

UP FRONT

Era ends,
new one
begins

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It's the end of an era, and at the same time the beginning of a new one.

Friday marked the last day of production at Newark's Chrysler assembly plant when the last Durangos and Aspens rolled off the assembly line.

The plant has been part of Newark and the state for over 55 years and it, and its exceptional work force, has contributed mightily to the local and regional economy the entire time.



Valania

The plant has been open since 1952 when it produced tanks for the Korean War. By 1957, Chrysler had started producing automobiles.

Clearly, Chrysler's jobs and its economic impact will be missed.

Just two weeks ago, however, the University of Delaware Board of Trustees voted to let its executive committee go forward with negotiations to purchase the 270-acre Chrysler property.

If the deal goes through, it will be a significant addition to the university's main campus and most likely a hot bed for technological and environmental research.

UD President Patrick Harker noted the proximity to the Base Realignment and Closure expansion of the Aberdeen Proving Ground in nearby Harford County, Md. and couldn't help but see the opportunities that will present themselves.

No matter your opinion on the auto industry as a whole — and the bailout and mistakes that have been made by

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Tri-State Bird Rescue
selects new director

Heidi Stout, Tri-State Bird Rescue's new executive director, has two decades of experience working to save wild birds and other animals. In the above photo, Stout tries to restrain a bald eagle that landed in a silt pond. In the top left photo, she and Tri-State staff members work to clean the muddy bird. In the photo to the left, Stout receives a bird suffering from botulism at a field stabilization site.

Head of oil programs named to top post

By MATTHEW BASHAM

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After 20 years as a veterinarian with the Newark-based Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research program, Heidi Stout is adding the role of executive director to her list of responsibilities.

Despite her recent promotion, Stout said she will continue serving as director of Tri-State's oil program, a position she has held since 2000.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, Stout said she has responded to more than 50 environmental threats since 1985.

"We deal with the environmental impacts from all kinds of things," Stout said.

Founded in response to an oil spill in the Delaware River the day after Christmas in 1976, the organization is internationally recognized today for its oiled bird rehabilitation and research, which is conducted in collaboration with oil companies, government agencies and concerned citizens all over the world.

Locally, Tri-State is as equally well known for offering one of the state's largest sanctuaries for ill, injured and orphaned at the Frink Center for Wildlife on Possum

Hollow Road.

Stout said the organization's attention is currently focused on an oil spill in Michigan where a team from Tri-State is assisting in the clean up.

"I've been to the Galapagos Islands and South Africa, doing spills, so Michigan isn't that far to go for wildlife in distress," Stout said.

As part of her responsibilities, Stout oversees environmental cleanup and training of Tri-State's volunteers who handle for the care of birds in the event of an oil spill or similar disaster.

"When we are trying to get the oil off the animal, we will use warm to hot water and dishwashing liquid," she said. "Dawn does it."

In the case of migrating ducks it is sometimes necessary, after the ducks have been held back from their regular migration pattern, to help them catch up, she said.

"And there's other times when birds are nesting and it doesn't matter what you do, they are going to go right back to that same spot," Stout added.

It is up to Stout and the rest of Tri-State to decide how best to re-release effected animals back into the environment after resurrection from an oil crisis.

Newark girl
makes up
rape storyMugging report also may
have been falsified

By SCOTT GOSS

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A 14-year-old girl who told police she was abducted and raped while walking home from the library last week has been charged with filing a false report.

Newark police said the teen was charged on Monday — one week after she told police she had been grabbed from the street and sexually assaulted over a three-hour period.

According to police, the girl

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Ten years
for Autism
DelawareNew name, location, Web
site premiered

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Autism Delaware, formerly chartered as the Autism Society of Delaware, is celebrating its tenth year of helping people and families affected by autism.

"We have a new name, a new home and an updated Web site that reflect the amazing growth of our organization during these past 10 years," said Rob Gilsdorf, board president of Autism Delaware. "Today, we are better able than ever before to provide the state-wide services, education, resources, and advocacy that members of the Delaware autism community have asked for and need."

Theda Ellis, executive director for Autism Delaware, said that the organization owes a big thanks to member Dave

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Robberies & Thefts

An 18-year-old woman from Rancho Palos Verde, Calif. Told police that someone stole \$1,500 worth of items from her purse while she attended a party at the **unit block of Chambers Street** between midnight and 12:30 a.m. on Dec. 6.

An employee of Sears Hardware in the **College Square Shopping Center** told police someone stole the license plate off of her car while she was working between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Dec. 13.

An unknown suspect stole a laptop computer valued at \$1,500 from an apartment in the **5100 block of Scholar Drive** between 12:45 a.m. and 1:15 a.m. on Dec. 14.

Police charged 29-year-old Newark resident Tiffany M. Benn with shoplifting at 2:17 p.m. on Dec. 14, after she allegedly stole \$102 worth of hats and makeup from K-Mart in the **College Square Shopping Center**.

An unknown suspect stole headlight bulbs valued at \$59 from Pep Boys in the **College Square Shopping Center** at about 11 a.m. on Dec. 15.

An unknown suspect broke into a home in the **unit block of Middle Road** and stole items collectively valued at \$100 between 12:30 p.m. and 2:40 p.m. on Dec. 15.

An unknown suspect broke into a home in the **unit block of Ritter Lane** and stole items collectively valued at \$50,775 between 2:15 p.m. and 5:46 p.m. on Dec. 16. Damages were estimated at \$500.

Police charged 25-year-old Newark resident Richard C. Gibson with shoplifting at 3:40 p.m. on Dec. 16, after he allegedly attempted to steal a \$100 portable DVD player from K-Mart in the **College Square Shopping Center**.

An unknown suspect stole two strings of Christmas lights, collectively valued at \$16, from the front of a home in the **900 block of Devon Drive** on Dec. 16.

An unknown suspect entered a home in the **unit block of Ritter Lane** and stole items collectively valued at \$450 between 8 a.m. on Dec. 9 and 10 a.m. on Dec. 17.

An unknown suspect

attempted to steal a 10-oz. bottle of Vaseline valued at \$5.69 from Pathmark in the **College Square Shopping Center** at about 10 a.m. on Dec. 17.

The manger of Payless Shoes in the **College Square Shopping Center** told police a female teenager stole a pair of shoes valued at \$19.99 at 4:32 p.m. on Dec. 17.

A 33-year-old Newark man told police someone stole his wallet on Dec. 20 and used his debit card to make more than \$2,000 worth of unauthorized purchases at the **Christiana Mall** and multiple gas stations on Dec. 21.

Vehicles Targeted

An unknown suspect struck a 2003 Honda Accord with an unknown object, causing an estimated \$50 in damages, while the vehicle was traveling on **Old Paper Mill Road** at about 1 p.m. on Dec. 14.

An unknown suspect caused an estimated \$150 in damages to 1997 Plymouth Breeze parked in the **100 block of Woodlawn Avenue** between 9 p.m. on Dec. 14 and 8:54 a.m. on Dec. 15.

An unknown suspect broke out the rear window of a Chevrolet SUV parked at the Pomeroy Station in the **200 block of East Main Street** between 11:50 p.m. on Dec. 15 and 12:20 a.m. on Dec. 16. Damages were estimated at \$250.

An unknown suspect entered an unlocked 2001 Dodge Durango parked in the **200 block of Edjil Drive** and stole a GPS unit valued at \$129 between 8:30 p.m. on Dec. 15 and 3 p.m. on Dec. 16.

An unknown suspect broke into a Herr's delivery truck parked in the **700 block of Wharton Drive** and stole three boxes of potato chips valued at \$60 between 8 p.m. on Dec. 17 and 4:30 a.m. on Dec. 18. Damages were estimated at \$200.

An unknown suspect slashed the tires of three vehicles parked at a home in the **100 block of West Main Street**, causing an estimated \$1,800 in damages, between 11 p.m. on Dec. 17 and 6 a.m. on Dec. 18.

An unknown suspect broke into a 1991 Honda CRX parked in the **1100 block of Wharton Drive** and stole items collectively valued at \$100 at about 7:55 a.m. on Dec. 20.

An unknown suspect stole a 1995 Honda Civic valued at

\$3,000 from the parking lot of the **Newark Shopping Center** at 11:57 p.m. on Dec. 20. The vehicle was recovered near the railroad crossing on Newport-Gape Pike at 2:30 a.m. Damages were estimated at \$50.

An unknown suspect broke into a 2000 Honda Accord parked in the **100 block of Madison Drive** and stole items collectively valued at \$700 at about 2:46 a.m. on Dec. 22. Damages were estimated at \$150.

Fights & Assaults

A 26-year-old Newark woman told police a 21-year-old female acquaintance struck her in the face while she was walking in the **200 block of Elkton Road** at about 3:20 p.m. on Dec. 21.

Police responded to the Deer Park Tavern at 12:40 a.m. on Dec. 22 for a report of several women engaged in a fight on the second floor of **West Main Street** bar. A 22-year-old Newark woman reportedly sustained a cut to her arm from broken glass but declined to be treated.

Other Incidents

An unknown suspect used a rock to cause an estimated \$125 in damages to the window of a home in the **200 block of Winterthur Lane** at about 3:18 p.m. on Dec. 15.

Police charged two Wilmington men – including one UD student – with multiple counts of criminal mischief and other crimes at about 2:51 a.m. on Dec. 18, after they allegedly caused \$2,500 in damages to three vehicles and property in the area of **500 Scholar Drive** belonging to the University Courtyard apartments. UD student Beau J. Broadbent, 20, and Paul Cusick, 20, were each charged with two counts of criminal mischief, as well as one count of conspiracy. Cusick also was charged with underage consumption and possession of a fake license.

An unknown suspect used a BB gun to cause an estimated \$300 in damages to the sliding glass door of a home in the **unit block of Ethan Allen Court** at about 6:50 p.m. on Dec. 19.

An unknown suspect used a firecracker to cause \$50 in damages to a mailbox in the **unit block of Shull Drive** between 8 p.m. on Dec. 19 and 6 a.m. on Dec. 20.

Police charged 19-year-old Colin J. McFadden and a 17-year-old male teenager, both of Newark, with possession of fireworks at 9:51 p.m. on Dec. 19, after stopping their car on **Elkton Road**.

Police charged 20-year-old Scott Federer of Newark with criminal mischief and underage consumption at 1:12 a.m. on Dec. 20, after allegedly witnessing him pull down a wreath hanging from a sign in the **300 block of East Main Street**.

Police charged 23-year-old Anthony M. Disanto of Newark with terroristic threatening and harassment at 6:46 p.m. on Dec. 20, after he allegedly made multiple threatening phone calls.

Alcohol & Noise

Police charged four teens with underage consumption after stopping their vehicle in the parking lot of Friendly's in the 1100 block of South College Avenue at about 3 a.m. on Dec. 13. Charged were **Carl F. Shelton, 19**, of Newark, BAC: 0.08; **Valerie E. Lohr, 17**, of Newark, BAC: 0.12; **Rachel A. Marshallsea, 17**, of Elkton, Md., BAC: 0.90; and **Deanna M. Lindgren, 19**, of Newark, BAC: 0.16, who also was charged with disorderly conduct.

Police charged 40-year-old **Casimiro Rurrutia-Perez**, of Elkton, Md., with driving under the influence, leaving the scene of an accident, open container, driving without insurance, driving without a seatbelt and other traffic offenses at 12:15 P.M. on Dec. 14, after he reportedly left the scene of an accident on Colonial Court.

Charles E. Karlbacher, 21, of Newark, driving under the influence and speeding, South College Avenue and Marvin Drive, 7:09 a.m. on Dec. 19. BAC: 0.13.

Arjit Nigam, 24, of Newark, noise violation; Vinit Choudhary, 26, of Newark, noise violation; 600 block of Lehigh Road at 12:05 a.m. on Dec. 21.

A 57-year-old Newark man was charged with driving under the influence after getting his 2003 Ford F-150 pick-up truck stuck on the railroad tracks at the intersection of West Main Street and Elkton Road at 1:28 a.m. on Dec. 21. **Vincent C. Lavorante** reportedly told police he had just left the Deer Park Tavern when he realized he was too intoxicated to drive. Police said Lavorante was attempting to drive back to the Deer Park when his truck tire became wedged in the tracks. He later posted a BAC of 0.14.

Police charged 19-year-old **Sarah E. Welde** of Wilmington with underage consumption and driving under the influence at 1:28 a.m. on Dec. 21, after police pulled her over on North Chapel Street for driving without her headlights on. She later posted at BAC of 0.16.

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Former Newark city manager named 2008 public works official

By SCOTT GOSS

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The Delaware State Chapter of the American Public Works Association named former Newark City Manager Carl F. Luft its 2008 Public Works Official earlier this month.

The Public Works Official of the Year Award is given to an individual in recognition of their contribution to the field of public works and a person who exemplifies service in the profession.

This year, Luft, who retired as city manager in

February, was chosen to receive the honor in recognition of a career dedicated to public works.

Since being hired by the city on March 13, 1993, Luft's accomplishments include the acquisition of 27 acres of open space, the development of numerous parks and the Jim Hall Trail, the implementation of an economic revitalization of Newark's downtown, the construction of a new police station, the construction of two water treatment plants, two water supply tanks and a reservoir, the expansion of the city's electricity distribution system and the construction of a

new push pit and compactor for municipal waste handling at the city transfer station.

The American Public Works Association is an international educational and professional association of public agencies, private sector companies, and individuals dedicated to providing high quality public works goods and services.

Originally chartered in 1937, APWA is the largest and oldest organization of its kind in the world, with headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri, an office in Washington, D.C., and 64 chapters throughout North America.



Former Newark City Manager Carl Luft was named the 2008 Public Works Official of the Year by the Delaware Public Works Association during a dinner in Dover earlier this month. Luft (right) is seen here accepting the award from Newark Public Works Director Richard M. Lapointe.

Kidnapping suspect deported to Mexico

By CARL HAMILTON

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A man accused of kidnapping his ex-girlfriend from her Newark home failed to appear for his trial in Maryland last week because he was deported.

A lawyer in Elkton, Md. told a Cecil County judge that 22-year-old client, Hugo Peralta, failed to appear because immigration officials

took him into custody in November and deported him back to Mexico.

"He was awaiting deportation and it's my understanding that he is now in Mexico," Burnell said. "He is out of the country."

Burnell reported that Peralta's family posted bond for him Nov. 5.

However, because Peralta was wanted on a federal detainer, immigration officials took him into cus-

tody after his release from the Cecil County Detention Center and transported him to York, Pa., where he awaited deportation.

Cecil County District Court Judge Stephen J. Baker stuck to standard procedure and issued a bench warrant for Peralta, according to court records.

Peralta is accused of abducting his 19-year-old girlfriend from her Newark home on Sept. 29 before head-

ing to his home in Alabama home.

Peralta only got as far as Interstate 95 in North East, when the woman jumped out of his 2000 Chevrolet Malibu about 3:30 p.m., drawing the attention of passing motorists and a patrolling Maryland State Police trooper.

The trooper noticed the woman running away from the car and stopped to investigate, according to police.

Peralta sped away on

southbound I-95, but a second Maryland State Police trooper was able to stop him a short distance away.

Investigators charged Peralta with kidnapping, second-degree assault, unlawfully taking a person across state lines, false imprisonment and making a false statement to police, according to court records.

A district court commissioner set Peralta's bond at \$15,000, police said.

Police also investigate false robbery report

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claimed to have been walking home from the University of Delaware's Morris Library on South College Avenue at about 8 p.m. on Dec. 15 when she noticed she was being followed by a car.

She told police she began to run but was struck by the vehicle. The girl claimed two men then got out of the car and forced her inside, while covering her mouth to prevent her from screaming.

The girl claimed then men dropped her off without her shoes at a Park and Ride near the intersection of Route 7 and

Route 273 about three hours later.

The girl reported walking to a home in the 100 block of East Main Street in Christiana, where a homeowner alerted authorities.

Police began their investigation into the girl's story after being called to Christiana Hospital where she was being treated.

Investigators later determined the girl's story was a fabrication based on inconsistencies in her account of the incident, including her inability to identify her attacker or street from where she claimed to have been abducted.

Newark police said this week that they are also investigating suspicious claims made by a 17-year-old Newark High School student.

The teen told police he drove over to the University Courtyard apartments in the 300 block of Scholar Drive last Wednesday morning because he was running late for school and had troubling finding a parking spot.

The teen said he had just exited his car when three men wearing ski masks approached him and began demanding he empty his pockets. The teen claimed that one of the men punched him in his face before

stealing his wallet and cell phone.

Police said they became suspicious of the teen's story after

he told them he went home after the mugging and did not report the incident to anyone for more than six hours.

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In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Prevent holiday tragedy



Christmas trees are the first item ignited in over 350 home fires annually, according to the Delaware Safety Council. To prevent a tragedy, the council offers these tips:

- Discard worn or frayed cords or light strands. Never connect more than three light strands together.
- Use miniature lights, which have cool-burning bulbs.
- Use only outdoor lights outside and keep electrical connectors off the ground and out of puddles.
- Check for freshness by shaking a live tree a few times. If only a few needles fall off, the tree is fresh.
- Set the tree up in a stand that has widespread legs or a broad, flat base.
- Cut 1" off the trunk to help absorb water. Check water level daily.
- Dust on an artificial tree increases flammability. Wash the tree or wipe it down with a cleaner.

Financial aid nights coming

The Delaware Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators is offering "Financial Aid Nights," a statewide program to provide college-bound students and their parents with information about federal, state and institutional grants, scholarships, work-study and loans. Financial aid representatives also will explain how to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form, how colleges determine financial need and the role of the college financial aid office.

Financial aid nights, open to the public and free of charge, start at 7 p.m. in the following locations:

Monday, Jan. 12, 2009
Middletown High School

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009
William Penn High School

Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009
Caesar Rodney High School

Wednesday, March 4, 2009
DelTech, Owens Campus

Delaware has 35 more teachers with National Board Certification

Thirty-five more Delaware teachers have achieved National Board Certification status, according to information released this month by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (see list on page 5). The total number of all Delaware teachers who have earned this certification now stands at 430.

Nearly 40 percent of the state's National Board Certified Teachers teach in Title I eligible schools. The state's top five school districts in terms of having nationally board certified teachers on staff: Christina School District (72), Brandywine School District (61), Red Clay Consolidated School District (55), Indian River School District (35) and Milford School District (27).

Nationwide more than 9,600 accomplished teachers achieved National Board Certification in 2008, setting a national record for the second straight year. This achievement brings the total

number of teachers with National Board Certification to nearly 74,000. The number of NBCTs has more than doubled since 2003 when there were 32,000 versus 74,000 in 2008.

NBCTs make up at least 5 percent of the total teaching force in seven states, one of which is Delaware. Those states are: North Carolina (15 percent), South Carolina (13.7 percent), Mississippi (9.4 percent), Florida (7.8 percent), Oklahoma (5.7 percent), Delaware (5.5 percent) and Washington (5.3 percent).

The National Research Council (NRC) located in Washington D.C., recently affirmed that National Board Certification has had a positive impact on student achievement, teacher retention and professional development. In the most rigorous and comprehensive study to date about National Board Certification, the NRC found that students taught by National Board Certified teachers make higher gains on achieve-



ment tests than students taught by teachers who have not achieved certification.

For more information about National Board Certification, please visit www.nbpts.org.

Keene fifth-grader is national skating champion

Emmanuel Savary, a fifth-grader at Keene Elementary School, won the intermediate men's competition of the 2009 U.S. Junior Figure Skating Championship in Lake Placid, N.Y., on Dec. 13.

Savary was second after the short program with a 32.53, more than three points behind Nathan Chen (Salt Lake Figure Skating Club), but brought an arsenal of triple jumps in his free skate

to help glide into first. Skating dead last to the Aladdin theme song,

Savary landed four double jumps, including two double Axels and three triples — a triple toe, triple Salchow-double toe-double loop and another triple Salchow. His spins were "decent," earning a Level 2 and 3, and he took the second-highest program component mark behind the 9-year-old Chen.



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JA of Delaware announces awards

Junior Achievement announced the recipients of the 2008 Junior Achievement of Delaware Outstanding Leadership Awards to volunteers and educators that have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to JA's mission through their classroom work and volunteer work.

Each year, up to 25 individuals are eligible to receive this first level of recognition in the three-tier recognition system. This year, only eight applicants were selected out of many nominations from the field.

The 2008 Outstanding Leadership Award Winners are:

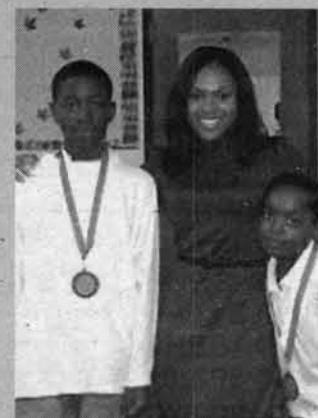
- Edina Buzgon - Newark High School
- Tyrran Coleman II - Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited
- Sandra Correll - Rohm & Haas
- Kara Dundas - Conective
- Cindy Gee - Delmarva Power/PHI
- William Grant - Happy Harry's/Walgreen's
- Connie Terry - Banneker Elementary School
- Sandy Walker - Wilmington Trust

An awards reception held at JA World in Wilmington also honored the Chase Financial Education Award recipients from Delaware middle and high schools.

Douglass School winners in fire marshall essay contest

Students at Douglass School recently earned medals for their winning entries in the Wilmington Fire Marshall Essay Contest.

Fourth grader Destiny Williams, who has returned to Bancroft School, won a first place medal, fifth-grader Nanya Dantley won a second place medal, and fifth-grader Anthony Newman won a third place medal. The awards were presented to the students by the Wilmington fire marshall.



IN OUR SCHOOLS

District	New National Board Certified Teachers	School	National Board Certificate Area
Appoquinimink			
	Aimee Janis	Louis L. Redding Middle School	School Counseling/Early Childhood Through Young Adulthood
	Jenifer Kort	Olive B. Loss Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
	Bryan Stambaugh	Middletown High School	Science/Adolescence and Young Adulthood
Brandywine			
	Amy Elliott	Forwood Elementary School	Exceptional Needs Specialist/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood
	Sarah Foster	Forwood Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
	Debra Grandizio	Forwood Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
	Patricia Grimm	Darley Road Elementary School	Exceptional Needs Specialist/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood
	Daphne Johnson	P.S. duPont Elementary School	Literacy: Reading-Language Arts/Early and Middle Childhood
	Julie O'Leary	Harlan Elementary School	Art/Early and Middle Childhood
	Germaine Long	Darley Road Elementary School	Exceptional Needs Specialist/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood
	Greta Savage	Forwood Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
	Susan Whitcraft	Forwood Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
Caesar Rodney			
	Amanda Mazzola	Dover Air Force Base Middle School	English Language Arts/ Early Adolescence School
Cape Henlopen			
	Kathleen Bowski	Milton Elementary School	Generalist/Middle Childhood
	Kristin Gray	Rehoboth Elementary School	Generalist/Middle Childhood
Capital			
	Michele Johnson	East Dover Elementary School	Library Media/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood
	Kevin Murphy	Central Middle School	Music/Early and Middle Childhood
	Krista Seifert	Booker T. Washington Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
Christina			
	Bartley Dryden	Shue-Medill Middle School	Social Studies-History/Early Adolescence
Colonial			
	Ellen Citino	Gunning Bedford Middle School	English Language Arts/Early Adolescence
	James Dooley	George Read Middle School	Mathematics/Early Adolescence
Indian River			
	Cathy Besden-Showell	North Georgetown Elementary School	School Counseling/Early Childhood Through Young Adulthood
	Amy Denham	Millsboro Middle School	English Language Arts/ Early Adolescence
	Margaret Lawson	North Georgetown Elementary School	English as a New Language/Early and Middle Childhood
	Angela Robbins	North Georgetown Elementary School	Generalist/Middle Childhood
	Cheryl Watt	East Millsboro Elementary School	Generalist/Early Childhood
Lake Forest			
	Donald Bullock	Lake Forest High School	Career and Technical Education/Early Adolescence through Young Adulthood
	Denise Timberman	W. T. Chipman Middle School	Mathematics/Early Adolescence
Milford			
	Melissa Tuttle	Benjamin Banneker Elementary School	Generalist/Middle Childhood
Red Clay Consolidated			
	Karen Brown	Henry C. Conrad Middle School	Mathematics/Early Adolescence
	Alice Conlin	Anna P. Mote Elementary School	Literacy: Reading-Language Arts/Early and Middle Childhood
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Energy efficiency will pay you back

By AMY ROE

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

Both electricity and natural gas now cost more than they did a year ago. As energy costs continue to rise, efficiency and conservation are more important than ever before.

I can demonstrate from my own household that energy efficiency not only pays for itself, it makes a profit. An example of this is my natural gas water heater.

A few years ago I took a big step towards energy efficiency in my home. I replaced my old water heater, which I admit was on its last legs, with a new tankless, heat-on-demand model.

The tankless unit is about the size of a small suitcase – it would certainly fit in the overhead compartment on an airplane. Unlike my old unit that heated 50 gallons of water and kept it hot in a tank until I was ready to use it; my new tankless unit heats water only when I turn on the tap, and operates continuously until I turn the hot water off. If I'm not using any hot water, my water heater actually shuts off.

I thought the idea of this type of energy-efficient technology was brilliant, but these tankless units aren't cheap. They can cost twice as much as a tank-style water heater.

Payback is often used to explain how energy efficient technologies, which have a higher purchase price, can eventually pay for their up front costs in energy savings. My new water heater uses 66 percent less energy than the old one. By replacing it with a high-efficiency model, I have saved \$338 each year on my utility bills and 1,764 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions. With the recent rise in natural

gas prices, I'll be saving an additional \$9.30 in 2009.

The payback period of my tankless water heater turns out to have been three-and-a-half years. Now that my initial investment is covered, I'm making a profit in energy savings that I would have otherwise been paying the utility company. Over an estimated 20-year life span of the water heater, I'll save \$6,908 and 35,280 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions. If natural gas prices continue to rise, I'll save even more.

If you can't replace your water heater with a more efficient unit, there are other things that you can do to cut down on its fuel use. If you have a tank unit and it isn't insulated, now is the time to do it. Water heater blankets are inexpensive and available at hardware stores. The pipes leading from your water heater should also be insulated.

Check your thermostat and make sure that it isn't set higher than 120 degrees. When you go on vacation, turn the thermostat down to its lowest possible setting.

Reduce your hot water demand to save water and the energy required to heat it. Ninety percent of the energy required to wash clothes is used to heat the water. Wash clothes in warm or cold water instead of hot. Wait until loads of laundry or dishes are full to cut down on the energy required to complete these tasks.

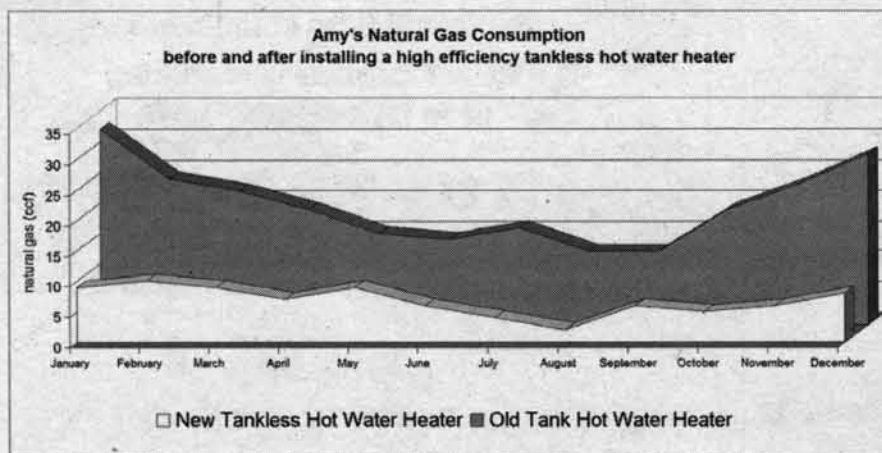
Install low-flow showerheads. This can save 3,500 gallons of water each year per family member and reduce the energy required to heat the water.

If you use a boiler connected to an oil furnace for hot water, you could save a tremendous amount of money in lower fuel costs by converting your system to natural gas or electricity.

Saving energy for hot water is easy, saves money and is good for the environment. You couldn't really ask for more.



Roe



OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's Out of the Attic picture is a nostalgic view of townspeople along Main Street in 1910. This scene is sometimes captioned "Sleigh Racing on Main Street." The photo is on loan to the Newark Post from the Newark Historical Society collection. Readers are invited to share other pictures and additional information. Visit the Newark History Museum at 148 E. Main St. (between Choate and Haines streets). Hours are Thursday 5 – 8 p.m., Friday noon – 3 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 2 – 5 p.m. Admission is free. Contact the Historical Society by phone at 224-2408, or by e-mailing newarkdehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com, and by mailing to P. O. Box 711, Newark, DE 19715.

Those in need should be our focus

By U.S. REP. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

It's the most wonderful time of the year.

Most Delawareans will spend time during the holidays at their places of worship, bundled up with family for holiday parades, purchasing presents for their loved ones and planning holiday parties to visit with friends and family.

The holidays remind us to focus on the ones we love and show our appreciation for what we are thankful. It is also the time in which many of us are reminded of how easy it can be to ease the burden of others.

With foreclosure rates on the rise and financial challenges confronting communities across the state, charitable giving is lower than it has been in years.

Charitable organizations in Delaware are struggling to meet the needs of the most vulnerable families in our community.

My office commonly partners to assist the Food Bank of Delaware in raising awareness about hunger in our state and we continue to lead efforts to help supply food to their organization in times of need.

There is so much that each of us can do to lend a hand to those who are less fortunate this holiday season and make a difference in someone's life. It only

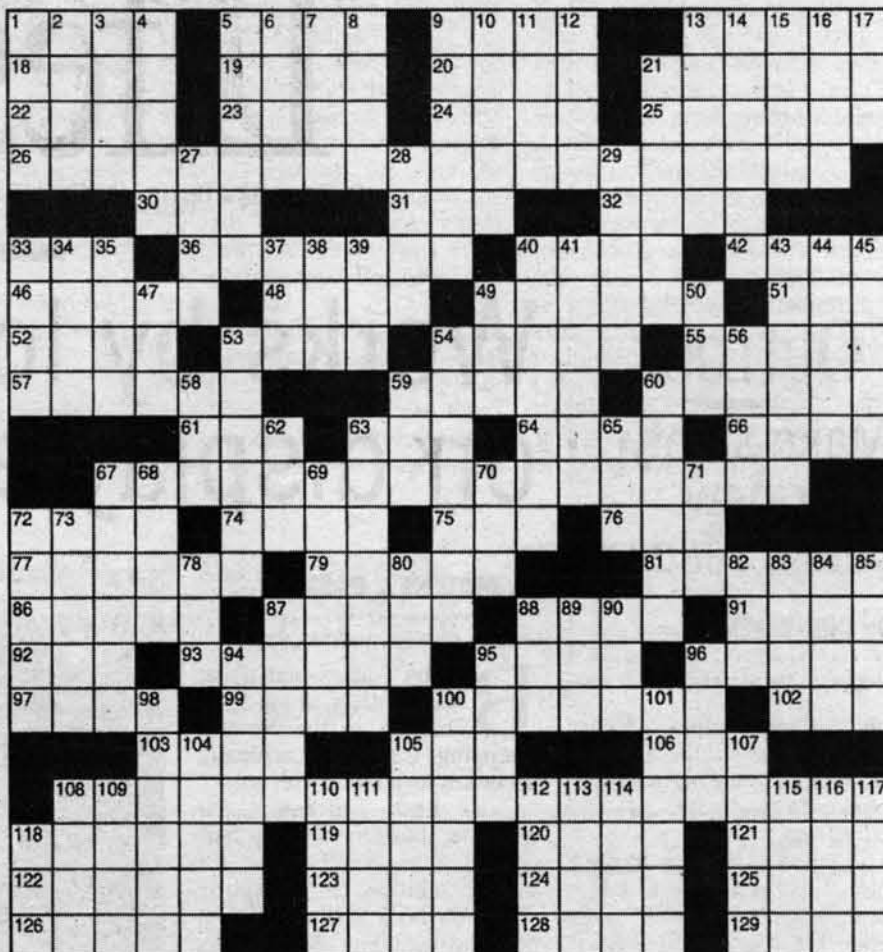


takes a small amount of time and some creativity to make a difference. For instance, anyone can initiate a food drive in your office, family, place of worship or simply at a community center – even if it's after the holidays, it's never too late to help those less fortunate.

Aside from food drives, the other ways to help those in need are endless. To give a few examples, many like

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Castle highlights local charities

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myself and my staff, ring the bells for the Salvation Army.

To learn more, please visit www.salvationarmyusa.org.

You also could make your used items someone else's treasure this year by donating the clothes, furniture and toys that your family no longer uses to your local Goodwill store. For more information, please visit www.goodwill.org.

Another popular program is the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve's Toys for Tots, which collects new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to needy children in the communities in which the campaign is conducted. Look for toy drop off locations here: www.toysfortots.org.

And finally, in recent years, support has been lagging for our troops and many of our service men and women who are away from the ones that

they love this holiday.

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Angels, it's a Web site that allows you to "adopt a soldier," send messages, care packages and more. To learn more, please

visit www.soldiersangels.org.

We are a small, but powerful state that can do a lot if we work together. I hope that you

are able to find a way to help those less fortunate during this season and I wish you and your family a safe and holiday!



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OUTLOOK

Make safety your new year's resolve

By CINDY GENAU

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Many times New Year's Day is the time we make a resolution to take better care of ourselves.

I propose that one of the best ways to resolve to take better care of yourself and your family is to make a vow this New Year that traffic safety should be a top priority for everyone.

The most important reason is that motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for all Americans from between 1 and 64 years of age, surpassing homicide, disease, air-plane crashes or war.

Resolve this New Year's Day to take a look at your driving behavior and see how you might become a better role model for safe driving.

Doing this might prevent you and your family from being exposed to a serious and preventable tragedy and could make your life less stressful.

We all can begin by remembering to use courteous behavior when we are behind the wheel. Concentrate on your own driving. Drive defensively. Avoid tailgaters, speeders and aggressive drivers. Change lanes and slow down to let these risky drivers pass you helps.

Take a different route – if you can – to avoid congestion. Taking a longer and less-traveled route can make the trip calmer. I know I feel better when I am not stuck sitting still. Leave extra time for trips you know might involve traffic jams so you do not feel pressured to speed to make up time on the road. Life can be a little less hectic and a lot safer.

See **OUTLOOK, 9** ▶

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

Works by local book illustrator on display at Hardcastle's

By MATTHEW BASHAM

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Beyond frames and glass, Hardcastle's Fine Art Framing in the Newark Shopping Center occasionally decorates its interior with art.

Last Friday, for instance, customers and fans poured into Hardcastle's for their exhibition of works by children's book illustrator Alexi Natchev, including recent works for the pages of Brian Jacques' "Urso Brunoy and the White Emperor."

His Russian folk-art elephants, white polar bears, and a well-dressed mouse appeared to captivate the audience.

Originally from Bulgaria, Natchev relocated to Newark about 16 years ago.

"I am most grateful because it is anonymous work, and we are doing something for the children and I am really pleased to be a part of that," he said between book signings and socializing with guests. "I always had an interest in visualizing stories. I also have a background in print making, and did a lot of gal-



lery work before, but lately I have concentrated on children's books."

Since 1990, Natchev has published more than fifteen children books with major American publishers, including Penguin

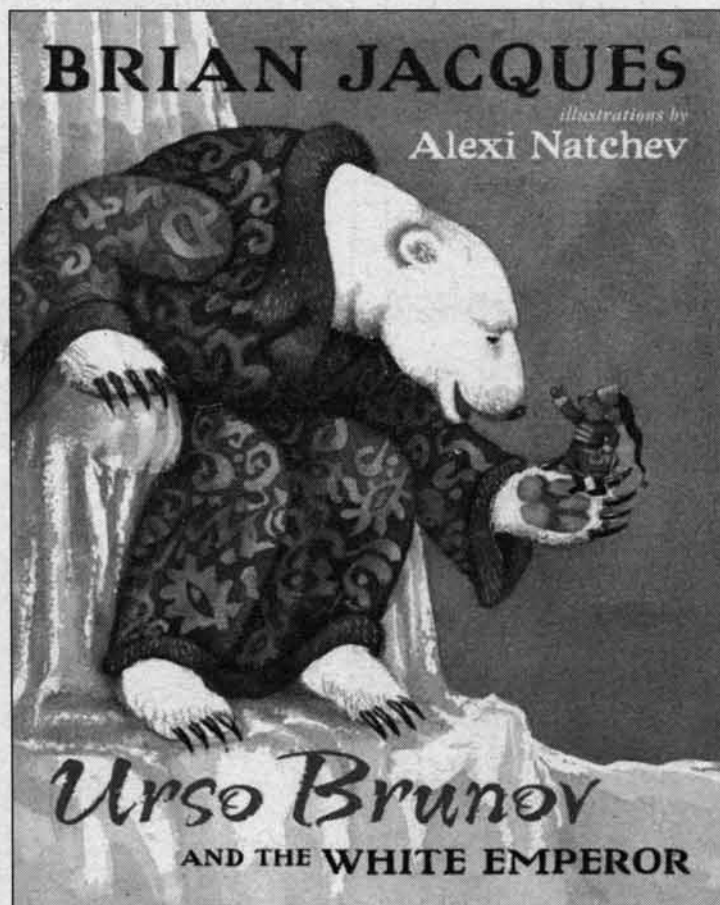
Putnam, Random House, and Doubleday.

"The guy is so clever and has so much imagination," said Natchev's neighbor and friend Bill Vaughn.

"He's a wonderful contribution to Newark," added Judy Vaughn.

Art admirers and fans are invited to check out the world of Alexi Natchev at Hardcastle's, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday until 4 p.m. until the end of the year.

"Urso Brunoy and the White Emperor" is available at your local book store.



Chrysler closing marks new era in Newark

► UPFRONT, from 1

industry leaders over the years – it's never good when people lose their jobs. Individually and family-wise, it's a horrible thing.

The newspaper industry is suffering the same fate as the American auto industry these

days, so we are all too aware of the pain involved.

At the same time, it is somewhat pleasing to know that there appears to be a good future for the property that will offer high paying jobs and the possibility of a continued positive impact on the local and regional economies.

Certainly, we are more for-

tunate than most other communities that have had the misfortune of losing a major manufacturing employer. Many of those plants have been sitting vacant for years with no hope of new jobs or industry.

That's not the case here.

So while we hate the loss of Chrysler, we look forward to the University of Delaware

taking over and we look forward to the prosperity it can bring to the property, Newark and to the rest of the area.

It is sad that we're at the end of an era but, thankfully, there's a new era ready to begin.

New year's resolve

► OUTLOOK, from 8

Distracted driving causes many crashes. Avoid driving drowsy – get enough rest before you set out on the road.

Take a turn as a designated driver. There is no reason to drink and drive impaired. Use your seatbelt on every trip and every time. No excuses. You never know when it just might save your life as it has for many others, some in recent crashes. Make sure children are in appropriate child

restraints for their age, height and weight. Seatbelts just don't work for smaller people, but car seats and booster seats do.

Look out for motorcyclists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

Finally, slow down in neighborhoods and areas of high pedestrian traffic. Yield the right of way whenever possible.

This year, help make everyone safer by being the best driver you can be. Happy New Year and know that you can make a difference.

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.

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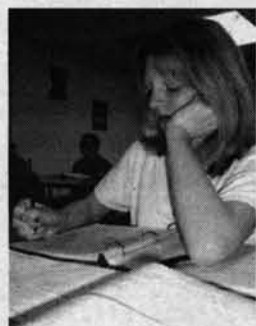
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SATURDAY, DEC. 27

LIVE MUSIC 9:30 p.m. Featuring The Crash Motive. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.

SUNDAY, DEC. 28

CONCERT 2 p.m. featuring Scott Williams on the hammered dulcimer. Benefits the Newark Empowerment Center and the Code Purple programs in Newark. Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 420 Willa Road, Newark. Info, 737-7848.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY Featuring Hippocampus. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.



FRIDAY, DEC. 26

JAZZERCISE LITE 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Low impact, modified version for seniors. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info, 737-2336.

SATURDAY, DEC. 27

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. \$5 donation goes to missions. Life Community Church, 750 Otis Chapel Road, Newark. Info, 738-1530.

JAZZERCISE 8:45 – 9:45 a.m. Certified instructor Nadine Weisenbach. George Wilson Center, 303 New London Road, Newark. Info, 366-7060 or www.newarkjazz.net.

AGLOW CARE GROUP 10:30 a.m. Receive relevant, life-changing teachings and spirit-led personal ministry for women of all ages. Info, 443-466-6076.

POST-POLIO SUPPORT 10 a.m. – Noon. Easter Seals of Delaware, 61 Corporate Circle, New Castle. Info, 324-4444.

SUNDAY, DEC. 28

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS 1 – 2 p.m. Westminster House, 292 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 453-9075.

MONDAY, DEC. 29

MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP 7 – 9 p.m. Sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration. Info, 654-6833.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Newark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 377-6746.

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

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

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

TAI CHI 3 – 4 p.m. Mon. (Advanced) or Wed., 4 – 5 p.m. (Beg/Intermediate). \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info, 737-2336.

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

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STRENGTH & FLEXIBILITY CLASS 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Mon. Wed., and Fri.; \$4 per session/\$50 for six weeks. First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 731-5644.

KUNG FU 6 – 7 p.m. and 7 – 8 p.m. Mon., Wed., and Fri. \$70/month. Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 373-2918.

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TUESDAY, DEC. 30

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS 6 – 7 p.m. Newcomers meeting follows at 7 p.m. Aletheia School, 91 Salem Church Road, Newark. Info, 824-6317.

CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST 7 – 8 a.m. Join state Rep. John Kowalko for coffee and conversation. Friendly's Restaurant, 1115 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 577-8342.

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

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

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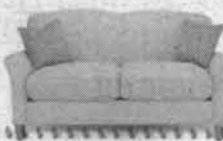
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Graham who designed five different office spaces before the organization finally secured its new location on Harmony Road.

"We would also like to acknowledge the three years we spent with the Parent Information Center and the great support they offered us during that period," Ellis said.

Despite the growth and changes, Autism Delaware remains an organization of family members, friends of people with autism and professionals who work in the autism field — all committed to offering

lifelong opportunities and support for people with autism in Delaware.

In addition, the organization provides social events, such as parents' coffee hour, weekly bowling nights and an annual holiday party. They also offer support groups, conferences, special fundraisers and other events to raise public awareness.

The New Castle monthly support group was started in October specifically for parents of children up to age 9. Each 90-minute meeting at the new office will include a presentation and group discussion. Examples of session topics include:

Accepting the Reality- Sharing feelings and getting used to shifting perspective from having a "normal" child to the "new normal" of a child with ASD.

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"In 1995, the prevalence of autism was one out of every

2,500 births; today, it is one in every 150 births," Ellis said. "The needs of the autism community in Delaware have grown and we have grown as well, to better manage those needs. We are fortunate and proud to have a very talented staff and dedicated volunteers who are absolutely committed to improving the lives of people with autism and their families."

Founded in 1998 by just 10 volunteers, Autism Delaware has grown into a professionally

staffed, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping people and families in Delaware who are affected by autism. The goal of Autism Delaware is to educate Delawareans about and raise awareness of autism within the state as well as to provide youth and adult services for people with autism.

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'Tis the season for presents

By JON BUZBY

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It's the holiday season and I figured there's no better time for me to play Santa than now.

For Newark football coach Butch Simpson and St. Mark's soccer coach Tom DeMatteis: At least one more state championship each. Two of the most modest coaches I've ever met in my life deserve to go out as winners ... and that being said, let's hope they never retire. They are both better educators than coaches and make the world of high school sports a better place.

For Elena Della Donne: Continued happiness. You can read it in her quotes, hear it in her voice and see it in her smile that she's happier than she's ever been. I, for one, hope she never returns to competitive basketball, because if she does, she'll get more media attention — I'm sure what burned her out in the first place — in her first week back than she's had her entire happy-go-lucky volleyball season.

For undecided Newark lineman Malcom Bunche: A college choice that makes you happy. Just remember, it's not the size of the school you attend or how great the football program is, but rather the comfort level you have going there. Just ask Elena.

For KC Keeler: An answer to the Blue Hens' football woes. I know I don't stand alone when I say I'm tired of watching the team be in the national title game one year and eliminated from playoff contention before daylight savings time ends the next.

For all Blue Hen fans: An updated legible plan for the new athletic complex. The four-month late recently-rolled-out plans for facility improvements cleared things up about as much as the United States' plan to withdraw troops from Iraq. The only thing I can decipher is that there could be a lot of recently-renovated (and not for free) fields and buildings eliminated or moved ... maybe ... if they can raise the money ... but not

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BLUE HENS WIN AT BOSTON U.



D.J. Boney hit a three-point point shot to help the Blue Hens defeat Boston University Sunday.

Boney's three-pointer lifts UD

Blue Hen sophomore guard D.J. Boney drilled a game-winning three-pointer with just 4.1 seconds on the clock to lead the University of Delaware men's basketball team to a thrilling 70-68 victory over Boston University Sunday afternoon at Case Gymnasium.

Boney finished with a career-high 14 points, all but one in the second half, to lead the Blue Hens to their third straight win. Delaware, which improved to 5-6 on the year, defeated the Terriers for the second consecutive season while posting its first three-game winning streak since early January. Boston University, which rallied from a late eight-point deficit before suffering the last-second loss, fell to 5-5 on the year.

Alphonso Dawson scored a team-high 20 points, his fifth 20-point game of the year, for the Blue Hens while Jawan Carter added 16 points and a career-high nine assists, including his last helper on Boney's game-winning trey.

Corey Lowe scored a team-high 20 points for the Terriers, the America East preseason favorite who were coming off a narrow seven-point loss at 12th-ranked Notre Dame last week. Jake O'Brien added 14 points, John Holland contributed 11 points, and Matt Wolff posted a double-double with 10 points and a game-high 12 rebounds.

Delaware led 63-55 with 7:03 remaining after a Boney three-pointer and a three-point play by Carter. The Blue Hens were still up 65-57 after a Dawson layup with 5:08 left, but Boston University scored four straight to make it 65-61 with 2:38 left on a Lowe basket.

Carter then hit two free throws to put Delaware

back up six before Tyler Morris answered for the Terriers to cut the UD margin to 67-63 with 1:47 to play. After Marc Egerson and Dawson missed jumpers, O'Brien nailed a three-pointer to cut the Delaware lead to 67-66 with 31.1 seconds left.

After getting fouled Carter missed the front end of 1-and-1, giving Boston University the ball with 18.5 seconds remaining. Holland missed a three-pointer from the corner, but Wolff was fouled by Jim Ledsome on the rebound. Wolff then hit two free throws to put the Terriers back on top by a point with 12.5 seconds to play.

Following a UD timeout with 10 seconds to play Carter drove the left side of the lane before feeding Boney, who drained the game-winning three-pointer from the left corner with 4.1 seconds left. The Terriers, who were out of timeouts, advanced the ball to midcourt but were unable to get off a final desperation attempt.

"Coach told Jawan to drive and either shoot or pass to an opener shooter, and I happened to be open," Boney said. "I just shot it and knocked it down."

An early 14-2 run by Boston University gave the Terriers a 19-7 lead before the Blue Hens answered with eight consecutive points to pull within four. Delaware got as close as three late in the first half and trailed by only four at 33-29 at the break.

Both teams shot well to open the second half, and the Terriers were still up 43-38 before Delaware scored eight straight points to take its first lead of the game at 46-43 on a Dawson three-pointer with 14:26 remaining.

An end of year sports wish list

By TOM TOMASHEK

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1. That major-league baseball commissioner Bud Selig steps down and is replaced by strong individual who will help establish a salary cap and a drug policy that has bite. The Yankees and Boston are making a mockery of the game, as have Barry Bonds, Mark McGwire, and Sammy Sosa.

2. That Tiger Woods returns in grand fashion BUT is consistently challenged on a regular basis by at least two or three individuals. Woods is great for the game, but the game needs another era such as the one when Jack Nicklaus gave us a hero but didn't have an ironclad grip on nearly every tournament he played.

3. That Delaware resumes its winning ways in a big way, but without a transfer quarterback. Wouldn't it be great if Lou Ritacco or a true freshman recruit stepped up, claimed the starting job and was given blue ribbon support from a home-grown running back?

4. That the Phillies repeat their World Series title and Charlie Manuel retires before the magic diminishes and Philadelphia fans begin turning on him as they did in the first several years as manager.

5. That University of Delaware athletics becomes a greater overall force in the Colonial Athletic Association, particularly on the women's side where only basketball and volleyball have excelled since UD joined the conference. A winning season for men's soccer would be especially gratifying after 12 consecutive losing seasons, considering the efforts of its relatively new leader, Ian Hennessy who strives to make his players winners on and off the field.

6. That the state's public school teams somehow regain their footing and break the private-school stranglehold in most of the sanctioned competitions. The balance in power has become far too skewed in recent seasons.

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Presents for local sports

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sure when ... hopefully in our lifetime ... at least some of the plan. See what I mean?

For Blue Hen basketball fans: A return to the Mike Brey days when the BCC was the place to be in the winter. Fortunately, I think we have a coach in Monte Ross who can get us there. And besides, we'll need all those fans to fill the

new basketball center that will seat over 10,000 fans. I think I read in some article that it was in the plan as probable but not definite ... maybe.

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7. That Kevin Mench regains his solid standing in major league baseball. It just seems far too early for the former Blue Hen and Newark slugger to retire, particularly when the major league game needs an infusion of personable players.

8. Continued success for quarterback Joe Flacco, the former UD standout and Baltimore NFL rookie. Although major-college transfer quarterbacks have been a source of controversy for some Blue Hen fans, Flacco has represented the state well as a player and celebrity.

9. That March Madness produces a story or two similar to Appalachian State's 2007 football victory over Michigan. How about a University of North Carolina and Gonzaga championship game won by Gonzaga? Or how about Mike

Brey, former Blue Hen coach, taking Notre Dame all the way? The latter idea is nice because I know that it would make loveable News Journal writer Jack Ireland happy.

10. That if a high-profile team wins the 2009 World Series, hopefully it's Joe Torre's Dodgers. Anything to make the dreaded Yankees look sillier with their present salary.

11. That the state Hall of Fame wakes up and selects former Delaware standout quarterback and long-time UD football player and assistant into its chambers. He has been passed over for persons with only half his credentials.

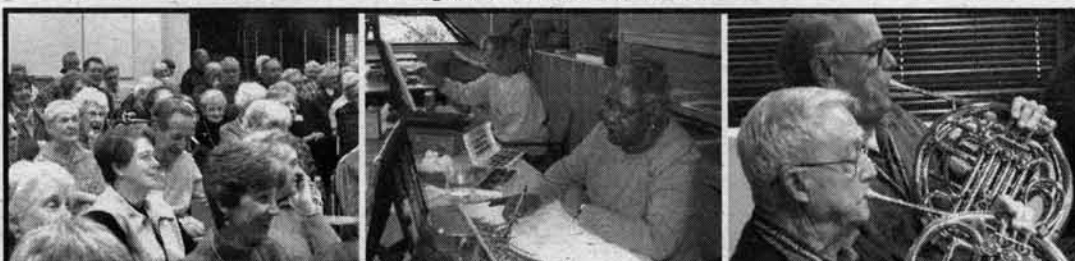
12. That Memphis comes on strong in the NBA, not because the team or the league are that appealing, it's easy to root for any team with whom Kevin O'Neill, former Blue Hen basketball assistant, is associated. O'Neill joined Memphis after an interim sea-

son as the University of Arizona head coach.

13. That DuPont Country Club and the LPGA can find a way to help bring back one of the world's premier competitions back to Delaware in the near future. It's still baffling that one man's ego could allow an event to part ways with an area that supported women's golf in grand fashion.

14. That the NFL adopts the college overtime format used by the NCAA. It's frustrating to see so many overtime professional games decided by a coin flip, and the college format is so much more exciting.

15. That the University of Delaware and the University at Albany meet in the NCAA Division I Lacrosse Championship game. This wish is strictly for selfish reasons ... they happen to be two of my favorite college coaches in any sport.



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■ Obituaries are printed free of charge as space permits. Information is usually supplied to the newspaper by the funeral director. Additional local obituaries are posted each week on the Newark Post Web site.

Clarence E. Christian

Clarence E. Christian, 74, of Newark, died on Dec. 13 at Christiana Hospital.

Christian was born in Virginia on Nov. 27, 1934, the son of the late Clarence and Arty Christian. He worked for Curtis Paper for 45 years and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Anna Christian; sons Clarence E. Christian Jr. of Kansas, Thomas C. Christian and his wife Terri, of New Castle, Christopher L. Christian of Newark, and David A. Christian of West Virginia; stepson Harry L. Roberts of Newark; daughters Teresa R. Young of Bear and Katherine A. Wheeler of Newark; sister Atholene Payne of Newark; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home in Newark on Dec. 22. Burial was at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association c/o R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home, 122 W. Main St., Newark, DE 19711.

John P. Connell

John P. Connell, 87, of Newark, died on Dec. 17 at the Heartland Hospice House.

Connell was born on July 31, 1921, in Wilmington, to the late John and Catherine Mahon Connell. He was a graduate of Salesianum High School and was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, serving aboard the USS Bunker Hill CV-17. He was aboard the Bunker Hill in 1944 when it endured three days of Kamikaze attacks. After discharge from the Navy, he worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad as an accountant in the Wilmington Shops, retiring in 1980. Connell was a longtime member of St. John the Beloved Church and a member of the Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima.

Connell is survived by his wife of 61 years, Florence P. Connell (Picciotti). He is also survived by his children John P. Connell Jr. and wife Linda, William Connell and wife Mary Ann, Joseph Connell and wife Mary Ann, and Cathleen Sanderson and husband Robert.

He also is survived by his grandchildren Kristy Hutton and her husband Mark, Laurie Sanderson and her fiancé Derek Yocum, Mary Beth Connell, Robert Sanderson, Patrick Connell, Annie Nadzio and his first great-grandchild to be born this May.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Dec. 20 at St. John the Beloved Church in Wilmington.

Interment followed at All Saints Cemetery in Wilmington.

Percival Augustus Downs

Percival Augustus Downs, 86, of Newark, died on Dec. 16, at Brandywine Nursing Home. A funeral service was held on Dec. 21 at The House of Wright Mortuary in Wilmington.

Judith Ann Draper

Judith Ann Perialas Draper, 68, of Newark, formerly of Bear, died on Dec. 13.

Born in Cortland, N.Y., on Feb. 3, 1940, Draper resided in Delaware for most of her life. She was employed as a lead secretary for several years at the DuPont Co., where she also participated in the research and development of nylons by being the first woman to wear them. Her second career in real estate flourished for two decades until illness forced her retirement.

Draper was the daughter of William Perialas and Erma Boyle Perialas, who preceded her in death.

She is survived by her daughters Carolyn C. Neil and husband David, of Kemblesville, Pa. and Cynthia L. Jeffers and husband Alan, of Newark; sons Christopher T. Draper and wife Rhonda, of Middletown and Stephen S. Draper of Newark; granddaughters Sarah Neil, Courtney and Caitlyn Draper; grandsons Eric Neil, Paul and Scott Neil; brother Peter C. Perialas and wife Carolyn, of Hockessin, and their children and grandchildren.

A funeral service was held on Dec. 20 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in New Castle. Entombment followed in Gracelawn Memorial Park in New Castle.

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

David D. Ellis

David D. Ellis, 54, of Newark, died on Dec. 11.

Ellis worked as a Millwright for General Motors for the past 29-and-a-half years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He was a member of the UAW Local 435, where he served on the board of directors. He was active in charitable organizations; one of his favorites was being a coordinator of the Salvation Army Bell Ringers.

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Clarence E. Christian
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David D. Ellis
Helen V. Scott
Elizabeth R. Tressler

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He is survived by his son Jason B. of Frederick, Md.; his mother and step-father Nancy and Luther Rhoades of Newark; his former wife Beverly Ellis of Newark; niece Casey Yetter of New Castle; step-sisters Linda Willis, Mary Jane Pomponi and Sandra Grant; step-brothers David and Steven Rhoades; and a host of other family and friends. Ellis was predeceased by his brother Brian and father Donald.

Funeral services were held on Dec. 18 at the McCrery Memorial

Chapel in Wilmington. Burial was at Eglington Cemetery in Clarksboro, N.J.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Salvation Army of Delaware, 400 N. Orange St., Wilmington DE 19801 or the American Heart Assoc. 1501 Casho Mill Road, Suite 1, Newark, DE 19711.

Helen V. Scott

Helen V. Scott, 88, of Newark, died at Christiana Hospital on Dec. 16.

Born in Baltimore, Md., Scott was the daughter of the late

James and Pansy (Devilbliss) Wehn. She also was predeceased by her husband Raymond G. Scott Sr.

She is survived by her son Raymond G. Scott Jr. and his wife Patricia, of Lewes; grandchildren Christine and Robin; great-grandchildren Jenna, Cole and Payton; and her brother John Wehn.

Graveside services were held in Baltimore at New Cathedral Cemetery.

Elizabeth R. Tressler

Elizabeth R. Tressler, 87,

of Newark, died on Dec. 13 at Christiana Hospital.

Tressler was born on Jan. 10, 1921, in Newark, to the late Frank and Verda (Geesaman) Reed. She was employed at Dale's Jewelry Store in Newark for over 30 years. She was a member of Newark Senior Center, where she also volunteered since 1976 and received the Jefferson Award in May 2002.

She is survived by her daughters and their husbands Ruth Anne Benson and Wayne of Bear and Linda DiMartine and Dave of Newark; brothers Robert R. Reed of Elkton, Md. and Edward

R. Reed of Newark; grandchildren Dwayne Benson, Jeffrey Benson, Nicholas DiMartine and Jesse DiMartine and his wife Jessica; and great-grandchildren Amber Benson, Jesse DiMartine Jr. and Jazmine DiMartine.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Jesse James Tressler, who passed away in 2002 and sisters Hilda Bromwell, Dorothea Smith and Frances Reed.

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UD Online honors faculty for teaching, service to students

At the fourth annual UD Online Faculty Appreciation Reception, the division of professional and continuing studies honored six faculty members for their outstanding contribution to teaching and serving students in a distance format.

Diane Ferry, an associate professor in the department of business administration, was presented a Distinguished Teaching Award. Patricia Walsh, an assistant professor in the department of biological sciences, also received the award. A Pioneer Award went to Rob Palkovitz, a professor in the department of human development and family studies.

Three Innovative Teaching Awards were presented. The first was given to Jules Bruck, an assistant professor in the department of plant and soil sciences, for her work on the course Basic Landscape Design; Sharon Watson, associate professor of business administration, for her work on the course Strategic Management; and Meredith Wesolowski for her work on the Principles of Biology course.

COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT

Local student named to Who's Who listing

Scott Charles Ennis, of Newark, a senior at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va., has been included in the 2009 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Ennis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ennis of Newark.

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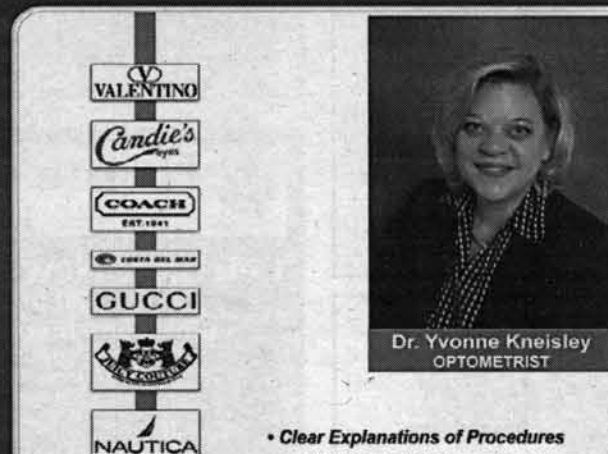
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The signers of the open letter were convened by the Carnegie Corporation of New York, an organization dedicated to the advancement of education and knowledge.

The letter, which appeared in the Dec. 16 issues of The New York Times, Washington Post and Boston Globe, says America's institutions of higher education are uniquely capable of producing "the people, ideas,

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Delaware's Carson to become dean at Rice



Daniel Carson has been named dean of the Wiess School of Natural Sciences at Rice University.

After an extensive international search, Daniel Carson, chair of the biological sciences department, has been selected as dean of Rice University's Wiess School of Natural Sciences, effective Jan. 1.

At UD, which was recently voted by The Scientist magazine as one of the top places to work in life sciences, Carson headed a department with 40 faculty members, 1,000 undergraduate majors, 80 graduate students and 24 support staff.

Under his leadership, there has been an increase in external research funding from \$1.5 million to \$10 million.

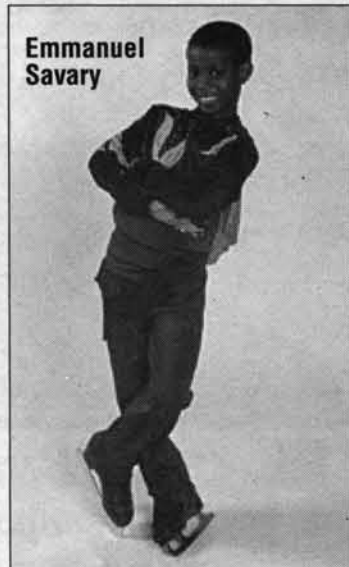
As dean at Rice, Carson will oversee six academic departments and multidisciplinary collaborations within the university and with external insti-

tutions.

Carson's wife, Mary "Cindy" Farach-Carson, is a professor of biological sciences and director of the Center for Translational Cancer Research at UD. She has been appointed associate vice provost for research at Rice University -- the first person to hold this post.

National skating send-off exhibition slated Jan. 10

Emmanuel Savary



UD will hold its U.S. National Figure Skating Send-Off exhibition at 5 p.m. on Jan. 10, at the Fred Rust Ice Arena, South College Avenue, in Newark.

The send-off will feature Shaun Rogers, silver medalist at the 2008 Finlandia Trophy competition, and Emmanuel Savary, winner of the 2009 U.S. intermediate men's national championship, along with other members of the university's 2009 National Team.

Tickets for the exhibition cost \$15 for adults and \$12 for students, senior citizens and UD faculty and staff.

Tickets are available at the UD box offices and through

Ticketmaster.

All seats are general admission and the doors will open at 4 p.m.

The annual send-off exhibition, held in advance of nationals, highlights skaters who compete for the UD Figure Skating Club and train at the University's Ice Skating Science Development Center.

The 2009 U.S. Figure Skating Championships will be held from Jan. 18 to Jan. 25 at the Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland.

Family Fun Weekends scheduled at ice arena

UD will offer Family Fun Weekends through January at the Fred Rust Ice Arena.

Family Fun Weekends feature public ice skating from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., as well as a variety of special events.

The special weekend events will open with a kick-off party on Jan. 4, featuring a live remote broadcast by radio station WSTW-FM and free sand art.

Festivities will continue on Jan. 10 and Jan. 11 Rocky Bluewinkle of the Wilmington Blue Rocks baseball team visits and guests receive a chance to win Blue Rocks tickets on Jan. 10. The Juggling Hoffmans also will perform from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Jan. 11.

There will be arts and crafts and sand art tables on Jan. 17 and a "Mad Science" presentation from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Jan. 18.

Jungle John will visit on Jan. 24, while Reggie and friends from the Raymond Entertainment Group will entertain on Jan. 25.

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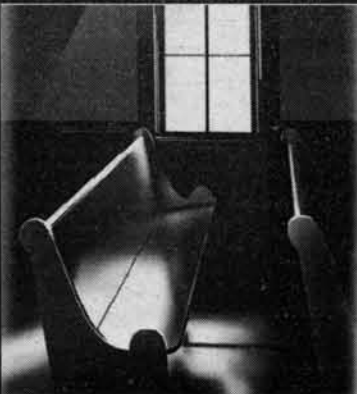
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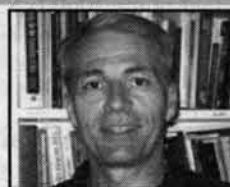
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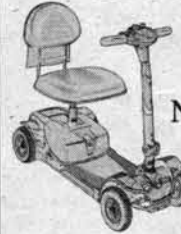


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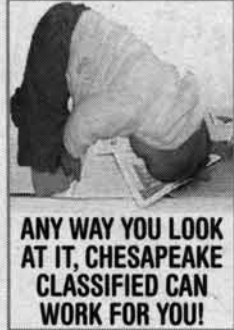
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LEGAL NOTICE JANUARY QUARTER SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The Supplemental Assessment Roll for New Castle County and the City of Wilmington property and school taxes for the January Quarter of the 2008/09 tax year may be inspected in the offices of the Assessment Division of the New Castle County Department of Land Use, New Castle County Government Service Center, 87 Reads Way, Corporate Commons, New Castle, DE, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
These Supplemental Assessments will become effective **January 1, 2009**. Forms to appeal these Supplemental Assessments may be obtained from the Assessment Division at the address aforesaid and must be filed with the Assessment Division no later than **4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 2, 2009**. The Board of Assessment Review of New Castle County will sit in the New Castle County Government Center, or some other public place to be announced, to hear appeals from these Supplemental Assessments between **February 3, 2009 and April 15, 2009**, unless the Board continues the hearings. The exact dates and times of such hearings will be provided to the appellants in accordance with 9 Del. C. Sec. 8311.
np 12/26,1/2

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CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

January 12, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware, on **Monday, January 12, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.**, at which time the Council will consider for Second Reading and Final Passage the following proposed Ordinance:

Bill 08-30 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 20, Motor Vehicles & Traffic, Schedule IV, By Providing for Stop Signs in Both Directions at the Intersection of Devon and Shull Drives and Amending Schedule VI, By Prohibiting Parking During Certain Times at the Apple Road Cul-de-sac

Patricia M. Fogg, CMC
City Secretary

np 12/26

CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

JANUARY 12, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to Chapter 27-21(b)(2)(e) of the City of Newark Subdivision and Development Regulations, notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing in the Council Chamber, Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, on **Monday, January 12, 2009, at 7:30 p.m.**, at which time the Council will consider the request of North Campus, LLC, Terry Lane, LLC, and Ernest M. Congo, for the major subdivision of the 2.111 acre properties at 281-295 New London Road, in order to add six new units to the CampusSide subdivision and for ten units for a new subdivision to be known as Emily Bell Place.

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

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Charity N. Wamae
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Charity N. Wamae-Wanyoike
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Charity N. Wamae intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her name to Charity N. Wamae-Wanyoike.
Charity N. Wamae
Petitioner
Dated: 12/08/08
np 12/12,19,26

LEGAL NOTICE

The Newark Housing Authority 2009 Annual Plan is available for review by the public. It can be reviewed during business hours from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday from **November 17 - January 2, 2009**. All comments must be in writing and submitted within the review period. A public hearing is scheduled for **January 5** at 5:00 p.m. np 11/14,21,28,12/5,12,19,26,1/2



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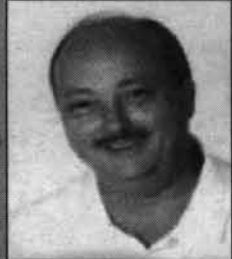
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