Tebbel will perform. \$14 adults, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 6-15, free under 6. Chimes Tower, Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square. Info., 610-388-1000 or visit www.longwoodgardens.org.

HIKING CLUB 1 p.m. Take a hike then discuss ideas on club. Meeting House, White Clay Creek State Preserve, Landenberg, Pa. Info., 610-274-2471.

MATH AND YOU 3 p.m. A students guide to mathematics. Hosted by Joe Evans of Math Works. Bear Library, Governor's Square Shopping Center, Bear. Info., 838-3300.

PERFORMANCE 8 p.m. UD faculty members will perform jazz concert. \$10 adults. \$7 seniors. \$3 students. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Info., 831-2577.

COLLECTIBLE SHOW 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sports cards, comic books, NASCAR and more. \$2 adults. Free to children under 12. Aetna Fire Hall, 400 Ogletown Rd. Info., 559-7962 or visit www.a2zshows1.com.

HAGLEY CAR SHOW 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. \$7 adults. \$4 ages 6-14. Free to Hagley associates and children under 6. Hagley Museum, Route 141, Wilmington. Info., 658-2400.

■ MONDAY, SEPT. 19

MONEY AND YOU 7 p.m. Discuss the benefits of refinancing. Bear Library, Governor's Square Shopping Center, Bear. Info., 838-3300.

LECTURE 12:30 p.m. "Regulation of Gene Expression by Small Molecules," by Peter B. Dervan. 205 Gore Hall, on The Green of the UD campus. Info., 831-1247.

■ TUESDAY, SEPT. 20

NARFE MEETING 11 a.m. Speaker will address fraud. Glass Kitchen Restaurant, Route 40. Info., 731-1628.

COMEDY 8:30 p.m. Joe Matarese will perform. The Scrounge, Perkins Student Center, Academy Street, Newark. Info., visit www.scpab.com.

■ FRIDAY, SEPT. 16

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.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY 1 p.m. Continuing education to promote better way of life. New members welcome. County Extension Office, South Chapel St. Info., 738-4419 or 831-1239.

■ SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

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

KARAOKE 8 p.m. - midnight. The American Legion of Elkton, 129 W. Main St. Info., 410-398-9720.

■ SUNDAY, SEPT. 18

DELAWARE ACCORDION CLUB 2 - 5 p.m. Meeting for an open mic session. Open to the public. Bear Diner & Restaurant, Route 40 and School Bell Road. Info., 738-7378.

■ MONDAY, SEPT. 19

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

FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Classes for English Conversation. Registration required. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Info., 368-4942 or 368-8774.

SIMPLY JAZZERCISE 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children. Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St. Info., 658-5177.

NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. The Holiday Inn, Route 273. Info., 453-8853.

NCCO STROKE CLUB Noon. The Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., 324-4444.

MEETINGS

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Avenue. Info., 368-2318.

TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Monday or Wednesday; 11:15 a.m. Friday. \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

■ TUESDAY, SEPT. 20

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

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info., 737-7239.

SWEET ADELINES 8 - 10 p.m. Singing group. Listeners and new members welcome. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 731-5981.

SCRAPBOOKING 7 - 9 p.m. Nursery, \$2 per child. Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church, Summit Bridge

Road, Glasgow. Info., 834-GRPC.

MS SUPPORT 4 - 6 p.m. MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Rd., Wilmington. Info., 655-5610.

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

NEWARK LIONS 6:30 p.m. Lions meeting with program. Holiday Inn, Newark Route 273 and I-95. Info., 731-1972.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 7 p.m. Liberty Baptist Church, Red Lion Road, Bear. Info., 838-2060.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT 7 - 9 p.m. Free. Open to public. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

■ WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21

CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Terry Schooley will attend to field questions and concerns. Eagle Diner, Elkton Road. Info., 577-8476.

C.H.A.D.D. 7:30 p.m. Parent/Educator support group meeting for people with attention disorders using education, advocacy, and support. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 737-5063.

PARENT ADVISORY BOARD 7 p.m. Meetings alternate between Bayard and Keene schools. Info., 454-2500 or visit www.christina.k12.de.us.

DIVORCECARE 7 p.m. Separated/divorced people meet. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 737-5040.

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

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. Meeting for men who are survivors of and newly diagnosed with prostate cancer. The American Cancer Society Office, 92 Reads Way, Suite 205, New Castle. Info., 234-4227.

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 658-5177.

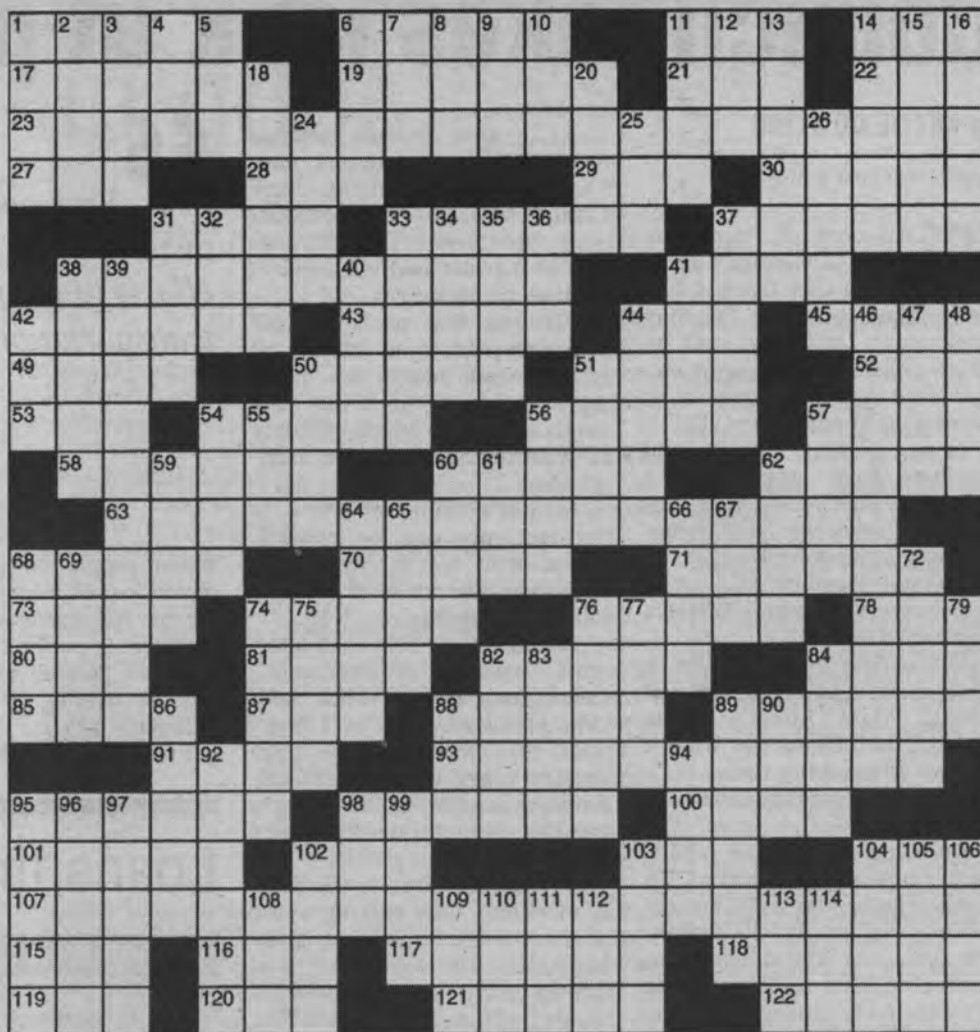
AT HOME MOTHERS CONNECTION 7:30 p.m. Meeting for moms only. St. Barnabas Church, Duncan Road. Info., 610-274-2165.

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Club Phred to perform at Balloon fund-raiser Oct. 1 to benefit hurricane relief

The Stone Balloon, the local oldies band Club Phred, and the Christina Educational Enrichment Fund, will join forces to raise funds for the Red Cross Disaster

Relief Fund. The benefit concert will be held on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 8 to 11 p.m.

The owners and management of the Stone Balloon proposed

a fundraiser to CEEF several weeks ago. Since that time, the Gulf Coast has experienced a natural disaster and CEEF, Club Phred and the Stone Balloon will host the benefit in support of the Red Cross.

The Stone Balloon tavern will close its doors this fall and has been a supporter of the community for many years, an organizer said.

Last spring, the Stone Balloon hosted a benefit for CEEF and with the help and talent of Club Phred the benefit raised several thousand dollars.

The doors at the Stone Balloon will open at 7:45 p.m. on Oct. 1. A minimum donation of \$25 is requested at the door.

Call 832-5879 for more information.

CEEF is a non-profit group

of volunteers that honors the achievements of students within the Christina School District. Each spring, dozens of Christina youngsters are honored at the Fund's annual Success Banquet.

The repeat benefit at the Stone Balloon is special to several members of the rock-and-roll classics band Club Phred — the musicians attended Newark and Christiana high schools.

Newarkers off to W. Va., Pa. campuses

William J. Slade, of Newark, began classes at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine this fall. Slade earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology from the University of Delaware. He is the son of William Sr. and Patricia Slade.

Jennifer Montague, of Newark, has enrolled at Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania as part of the

class of 2009. She graduated from St. Marks High School and is studying Early Childhood Education.

Student graduates

Kapil G. Aggarwal, of Newark, graduated from the University of Albany in New York with a MS degree.

read by a lively storyteller. Near the other exhibit, the Brandywine Zoo. Info., 571-7747.

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

EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. Class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30 - 10 p.m. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue.

MEETINGS, from 10

FOUNDATION 7:30 p.m. Wilmington Satellite Group. Christiana Hospital, Room 1100. Info., 764-5717.

BGCCCO MEETING 7 p.m. Bear Glasgow Council of Civic Organizations. Pencader Grange Hall, Glasgow Avenue/Old Rt. 896. Info., 832-0793.

DIAMOND STATE CROCHETERS 6 p.m. Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limestone Road. Info., 324-8585.
BINGO 12:45 p.m. Lunch available for \$2.25 a platter at 11:45 a.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 22

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. Animal stories

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Council takes look at parking requirements

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

TIDES could be turning in the sea of Newark's parking. The City Council formally asked the city's Planning Commission and city staff to review existing parking ordinances to see if they are adequate at its meeting on Monday, Sept. 12.

In past months, City Council members have argued that a change is due, especially for parking at apartments and condominiums in the downtown.

Council has debated with applicants over parking waivers with mixed results.

In the case of Waterstone, a condominium building that will replace Main Street's Stone Balloon, the council got what it wanted: 151 parking spaces.

But not all projects have been as adaptive.

Builders behind an apartment complex at the former CVS building pushed for a 100 percent parking waiver for 30 spaces. The applicants argued that it was justified because residents would be exclusively students who do

not have cars.

As of now, the city requires two spaces per apartment unit. That's fine, Councilman Jerry Clifton said, for two-bedroom units. But throw a four-bedroom unit in the mix and the requirement seems lacking.

"To me, that reads as four bedrooms with four drivers, all of who would like to have parking," he said. "I think that four unrelated people would certainly all want to have their own transportation."

Clifton's point of view is not the only one on council. Councilman Kevin Vonck has expressed concern over creating too much parking.

"I really don't believe in minimum parking requirements," Councilman Kevin Vonck said. "My philosophy is that I don't think they work in code form because every use is really different, depending on the business type, its parking intensity, hours of operation, and location."

Vonck subscribes to the point of view that more parking in the downtown does not mean parking relief. The logic goes that limited parking spaces restrict the number of cars in the downtown.

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Free parking subsidizes the cost of owning a car while it undercuts any of our efforts to get people to use other means of transportation.”

KEVIN VONCK

NEWARK CITY COUNCIL

When people do not have the option to park, they look for other means for transportation, from their feet to public systems.

"Free parking subsidizes the cost of owning a car while it undercuts any of our efforts to get people to use other means of

transportation. If you provide a home for cars, you're going to have them," he said. "For me, it's about trying to figure out a balance. You don't want to turn the downtown into a stadium parking lot, but you want people from outside the downtown to drive and patronize the business."

Loans first come, first served

► POOH, from 1

POOH loans bait buyers with a zero percent interest loan, which is not paid back until the home is sold. At that point, the city collects the full amount of the loan and a percent of any appreciation on the property. For example, if the loan makes up 10 percent of the original purchase price, then the city collects the original loan amount plus 10 percent of any property appreciation. If the property does not appreciate, the city only collects the principal.

This system is based on a program implemented by several California cities, including Los Angeles.

POOH loans are available on

a first come, first served basis, with a cap of \$250,000 to be lent in any calendar year.

POOH is an expansion of an existing program. The city previously lent up to \$15,000 to any home buyer in select areas of the city. This is a more traditional loan, with a monthly payment and small interest rate. This loan, called the Home Buyer's Assistance Program, requires home owners to stay in their property for at least six years. HBAP will not be affected by the creation of POOH.

The Newark City Council also approved an ordinance that would waive the realty transfer tax for first-time home buyers who grab up houses with rental permits.

Main Street repaving due next June

► REPAVE, from 3

the downtown during construction.

DelDOT will pick up the tab for the repaving, as Main Street is considered a state highway. Last estimates for the project put the price tag at \$262,000, however, rising fuel costs could dramatically affect those numbers.

"At this point, we don't have the cost figured out," said Darrel Cole, spokesman for DelDOT. Main Street's repaving is part of a \$40 million annual project that smoothes over the state's streets.

The start of repaving does not signify the end for Streetscape. The planning process will still receive money this year from DelDOT. However, any further advancement will have to wait until the department has more funding. Streetscape is envisioned to give Main Street a new, pedestrian-centric look. Bumpouts, a curve of sidewalk that stretches into a crosswalk increasing pedestrian visibility, are planned in several locations. The street would also receive new curbing and landscaping. While Streetscape was proposed for this past summer, it was pushed back indefinitely because of budgeting issues. At this point, the project has money only for planning and architectural phases. Actual construction will have to wait until DelDOT can fund the project.

"There are delays in many things right now," said Mike Williams, spokesman for DelDOT. "But we understand that we have to do them, and we want to do them. Projects aren't going to be taken away forever."

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► BLOTTER, from 2

Other incidents

A mountain bike valued at \$200 was stolen from a laundry room at 605 Lehigh Road, police were told on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2:49 p.m.

Residents of a home in the unit block Benny Street found a pane of glass in a front door shattered on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 2 a.m. Nothing was reported missing.

Vehicles hit

Newark police reported that thieves and vandals targeted a number of vehicles here recently. Some of the reports include:

42 Shull Dr., on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 9:43 p.m., driver side window of Subaru Legacy shattered;

24 Marvin Dr., on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 9:22 p.m., radio valued at \$200 removed from a parked Acura;

200 Whitechapel Dr., on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 4:34 p.m., a rock was thrown and damaged the rear window of a 1991 Buick Park Avenue;

Parking lot at College Square shopping center, on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 3:53 p.m., two tires were slashed and window of a 1997 Ford Escort was shattered. The victim told police there had been two previous similar incidents;

400 College Square, on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2:11 p.m., an estimated \$400 in damage done to the victim's automobile;

Porter Auto Body, 414 E. Cleveland Ave., on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 6:12 p.m., amplifier, speakers and CD player valued at \$750 removed and the interior of the car vandalized;

Howard Johnson hotel, 111 S. College Ave., on Saturday, Sept. 10, at noon, 1999 Intrepid was reported stolen from the parking lot;

520 Capitol Trail, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 9:26 a.m., sunglasses, cell phone and coins removed from a parked car;

Howard Johnson hotel, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 6:04 a.m., trailer valued at \$2,000 stolen from parked pick-up truck;

102 Sluice Ct., on Friday, Sept. 9, at 7:17 p.m., purse and cell phone removed from 2000 Nissan;

308 Cannons Way, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 11:30 a.m., stereo equipment valued at \$2,000 removed from car;

384 Briar Lane, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 9:51 a.m., three nails driven into three tires of a 1998 Honda Civic;

29 Hawthorne Ave., on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 7:28 p.m., items valued at \$2,300 stolen from 1995 Pontiac Trans Am;

28 Haines St., on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 6:06 p.m., clothing, CDs and fishing rod removed from 1995 Ford Explorer;

15 Yale Dr., on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 11:50 a.m., electronics equipment valued at \$1,050 stolen from 1998 Mitsubishi Mirage;

Porter Chevrolet, 414 E. Cleveland Ave., on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 9:35 a.m., four tires and wheels valued at \$1,900 stolen;

316 Chickory Way, on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 5:17 p.m., CDs and face plate removed from 1991 Honda Civic;

212 Woodlawn Ave., on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 5:28 p.m., camera and sunglasses, total value \$505, stolen from a Honda Element;

Nucar Pontiac, 250 E. Cleveland Ave., on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 1:09 p.m., police were told that four vehicles had been broken into by smashing windows and various items were taken;

Porter Chevrolet, 414 E. Cleveland Ave., on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 8:33 a.m., about a dozen vehicles were broken into or damaged, various items were missing; and

Toyota Word, 1344 Marrows Road, on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 7:46 a.m., window broken and stereo removed from a 1996 Chevrolet Tahoe.

Alcohol, noise law violations listed, 109 cited in two days

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued their traditional stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws following the return of University of Delaware students.

The police department's Special Operations and Alcohol Enforcement units are conducting uniformed and plainclothes patrols through the city, said Lt. Thomas LeMin.

On Sept. 9 and 10, the enforcement detail netted 109 criminal and four traffic charges, most issued to University of Delaware students, LeMin said.

Of the 109 summonses, 87 were for alcohol-related charges, 12 for disorderly conduct, eight for loud parties, one assault charge, one weapons charge and four traffic offenses.

Some of the recent arrests include:

Sean Patrick Reilly, 22, of Toms River, N.J., noise law violation, on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 2:03 a.m., at 2302 Scholar Dr.;

Brittany Megan Hobbs, 20, of Wilmington, driving under the influence of alcohol, driving left of center, and underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 3:22 a.m., after a traffic stop on West Main Street;

Karen T. Burghardt, 20, of Newark,



Weekly traffic report

STATISTICS FOR AUG. 21-27, 2005 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005	This week 2004	This week 2005
Moving	2476	2770	105	111
Non-moving	1805	1772	46	50
Total	4281	4542	151	161

PARKING SUMMONSES	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005	This week 2004	This week 2005
Meter tickets	28232	25930	323	811
Parking summonses	5500	5945	56	79
Total	33732	31875	379	890

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005	This week 2004	This week 2005
Fatal	1	1	0	0
Personal injury	174	195	6	4
Property damage (reportable)	340	293	6	6
Property damage (non-reportable)	343	345	15	4
Total	858	834	27	14
Hit-and-run reports	202	139	4	1
DUI cases	112	123	3	3

and **Heather Leigh Stoneer**, 20, of West Chester, Pa., each charged maintaining a disorderly premise, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:23 a.m., at 123 E. Park Place;

Zachary C. Mueller, 20, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol and underage possession of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 1:24 a.m., at 42 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Zachary Ryan Humenik, 19, of Wilmington, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:58 a.m., at 28 Haines St.;

David M. Dykstra, 18, of Mendham, N.J., disorderly conduct and underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 1:21 a.m., at 70 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Matthew John Hosking, 19, of Goshen, N.Y., driving under the influence of alcohol and underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:41 a.m., after a two-car collision at West Park Place and Willa Road;

Alexander B. McClammer, 18, of Newark, disorderly conduct and underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:48 a.m., at 120 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Katrina C. Mitzeliotis, 20, and **Natalie Villoslada**, 20, both of Newark, each charged with underage possession, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:36 a.m., at Newark Shopping Center;

Nicholas S. Deritis, 19, of Wilmington, and **Carrie H. Foulk**, of Elkton, Md., each charged with possession of an open container of alcohol and underage possession, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:18 a.m., at 120 Wilbur St.;

William M. Rocjensies, 18, of West Hempstead, N.Y., possession of an

open container and underage possession, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:35 a.m., at Wilbur Street and Prospect Avenue;

Fernando F. Duarte, 19, of Newark, underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:27 a.m., at Hillside Road and West Main Street;

James E. Knies, 19, of Newark, **Jenna K. Fitzgibbons**, 19, of West Barnstable, Mass., **Tammy Tendrup**, 19, of Nesconset, N.Y., and **Katelyn M. Driscoll**, of Pittsburgh, Pa., each charged with underage possession, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:11 A.M., in the 100 block East Cleveland Avenue;

Peter Roland Kinckley, 20, of Newark, noise law violation, on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 12:20 a.m., at 7213 Scholar Dr.;

Erik M. Menosky, 22, of North East, Md., possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 11:57 p.m., in the rear of 131 E. Main St.;

Stephen Edward Keefe, 21, of Wynnwood, Pa., noise law violation, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 11:40 p.m., at 227 W. Main St.;

Natasha V. Melo, 19, and **Caitlyn A. Kennedy**, 19, both of Newark, each charged with possession of an open container and underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 11:23 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments;

Michael P. Diglio, 19, of Newark, possession of an open container and underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 10:57 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Michael S. McKinstry, 20, of Doylestown, Pa., underage consumption, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 10:59 p.m., at Delaware Circle and Tyre Avenue;

Christopher M. Fosso, 19, of Newark, possession of an open container and underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 10:58 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Kathleen A. McGill, 19, of West Chester, Pa., possession of an open container and underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 11:03 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Philip D. Taylor, 20, of Dover, underage consumption, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 10:37 p.m., at New and Choate streets;

Christopher M. Lind, 21, of Millsboro, providing alcohol to a minor, and **Brett A. Cordrey**, 19, of Millsboro, underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 7:19 p.m., at Newark Shopping Center;

Maxwell E. Thoeni, 19, of West Chester, Pa., possession of an open container and underage possession, on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 11:34 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Janine M. Cardenas, 20, of Manalapan, N.J., and **Taryn Sardon**, 20, of East Rutherford, N.J., each charged with a noise law violation, on Friday, Sept. 9, at 12:41 a.m., at 43 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Andrew R. Novotny, 21, of Newark, noise law violation, on Friday, Sept. 2, at 9:45 p.m., at 31 Choate St.

Police said all defendants were released pending court appearances.

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Business panel reviews parking progress

Parking chief details new pay-on-foot system now in use behind Galleria

At the board session of the Downtown Newark Partnership, Parking Committee Chair John Newcomer and the City of Newark's Parking Chief Andrew Haines reported on the first two days of operation of the new pay-on-foot system at the public lot behind the Galleria.

Haines said the new system, which went into operation the Tuesday after Labor Day, has been greeted positively by patrons. "People have reacted favorably," he said, and particularly like paying only for the time they use the lot. The previous payment system required parkers to estimate the time they would be on the lot and pay in advance to avoid ticketing.

Haines told the board that the entrance and exit to the parking lot off Delaware Avenue has been reconfigured to accom-

modate the new payment system.

The lot is now gated. Patrons must take a ticket to gain entry to the lot. When ready to leave, customers can go to one of two payment machines – one in the center of the lot, the other inside the first floor of the Galleria – and insert their ticket. After making the required payment, they retrieve their ticket and use it to raise the exit gate.

Haines also explained how the new system can handle validation by local merchants. Many downtown businesses provide free parking to customers through the parking validation system. Merchants will be billed only for validations they grant and will no longer have to buy "free parking" stickers in advance for their customers to use on the Galleria lot.

The board also announced it will reprise its popular fall mixer on Thursday, Oct. 20, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Deer Park Tavern

on Main Street. The annual networking event for local businesspeople has sold out in previous years.

In reports by the chairs of its Design, Merchants and Parking committees, the board heard that:



■ The 2005 Food & Brew Fest in July and downtown Auto Fest in August were declared successes and that positive feedback was received from both attendees and Main Street merchants. Both events appear to have achieved their goal of luring people who do not usually visit downtown Newark to the Main Street district.

■ The Taste Of Newark event, an effort led by DNP board member and Newark Mayor Vance A. Funk III, has sold out its 600 tickets. Nearly all downtown restaurants and several wineries will showcase their goods at the Oct. 2 event on the lawn of Old College at Main Street and

North College Avenue on the University of Delaware campus. Proceeds will be split between UD's hotel and restaurant training program and the DNP's fund to paint a welcoming mural on the CSX bridge near the Main Street McDonald's.

■ The bridge painting will begin Sept. 26.

■ The DNP has joined with the U.S. Small Business Administration and Delaware's Small Business Development Center to present a free workshop on accessing capital for business start-up and expansion.

The DNP is a coalition of the City of Newark, University of Delaware, downtown business owners and operators and city residents that works to preserve and strengthen the vitality of the Main Street business district. The DNP board sets policy and approves work plans with its work carried out by dozens of volunteers on its Parking, Special Events, Design, Merchants and Economic Enhancement committees.

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To inquire about courses that meet the new Delaware flood insurance education requirement, agents can call (302) 739-4254.

Governments

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Every county and municipality in Delaware will receive a package from the Department of Insurance describing the CRS program and how to get started. Or call the Department of Insurance at (302) 739-4251.

CELEBRATE COMMUNITY DAY 2005 IN DOWNTOWN NEWARK

It's a day of fun for all in downtown Newark

THE City of Newark's Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with the University of Delaware, Christina School District, Downtown Newark Partnership, the Newark Arts Alliance and the Newark Heritage Alliance present the area's premier fall festival on Sunday, Sept. 18. Be sure to get there early, as the festivities start at 10 a.m.

Admission is free and the activities continue until 5 p.m.

On the University of Delaware's Green, two stages provide an outdoor venue for local musicians and demonstration groups. A food court will have an assortment of tasty treats. Local artisans will display and sell their creations: their work will also be considered for a fine art and homemade craft competition.

The popular children's area will feature scarecrow stuffing, games and other crafts. The festival's signature community information booths and activities are supplied by a variety of local businesses and organizations. Don't miss the bazaar and flea market area, which will be filled with attic treasures and unique surprises.

Community Day is not confined just to the Green. The activities and attractions are spread throughout Newark's downtown



This map shows the location of Community Day 2005 activities and events on the University of Delaware Green, formerly known as the mall. Other Community Day events will be held on the lawn of the Academy Building where the Newark Harvest Festival will take

place.

Just around the corner from the University of Delaware Green on Newark's Main Street, the Newark Harvest Festival will take over the Academy Building lawn, featuring colonial period re-enactors, crafts, entertainment and historical displays. There will be carding and weaving demonstrations, as well as blacksmithing. Local artist Lyndon Barton will have his historic drawings

on hand. Entertainment will be provided by the Delaware Regimental Fife and Drum at noon and the Sian Frick Clogging and Welch Dancing group at 2 p.m., all on the lawn at East Main Street and Academy Street.

Further down Main Street in the Newark Shopping Center, there will be Mini Moto Pocket Bike races, a real crowd pleaser in recent years. Full-sized adults race around a track on miniature

place. Miniature motorcycle racing will take place on the lot of the Newark Shopping Center and a farm market will be held at Market East Plaza.

motorcycles.

The Market East Plaza will host its weekly Farm Market, featuring fresh fruits and vegetables. And as always, Main Street stores and restaurants will welcome guests.

Organizers remind visitors that pets are not usually comfortable with heat or crowds. They ask that for the safety of everyone that pets are left at home.

Inclement weather will not

affect Main Street merchants and dining specials or the Mini Moto racing. However, in the event of rain, all other activities will be postponed until Sunday, Sept. 25. For weather-related cancellations, call 302-366-7147.

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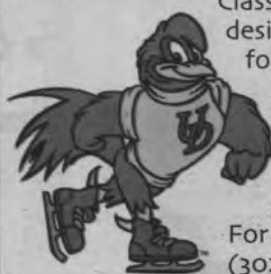
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CELEBRATE COMMUNITY DAY 2005 IN DOWNTOWN NEWARK

Community Day isn't just for Newark

COMMUNITY Day will host a series of fundraising efforts that will benefit victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The City of Newark will be one of the groups collecting donations. The money will support Newark's newly adopted sister city, Pascagoula, Miss.

Newark adopted the small town on Sept. 12 with the hope that a long-term effort will make life easier for those rebuilding after the storm.

In addition to donations, the

city will host a make-and-take scarecrow craft. Five dollars will buy participants a scarecrow, which they can decorate and take home. Proceeds will benefit the Pascagoula relief effort.

Donations will be accepted long after Community Day is over by contacting the City Secretary's office at 302-366-7070.

But the city's efforts will not be the only ones that benefit hurricane relief efforts.

U.S. Rep. Mike Castle has teamed up with the Food Bank of

Delaware, the Red Cross and the Salvation Army for Hunger Drive 2005. He will be at Community Day to accept non-perishable food items which will be distributed to Katrina victims.

Hunger Drive 2005 is collecting items such as bottled water, granola and energy bars, breakfast bars, beef jerky, peanut butter, canned meals, pasta, plates, bowls, cups, bleach, and diapers.

Donations can also be made after Community Day at the Food Bank of Delaware, which is headquartered at 14 Garfield Way,

Newark.

The Wilmington Kennel Club will also have a booth at Community Day to accept monetary donations. These funds will go toward the care of injured and displaced canine victims.

Other community groups with booths and tables at Community Day also are expected to host service and fund-raising projects that will benefit hurricane victims.



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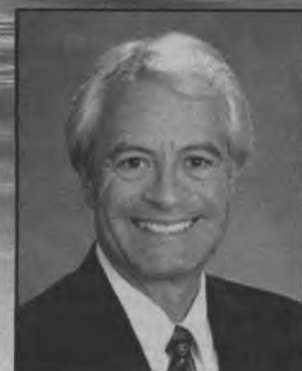
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Community Day 2005 offers free parking

Attendees to the 2005 edition of Newark's Community Day are invited to enjoy free parking during the event, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Sunday, Sept. 18.

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CELEBRATE COMMUNITY DAY 2005 IN DOWNTOWN NEWARK

Music an important part of entertainment Sunday

MUSIC has always been a key component to Newark's Community Day. This year is no different.

The John Lennon Education Tour Bus will show Newarkers and other visitors the ins and outs of mobile recording and video production. The bus is dedicated to providing young people with opportunities to tour the studios and participate in songwriting and multimedia production workshops. The bus stops at local schools, concerts, festivals like Community Day and conferences. In addition to being introduced to all of the elements of a recording studio, students learn how to write, produce and record original songs. Visitors create entire music video projects in less than a day and leave with Maxell DVDs of their work.

The bus is divided into two separate recording environments. The front studio offers the chance to create multi-media projects. Audio and video components are discussed, with participants learning about and actually assisting in

the recording and editing. The back studio is a more traditional set up for bands and the remote recording of concerts and special events. Powered by Apple Computers' audio and video solutions, the studios feature a full range of instruments and equipment including guitars, basses, keyboards, drums, digital workstations, DVD/CD duplicators, video cameras, turntables and a new software based DJ station.

After learning how music production works, participants can relax and enjoy the fruits of others' labors. Local musicians like Isaiah's Fool will be on hand throughout the day to entertain

the crowds.

Isaiah's Fool describes themselves as "acoustic rock with a purpose." From the radio friendly pop sounds of "Good Impression" to the inspirations tune "Rise Up," this band delivers its own unique blend of original music. Expect to hear insightful lyrics infused with a modern pop sense. Isaiah's Fool will perform on Stage One at 1:30 p.m.

The zydeco sounds of Crazy Planet Band will join the Celtic songs of Mick White for an eclectic afternoon of music. Whatever your tastes, there will be a band for you.



Strolling the University of Delaware's Green inspecting booths and exhibits is a favorite activity at Newark's Community Day.

■ Music

Stage One, in front of Memorial Hall

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Mick White
12 - 1 p.m. Crazy Planet Band
1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Isaiah's Fool
3 - 3:45 p.m. The June Bugs
4:15 - 5:00 p.m. FAZE

Stage Two, near Delaware Avenue

11:30 - 12:30 p.m. University of Delaware Jazz ensemble
1 - 2 p.m. Newark Improv
2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Newark Community Band

■ Demonstrations

Wolf Hall

10:30 - 11 a.m. Karate for Kids
11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Shao Lin Martial Monks School
Noon - 12:30 p.m. Shao Lin Tiger and Crane Kung Fu Academy
12:45 - 1:15 p.m. Olympiad Gymnastics Exhibition Club
1:30 - 2 p.m. Sun Tai Chi Quan School
2:15 - 2:45 p.m. Mid Atlantic Ballet
3 - 3:30 p.m. Dong Yue Tai Ji Quan Association
3:45 - 4:15 p.m. Delaware Dance Company
4:30 - 5 p.m. Rio Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu

Near Main Street

10:45 - 11:15 p.m. University of Delaware Community Music School
1 - 1:30 p.m. Delaware Steel
2 - 3 p.m. Christina School District Percussionists

If it rains...

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Blue Hens renew rivalry with WCU

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Local rival West Chester visits Delaware Stadium Saturday night and the University of Delaware football team hopes the game won't be nearly as exciting as last week's overtime win over traditional rival Lehigh.

The Blue Hens have won 11 straight against the Division II Rams and hold a 39-6-1 advantage in the overall series. Delaware, in fact, has won the last three games by a combined score of 164-7.

West Chester comes to Newark with a 2-1 record including a 30-20 victory over perennial Division II power Indiana University of Pennsylvania last week. It was the Rams first victory IUP in over 20 years.

Despite Delaware's overwhelming dominance in the series, coach K.C. Keeler knows his team will have to play hard and show improvement to consider the game a

success.

"We've lost to West Chester in years that we've beaten Navy," Keeler said. "We've lost to West Chester in years that we've beaten Temple. We have more scholarships than they do and we should be further along than they are. But you still need to go out and play the game."

"We really have to worry about ourselves and continue to get better. We have to make big strides between week one and two because that's what you're supposed to do. The most important thing for us is to get ready for the Atlantic-10 season."

Keeler sees an improved West Chester squad that has already played three games.

"They lost a lot of starters from last year, but then they come back and beat IUP — a team they haven't beaten in some 20 years. They are extremely well coached. I know I say that a lot, but this team really is. (The West Chester coaching staff) does a great job. They get the most of

2005 BLUE HEN SCHEDULE

9/10	LEHIGH	W 34-33
9/17	W. CHESTER	7 p.m.
9/24	HOLY CROSS	7 p.m.
10/1	at Towson	6 p.m.
10/8	HOFSTRA	noon
10/15	RICHMOND	3 p.m.
10/22	J. MADISON	noon
10/29	at Maine	noon
11/5	UMASS	1 p.m.
11/12	at Wm. & Mary	1 p.m.
11/19	at Villanova	1 p.m.

their kids."

As with many teams that visit the electric atmosphere of Delaware Stadium, West Chester looks forward to this annual contest with great excitement.

"It's great for our kids to understand what that level of football is all about," said West Chester coach Bill Zwaan, who quarterbacked the Blue Hens from 1973-1975. "They never get to see the kind of atmosphere they'll see in Delaware Stadium. For our kids, it's pretty special."

Having been on both sides of the rivalry, Zwaan understands the significance of the game now from a West Chester point of view.

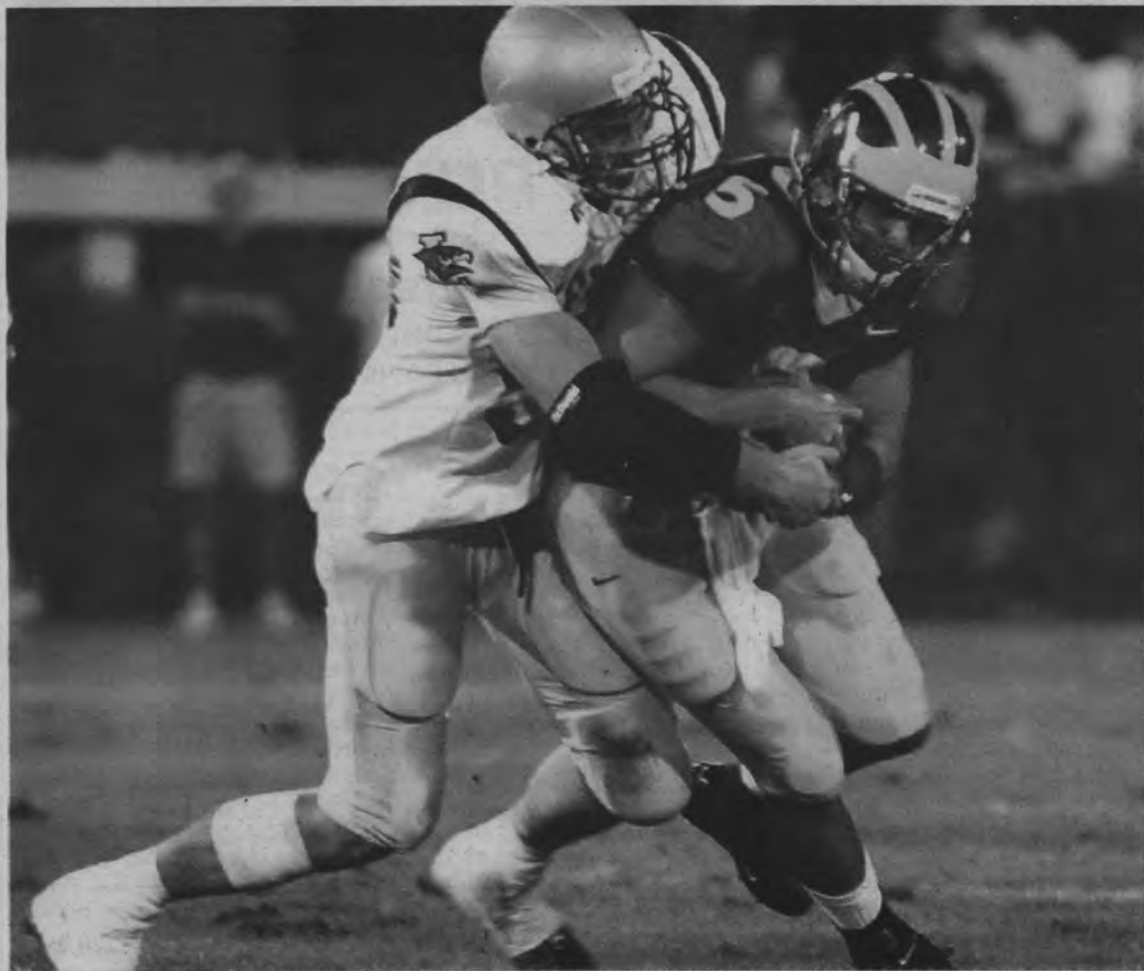
"The West Chester part comes from that we've played this game for so long. It's a game everybody that's played here has been a part of. Every

time West Chester beats Delaware it goes down in history."

Although he's only seen one game, Zwaan knows his team will have its hands full with the Hens.

"Obviously, it's hard to get a good evaluation after only one game," Zwaan said. "But it looked like they really got the offense going in the fourth quarter. Defensively, they looked the same as they have the last several years. They have great athletes, they play so hard and they just run to the ball so well."

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Exciting Blue Hen games are nothing new

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Sometimes it's hard to distinguish one Delaware football game from another.

The Blue Hens opened their season with a scintillating 34-33 come-from-behind overtime victory over Lehigh Saturday night at Delaware Stadium. It was another in what seems like an endless line of fantastic games against quality teams.

Last year, Delaware played eight games that were decided by a touchdown or less. Two years — the national championship year — it played five games decided by a touchdown or less.

Welcome to the world of quality I-AA football.

To be fair, Lehigh probably had its biggest effort of the year. The Hens, on the other hand, will face similarly tough games week-in and week-out in the Atlantic-10.

Still, it's amazing how close many of these games are. The difference between winning and losing is so slim.

That's what makes being able to consistently win close games even more difficult. Yet, Delaware — for the most part — keeps finding ways.

Give credit to coach K.C. Keeler and his staff for that. He often credits the quality of the character of his players. There's no doubt that this is true.

However, he and his staff recruit the players and he and his staff continually instill an attitude that leads to winning.

If Saturday's opener was any indication, it will be another exciting and thrilling year for Delaware football fans.



Valania

Newark falls to Salesianum



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY DAVID HOWELL

Newark's Steve Williams tries to get by a Salesianum defender in last Friday night's game.

Big second half lifts Sals to win

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Salesianum shocked Newark 25-7 Friday night at Baynard Stadium in season opener for both schools.

The Sals, still smarting from last year's 36-19 playoff loss to Newark in the 2004 State Tournament semifinal round, scored in each quarter, while keeping Newark's offense out of the end zone for the last three quarters.

Newark had not lost a season opener in a decade, as their last defeat was to the Sals, 34-31, back in 1995.

"You never know where you are until you play a game," said Newark coach Butch Simpson. "Obviously, we found out we had some things appear tonight, that we weren't sure were going to happen to us, but let's give credit, as we should, to Sallies, who outplayed us, completely."

The Jackets scored on their second possession of the game, as senior quarterback Steve Williams scampered three yards, to cap a six-play, 40-yard drive, with 1:09 left in the first quarter.

Senior place-kicker Jamie McMahon added the PAT to give Newark a 7-0 lead. Any hopes of a repeat of last year's romp were quickly dashed, as the Sals Bobby Sabol returned to kickoff 87 yards for a touchdown.

See **NEWARK, 20** ►

Christiana soccer loses to A.I. Dupont

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

A.I. DuPont scored two goals in the first half, and added four more in the second half to beat Christiana 6-0 in a Flight A Conference game played Tuesday night in Greenville. "This was a good team effort all night," said Tiger coach Greg Thompson. "We lost our first

game Saturday, (1-0 to Concord), so we came out fired up to play tonight," he said. Tiger Senior Tony DiVirgilio opened the scoring in the game's fourth minute, and senior Andrew Englehart tallied off a corner kick in the 18th minute to give the Tigers a 2-0 lead heading into h a l f t i m e . DiVirgilio and Englehart each added second half goals, and senior Brad Funk contributed two

assists in the game. "A.I. DuPont did a great job in executing tonight, and they scored four goals on set plays" said Christiana coach Matt Hammond. "So we need to improve our execution during the season, and step up our intensity each game." Vikings senior keeper Mike Pfeifer turned in a solid performance, preventing A.I. from scoring on several more close range

shots in the first half. Meanwhile, Christiana's young offense had difficulty penetrating the Tiger defense and only registered a few shots on A.I. keeper Andrew Barnes. After DiVirgilio opened the second half scoring in the 50th minute, the Tigers dominated play the rest of the game. Alex Place, Blaine Dawson and Englehart also chipped in with

See **SOCCER, 20** ►

Christiana gridders drop opening game to Milford

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Christiana lost their home opener to non-conference rival Milford Saturday afternoon 11-8, in a game they were tantalizingly close to winning. With less than a minute to play, the Vikings held the ball near midfield, and owned an 8-3 lead. On fourth down, Christiana punted the ball deep in Milford territory, but as fate would have

it, an offside penalty was called. On the second try, Bucs' linebacker Jamie Sutton, along with several white-shirted teammates, blocked the kick. Sutton then raced about 42 yards into the end zone with the winning touchdown. Eddie Gibbs then caught a pass for the two-point conversion to seal the stunning defeat for the Vikings. "I'll take the hit for this one," said Christiana coach Marvin Spence. "We thought about running a play to try to get the first

down, and to kill off more of the clock, but it was my decision to kick the ball. It's a shame one mistake cost us this game," said Spence.

After a hard-hitting, but penalty-plagued first quarter, Christiana's offense began to gain yardage behind first-year quarterback Ryan Scully and Tyrell Drumgo, the burly 6-1, 260 pound fullback.

The Vikings couldn't get on the board until midway through the second quarter, when defen-

sive back Dallas Brown grabbed a Milford punt and raced 85 yards for the first score of the day. Scully's pass to Dave Rodriguez gave Christiana an 8-0 lead that held up through halftime. Milford put together several nice drives in the third quarter, but were unable to reach the end zone.

Late in the quarter, the Bucs' kicker Matt Starkey found the mark on a 34-yard field goal to cut the Vikings lead to 8-3.

"That was an incredible, exciting victory for us today, and I think we had some divine help," said Milford coach Mike Tkach. "Give lots of credit to Christiana for playing hard all day, but our guys played well enough to keep us in the game, and give us a chance to win at the end," he said.

This Friday night, the 0-1 Vikings travel downstate to play another Henlopen Conference opponent, Sussex Central. Game time is scheduled for 7p.m.

Blue Hens begin season with overtime victory over Lehigh

UDrallies to knock off Mountain Hawks

Sophomore Omar Cuff (right) scored a school-record five touchdowns, including a three-yard run with 20 seconds left to send the game in overtime and a 16-yard scoring pass from Sonny Riccio on the third play of the extra session as 10th ranked University of Delaware rallied for a 34-33 football victory over No. 14 Lehigh Saturday night at Delaware Stadium.

The Blue Hens (1-0), who won their seventh straight home game at Delaware Stadium, overcame a sluggish start and rallied from a 27-13 deficit with 9:34 remaining in regulation to pick up the unlikely victory in their season opener. Lehigh, which won its opener 54-26 last week over Monmouth, fell to 1-1. The game was played before a sellout crowd of 22,537 that was treated to plenty of drama.

Cuff scored on a broken play in overtime when Riccio scrambled and found him all along on the right sideline for the touch-

down. Freshman Zach Hobby's extra point gave the Hens the 34-27 lead. Lehigh converted a big fourth and two in its possession in overtime and scored five plays later on a one-yard run by Eric Rath. But Lehigh kicker Justin Musiek, who had converted a 31-yard field goal and two extra points earlier, was wide left on the extra point attempt, setting off a wild celebration among Blue Hen fans.

Cuff, who didn't even play running back for the Blue Hen until breaking into the lineup midway through the 2004 season,

rushed 23 times for 101 yards and three touchdowns and caught four passes for 53 yards and two scores. His one-yard run with 7:36 left to play started the comeback, cutting the Lehigh lead to 27-20, and his three-yard burst

with 20 seconds left capped a 67-yard drive. Hobby's extra point sent the game into overtime.

The first three quarters of the game belonged to the Mountain Hawks.

Vikings soccer team beaten

► SOCCER, from 19

second half goals. "A lot of our kids never played at the varsity level before, and it's a lot faster and more intense out

there," said Hammond. "You have to play physical, too, but credit A.I., they came out and played a hard, physical game, and that's the way soccer should be played," said Hammond.

Newark hopes to bounce back this week against Kennett

► NEWARK, from 19

The extra point attempt was

wide left, when the Sals received an excessive celebration penalty after the score, and the ball was marched back 15 yards, leaving the score 7-6 in favor of Newark. "We had a lot of players step up tonight for us," said Sabol. "We didn't want to be embarrassed on our home field again, so we came out fired up." Newark had minimal success

running or throwing the ball in the second quarter, while a strong defensive effort held the Sals at bay, for a while. Salesianum put together a nice drive just before halftime behind the running of Sabol, Mike Mendola and Sal Viscount. Tim Noonan banged home a 25-yard field goal with four seconds left in the second quarter, putting

the Sals on top 9-7 at the half, a lead they would not relinquish. From that point forward, Salesianum took control, handing the two-time defending state champions a rare and humbling loss.

"They won the physical game overall, and we just didn't execute well," said Simpson. "And I want to believe we are better than how we played tonight, but that's to be seen," added Simpson. It was all Salesianum in the second half, as the Sals pulled away with two third period touchdowns. Senior Nick Dominelli scored on a nine-yard run, capping an 89-yard drive. After a Newark turnover, Viscount tallied on a 19-yard run down the left sideline. The Sals final score came late in the game, when defensive end Andrew Szczerba sacked Jared

Keith in the end zone for a safety. "These kids worked very hard in the off-season to prepare for tonight and the year," said Sallies second-year head coach Bill DiNardo. "We played solid defense and stayed with our game plan, and I'm happy with the way we made adjustments during the game," he said. Simpson said he did feel the team played hard throughout the game, but is concerned how the team will bounce back.

"This was a humbling experience and it's something we will be living with all week," said Simpson.

Newark (0-1) plays its home opener this Friday night against Kennett Square, while the Sals (1-0) travel to New Castle Saturday afternoon to battle William Penn.

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'The District will be in good hands'

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age children asked a reporter this week. "I've heard so many great things about him and the District since I came here."

Wise said he has heard these and other "heart-wrenching" comments this week. "That's what makes this what-might-be the toughest decision I've ever had to make," he said. "I'm very aware that people in the District are worried, but once the public sees the work that comes from my executive team, I think they will be reassured. If I thought the future of the work here was fragile in any respect, I would not leave."

Despite ballyhooing of the huge salary increase, Wise said that is not his top incentive to leave Delaware. But saying he

thought he had "at least 13 good years left" before retirement, Wise admitted money is always one of the factors in a job change. "My Florida pension amount would be much greater if I took this job."

At Tuesday night's meeting, Wise confidently and repeatedly assured the Board that issues and items needing timely decisions would be addressed by District administrators in coming months. On Wednesday, he said Duval County had not given him any indication when they would want their new superintendent to be in place. "That's just not something that was discussed," he said.

In the meantime, Wise believes the personnel he has brought into the District, and his shuffling of District staff since his arrival, will keep the Transformations, redistricting and other plans and programs on track if he leaves.

"I believe this is the best team I have ever had at any place I've been in my career," he said. "This District has not had that kind of leadership at that level in the past."

Wise admitted that administrators have been known to follow school superintendents to new jobs and a new superintendent could revamp Christina's staff just as Wise did. "I will say this," Wise said. "Down to a person, I have not have a conversation with anyone on my staff about leaving Christina District for Duval."

He also contended that Christina's School Board would keep a new superintendent, as well as the current administrators, focused on reform in the District's schools.

"If you could hear the discussions we have had in executive sessions, you'd know that

the School Board is on-board with continuing the reform and changes we have made since I came here," he said. "In addition to everything else, they are better at working together as a school board and much better at screening new superintendents than even when I interviewed."

As to a replacement, Wise was

optimistic about that as well. "The Board will not consider talking to a search firm before I make a decision," he said. "But I know of at least one person who I believe would have been hired over me if interviewed by Christina when I was. The District will be in good hands no matter what."

Local graduates as USMC mechanic at Camp Lejeune

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Ali A. Muhammad, son of Desirree Burrell of New Castle, was recently selected as the distinguished graduate of the Small Craft Mechanic Course at the Marine Corps Engineer School, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Muhammad is a 2004 graduate of William Penn High School of New Castle, and joined the Marine Corps in July 2004.

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BJ's is moving into Newark

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

BJ's, a wholesale club chain operating in the eastern United States, will open its second Delaware store in Pencader Plaza at Routes 72 and 4 in Newark.

BJ's is now custom fitting the space previously occupied by Caldor in the center that was once known as the Castle Mall. BJ's officials hope to open the Newark outlet this December. Next to BJ's and

also part of Pencader Plaza is 57,000 square feet of building still to be developed.

George Schmitt, representative for CB Richard Ellis, said that the new, 100,000-plus square foot store would help the local economy.

"This will certainly bring jobs to the area," he said. In all, the store will hire 180 new, permanent employees, while attracting shoppers from outside the city.

"We believe will have a 10-mile draw to shopping center, bringing in shoppers

from around the area. And it will improve the image of Pencader Plaza - no one likes looking at empty anchor store."

He said that the store will cater to a niche market.

"It is very unique," he said. "The store will do a little bit of everything."

The shop will offer a pharmacy and deli, much like the New Castle store. However, it will not offer the auto amenities that New Castle does - there will be no tire center or gas station.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Schools present at Community Day

THE Christina School District will have a booth at Newark's Community Day on Sunday, Sept. 18. Everyone is invited to stop by to meet District administrators and pick up information about District programs and schools.

Open house dates set

Open House nights coming this week in Christina District schools are at intermediate schools on Monday, Sept. 19, high schools on Tuesday, Sept. 20, and elementary schools on Wednesday, Sept. 21. Middle school Open Houses were held on Sept. 12. Brennen School, Douglass School, Sterck School and Sarah Pyle Academy will hold Open Houses on Thursday, Sept. 22. Call individual schools for times and events.

Coast Day essay contest

Fifth-graders in Delaware schools can win U.S. Savings Bonds by entering the 2005 Coast Day Essay Contest. This year's topic is "a ship captain caught in a major storm in the Delaware Bay prior to the age of electronics." The 250-word essays may be creative but all descriptions of cargo, ship, etc., must be factual. Coast Day is held at the University of Delaware's Lewes campus on the first Sunday in October. For more info, visit www.ocean.udel.edu/coastday/.

Help a child soar

The HOSTS (Help One Student To Succeed) program is seeking mentors to work one hour per week with one student on easy-to-follow lesson plans prepared by a HOSTS instructor. Mentors attend a training session to acquaint them with the program, the materials and specific duties.

Businesses can participate by giving employees work-release time or extended lunch hours. Organizations can participate by adopting a HOSTS school as a service project and encouraging members to become mentors. If interested, call 552-2693.

Community and school gather aid for victims

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AS we go to press, Ryan Arthurton, library media specialist at Newark Charter School, is somewhere on the road between Newark and Baker, La.

"Someone told me about the needs there," Arthurton said last week. "I'm driving a truck to the Center for Caring at Bethany Baptist Church that I know is a distribution center for hurricane victims in Baker."

Spallco Truck and Car Rentals of Newark donated the use of the box truck that was loaded up over the weekend with donated baby food, bottled water and other non-perishable food, diapers and personal care products, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, and bags of clothing for infants to adults.

"We're done with summer clothes in Delaware," said Pat Hunt, associate director at The Clothing Bank of Delaware in Wilmington. "A couple of wonderful volunteers came in this week and sorted clothing so we could bring the summer stuff [to Newark Charter] for this trip."

As of Friday, Sept. 9, Newark Charter's entrance hall was waist-deep in mounded bags and cardboard boxes gathered under signs reading "Baby," "Clothes," etc. "We also collected \$2,000 that



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Sixth graders at Newark Charter School helped load the truck donated by Spallco Truck Rentals before the donations were driven to Louisiana this week.

we're using for gas and the trip expenses," said Arthurton. "Any extra money will go to the church as well."

School staff member Mary Long said other businesses also donated to the collection. "Our

Herff Jones [yearbook] representative and Life Touch helped," she said. "Theater Xtreme in Newark made a very generous cash donation."

Arthurton said a larger truck is making another weeklong trip to

Louisiana from Newark Charter on Sept. 23. "We'll keep collecting until then and make another drive," he said.

Schoolchildren respond to Hurricane Katrina

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

MOST children in New Castle County started the school year on the day Hurricane Katrina made landfall along the Gulf coast. By the end of the first week, virtually every one of them was involved in an effort to collect money, personal items and clothing for the thousands of people left homeless.

Families and staff at Holy Angels School in Newark are collecting donations for the missions of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in New Orleans and neighboring counties. "I think about the Sisters who haven't been heard from

and wonder if they're safe," said Holy Angels principal Denise Winterberger last week. "I spent six years as a Sister of the Blessed Sacrament and I know the people to whom they minister."

Students at Jones Elementary School in Christiana are collecting "Coins for Katrina's Kids" through the month of September. School staff members also made donations to the Red Cross for immediate use.

Students at Pulaski Intermediate School in Wilmington held a walkathon on Sept. 9 to raise money for hurricane relief. Pulaski sixth graders are holding a book sale on Sept. 19 to raise more

money for the relief effort.

At Christiana High School, the Student Government and football team are sponsoring a drive for canned food, clothing, and cash donations through Sept. 23.

The Delaware PTA and the Delaware Air National Guard are collecting bottled water in schools statewide. A truck picked up collections from the Region III PTA members at the Christina District's Special Services Center in Bear on Sept. 9. "We have had an incredible response," said Jennifer Smith. "My son's school alone collected 200 cases."

Downes Elementary School in Newark is working with

the city's officials to adopt Beach Elementary School in Pascagoula, Miss. (See related story, page 3).

According to eSchool News online, "in five or six coastal Mississippi counties, half that schools...have been leveled [and the] other half are so badly damaged that it's unclear whether they can be used this year."

Downes principal Denise Schwartz said the staff asked for a school that was similar to Downes.

"The students and staff are collecting money and we're going to help them with whatever they need," Schwartz said.

Downes Teacher named an 'American Star'

Deshon selected from more than 1,800 teachers

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

DOWNES Elementary School third-grade teacher Joanne Deshon thought it was just another Friday until the principal showed up with a visitor from the U.S. Department of Education. Officials from the national DOE deliver American Stars of Teaching awards directly to honorees' classes nationwide at the beginning of each school year.

The award, a No Child Left Behind Teacher-to-Teacher Initiative, honors high quality teachers in every state. The Department's Website states that Stars are "teachers who are improving student achievement,

using innovative strategies, and making a difference in the lives of their students."

A committee of former K-12 teachers working at the U.S. Department of Education selected the 2005 honorees from the nominations. Deshon was selected from among more than 1,800 other teachers.

Principal Denise Schwartz said an e-mail from Christina District's school superintendent Joseph Wise started her on a search for a nominee from Downes. "I asked the staff to suggest names and Dr. Deshon's just naturally rose to the top," Schwartz said.

In 2004, Delaware's Star was Linda Tascione, an 11-12th grade Special Education, English teacher at Delcastle Technical High School.

Earlier this year, the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce

honored Deshon with one of six Delaware 2005 Superstars in Education Awards. Introduced in 1989, Superstars in Education awards recognize school programs and best practices in education statewide that show measurable results and raise student achievement.

Deshon, an appointed member of Governor's Task Force on School Libraries, previously earned a Delaware Excellence in Education grant from MBNA Foundation in 2002.

Her grant project, "Know Your History," provided history books, diversity books, electronic equipment, and supplies for a school-wide third-grade history project in which students combined the stories of their own families with national events to create a historical timeline.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MARY E. PETZAK

Adjusting backpacks is one of the more unusual talents Joanne Deshon has developed during her star-studded teaching career in the Christina School District.

Students attend leadership workshop in San Diego

NEWARK High Schools students joined more than 5,000 of their peers, educators and community members at the annual Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) meeting in July. Family and consumer science teacher Janell Zimansky accompanied seniors Antoinette Boyd and Esthervell Cotton and juniors Lakita Boyd and Elisandra Diaz to the national meeting in San Diego.

During the five-day meeting, participants examined issues centered around the student-developed theme of "Sixty years Strong-Where You Belong." FCCLA members celebrated

FCCLA's history and explored career options, community needs and family relations. Issues such



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Newark High School students (l to r) Esthervell Cotton, Elisandra Diaz, Antoinette Boyd and Lakita Boyd attended a national leadership conference in San Diego.

as teen pregnancy and drinking and driving were considered while discussing the life skills needed to meet these challenges.

Antoinette Boyd received a silver medal for her presentation of a career in obstetrics and gynecology. She and Cotton are state FCCLA officers for 2005-06.

Diaz and Lakita Boyd earned a bronze medal for their study of childhood obesity.

"FCCLA is unique among youth organizations because its programs are planned and run by its members," Zimansky said. "It is the only career and technical in-school student organization with the family as its central focus."

The goal of the national youth organization, that has more than 220,000 members and nearly 7,000 chapters throughout the

United States, territories and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands is to help youth nationwide become leaders. FCCLA's members address personal, family, work and societal issues through family and consumer sciences education.

Jan. deadline for new charter schools

THE Department of Education will be accepting applications starting Nov. 1 for new charter schools opening Fall 2007. The application period runs through Jan. 3, 2006.

Charter schools are independent public schools and an independent Board of Directors governs each charter school. Charter schools must be non-sectarian and non-discriminatory and cannot charge tuition.

Each charter school's curriculum is required to address Delaware's content standards and students are required to participate in the Delaware Student Testing Program (DSTP).

Charter schools are also subject to No Child Left Behind (NCLB) school accountability ratings.

Currently, eight of Delaware's 13 charter schools are in New Castle County: Newark Charter School; MOT Charter School; Charter School of Wilmington; Delaware Military Academy; East Side Charter School; Thomas A. Edison Charter School; Kuumba Academy Charter School; and Marion T. Academy Charter School. Combined enrollment in open charter schools is near 7,000 students. Four additional charter schools, Family Foundations Academy, Maurice J. Moyer Academy, Odyssey Charter School and Pencader Business and Finance Charter High School (*Newark Post*, Sept. 9) are scheduled to open in Fall 2006. For application packets or more info, call 302-739-4629 or visit www.doe.state.de.us.

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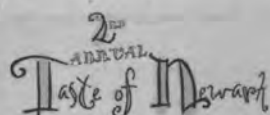
UD's cheerleading and dance squads won first place in two major competitions during Universal Cheerleaders Association 2005 College Spirit Camps, held Aug. 10-Aug. 13, at the University of Scranton.

The cheerleaders competed in Division 1 fight song, cheer and sideline against five other teams. They finished first in fight song, second in cheer and fourth in sideline.

UD dancers placed first in home routine and second in fight song in a field of 10 other teams. Dancers also were awarded a superior trophy for overall excellence.

Both the cheerleaders and dance team received the "Most Collegiate" award, given to the schools that best represent what college cheerleaders and dancers should be.

The dance team's summer camp showing comes only months after the team won the 2005 National Hip-Hop Championship.



Taste of Newark sold out

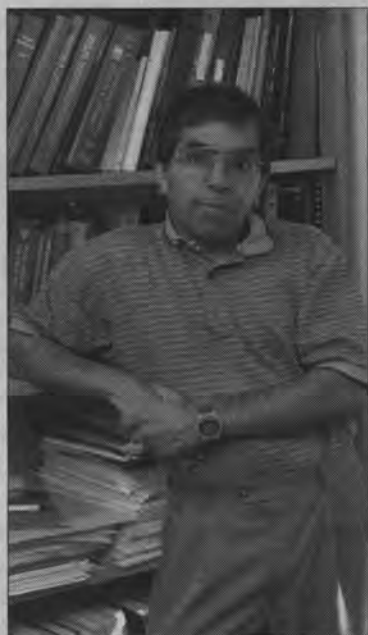
TICKETS are no longer available for the second annual Taste of Newark, set from noon to 3 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 2, on Old College Lawn.

The food and beverage fest – which this year will include menu specialties from UD's Vita Nova, Blue & Gold Club, Catering Services and the Courtyard Newark-University of Delaware Café, as well as downtown Newark restaurants and several area wineries – sold out its 660 tickets some three weeks before the event.

Last year, 400 tickets were available, and it sold out just before the event.

Hosted by Newark Mayor Vance A. Funk III, the event benefits the Downtown Newark Partnership and UD's HRIM program.

Four named new UD profs



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Suresh Advani

FOUR members of the University of Delaware College of Engineering faculty have been appointed to endowed professorships, UD Provost Dan Rich has announced.

Suresh Advani, of Newark, has been named George W. Laird Professor of Mechanical Engineering. Guang R. Gao, has been named Distinguished Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering. John W. Gillespie Jr., of Hockessin, has been named Donald C. Phillips Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Norman Wagner has been named Alvin B. and Julia O. Stiles Professor of Chemical Engineering. The appointments were effective Sept. 1.

Advani, who has helped drive important advances in the science of composites manufacturing, has been named the George

W. Laird Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Delaware.

He is associate director of UD's Center for Composite Materials, studies polymer and composite processing and rheology and has developed a computer-based virtual simulation of the composites manufacturing process.

The Laird professorship is named for UD alumnus George W. Laird, the son of noted benefactor William Winder "Chick" Laird Jr., who died in 1977 while still in his 30s. The funds for this endowment were provided through the George W. Laird Fund in Mechanical Engineering.

Gao, whose leading edge work in high performance computing could have an important influence on the future of the field, has been named Distinguished Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Gillespie, who directs the

University of Delaware's internationally recognized Center for Composite Materials, has been named the Donald C. Phillips Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

The Phillips professorship is named for Donald C. Phillips, a 1948 alumnus who established a trust that has resulted in UD receiving approximately \$1.6 million to support the Department of Civil Engineering. A portion of that money is being used to endow the Donald C. Phillips Professorship in Civil Engineering.

Wagner, a University of Delaware researcher who has attracted international attention for his work with the Army Research Laboratory on a liquid body armor project, has been named the Alvin B. and Julia O. Stiles Professor of Chemical Engineering.

'Heartbreak House' opens PTTP season at UD

THE University of Delaware's Professional Theatre Training Program (PTTP) opens its 2005-06 season at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 2, in Hartshorn Hall with George Bernard Shaw's "Heartbreak House." Ferenc Molnar's "The Play's The Thing" premieres Nov. 6 and George Bernard Shaw's "Major Barbara" opens Nov. 19.

The second part of the season opens on Friday, March 24, with Tom Stoppard's "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead." George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man" premieres April 7 and performances of Richard Brinsley Sheridan's "The Rivals" begin April 19.

The plays will mark the second year of performances by the 24 actors, 10 technical directors and six stage managers who are enrolled at PTTP for three years of concentrated training.

"Heartbreak House" is a moving and comic masterpiece about a ship-shaped country manor that houses a collection of bohemian eccentrics led by the ancient Captain Shotover on the eve of WWI. Shotover's optimistically romantic daughter, Hesione, hosts a weekend gathering of invited guest and interlopers. Ellie, a young

woman planning a marriage to Hector, a much older man, for his money, Hesione's flirtatious husband and Lady Utterword, the absent-for-23-years sister, are only a few of the assembly who proceed to seduce, agitate and captivate as bombs rain down upon the garden and verbal sparks begin to fly.

"The Play's The Thing" is about a gorgeous castle overlooking the Italian Riviera with paper-thin walls that allow a passionate conversation to be overheard from a neighboring bedroom. The classic comedy covers an unfortunate indiscretion and creates a gleeful, fantastical farce.

"Major Barbara," an idealistic major in the Salvation Army, invites her capitalist father, a man who has made a fortune manufacturing and selling weapons to anyone who will buy them, to visit her mission, thus beginning a rousing debate around the issues of poverty and redemption. The delightfully witty comedy of ideas is a timely social satire on the hypocrisies of war, business and religion.

"Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead" is an ingenious parallel universe of captivating wit and existential sensibilities as Stoppard creates the back story for Hamlet's two

childhood friends. Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are summoned to Elsinore castle by the king and queen in the hope that they can determine the cause of Hamlet's "transformation." The friends get more than they bargained for in this dazzling and hilarious display of linguistic gymnastics.

"In Arms and the Man," Shaw's charming romantic comedy conveys that the army is not quite as glorious as it's cracked up to be. Bluntschli, a soldier who prefers a supply of chocolates to bullets, surprises the young Raina by climbing through her bedroom window looking for shelter and starts a chain reaction of events that shatters Raina's idealistic notions of love and war.

"In The Rivals," Mrs. Malaprop, a creature of marvelous verbal blunders, attempts to thwart her niece Lydia's romantic plan to forsake her wealth and status and marry a poor man. Lords and ladies, country bumpkins, duels, lovers' quarrels, mismatched love and mistaken identities abound in this captivating comedy of manners. A boisterous blend of high comedy and farce, "The Rivals" delightfully lampoons sentimentality and pretentiousness.

Ten performances of "Heartbreak House" are slated:

Wednesday, Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 12, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 29, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 4, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.

Ten shows of "The Play's The Thing" are scheduled:

Sunday, Nov. 6, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 13, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 3, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 11, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

"Major Barbara" will be shown 10 times:

Saturday, Nov. 19, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 20, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m.

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Volunteers ease campus move-in for Class of 2009

MEMBERS of the University of Delaware Class of 2009 got a warm welcome Saturday, Aug. 27, as 700 upperclass students, UD staff and community members volunteered time, guidance and strength to the daylong move-in effort.

The 700-plus volunteers from the university known as the Arrival Survivor Team braved heat, humidity and steady traffic to help more than 3,500 freshmen and their families haul duffel bags, mini-refrigerators, bikes, crates and computers across lawns and up stairs to residence halls that will serve as home for the next year.

Judging from the turnout of UD volunteers – a record number, according to Catherine Skelley, assistant director of Residence Life – the welcoming spirit ran deep and cut across all walks of



UD PHOTO BY GREG DREW

Newark Mayor Vance Funk IV helps a freshman family find a parking space.

campus.

There also was representation from the city. "It's important for the City of Newark to project a positive image to the students of

the University," Newark Mayor Vance A. Funk III a two-year veteran of the Arrival Survivor Team, said. "They will be our guests for the next four years and

will contribute tremendously to our community, so the more new arrivals I meet, the better."

City council members Paul Pomeroy and Kevin Vonck, who also is a UD grad student, and many other community members also served as Arrival Survivor Team members.

Student volunteers, who were rewarded with a 2005 Survivor Team T-shirt and the opportunity to move in early, turned out in record numbers for three-hour shifts, and several UD employees who felt compelled to boost their contribution showed up with teenage sons in tow.

Strong showings came from the student organizations Hillel, Blue Hens for Christ, Baptist Student Ministries and Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, and strong employee representation came from Information Technologies units, the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, the Office of Residence Life, Housing Assignment Services, the Office of Judicial Affairs and the Facilities Planning and Construction unit.

Student Arrival Survivor team

members Matthew Reichert, from Moorestown, N.J., and Justin Scott, from Haddonfield, N.J., both sophomores majoring in chemical engineering, devoted their morning to heavy lifting, stair climbing and even the occasional odd jobs in the Rodney Complex.

With energy running high and hand trucks and labor evenly shared, the mood was generally festive, however, and breaks between trips back and forth to the car gave new students and parents a chance to meet and chat informally.

Nicole Medina, a freshman from Union, N.J., with an intended major of marketing, said that talking on the phone ahead of time with roommates eased the agonizing packing and move-in process, as well. One of a triple, Medina said that careful coordination avoided the common pitfall of equipment overload and crowding in tight quarters.

"We're three in a double, and we're all from out-of-state, so one is bringing a refrigerator and one is bringing a television," Medina said.

Season subscriptions are now available

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Wednesday, Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 10, 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 15, 7:30 p.m.

"Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead" will be performed eight times:

Friday, March 24, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.;

Sunday, March 26, 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 15, 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.;

Wednesday, April 26, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 5, 7:30 p.m.

"Arms and the Man" will be staged eight times:

Friday, April 7, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 8, 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 21, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 23, 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 29, 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 4, 7:30 p.m.

Eight shows of "The Rivals" are slated:

Wednesday, April 19
7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 20, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 22, 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 27, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 28, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 30, 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 p.m.

PTTP students are selected once every four years to pursue master's degrees in fine arts. The group is chosen through an extensive search throughout the United States in the year between the graduation of one class and the beginning of the next class.

Training is focused on plays from the classic repertoire and the program seeks students who are particularly interested in the classics.

UD's Department of Theatre offers a bachelor's degree in theatre production for students interested in learning about costume production, stage management and technical production. The students' practical experiences include participating in the production of PTP plays. The department also offers a theatre

minor, designed to give students a foundation in the viewing of theatre, as well as the art and craft of the theatre.

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3. Most law-abiding Americans have little if any interaction with police, save the occasional speeding ticket in Harrington, unless they are the victims of crime. It's the same small percentage of ne'er-do-wells among us that commit most of the crime.

4. Because most people have no contact with police and little understanding of crime trends, a victim of crime feels terribly violated when an uninvited stranger ventures into their personal space. If you've ever had the misfortune of having your car or house broken into, you know the feeling. Often, it's the not financial or material loss that impacts victims, it's the emotional trauma of no longer feeling safe in what formerly was a comfort zone.

5. Expect the unexpected. Just when you think you've heard of everything, crooks and citizens come up with new and crazy schemes. In 1993 at the first DUI road block I witnessed on Delaware Avenue, I stood by Newark police as they greeted each driver herded into a checkpoint on the Methodist church lot. One driver, a man in his 50s and solidly sober, was completely nude. He was seated snugly in his vehicle and wasn't flashing or exposing himself until a cop shined a light inside the car. His first words to the officer are indelible in my memory. "Guess I picked a bad night to go for a ride in the buff," he said, explaining he simply wanted to experience driving around Newark naked.

All this said, there is something different in the police reports these days and it's the fastest growing crime in America. Three years ago, an ID theft incident would appear in NPD reports about once a quarter. One year ago, cases surfaced once a month. Often now there are two or three cases reported each week.

Ken Boulden, New Castle County's Clerk of the Peace and fellow Corvair owner, is a frequent lunch partner. He's well known here for his role officiating weddings.

But Ken quickly has become a national leader in the fight against ID theft. He's now chairing a task force for the National Association of Counties to help governments, large and small, protect citizens' personal information contained in what are known as "breeder" documents - birth, marriage and death records. The 9-11 Commission urged all governments to examine issues related to accessibility and entitlement to personal info contained in "public" records. Each of the 9-11 hijackers had multiple fake IDs.

Boulden, who has been Clerk since 1997, suddenly started getting questions about the federal

law that requires newlyweds to register their new married name with the Social Security Administration.

Boulden's scam alert alarm went off. There is no such law.

Ken discovered that three county newlyweds had received official looking letters about the new federal "requirement." The letter contained an equally official looking response card requesting the newlywed's name, address of a new residence, Social Security number, and - get this - her mother's maiden name "for verification," all vital info scam artists use to open up bogus credit card accounts.

There's more. On the reply card, the thieves got the newlywed's actual signature, which is useful for forging financing documents.

And the scammers required a \$15 fee to register the name change. They accepted checks or, if so desired, the victim could offer up their credit card information along with all the personal info they'd unknowingly given away.

Boulden said the scammers never cash the checks. "But what has made this scam so successful is that the crooks let the info sit. Nine months after you've filled out the form and forgotten about 'registering,' suddenly a wide-screened TV bought in Butte,

Montana shows up on your credit card bill or you get notice that you've bounced a hefty check on an account you never opened," he said.

Boulden said one victim of this scam was a county police officer. Because she felt foolish forgetting such an important wedding detail, the woman never told her new husband about the name registration request. Until the fraud surfaced months after the wedding, that is.

Subsequently, through his investigation and NACO task force work, Ken learned the newlywed scammer had been prosecuted five years ago and was on probation while conducting the latest scam.

Boulden, custodian of our marriage records, expects his committee to set redaction standards that will be adopted across the nation. Boulden and Delaware are ahead of the curve here - dates of birth, Social Security numbers and maiden names already are being edited (redacted) out of records released to the public.

So-called public records maintained by public agencies doesn't mean all information is open to all the public, Boulden said. The challenge for the task force is to create standards that protect individuals and then measure the consequences of restricting access.

Boulden said it is a misconception that the spike in ID theft is a result of the internet. "It's not done by computer. The crime happens when a criminal obtains a piece of paper containing personal information," he said.

He said there are professional dumpster divers who move around the country digging through trash. When they dig up credit card and bank statements, the trash recyclers sell the info to others, thus separating themselves from the crimes of opening bogus accounts. "These trash collectors make more money selling your trash than it costs to collect it," Boulden said.

Another amazing statistic Boulden has learned is that one-third of all ID thefts is performed by a family member, friend or business associate.

Boulden's advice is simple: shred everything. "Anything with personal information that can be attached to you needs to be shred-

ded, not simply cut or ripped up," he said.

Boulden stated a confetti shredder is best. A unit that cuts paper into long thin strips is not sufficient, the document can be pieced back together.

"Dumpster divers are real pros," he said.

■ The Clerk of the Peace offers additional prevention measures and details about what to do if you become a victim of identity theft on his web site. Go to: www.co.new-castle.de.us/clerk/home/webpage1.asp

Scared all paper records will disappear and he'll be forced to memorize his Social Security number, bank account numbers and PINs, the writer is publisher of this and three other newspapers headquartered in Newark. He has been a community journalist for more than three decades.

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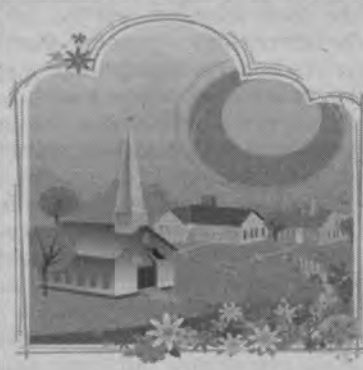
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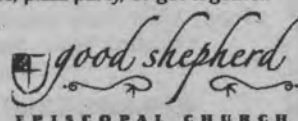


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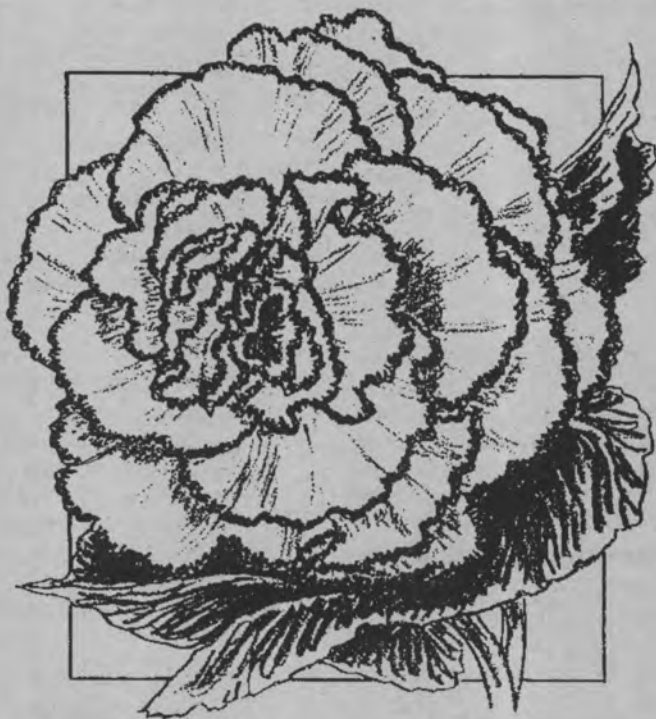
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Bertha Brandstadter, worked at Newark Department Store

Bertha Sandler Brandstadter, 88, formerly of Newark, died on Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2005.

Mrs. Brandstadter was born in Philadelphia on Sept. 11, 1916; daughter of the late Morris and Rose Sandler.

A professional salesperson, she was employed with the Newark Department Store for 37 years, retiring in 1981. She was a Life Member of the DAV Ladies Auxiliary, Unit 5.

Her husband, Zachary P. Brandstadter, died in 1990.

A committal service was to be held on Thursday, Sept. 8 in the chapel of Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Odyssey Health Care, 1407 Foulk Road,

Benjamin Stahl, 31, artist, honors graduate of Clemson

NEWARK resident Benjamin Edward Stahl, 31, died on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005.

Born in Camden, S.C. May 20, 1974, Mr. Stahl was an honors graduate of Clemson University with a bachelor's degree in fine arts. He worked for many years as a professional artist and won numerous first-place awards in local art shows and juried exhibitions.

He is survived by his

son, Devin Aaron Stahl, of Central, S.C.; his parents, Phyllis J. Webb Stahl and Charles W. Stahl, of Newark; sister, Amanda J. Stahl-Hunter and her husband, Ernest, of Newark; brother, Charles A. Stahl, of Newark; nieces, Alivia Hunter and Eryn Hunter; aunts and uncles, Amy and Mike Fiscus, of Wrightstown, Pa., Cynthia and Paul Piombino, of Berwyn, Pa., Susan and Ed Webb, of Middletown, and Susan

Douglas, of Highland Park, Ill.; and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his brother, Aaron Phillip Stahl; maternal grandparents, Gerry and Glenn Webb; paternal grandparents, Joan and Dean Stahl; and aunt and uncle, Nancee and Vance Lennen.

A funeral service was to be held on Saturday, Sept. 10 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home. Interment was to be private.

Suite 200, Wilmington, Del., 19803.

Donald LeRoy Gladden, FSU quarterback, operated 7-Eleven

Newark resident Donald LeRoy Gladden, 74, of Newark, died on Saturday, Sept. 3, 2005.

Mr. Gladden was born in Baltimore on April 2, 1931.

He attended Florida State where he was the captain and

quarterback of the football team.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps, as a staff sergeant, during the Korean Conflict and retired in 1965.

He owned and operated the 7-Eleven on Limestone Road until 1995. He was a security officer at Conectiv Power Delivery.

Mr. Gladden is survived by his wife, Nancy L. Gladden; daughters, Debby Foster and her husband, Danny, Donna Jackson and her husband, Bill, and Vicki Suvie and her husband, Tony; nine granddaughters; eight great-

grandchildren; sister-in law, Beverly Mulcahy, of Baltimore; and many nephews, nieces and cousins.

A funeral service was to be held on Thursday, Sept. 8 at Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home. Interment was to be at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions be made to the American Cancer Society, 92 Reads Way, New Castle, Del. 19720; or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 100 W. 10th Street, Wilmington, Del. 19801.

Violet Morrison, 88, retired school teacher

Violet E. Morrison, 88, of Newark, died Saturday, Sept. 3, 2005.

Mrs. Morrison was born Nov. 16, 1916 in Philadelphia, daughter of the late Ernest E. Jackson and Florence L. Sewter.

She retired from Christiana Elementary School in 1978, where she was the cafeteria manager.

She was a lifetime member of the Christiana Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen E. Butler, of Rock Hall, Md.; son, Frank D. Gyles, of Orlando, Fla.; stepson, Charles W. Morrison, Jr., of Newark; brother, Roy F. Jackson, of Upper Darby, Pa.; 12 grandchildren; and 24 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband.

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band, Charles W. Morrison, who passed away in 1984; her sister, Mildred L. Cleaver; and her brother, Edward E. Jackson.

The funeral service was to be on Thursday, Sept. 8 in the Gracelawn Memorial Park Chapel, where burial was to follow the service in the adjoining park.

Felix Nieves, 17, recent NHS graduate

Newark resident Felix José Nieves, Jr., 17, died on Sunday, Sept. 4, 2005.

Born in Wilmington on Dec. 19, 1987, Mr. Nieves attended Newark High School, where he was a member of the varsity football team.

He received his diploma on June 6 of this year.

He was to enroll at the Motorcycle Mechanics Institute in Orlando, Fla. in March 2006.

He is survived by his parents, Migdalia Nieves and Felix José Nieves, Sr.; his brother, Daniel A. Nieves; and his sister, Stephanie M. Nieves, all of Newark; and many devoted extended family members.

A visitation was to be on Friday, Sept. 9 at St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church. A Mass of Christian Burial was to follow. Interment was to be in All Saints Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Felix José Nieves, Jr. Memorial Fund, c/o Wachovia, 1424 N. DuPont Highway, New Castle, Del. 19720.

Earl Henderson, 81, founding UAW leader

Earl Hilton Henderson, 81, of Newark, died on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005.

Mr. Henderson was born July 25, 1924 in Newark, son of the late Grover and Clara Henderson.

He was a graduate of Newark High School.

He was the founding president of UAW Local 1183.

He is survived by his children, Wayne Henderson, of Atlanta, Ga., Marlene Blodgett, of Claymont, Diana Myers and her fiancé, Gary Gilfor, of Westville, N.J., Mark Henderson, of Newark, Matthew Henderson and his wife, Donna, of Newark, and April Walters and her husband, Jackie, of Westville N.J. He is also survived by his brother, Oliver Henderson and his wife, Virginia, of Wilmington; as well as 13 grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marjorie; daughter, Laura May; brother, Jay Henderson; and sister, Ruth Goodyear.

A life celebration was to be held at the R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home on Friday, Sept. 9. Burial was to be private at the convenience of the family.

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Newark adopts Pascagoula

► SISTER, from 3

he can say for many neighbors. A few days after the storm, South's wife went to help friends salvage the remnants of their home. The building was wrecked. But amid the rubble, the cleanup crew found a few prized possessions. Katrina huffed and she puffed and she blew that house down, but she left a crystal vase inside unscathed. Homemade dishes with kids' handprints were stacked neatly on the property, not one of them damaged. If nothing else, the storm was unpredictable.

"It was a lot like a tornado in that respect," South said. "It seemed to bounce from one place to another."

Many of the city's great cultural artifacts were lost in the storm. Celebrated artist Walter Anderson's studio is no longer standing. Neither is the last home of U.S. Sen. and Confederate President Jefferson Davis.

"We've lost treasures that will always remain irretrievable," South said.

And yet, amid the chaos, a sense of normalcy is returning. People are coming home. Banks are opening their doors. Churches are holding services. The city

government is setting up offices once again, albeit temporary ones.

The first arrivals will have a lot to contend with. Some areas of the city are still covered in gunk and mud. Power is back on in some homes, but clean water still does not flow from the kitchen tap.

"The town is slowly but surely rebounding," South said. "It is a very gradual process."

Right now, the town's needs are basic: ice to keep food, bug spray, drinking water, clothes, and above all else, cash.

"I think that a lot of donations get lost in the shuffle," South said. "Cash would be most helpful."

Yet, as the Mississippi town rebuilds, its needs will change. Newark officials are working with Pascagoula representatives to try to anticipate what those will be. Once they are established, Newark will adjust its efforts accordingly.

"They need a lot of help," said Carl Luft, Newark's city manager. "We're waiting for a phased list of what they need, and once we get that, we will do whatever we can within reason to help."

Already, two large donation

has surfaced. The Downtown Newark Partnership announced at its meeting last week that it would donate \$1,000 from its 2005 budget.

The group, which focuses on developing Newark's downtown district, was impressed by Pascagoula's Main Street. Chair Jim Streit told the DNP board last week that it is appropriate to assist their peers in Mississippi because, like Newark, Pascagoula is a National Main Street community with goals and structure similar to the Partnership here. "We can only imagine the challenges they are facing," Streit said.

The City of Newark made its own donation. The city decided to send old service vehicles that would typically be auctioned off at the end of the year to the flooded town. "This is really a large donation for a city of our size," Luft said. "The sale of these vehicles has brought in thousands of dollars in past years."

Council members said adopting the town would ensure that the tragedy and those suffering are not forgotten in coming months.

"I think that there has been an outpouring of relief," said Councilman Kevin Vonck. "It's



Scenes of the devastation in Pascagoula, Miss., are shown in the Associated Press photographs above.

really important to give to the Red Cross and to have an immediate response, but I see this as a

long term approach. This is going to let us focus on the needs of a specific community."

School board hopes to clarify roles of staff, elected members

► ORDER, from 3

went to the building and took care of the problem. He also stated that he has done this on past occasions.

School superintendent Joseph Wise said board members should never be involved in that type of problem-solving. "The Board member should take the information and explain they are turning the matter over to the District staff," Wise said. "It's the staff's job to provide those services."

Also addressed in Board Policy

this week, was a "pivotal component" concerning the differentiated funding for the Christina Transformations Plan.

"[The Plan] and Policy adopted by the Board on April 7, 2004, had not yet been published in the Policy Manual," Sundstrom explained on Tuesday night before the item was included for a vote.

The Board also voted on the conduct of their meetings in the future. The new provisions spell out rules for Board discussions and voting as well as input from

members of the public that heretofore were a matter of historic memory and long-time usage at Christina's school board meetings.


"The District staff was asked to develop these provisions when it was found that no written procedure was in place for meetings or preparation of meeting agendas," Sundstrom explained. "These amendments identify and clarify Board procedures and the duties related to the conduct of Board meetings and agendas."

The Board voted to conduct

its meetings in accordance with the Delaware Code, the Board's Policy Manual and Robert's Rules of Order. But some provisions appeared to be directed at contentious debates at past Board meetings in the District. "The conduct of Boardmembers shall exemplify the highest standards of civility...[and] while in public at a meeting, each Boardmember

shall use his or her best efforts to retain the Board's focus on student learning as expressed in the Beliefs statement."

The Board president, currently Brenda C. Phillips, was given ultimate authority to recognize speakers and interrupt and limit comments from the Board or the public.



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Sun. 9/18 - **DHA's 15th Annual Walk For The Animals at Banning Park** - Come out and support the cause! Register online at www.dehumane.org

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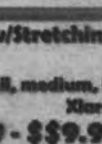
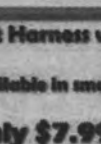
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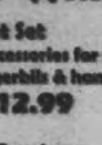
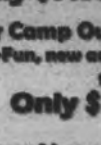
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