

UP FRONT

Turning grief into good

By **JIM STREIT**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

IN a reflective conversation about life in Newark, a friend asked "what's your favorite or most memorable experience here?" A response required a scan of 14 years of memories; I told my friend "I'll get back to you on that."

Several family memories are contenders, so are some work-related experiences.

But the moment that impacted my spirit more than any other came in the spring five years ago at a Newark High School wrestling banquet.

It was a few months after four teenagers and an Elkton, Md., man died in a head-on collision on Otts Chapel Road. Alcohol was a contributing factor to the tragedy.

One of the victims was a 15-year-old student at Newark High School and member of the wrestling team. By all accounts, this youngster was doing well and benefitted from his experiences as a Yellowjacket wrestler.

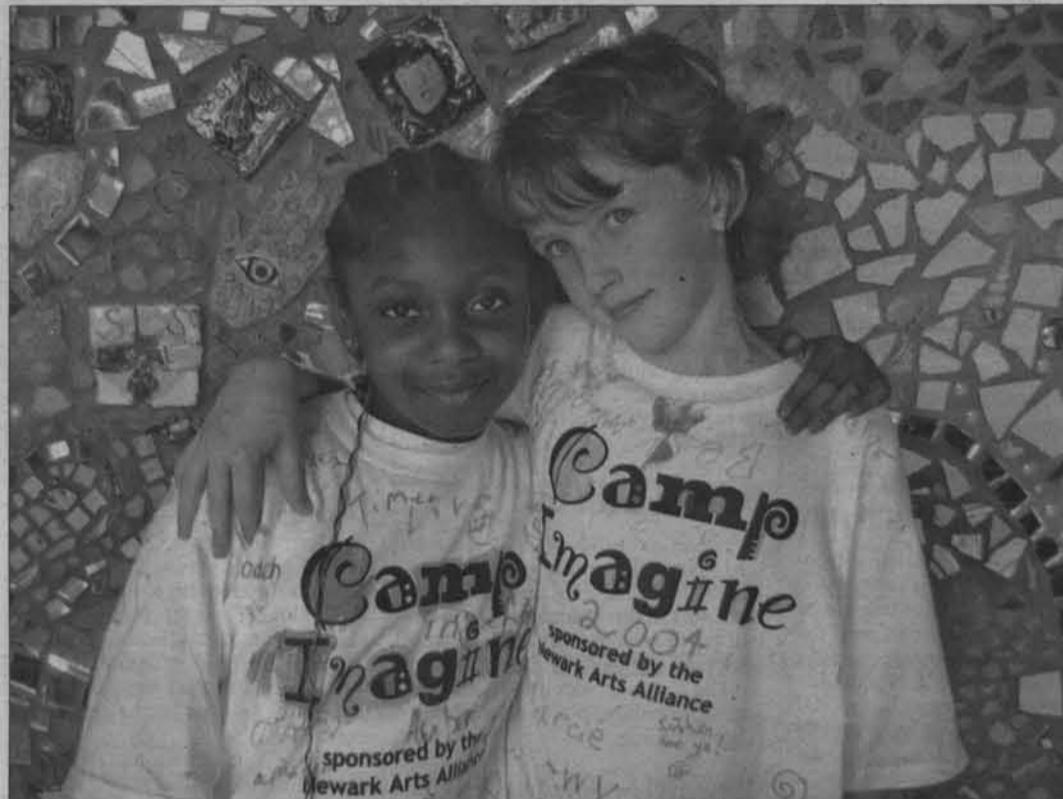
I will forever hold in my memory the moment at the season-end banquet when the wrestler's father rose to speak.

With a smile on his face

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'Vibrant' arts help build community

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

ON any given night, Newark residents can partake in a number of cultural events in the community. Residents can attend a performance by a community band, view an art show at a downtown restaurant or catch the latest production by a local theater or dance group. In addition to the

wide range of public events offered by the University of Delaware, the city itself plays host to many organizations that promote performing, visual, dramatic and musical arts.

Groups include the Newark Arts Alliance, Chapel Street Players, Newark Community Band, Newark Symphony Orchestra, the Chesapeake Brass Band, the New Ark

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The Newark Arts Alliance is one of several organizations based in Newark that promotes arts in the community. The alliance sponsors a range of programs for children and adults, including Camp Imagine, top, and the sidewalk chalk festival, right.

Sex offender rules

Newark city council to discuss options at March 27 meeting

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AT its Monday, March 27 meeting, the city council will discuss the registration requirements and residential restrictions for registered sex offenders living within city limits.

Councilman David Athey brought up the issue at the March 13 council meeting, saying he received a phone call from a constituent concerned by a registered sex offender moving into the neighborhood.

Some investigative work on the Internet, said Athey, alarmed him to the number of registered sex offenders here.

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Strike up the band

Newark-based Chesapeake Brass Band celebrates 10th year

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

FOR 10 years now, the Newark-based Chesapeake Silver Cornet Brass Band has entertained audiences in more than four states with its unique renditions of marches, big band and classical music.

This all-brass band, made of up 35 volunteers, is Delaware's only all-brass concert band and one of only a few hundred in the United States.

A special anniversary concert will be held on Sunday, April 2, at 3 p.m.

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CHS student arrested for starting fire

DELAWARE State Fire Marshal deputies have arrested a Christiana High School student for intentionally starting a fire in a trash container inside a bathroom on March 8.

The 17-year-old student was arrested on March 16 and arraigned in JP Court 11. He was turned over to his parents pending a family court hearing. The youth was charged with reckless burning and conspiracy.

Arrest warrants are being prepared for a second suspect in the fire, a fire marshal spokesman said.

Woman struck here in early A.M. hit and run

A 21-year-old woman from Rehoboth Beach was struck by a car Saturday, March 18, while crossing East Cleveland Avenue, said the Newark Police Department.

Police said, around 2:24 a.m., the woman crossed the street in the 100 block when she was hit by a vehicle heading west. The driver fled the scene, said police.

A witness described the vehicle as a green Honda Civic, driven by a white male, with a partial Delaware registration tag of 2050. The passenger side mirror was broken off when it struck the victim, said police.

The victim was taken to Christiana Emergency Center and treated for lacerations and a broken arm. She was treated and released, said police.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the investigating officer, PFC LaRue at 366-7110 ext. 447.

Delivery man robbed

A Pizza Hut delivery person was robbed while attempting to make a delivery at Park Place Apartments on Tuesday, March 14, around 6:50 p.m., said Newark Police.

The delivery person told police he found no one home at the apartment. He started to leave the building when a man came up behind him, grabbing him by the collar. The man implied he had a weapon, and the delivery person turned over an undisclosed amount of money, said police.

The suspect fled, and the delivery person was not injured, said police.

The suspect is described as a black male, 5'10" wearing a red jersey, white baseball cap and black pants, said police. Anyone with information is asked to call the Newark Police at 366-7110, ext. 136, or call the Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

Man robbed at gunpoint

A 25-year-old man was robbed at gunpoint on Wednesday, March 15, in the area of the Park Place Apartments, said Newark Police.

Police said, around 10:55 p.m., the victim was walking in the 600 block of Lehigh Road when two men came up to him from behind. One of

Police find drugs in Newark man's car

A 21-year-old Newark man was arrested on Friday, March 17, and charged with felony drug violations after officers found marijuana, cocaine and prescription drugs in his car while it was parked at police headquarters, said the New Castle County Police.

Police said Shawn Whalen of Newark drove himself to the New Castle County Police Southern Patrol Station around 4 p.m. He went to speak to officers about an investigation in which he was a possible suspect. While being interviewed, he allowed officers to search his car, said police.

The officers found several small packages of marijuana, three types of prescription drugs, drug paraphernalia and a small amount of cocaine, said police.

Police said Whalen was arrested and charged with possession with the intent to deliver marijuana, maintaining a vehicle for keeping a controlled substance, possession drugs not in their original container, possession of a narcotic and possession of drug paraphernalia.

He was arraigned and released on a \$4,000 unsecured bond.

the men pointed a gun at the victim and demanded money. He complied, said police.

The suspects, described as black males in the late teens to early 20s, fled the area and were last seen crossing Elkon Road toward Madison Drive, said police. The victim was not injured, said police.

Information can be reported to Newark Police at 366-7110, ext. 136, or to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

Beaten with bat

An 18-year-old New Castle man told Newark police on Sunday, March 19, at 12:01 a.m. that he had been struck three times with a baseball bat or similar item at the Newark Shopping Center, 230 E. Main St.

The victim declined medical attention, police said. An arrest warrant is pending.

Shoplifter wields knife at Fairfield video store

A shoplifter at California Video on New London Road in Newark threatened a store clerk with a knife on Sunday, March 19, said the Newark Police.

Around 3:33 p.m., said police, a store employee confronted a white male shoplifter, possibly Hispanic, described as 5'9" to 5'10", weighing approximately 160 pounds.

The man threatened the 21-year-old clerk with a knife, and fled the scene in a car described as a charcoal

gray station wagon. Police were told a white female with bleached blonde hair drove the getaway car.

Police said several DVDs and video games were taken from the store.

Anyone with information should contact Det. Nelson at 366-7110, ext 136.

Assault arrest

A Wilmington man was arrested for assault after two people were attacked at 1:31 a.m. on Saturday, March 18, at 74 E. Main St.

The male victim, 22, told police he was shoved through a glass window after attempting to quell a verbal altercation. He told police a man pushed him through the glass. A woman, 21, told officers that she was struck in the face after also attempting to calm the heated verbal exchanges.

Police said Brian M. Bahr, 22, of Wilmington was arrested and charged with two counts of assault third degree and one count of criminal mischief. He was released pending a court appearance.

The two victims declined medical attention at the scene, police reported.

Cash, checks gone

A large amount of cash and numerous checks were stolen when thieves broke into offices at Public Storage, 201 Bellevue Road, Newark police were told on Sunday, March

19, at 8:08 p.m.

Police said a large rock was thrown through an office window.

An investigation is underway.

Robbery attempt foiled

A 20-year-old man fought off two would-be robbers who approached him on Sunday, March 19, at 4:58 a.m. as he walked on East Park Place.

The victim said two men approached him and demanded that he "give it up." The man then punched the two assailants in the face and they fled without receiving any of the victim's property.

DUI arrest

Jeannie Bishop, 48, of Newark, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and endangering the welfare of two children after a traffic stop by Newark police on Friday, March 17, at 6:20 p.m.

Police were alerted by witnesses at College Square shopping center that a woman who appeared to be very intoxicated was driving a van that contained two young children.

A short time later, police followed a van fitting the description given by tipsters and stopped the vehicle on Capitol Trail at Anna Way. The driver and two youths, ages 3 and 7, were inside, police said.

After a short investigation, police charged Bishop with DUI, two counts of child endangerment, and other traffic charges. She was taken to NPD headquarters for processing and later was released on \$2,900 bond, police said.

Unusual fires

Newark police said three fires were set by unknown suspects on Friday, March 17, shortly after 5 a.m.

The small blazes near Woodlawn and Ash avenues were probably started with a flammable liquid, police said. Leaves, a boat and other items were burned.

Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company personnel extinguished the small blazes.

Investigation is continuing.

Armed robbery

What started as a shoplifting at the Pathmark store at College Square shopping center quickly escalated to an armed robbery, Newark police reported.

Three store employees confronted a white male in his 40s outside the store after employees saw the man leave the store without paying for several items. The man displayed a black-and-silver handgun before

Weekly traffic report				
STATISTICS FOR FEB. 26-MARCH 4, 2006, COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT				
TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	Year to date 2005	Year to date 2006	This week 2005	This week 2006
Moving	311	683	32	75
Non-moving	260	356	30	29
Total	571	1039	62	104
PARKING SUMMONSES	Year to date 2005	Year to date 2006	This week 2005	This week 2006
Meter tickets	8035	7293	1111	-1104
Parking summonses	2015	2264	237	354
Total	10050	9557	1348	1458
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	Year to date 2005	Year to date 2006	This week 2005	This week 2006
Fatal	0	1	0	0
Personal injury	45	30	7	2
Property damage (reportable)	99	58	13	0
Property damage (non-reportable)	107	79	11	11
Total	251	168	31	13
Hit-and-run reports	40	36	6	0
DUI cases	31	28	2	2

Newark man, hit in head with baseball bat, dies

A 22-year-old Newark man died Monday, March 20, from injuries he sustained from being beaten by a baseball bat the day before by several unidentified assailants, said Delaware State Police.

Around 1:15 p.m. Sunday, March 19, police responded to the parking lot of the Canby Park Shopping Center in Alban Park for a report of an assault. There, troopers found Jose Andres-Estrada, of Newark, lying on the ground unconscious.

Troopers were told Estrada

and his wife were walking through the parking lot of the shopping center where a carnival was being held when two men confronted Estrada and began to punch and kick him in the legs, chest and head.

Estrada tried to run from the assailants, said police, but was encountered by three other individuals who started to assault him. At one point, one of the assailants used a baseball bat to strike Estrada in the head several times, said police.

The suspects fled on foot in

different directions, police were told.

Estrada was taken to Christiana Emergency Center where he was treated for severe head trauma. He died later from his injuries. His wife was not injured during the incident, said police.

Investigators said they do not know a motive for the beating or have a description of the suspects. Anyone with information is asked to contact State Police Homicide Detectives at 302-739-5939 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

'Peer review' commends DSTP

Delaware program one of only two approved by USDOE

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AS students in New Castle County struggled through a week of assessments, good news arrived about the Delaware State Testing Program. Delaware was named one of only two states in the nation to earn federal approval for its standards and assessment system under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB).

In a letter from the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) to state Education Secretary Valerie A. Woodruff, the USDOE commended Delaware on its approved standards and assessment system.

The approval was based upon a review of:

- Delaware's academic content standards.

- Performance level cut scores and performance level descriptors for the assessment.

- Technical adequacy of the assessments including reliability and validity.

- Alignment of the assessment to the content standards.

- The inclusion of students with disabilities and students with Limited English Proficiency, along with reasonable and appropriate accommodations for these students, as needed.

- Delaware's system for reporting student, school and state level test results.

"My decision is based upon input from peer reviewers external to the U.S. Department of Education and department staff who reviewed and carefully considered the evidence submitted by Delaware," said Assistant U.S.

Secretary of Education Henry L. Johnson.

"Specifically, Delaware's system includes academic content and student achievement standards in reading/language arts, mathematics and science; alternate achievement standards for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities in those subjects; assessments in each of grades 3 through 10 in reading/language arts and mathematics; assessments in science in three grade spans; and alternate assessments for each subject."

To address the requirements of NCLB, the USDOE is required by law to use "peer reviewers," national experts in the fields of standards and assessments. Delaware's peer review focused on the Delaware Student Testing Program (DSTP) in grades 3-10 in English language arts and mathematics as well as grades 4, 6, 8 and 11 in science.

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Local girl wins state contest

Lauren Gagliardino will compete to be Miss America's Outstanding Teen

"IT'S an amazing feeling. It hasn't hit me yet," said Lauren Gagliardino of being selected as Miss Delaware Outstanding Teen in a pageant held Sunday, March 19 in Georgetown.

The 16-year-old Bear girl, a sophomore at Padua Academy, said she thinks her achievement will feel real when she gets dressed up for her first public event and puts on that crown. But

until then, she's still in awe.

Eighteen teens competed in the pageant, including several from the greater Newark area. Tiffany Wen, a student at Newark High School, received fourth runner-up.

The girls were judged on their talent presentation, physical fitness, evening gown, casual wear and private interviews.

Gagliardino said she wore a pink evening gown, purchased



Gagliardino

from a boutique owned by Miss New Jersey, and performed a tap dance to the song "Digga Digga Da." She has been dancing since age 4. She practices at Delaware Dance Company everyday after school, she said.

When the top five contestants were announced, Gagliardino said she was surprised to hear her name. "The judges had a really tough decision. All the girls were talented and amazing," she said.

Then, when she was announced the winner, she didn't believe it. "I felt like it was a mistake or something," said Gagliardino, laughing.

After being crowned by

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Newark uncorks 2nd Wine & Dine April 1

Event will take place downtown 4 to 9 p.m.

DOWNTOWN Newark's second Wine & Dine Festival promises more participating restaurants and more great wines, according to Maureen Feeney Roser, administrator of the Downtown Newark Partnership.

Last year's 12 participating restaurants will be trumped by the 17 planning to take part in the Saturday, April 1, event. Restaurants include Adria Café, Ali Baba, Blue & Gold Club, Caffe Gelato, Courtyard Café, Cucina di Napoli, Deer Park Tavern, East End Café, Grotto Pizza, Home Grown Café, Iron Hill Brewery, Klondike Kates, Saigon Restaurant, Shaggy's on Main, The Trap, Timothy's of White Clay Creek and Tracks.

The restaurants have put together a menu to accompany their wines, said Roser. "They're just fabulous," she said, of the food choices.

This year, each restaurant will feature three wines, said Roser. Most wines will be available for \$2 per taste. A winery representative will be available to answer questions about the wines.

To make moving between restaurants more interesting, the event will feature street entertainment, including three strolling musicians, and a free trolley shuttle, said Roser. The shuttle will run a continuous loop through the city.

Also, the day will feature

retail specials and a contest to win a downtown Newark shopping spree worth hundreds of dollars.

An information booth will be set up at Wilmington Trust on Main Street, and a booklet will be available with information about where to find the wineries. There is no entrance fee. Participants will pay for food and drink at each restaurant, said Roser.

Roser said the event will be a great way to showcase Newark's restaurants. "We're going to have folks down here that may not be familiar with Newark's fine restaurants. They will be able to sample the food," she said.

About 1,500 people attended last year's event, even though the weather was damp and rainy. "We're just hoping for better weather," said Roser. "And hoping to get 3,000 people this year."

Newark's second annual Wine & Dine Downtown will be held on Saturday, April 1, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Free parking in meters and lots will be available in downtown Newark, and the first 1,000 participants will receive a commemorative wine glass.

Wineries to be represented include, Archetype Vineyards, Benzinger Family Winery, Bonello di Italia Winery, Bouchaine Winery, Cape Mentelle, Chateau Ste. Michelle, Echelon, Green Point, Meriden Vineyards, Moon Mountain, Rodney Strong, Sonoma Cutrer and Trimbach and Trinchero Estates.



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO

Wind and rain couldn't dampen the spirits at last year's Wine and Dine Downtown Event, as more than 1,500 people sampled wines at downtown restaurants. Debbie Chien, Helen Chan, Kevin O'Brien and Lauren Wagner, left to right, enjoy spirits in the Iron Hill Brewery at the first Wine and Dine in April 2005.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

NOTE PAD

Code of Conduct review

ALL community members are invited to attend one of Christina School District's public forums to review its Student Code of Conduct. Forums will be held 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29, at Gauger Middle School in Newark, and Wednesday, April 5, at Bayard Intermediate School in Wilmington. Copies of the Code will be available so attendees can provide feedback and suggestions on current Student Code of Conduct violations and consequences.

Workshop set

The Parent Information Center will host "What does the future look like for my child with a disability?" on Monday, March 27, 5:50 to 7 p.m. at DelTech's Stanton campus. Learn about training opportunities for your child to transition to the "real world." Mandatory registration, 302-999-7394 or online at www.picofdel.org.

Student of the Week

The staff at Stubbs Intermediate School in Wilmington selected fourth-grader Lafayette Hughes-Wright. "Lafayette is a wonderful part of our class," said teacher Debbie Kelley. "I can always count on him to be a responsible student and a good citizen."



Hughes-Wright

Kelley said Hughes-Wright sets a good example by following the school rules. "Lafayette's hard work, thoughtful ways, and sense of humor are true assets to our class," she added. "I was proud to have chosen Lafayette as a Newark Post student of the week."

Douglass students 'don't want to leave'

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

PARENTS and students crowded the auditorium and library for a Family Night and Book Sale at Douglass Alternative School in Wilmington. Attendees admired the creative decorations and applauded musical selections from the students following a dinner catered by Howard Laws.

Most people arrived early to visit booths where community members and agencies provided information and resources for adults and children. Robert Watson, Douglass' dean of students, said the event allowed the community to learn about the school and other resources they might need. "There are so many issues in the neighborhood," Watson said, "that we also invite the community-at-large to come

even if they do not have children in Douglass."

Douglass principal Debra Williams explained that the Meet, Speak, Ask, Buy allowed parents and guardians to "find out what works" in 2006. "We feel we are your children's family when they are here," Williams said. "But we don't want them here forever and ever - we want to send them back to their regular schools well-prepared for whatever they find there."

Yolanda Jenkins of the Division of Child Mental Health Services (DCMHS) was on hand to discuss her agency's services for children and youth and a growing partnership with Wilmington Police. "We ride along on weekends when most of the stuff is happening," Jenkins explained. "That way, children involved in or exposed to violence can be referred to us right then and there."



PHOTO BY MARY E. PETZAK

Principal Debra Williams posed with some of her award-winning students, left to right, Teiera Rider, Lamar Garrett, Williams, Zayad Abdo.

Jenkins said the ride-alongs started in Wilmington when they realized children did not view police as helpers. "Kids don't even want to be a police officer, anymore," she said. "Even we were suspicious of the police and they had preconceived negative views of us when we proposed a Child Development-Community Policing Program."

Jenkins said the agency offers voluntary aide to those involved in violence and often already know the adults. "It's a beautiful thing because we also work with

the adults and it becomes help for the entire family," she said. "And it's better for the children if they get help immediately and don't have to go to a detention center."

Other agencies represented included the Rockford Center that provides behavioral health-care, the YMCA Resource Center, the Terry Psychiatric Center for Children, and the National Ovarian Cancer Federation.

Williams said many students at Douglass do not want to return to regular classes even though

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PHOTO BY MARY E. PETZAK

A Book Fair in the school library had plenty of customers.

St. Mark's at Leadership Conference

STUDENTS from St. Mark's High School were among the 600 student leaders nationwide who attended the Leadership Experience and Development (LEAD) conference in February.

Attendees included: Sarah Brazen, Travis D'Onofrio, and Nithin Paul, 11th grade; Gabby Serio, 10th grade, and Matt Darby and Tessa Montini, 9th grade, all of whom are cur-

rent student council officers; Stephanie Shea, 11th grade, a homeroom rep and chairperson of several committees.

Five faculty members also attended the conference: Anne Eanes, English teacher and student council moderator; Terre Taylor, science teacher and student council moderator; Joan McConnell, foreign language teacher and junior class moderator; Guy Townsend, social

studies teacher and senior class moderator; and Carol Zukowski, math teacher and freshman class moderator.

The students attended workshops on improving leadership skills, problem solving, student project planning and student activity program development.

"The LEAD conferences offer talented young people from across the country the opportunity to hone their lead-

ership skills in order to make a difference in their schools and communities," said Dr. Gerald N. Tirozzi, executive director of the National Association of Secondary School Principals that hosts the Lead conferences. NASSP provides its members with professional resources, programs and student leadership services.

Wilson fourth-graders earn Odyssey prize

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THREE teams from Wilson Elementary School competed in the Delaware State Odyssey of the Mind competition at the University of Delaware.

According to parent Pat Evancho, a fourth-grade team designed and built a vehicle as a solution to the "Great Parade" problem. These team members were Anthony Alfano, Mrugesh

Dave, Alyson Evancho, Sarah Leung, Kate Rusch, Corby-lyn Smith, and Tasheana Taylor. They were coached by Kelly Green. "This team placed third in their division!" said Evancho.

A third-grade team coached by Mrs. Grillo included Ryan Archangelo, Josh Dill, Shawn Haggerty, Noah Longenecker, Keval Nagda, Alec Tran, and Veda Wooley. The students presented their solution to "The Jungle Bloke" problem.

Another third grade team, coached by Mrs. Trainer, presented their solution to the "Ancient Egypt" problem. Their team consisted of Shane Dorsey, Brett Marien, Colin McDermitt, Elizabeth Quesenberry, Natalia Riveros, Diego Romero-Aros, and Anna Tomassi. "Congratulations sally Omers!" said Evancho.

The state Odyssey of the Mind competition, an 11-hour, one-day event, took place on March 4 at various locations around the University of Delaware's Newark campus.

According to Ron Gough, public information officer for Delaware's Department of Education, more than 1,000 students in grades 1-12 presented a long-term skit and solved a spontaneous problem during the competition.

Students are given five "very

challenging" problems including:

1. "The Great Parade" - Teams design, build, and drive a vehicle that is used as three different floats in a parade.

2. "Tech Transfer" - Teams create and present an original performance that includes the use of a technical device that extends into different areas to move items.

3. "Ancient Egypt" - Teams create and present an original performance that includes a scene that takes place in ancient Egypt.

4. "Geometry Structure" - Teams design and build a structure of balsa wood and glue that includes geometric shapes in the structure's design and will balance and support as much weight as possible.

5. "The Jungle Bloke" - Teams create and present a performance about a "Bloke," a person who has the ability to talk with and under-

stand animals from a jungle.

Nearly 150 teams composed of five to seven students from a public or private school competed in divisions from early elementary to high school for a bid to go to the World Finals competition in late May. Last year, for the first time, Delaware took a first in the World competition at Boulder Colo. Central Middle School in the Capital School District won this honor for their vehicle skit.

In addition to all the coaches and students, about 250 local volunteers judged the various events and assisted with Delaware's Odyssey of the Mind Competition. The Odyssey of the Mind organization works in partnership with NASA and several other organizations.

Hockersmith's Guard unit honored

A longtime Christina District employee and conductor of the Chesapeake Brass Band (see page one this issue) was honored for the performance of his Delaware Air Guard unit in 2005.

The 287th Army Band of the Delaware Army National Guard, headed by Army Band commander, Chief Warrant Officer Four Charles "Ed" Hockersmith, earned a 2005 Delaware National Guard's Unit Excellence in Training Award. Army officials noted that the Army Band's overseas training in Germany and weekend support missions set its personnel apart in 2005.

Hockersmith is a resident of Newark and has been the Army Band commander for more than 20 years. Various training criteria must be met or exceeded in order for a unit to be consid-



The 287th Army Band commander, Chief Warrant Officer Four Charles Hockersmith (left) and Mjr. Gen. Frank Vavala, Adjutant General of the Delaware National Guard, address their troops.

ered for this annual award given in honor of Maj. Gen. George K. Hastings, (Retired); former Adjutant General of the Delaware National Guard.

'Kids break through'

► DOUGLASS, from 4

the staff's expectations are pretty high. "We tell them 'it's a big world and you can go anywhere if you get an education,'" she said. "There are a lot of positive role models among other students here - kids who break through the barriers that brought them here."

Three of the students honored for achievement at the event, Teiera Rider, Lamar Garrett and Zayad Abdo, agreed they did better at Douglass and wanted to stay there. "I get better help here," explained one student.

Williams said these were her poster children for what the program can do. "Zayad, for instance, was getting Cs and Ds in his regular school," she said. "Now he gets As."

Douglass follows the same K-8 curriculum as the rest of the schools in Christina District. "But we put the students in our 'Soar to Success' program for 45 days



PHOTO BY MARY E. PETZAK

Parents and students thronged booths to gather information on resources in the community.

or nine weeks," Williams said, "in which we emphasize academics, attendance and attitude."

If students again merit alternative placement after returning to their regular school, they are not permitted to go back to Douglass. "We tell them that when they first come here," Williams said with a smile. "Otherwise, they would deliberately try to come back."

Mardi Gras at Christiana

THE International Club at Christiana High School celebrated Mardi Gras with a mask contest and Cajun dancing.

Greg Lopez, International

Club president, reported that sophomore Ariell Miller won first prize and Stephanie Rios, also a sophomore, won second prize in the Mardi Gras mask contest.

Club moderator Mrs. Ryan

taught the students a Cajun dance. The students provided the refreshments and Mrs. Ryan provided the international music. Students also learned the cha-cha to Santana's "Smooth."

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AMUSED, CONFUSED, BEMUSED

Former neighbors and new ones

By MARVIN H. HUMMEL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

FOR 10 years, almost nobody moved out of our neighborhood, but in the last three, "for sale" signs abound. There are more "visiting hours" posted here than in a hospital.

I am peculiarly aware of it because my dog, Daisy, and I walk around the neighborhood three times a day, and each time, she leads me on a different route. I see "for sale" today where there was just a lawn yesterday, and then "sold" shortly after.

The only good thing about it is that as good neighbors leave for Middletown, San Francisco, or New York, equally good new neighbors arrive.

The very nice kids waiting for the school bus always give a hearty greeting to "Miss Daisy" and regard me simply as her leash bearer. Their parents, who wait with them, call out to me, "Hi, Mr. Marvin."

The kids and the parents change, but the ritual greetings remain the same. They are as welcome as the "for-sale" signs are not. Only the greeters change.

Everybody vows to "keep in touch" with everybody else but, of course, we never do. Realistically, moving-in takes at least a year, and new jobs, new schools, and new neighbors are time-consuming. We all understand that the back of the moving van as it goes around the corner and out of sight is the last we'll see of them and theirs. We regret it; but we certainly understand. Have happy, successful lives.

All of us who stay here have good, interesting memories of those who left — they are not forgotten.

■ A retired clergyman and a teacher since 1972, Hummel has contributed to the Newark Post for more than two decades. He has lived in Delaware since 1959.



Hummel

“...Everybody vows to ‘keep in touch’ with everybody else but, of course, we never do.”

One of the men I will miss the most had the skinniest, tiniest, ugliest rat-faced dog I have ever seen. The man was at least 6'4" and slender, and out in front of him was that little creature he called a dog on an absurdly long leash. They were an incongruous pair.

He took to slandering Daisy. "That dawg of yours gets fatter every time I see her" was his favorite comment.

I began to answer back: "How did you get a collar on that flea you call a dog?"

Daisy, being a lady of sorts, ignored the whole coarse interchange, and his "flea" pretended Daisy and I didn't exist. I miss the guy, but not his alleged dog! (Concerning Daisy's weight, she is not fat — just full-figured.)

I may have found a replacement for him, though. A young lady came out of her house just last week when Daisy was pursuing an invisible rabbit. She made the totally uncalled-for comment, "He doesn't obey you at all, does he?"

"You know why, don't you? Daisy is a female."

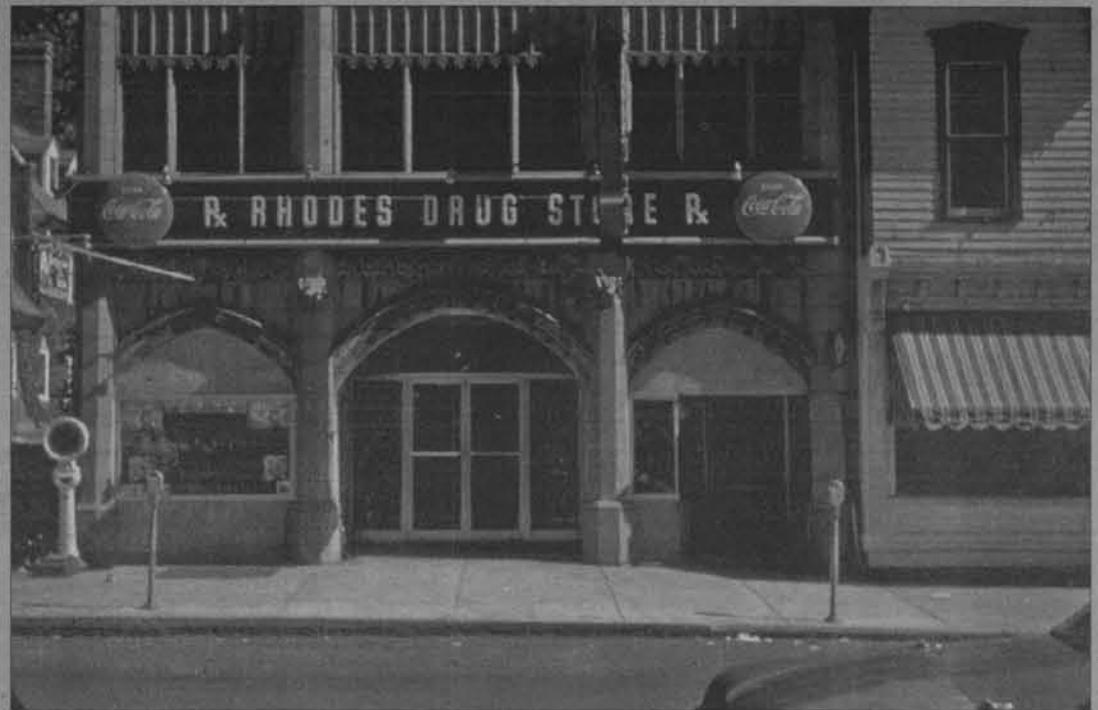
The best the young lady could come up with was a noise usually described as a "raspberry." (I hope she and her family don't move. She has possibilities.)

I have one hope for those moving into our neighborhood, besides being as nice as the people they replace: that among their ranks is a youngster who wants to make a couple of bucks shoveling the snow off my walk and driveway.

If not, I'll have to wait for the thaw before my mail gets delivered. I love shoveling snow, but my rheumatologist says "NO."

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, "Out of the Attic" continues a months-long series of photographs taken in the early 1950s of all buildings on Main Street in the downtown area. This treasure trove of nostalgia is borrowed from archives in the City of Newark municipal building. Few details were discovered with the color slides but it is believed the photos were made by Leo Laskaris in 1954. The building shown in this photograph housed a popular downtown des-

tinuation, Rhodes Drug Store, complete with a white enamel scale in front. The building and its distinctive gargoyles remain today, home to a bagel sandwich shop. 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

■ March 26, 1931 'High powered beer' found in speeding car following 15-mile chase

State Highway Officer William Davidson ended a 15-mile chase Sunday when he shot the left rear tire of a car being driven at a high speed by a 22-year-old Wilmington Manor man.

The pursuit started a little south of Blue Ball when Claude Atkinson, County Highway officer, saw the car driving recklessly. He signaled for the young man to stop but the latter stepped on the "gas" and the chase was on, in through Wilmington, out to Newport, across Cranston Heights and along Capitol Trail.

When the driver was arrested, he was held under \$500 bail by Magistrate Thompson for transporting two kegs of alleged high

powered beer in the car, and sentenced 30 days to the Workhouse for reckless driving, 10 days for failing to stop when so ordered by an officer.

The man had a girl in the car with him, a 19-year-old of Wilmington. The woman tried one time to leap from the speeding car, but the driver held her

back with one hand while he steered the speeding car.

The girl was held under \$200 bail as a witness. A further hearing on the liquor charge will be held today.

Dry fanatics gather

One of the largest crowds ever to gather in the Presbyterian Church here was present Sunday afternoon when Harold "Three Gun" Wilson, deputy prohibition administrator for the State of Delaware, addressed an open meeting of Newark citizens on the wet and dry situation, and advocated the formation of a Fact Finding Committee for Newark.

The meeting was presided over by the Rev. H. Everett Hallman, pastor of the Presbyterian Church assisted by the Rev. Walter E. Gunsby, pastor of the Methodist Church.



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

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Mother of heroin victim writes book for middle schoolers

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and fortitude that surpasses the imaginable, the victim's father thanked all the Newark wrestlers for the good that they brought to his son's brief life. He expressed his appreciation for their friendships and encouragements that helped his son grow and define himself more clearly in the days before he died suddenly. The father announced that a memorial fund established in his son's honor will benefit the NHS wrestling program.

It was one of those moments when all eyes fill with tears and you could hear a pin drop on a carpet.

I pray that I'll never have to react to the death of a child. An editorial in this newspaper the week after the deadly accident termed a parent's loss of a child "unfathomable."

The wrestler's father and other bereaved parents have, somehow, found the strength to channel grief into positive actions.

A few weeks ago at the revamped Town and Gown Committee's town "conversation," the parents of Lindsey Bonistall ventured to Newark, again, to push for safer conditions in off-campus housing. Their daughter was murdered last spring in her Towne Court apartment.

In her honor, the Bonistalls have established a memorial foundation that aims to certify off-campus rental units as "safe" for UD students.

Last year, in an earlier visit to Newark, I watched Mark

Bonistall detail his plans for his Peace Outside Campus initiative. I suspect like others, I simply couldn't visualize myself leading such a charge if I had sent my daughter away to college and lost her.

Early next month, there is a

going to be a preview party for Marie Allen's next book, "Dope Help."

Allen, who is familiar to many Newarkers from her years operating a beauty salon in downtown Newark, lost her daughter, Erin, to a heroin overdose less than a

decade ago.

In the years since her daughter's death, Allen has developed a compelling audio-visual presentation that traces her daughter's battle with drug addiction, repeated recovery attempts, and eventual death. It's a powerful

presentation, full of photos of Erin's life. The powerful presentation ends with Marie's last photo of her daughter; it was taken looking down at a slab at the coroner's office.

Allen founded a Web site (www.heroinalert.org), and hooked up with the New Castle County Police Department. She has been sharing her daughter's story with all who will listen, particularly youngsters who are as vulnerable as Erin was when she began her self-destructive decline.

With the support of Cedar Tree Press and members of the Newark Morning Rotary Club, Allen has printed the first edition of her book. She holds the ambitious goal of getting a copy into the hands of every middle-schooler in Delaware. Robin Broomall, of the Rotary club, and Allen have assembled a committee that hopes to raise the necessary funds. A preview party is being held April 4 to kick off this worthy effort. If you can help, I hope that you will.

Whenever I feel overwhelmed by my day-to-day problems or get a little too confident, recalling the achievements of these parents quickly puts my ego in check. Like they will recall the memories of their children forever, I will always admire and respect how they turned unimaginable grief into actions that will improve the lives of many young people.

■ For more information about Allen's drive to distribute her book to area youngsters or to help, call 738-9943.

2001: 'Party town' image starting to fizzle?

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■ March 26, 1986 'Best run city in state'

For incumbent Newark Mayor William Redd, the current campaign against challenger Hugh Ferguson is much more than just another election - it is a crusade.

It is a crusade, Redd said, to preserve the basic precepts upon which the city's current form of charter government was established in 1965.

Redd said the charter, based on the federal Hatch Act, set up a strict division between City Council and city employees. The intent was to keep employee groups from having direct impact on legislative workings.

"That," Redd said, "is the principal reason we have had the best run city in the state."

However, he charges the principle is being put to the test by the active involvement of Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 4, which represents city police officers, in

Ferguson's mayoral campaign.

Newark night plans

Newark Nights, a proposal to turn Main Street into a pedestrian mall on selected Saturday evenings during the summer, is drawing the support of downtown businessmen.

"There appears to be a significant interest on the part of Main Street merchants in participating in an event of this type," City Manager Peter Marshall reported to City Council Monday night.

The idea behind Newark Nights, Marshall said, is to attract families to the downtown area and to break up the pattern of cruising through the city.

Currently, Main Street is given over to youths on summer weekend nights and many city residents have complained about rowdy behavior.

■ March 23, 2001

Party town image continues

It's 11 p.m. - do you know where your children are? If it's a Saturday night in Newark, they

could be out getting drunk.

Whether the above is true or not, Newark is widely perceived as a drinking destination, according to members of the Building Responsibility Community Coalition (BRCC).

There are still major obstacles to overcome, but thanks to local policy changes, increased awareness and non-alcoholic community events, the "party town" image is slowly starting to fizzle out, said coalition members recently.

Schools to get repaired

A "yes" vote for Christina District's upcoming major capital referendum will cost each local taxpayer "the equivalent of about a cup of coffee per week," according to district officials.

"The average resident would be taxed, at most, an extra \$47 in year three of the three-year phase in of the bond," explains a District fact sheet.

Christina District needs \$67.7 million to renovate nine suburban elementary schools and build a "much needed" swimming pool at Glasgow High School.

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OUTLOOK

Coping with test stress

By MARIA PIPPIDIS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

WITH the coming of spring, many schools are gearing up for test taking time. Whether it's the DSTP or pre-spring break testing, many families are trying to prepare for and cope with stress around test taking.

Last week at the Delaware Cooperative Extension office, I received a call from a distressed parent. Her normally engaged son was withdrawing to his room to play music and was not managing his emotions well with his siblings.

When the caller asked her son what was going on, he said he was stressed about upcoming exams. This parent was concerned and called my office for some advice.

Adolescents react to stress in much the same ways adults do. Common reactions are excitement, fear, anxiety, sadness and anger. The behavior of an adolescent who is stressed may change, but each adolescent reacts in a different way. Some adolescents withdraw from others, some lash out at others, and some actively seek the comfort of others. Studies show that the most common ways young adolescents cope with stress are listening to music and watching television.

Although adolescents cope with stress in different ways, there are two major ways to cope with stress. One way is problem solving. This involves trying to deal with the problem by changing the situation or getting rid of the problem. Another way of handling stress is managing emotions. This involves handling the thoughts and feelings caused by the problem.

In the case of preparing for exams and managing the anxiety around them, both strate-

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Something old, something new

New downtown store offers retro, vintage-inspired clothes

By CHRISTINE NEFF

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

DOWNTOWN Newark's newest boutique salutes a time when cat eye sunglasses, colorful chunky bangles and mini-skirts were all the rage.

The appropriately named, "Clothes in the Past Lane," sells true retro duds and new clothing inspired by vintage looks for both men and women. Also, the store carries a number of accessories - watches, handbags, shoes and jewelry - of or imitating styles from the '60s and '70s.

The store, located next to the Delaware Book Exchange, celebrated a grand opening on March 11. A week into her new business venture, owner Sandi Patterson of Newark, said, "I love it. I just want it to take off."

Patterson, a former human resources manager, said opening a "beachy boutique" with affordable clothing has been a dream of hers for more than 25 years. She pairs her interest in fashion with a sentimental affection for the styles of her youth.

As a college student, said Patterson, she studied fashion design management, but the career choice was short-lived. "I realized I couldn't sew," she said, laughing.

Luckily, there's no sewing involved in her job now. She shops online for vintage clothes and purchases items from estate sales, she said. She has used clothes laundered or dry cleaned before showcasing them for sale.

Because vintage wear makes up much of the stock, the store's displays change, regularly, as sales are made and new clothes come in.

There are some quirks to vintage shopping, said Patterson. Customers need to understand that used clothes may not be "exactly perfect," she said. "You have to appreciate that these clothes have been worn before."

One popular look, she said, is pairing a vintage top with a new pair of jeans. One successful shopper walked out of the store, recently, wearing a vintage blazer over his jeans and tee-shirt and "looking very cool," said Patterson.

The store has a youthful feel, with retro advertisements decorating bright red walls. "While we're geared to the college community, we're also geared to the community as a whole," said Patterson.

Other downtown businesses have been supportive of her business venture, she said. "Everyone here on Main Street has been great. There's camaraderie among the downtown stores," she said.

Interns from the University of Delaware's fashion merchandising program help her run the store and offer advice on what products to sell.

Clothes in the Past Lane is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

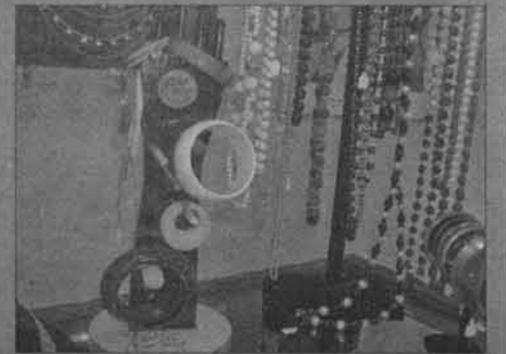


PHOTOS BY CHRISTINE NEFF

Above: Owner Sandi Patterson, left, poses with one of her interns, Candace Medonna, behind the counter of her new boutique, Clothes in the Past Lane.



Top: Clothes in the Past Lane sells a number of retro-inspired accessories, including sandals and handbags.



Middle: A mix of retro jewelry and new jewelry inspired by vintage looks stock the shelves at Clothes in the Past Lane.



Bottom: The store salutes a time when cat eye sunglasses were the vogue.

A WAGON RIDE DOWN Memory Lane

IF you were a New Castle County teenager in the '50s to mid-'60s, you likely spent some free time hanging out at the former Chuck Wagon drive-in restaurant on Kirkwood Highway.

Young loves began and ended there. Drag races formed there to race on Paper Mill Road, Summit Bridge or Kirkwood Highway. And many people started friendships there that have continued long after the restaurant closed.

"It's been a long, long friendship, for a lot of people," said Newark resident Gene Giuliani, who frequented the Chuck Wagon as a teenager.

Giuliani said, for a span of about 10 years, he would meet up with friends at the Chuck Wagon. The boys and girls came from all of the high schools in the area, he said, including Dickinson, Newark, William Penn and Salesianum.

He described them

as "camaraderie of people that had the same interests." Girls came looking for guys; guys came looking for girls, after they took a look at the newest cars in the parking lot. "A lot of it was the

cars that would draw them there," said Giuliani.

When pulling into the parking lot, drivers had to abide by a Chuck Wagon

ritual, driving around the restaurant several times before parking.

"Everybody used to get razzed if they drove in and just parked. You had to drive in and drive completely around," said Giuliani.

On Saturday, April 8, former Chuck Wagon fans from around the country will come back to the Millcreek Fire Hall on Kirkwood Highway for a reunion event.

The reunions started in 1975, just a few years after the restaurant closed. The last event, held in 2002, was attended by more than 200 people, said Giuliani, one of the reunion organizers.

Already, 300 tickets have been sold to this year's reunion, with people coming from as far away as California and Mexico to take a wagon ride down memory lane.

■ For more information, call 368-3151.



The Chuck Wagon on Kirkwood Highway was a hangout for many New Castle County teens in the '50s to mid-'60s. Chuck Wagon fans will gather for a reunion on Saturday, April 8.

Incorporate activities to 'let off steam'

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gies are important. Helping your young person deal with the situation entails helping them set a plan for studying, getting help from teachers or tutors if necessary, and helping them break the test preparation into manageable pieces.

Managing the emotions about test taking is just as important.

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.

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It may mean helping him understand his anxiety and working with him to develop strategies for managing this stress. It means talking about the real implications of the test outcomes. It may suggest helping him find meaning in the experience. It helps if teens can see that something good is coming out of the process.

Just like adults, teens find that doing something enjoyable provides time out from stress. It often "recharges batteries" so the person can go back to dealing with stress.

This caller did all the right things. It's important for parents to guide adolescents in solving problems and managing their emotions. She called me later to say they had really talked it through and had made progress in making a plan together.

This mom and son team came up with plans that helped him reduce his anxiety and set up a study schedule that wasn't overwhelming. They came up with some "let off steam" activities and they talked things over with his teacher to get him some extra help. She provided help, encour-

agement, and support during his time of stress and she helped him develop some new study and coping skills along the way.

Great job Mom!! You have helped your son through a tough patch and hopefully set a foundation for how he copes with stress in the future.

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PLAY 8 p.m. Also on Sunday at 2 p.m. "Deathtrap" by Chapel Street Players. Chapel Street Playhouse, Newark. Info, 368-2248.

CHURCH CONCERT 7:30 p.m. A 47-voice chorale composed of pastoral and missions students, aspiring teachers and counselors, music majors and athletes. Directed by Dr. Larry Kauffman.

Faith Baptist Church, 4210 Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info, 998-4105.

GOSPEL MUSIC 7 p.m. The Wilmington Senior Center will host a gospel/spiritual fest with the Hilderman Chorale, Tina Betz, Shiloh Baptist Church children's and youth choirs and others. \$10. Wilmington Senior Center, 1901 N. Market Street, Wilmington. Info, 651-3460.

SATURDAY

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LIVE MUSIC 8 - 11 p.m. Earnest Goodlife. Home Grown Café, 126 East Main Street, Newark. Info, 266-6993

ART AND ANTIQUES SHOW 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Also on Sunday. The Delaware Foundation for Visual Arts (DFVA) presents its seventh Art and Antiques Show at Hagley Soda House. Adults \$11, seniors \$9, students \$4. Hagley Museum, Route 141, Wilmington. Info, 658-2400.

CLEAN UP 8 a.m. Volunteers needed for 18th annual Red Clay Clean Up. Meet at Delaware Nature Society's Ashland Nature Center or Nixon Park. Info, 239-2334.

BLOSSOM FESTIVAL Continues through April 10. 2006 Cherry Blossom Festival of Greater Philadelphia. Events take place in venues across the Philadelphia area. Festival gala will be at the Union-League of Philadelphia. Info, 215-790-3680.

CHILDREN'S RESALE 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Giant children's resale of infant and preteen clothing, toys, books, equipment and maternity items. Sponsored by Mothers of Preschoolers. Free admission. Cash only. Gauger Cobb Middle School, Gender Road, Newark. Info, 791-3853.

ANCIENT ART 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Ameriseki Chapter of the North American Viewing Stone Society exhibits their unique art form. Adults \$12, youths 16 to 20 \$6, children 6 to 15, \$2. Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 610-388-1000.

GALLERY TALK 2 p.m. Lisa Bartolozzi will give a gallery talk on her work. \$8, members \$5. Biggs Museum of American Art, 406 Federal Street, Dover. Info, 674-2111.

MEDAL OF HONOR Noon. The sixth annual national Medal of Honor Recognition Day ceremony. All service personnel, veterans' organizations and the general public are invited to honor heroes on this day. Free. Air



LANDSCAPES ON DISPLAY

Vibrant landscape paintings by local artist Doug Elliott are showing now through April 30 at the Dutch Touch Gallery at the Shoppes of Louviers in Newark. The exhibit is free and open to the public. Hours for viewing are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Mobility Command Museum, Dover Air Force Base, Dover. Info, 994-2061.
SILENT AUCTION 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. A silent auction for the non-profit Delaware Military Academy. \$40 per person, \$75 per couple. Christiana Hilton Hotel. Info, 610-358-7089.

SUNDAY

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BASKET BINGO 1 p.m. Twenty games of bingo to benefit Friends for Responsible Pet Care. Advance tickets \$20, at the door \$25. Aetna Fire Hall in Newark. Info, 740-4241.

MINI SHOW 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. First State Mini Club's 29th annual show and sale. Exhibits include dollhouses, roomboxes and unusual containers. Adults \$5, seniors \$4.50, children 12 and under \$2.50. Holiday Inn Select, 630 Naamans Road at I-95 Claymont. Info, 994-5222.

BAND 3 p.m. Newark Community Band and the Newark Dixie Ramblers presents their 23rd anniversary concert. Directed by David Harris and assistant Brenda Labounty. Newark High School.

MONDAY, MARCH 27

IRISH CONCERT 7:30 p.m. Ireland Lunasa will appear in concert for the Green Willow. Advanced tickets \$25, at the door \$27. A buffet dinner will be offered prior to the concert for an additional charge of \$10, \$5 for children. American Legion Hall, 208 E. State St., Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 798-4811.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

STORYTELLERS 8 p.m. Performance by David Sedaris author and humorist. The Grand Opera House, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Info, 800-37-GRAND.

ASIAN EXHIBIT Now through June 25. "Asia on the Delaware" exhibit of Chinese- and Japanese-made materials from Delaware homes. Biggs Museum of American Art, 406 Federal St., Dover. Info, 674-2111.

WEDNESDAY

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LIVE MUSIC 8 - 11 p.m. Bruce Anthony, Home Grown Café, 126 East Main Street, Newark. Info, 266-6993

NATURE HIKE "Erosion: Sculpting the Land." Witness the power of water to shape the earth by performing experiments on a stream table. Followed by a hike. White Clay Creek State Park, Rt. 896, Newark. Info, 368-6900.

LIVE MUSIC 7 p.m. Peter Fletcher, guitarist. Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark.

Info, 731-7550.

EXHIBIT Through July 16. "Andrew Wyeth: Memory and Magic" surveys seven decades of the artist's achievements. Philadelphia Museum of Art, Benjamin Franklin Parkway at 26th Street. Info, 215-763-8100.

JAZZ 6 - 7:30 p.m. Raye Jones Avery and her jazz ensemble play smooth tones and traditional jazz. Delaware Art Museum, 2301 Kentmere Parkway, Wilmington. Info, 571-9590.

THURSDAY, MARCH 30

RECEPTION 7 p.m. Public reception for Dr. Lillian Lowery, new Christina School District superintendent. Light refreshments will be served. Gauger Middle School, 50 Gender Rd., Newark. Info, 552-2620.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

ALZHEIMERS CLASS 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Alzheimer's Association Delaware Valley Chapter will conduct an all-day family caregiver training seminar. Delaware Elwyn, 321 E. 11th St., Wilmington. Info, 633-4420.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

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

KARAOKE 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. Saturday. The American Legion of Elkton, 129 W. Main St. Info, 410-398-9720.

POST-POLIO SUPPORT 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Fourth Saturday. Easter Seal Independent Living Center, Reads Way, New Castle. Info, 369-3905 or 764-1714.

WOMAN'S MINISTRY Fourth Saturday. Meeting to unite and share fellowship. Dale United Methodist Church, 143 E. Lake St., Middletown. Info, 378-9744.

MONDAY, MARCH 27

AAUW MEETING 7:30 p.m. In honor of women's history month, Newark AAUW members will be asked to describe one memorable book by or about a woman.

Open to the public. First Presbyterian Church, Memorial Hall, 292 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 731-4724.

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

FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Mondays. Classes for English Conversation. Registration required. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East 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. Mondays. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children. Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St. Info, 658-5177, ext. 260.

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

NCCO STROKE CLUB 12 p.m. Mondays. The Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info, 324-4444.

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

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FOOD ANONYMOUS 7 - 8 p.m. Mondays. Support group for Food Addicts Anonymous, a 12-step program for people who can't stop thinking about or eating food. Jese house, 2501 Milltown Road, Wilmington. Info, 892-3336.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

CONSTITUENT COFFEE 7 - 8 a.m. Tuesdays. State Representative Stephanie Ulbrich will be on hand to discuss issues and concerns in the community. Friendly's, S. College Avenue. Info, 368-5122.

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Union United Methodist Church, 345 School Bell Rd., Bear. Info, 737-5040.

BUT YOU LOOK SO GOOD! 7 - 9 p.m. Fourth Tuesday. Grace Lutheran Church, Graves Road, Newport Gap Pike, Hockessin. Info, 994-3897.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. Tuesdays. 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. Tuesdays. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info, 737-7239.

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

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

EATING DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 8:30 p.m. Fourth Tuesday. Free and open to the public. Trinity Presbyterian Church, Naaman's and Darley Roads, Wilmington. Info, 475-1880.

CANCER SUPPORT 6:30 p.m. Second and fourth Tuesday. 405 Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Wilmington. Info, 733-3900.

ADULTS WITH AD/HD 7:30 p.m. Fourth Tuesday. Support group meets at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info, 737-5063.

UNSCHOOLERS & OTHERS 7 p.m. Fourth Tuesday. Parents meet. Group also holds activities for homeschool families.

Kirkwood Library. Info, 322-5950.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

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

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. 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. Wednesdays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 658-5177.

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 30

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. Thursdays. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller. Near the Otter exhibit, The Brandywine Zoo. Info, 571-7747.

WOMEN'S DEPRESSION 7 - 9 p.m.

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Thursdays. 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. Thursdays.

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. Thursdays. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Avenue.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Thursdays.

Separated/divorced persons meet. Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Info, 610-869-2140.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. Thursdays. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info, 737-1711 or 737-0724.

Newark to flush water lines next week

THE City of Newark will flush its water lines next week, starting Monday, March 27, through Friday, March 31.

The flushing, done on a yearly basis, maintains water quality and removes deposits that form naturally in the water lines. During the flushing process, water is moved through the pipes at a high rate of speed, causing these deposits to dislodge. This can cause the water to discolor when the lines are cleared.

The city's department of water and wastewater warns that discolored water may be drawn into the home if water is being used while the flushing is taking place. The city recommends residents do laundry during the early morning and evening hours; residents should fill the washer with water before doing laundry to check for discoloration. Should any clothes be discolored, residents can pick up a product from the city's water and wastewater department that should help remove the discoloration.



Flushing will take place during these times:

Monday, March 27
— Area around Chestnut Hill Road, including Yorkshire, Silverbrook, Arbour Park, Yorkshire Woods and Cobblefield.

Tuesday, March 28 — Area bounded by Main Street, South Chapel Street, CSX tracks, Apple Road and Elkton Road.

Wednesday, March 29
— Area west of Apple Road, south of Nottingham Green and west of Casho Mill Road, including Country Hills, Abbottsford, Madison Drive, Cherry Hill and Timbercreek.

Thursday, March 30 — Area of Paper Mill Road, Corbit Street and North Street, including Main Street, George Read Village, Lumbrook, Ridgewood Glen, Creek Bend, Jenney's Run, Nonantum Mills and the Hunt at Louviers.

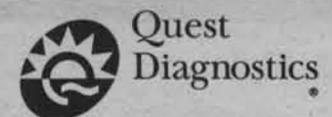
Friday, March 31 — Area of Evergreen, Woodmere, West Branch, Christianstead, Stone Spring, Nottingham and Oaklands.

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Arts community extends beyond UD campus

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Chorale, Mid-Atlantic Ballet and Delaware Dance Company, to name a few.

It's an impressive list, said Laura Scanlan, director of the Delaware Division of Arts. "There's a very vibrant arts community in Newark, not only with the university offerings but beyond," she said.

Scanlan said a vibrant arts scene helps to strengthen a community. The arts, as a collaborative process, bring community members together, allowing them to share different views and backgrounds, she said. "It provides an opportunity to celebrate, share and learn to work collaboratively," said Scanlan.

The Newark Arts Alliance (NAA), headquartered on Elkton Road, takes this mission of community development seriously.

The non-profit organization, started in 1993, has about 350 membership households. A group of volunteers runs the gallery and does long-range planning for the organization.

In addition to hosting 10 art exhibits per year, the NAA offers a number of educational programs, ranging from photography, to learning ukulele to an arts camp for children of lower income levels.

"Anything you can picture art being, that's what we are," said Terry Foreman, program director.

NAA participants come from all income levels, ethnicities and levels of artistic ability and interest, representing the population of Newark, said Foreman. "We feel our presence here is enabling the community to have a voice — not just an artistic voice — but a voice," she said.

Often, said Foreman, people



Children are an important part of local arts offerings.



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derive a sense of community from church or school associations. "This is like a bigger version of that," she said of the arts. "All are welcome. You just have to enjoy the arts and give art a chance."

Scanlan called the Newark Arts Alliance an "anchor for the arts community in Newark. It encourages up and coming artists and provides an opportunity for well-established artists," she said.

One local artist, photographer Nancy Breslin, is involved in the art scenes of both the university and greater community.

She teaches part-time at the University of Delaware and volunteers at the Newark Arts Alliance. Currently, she has work on display at the NAA gallery and the Delaware Center for the Contemporary Arts.

"I'm a real advocate of local arts," she said. "I take advantage

of it, both as a consumer and as an artist."

Breslin, who moved to Newark from the Washington, D.C., area in 1997, said she appreciated the resources for artists here. Of the local arts scene, she said, "I'm very happy with it."

Several local organizations take art into the community through outreach programs.

A new NAA program, Arts to Go, takes art to the streets, said Foreman. The program, funded in large part by a grant from the City of Newark, brings visiting artists to schools. On Saturdays, guest artists do art projects with kids at city parks.

The Delaware Dance Company, a nonprofit organization that offers classes in dance styles such as ballet, jazz, tap and modern, does community outreach, said artistic director Sunshine Latshaw.

The dancers, she said, do per-

formances in area schools and allow a period of question and answer time after open dress rehearsals. The company has volunteered time with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware and Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake, she said.

The Art Loop, organized by the NAA and Main Street merchants, takes artwork into restaurants, shops and studios in Newark. Shows change monthly at participating locations, which include Hyacinths & Dragonflies, Studio 91 on Chapel Street, Adria Cafe, You've Been Framed, Echo, Hardcastle Gallery, Caffe Gelato, Brewed Awakenings, Central Perk and Park Deli.

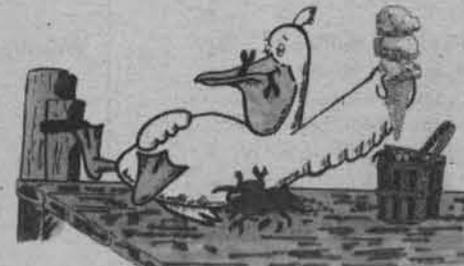
"There are so many different venues that are showing art now," said Scanlan. "I think people have seen the value in the conversation around artwork and in its ability to bring people in."



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It wasn't that tough for the fans to decide

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Hiring a coach seems to be a process that has gotten more and more difficult as time has gone on.

University of Delaware president David Roselle's first two selections were out and out winners. Roselle picked Mike Brey to lead the men's basketball program and Tina Martin to head the women's.



Valania

It's impossible to even think about arguing with either one of those selections.

Before that, Roselle hired Rick Pitino as the coach at the University of Kentucky. You can't really argue with a national championship.

Since then, though, it's become a little more challenging for the president.

First there was David Henderson. His firing is the reason we're even in this discussion right now. So that didn't work out as well as Roselle had hoped.

Then in 2002 Harvard football coach Tim Murphy had an offer to replace UD legend Tubby Raymond. That offer, however, had to be rescinded when it was met with disapproval from the university's Board of Trustees.

It's really not possible to say that K.C. Keeler was a bad hire. All he did was lead Delaware to a national championship in his second year as head coach. By all accounts, Keeler was a great hire. He just wasn't Roselle's first choice and it wasn't that smooth of a process.

That brings us to Kevin Willard. Willard may end up being a name that everyone in Delaware forgets over time.

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Cape to host spring game

Delaware Stadium field won't be ready for annual game

For the first time in school history, the University of Delaware football team will play its annual Blue-White spring scrimmage in Sussex County.

Head coach K.C. Keeler and his squad will wrap up their month-long spring drills with the annual scrimmage to be held Saturday, April 15 at Cape

Henlopen High School in Lewes at noon. In case of bad weather, the game will be played the following week, April 22, at noon at the same site.

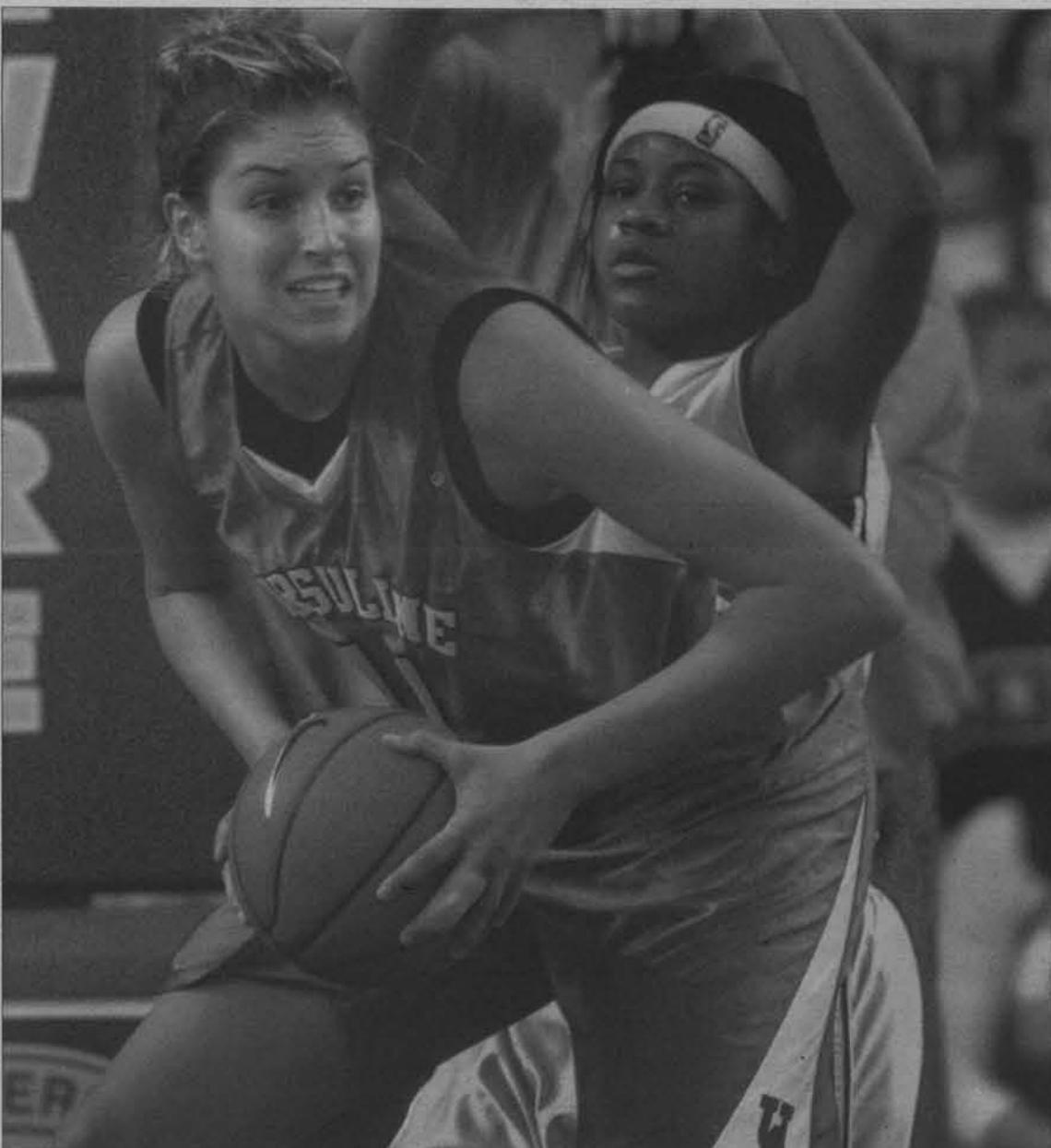
The game is annually played in Delaware Stadium in Newark but the Blue Hens' home field is unavailable due to construction at Tubby Raymond Field which began during the winter. Construction is scheduled to be completed in time for University of Delaware graduation services on May 28.

"We are excited to move the game downstate," said Keeler, whose squad is coming off a 6-5 record in 2005 and returns 26 players with starting experience.

"With Delaware Stadium unavailable this spring, we were looking for an alternate site to play the game and Sussex County seemed like the perfect fit. We have so many loyal fans throughout the state, including Sussex County. It's great to bring the game to their backyard."

All tickets will be general admission and are \$5. Advance tickets can be purchased through the University of Delaware Season Ticket Office, by calling (302)831-2257, or in person at the Delaware Field House in Newark as well as in Lewes at Cape Henlopen High School, the Roadhouse Steak Joint, and Blue Hen Disposal. Tickets will also be sold at the stadium the day of the game but will be limited.

Girls all-state team selected



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Rushan, DelleDonne lead the first team selections

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Players from the Catholic Conference and private schools lead a talented group of underclassmen on the 2006 Delaware Girls All-State team as selected by the Delaware Sportswriters and Broadcasters Association as based on the coaches balloting prior to the state tournament. This year's Player of the Year is St. Elizabeth's junior Khadijah Rushan, who led the Lady Vikings to the state championship game for the second straight year. St. E won the Catholic Conference title and was ranked 25th in the country in a national poll at the end of the season.

The other top five players are Ursuline sophomore Elena DelleDonne, who averaged nearly 27 points per game; Padua senior Shannon Elliott, Sanford junior Paris Waterman, and Caravel junior Brittani Shells. This year's second team consisted of Charnelle Bacon (freshman) from Caravel; Michelle Baker (sophomore) from Brandywine; Ursuline's Deana DiAmico (senior); Cape Henlopen's Tia Felton (junior); and Angel Henderson (senior) from St. Elizabeth. Caravel senior Sarah Reeves was named to the All-State third team, and Glasgow junior Brittany Kilgoe was an Honorable Mention selection.

Ursuline's Elena DelleDonne was named to the first team all-state girls basketball team.

Gold finally earns victory in all-star game

It took five years, but the Gold All-Stars finally triumphed over the Blue Squad at the Bob Carpenter Center. Middletown's Paris Horne scored 21 points to lead the Gold to a 93-89 victory over the Blues Saturday night on the University of Delaware campus, in a senior game, played for the benefit of the Opportunity Center in Wilmington. Game officials estimated the crowd at more than 4200. In typical fashion, the Blue's grabbed an early lead in the high-scoring exhibition. Tatnall senior Jawan Carter continued his hot hand from the state tournament in

helping the Blue's build a 37-34 lead through the first 20 minutes of play. The Gold never led in the first half.

The second half was a different story, however, as Horne totaled 13 of his points after the intermission. He also hit a number of free throws in the closing moments to help ice the Gold victory.

Carter led the Blue team with 18 points for the game. He was helped by teammates Darrell Johnson from Howard and Delcastle's Jabril Bailey who each had 15 points. Polytech's Jeff Braddy chipped in with 14 points for the Gold.

Blue wins Girls game

The Blue All-Stars dominated from start to finish in a 78-64 route of the Gold All-Stars Saturday afternoon at the Bob Carpenter Center in a game featuring Delaware's top senior girls.

Padua Academy's Shannon Elliott topped all scorers with 16 points and four rebounds for the Blue girls. William Penn's Kim Parker had 11 points and four rebounds, while Concord's Shalyn Davis added seven points and seven rebounds. The Blue squad, represented primarily by schools from the north

end of the state, led the entire contest, racing to a 12-2 advantage before many spectators arrived in their seats. The offensive barrage continued throughout the first half as the Gold eventually fell behind 29-3 midway through the first half. It didn't matter who was on the court for the Blues, as shots were dropping like spring raindrops. The Gold finally put together consecutive baskets with about eight minutes remaining until the half, to bring the score to a more respectable 29-10.

The situation didn't change much in the second half, as the

Blue rained shot after shot inside the Bob to the delight of the crowd. The Gold finally made a run in the early stages of the second half, coming within nine points at 57-48 at the 14:24 mark, but the Blues then kicked the offense back into high gear to put the game away with about seven minutes remaining in the contest. Dover's Lakeisha Price was the top Gold scorer with 12 points and seven rebounds. Nakia Anderson from Caesar Rodney had 10 points and three rebounds, while Sussex Central's Brittany Cox finished with eight points and two rebounds.

Selecting coaches has become a more difficult process

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Willard, you see, was offered the job of coaching the Blue Hen men's basketball team Monday. Willard accepted the offer on Tuesday morning. By Tuesday

afternoon, however, the Board of Trustees had again stepped in and voiced displeasure. This time it was over a DUI arrest that Willard had two years ago. It was an incident that was fully disclosed in the interview process.

With the several members of the football team being in the news for a run-in with the law, the timing of announcing a basketball coach with a DUI couldn't be worse. The bad timing would be in addition to the myriad of other politically correct and anti-drinking issues that already exist.

So who's going to get the job now?

There are still some quality candidates that have already been interviewed, namely

Connecticut associate head coach Tom Moore and Florida associate head coach Anthony Grant.

The guess here (and it is a pure guess) is that Grant will get the job. He is still on now Louisville coach Rick Pitino's coaching tree — just under the Billy Donovan (Florida coach and former Pitino assistant) branch.

Just know, whoever eventually gets the position will have survived a difficult process.

UD baseball team tops Lehigh

The University of Delaware baseball team used 11 runs in the first three innings on its way to a 12-4 victory over Lehigh University on Tuesday afternoon in the first round game of the Liberty Bell Tournament. The game was called in the top of the eighth inning due to darkness.

Sophomore righthander Kevin Brown allowed one earned run over six strong innings and leftfielder Bryan Hagerich posted a career-high six RBI, highlighted by his fourth home run of the year to lead the Hens (10-6).

Delaware jumped out to the lead with three runs in the first inning. With two on and one out, Hagerich stepped to the plate and belted his fourth home run of the year to left field. Lehigh answered with three runs of their own in the bottom of the first, aided in piecing together their three runs by an error, a wild pitch and a passed ball by the Blue Hens.

The Hens took the lead right back in the second when Hagerich doubled down the left field line with two men on, scoring two more runs. From that point forward, the Hens never trailed and increased their lead with a six-run third inning highlighted by a bases loaded, three-RBI double by third baseman Adam Tsakonias.

In the win, Hagerich collected four hits, six RBI, his fourth home run of the year and his ninth stolen base in 11 tries. Todd Davison and Alex Buchholz each extended their hitting streaks to 16 and 11 games, respectively.

Brown earned his third win of the year for the Hens, while Lehigh starter Andrew Grim took the loss for the Mountain Hawks (8-11). Brown and Evan Bowen held Lehigh to only two hits on the afternoon.

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BRIEFLY



Daffodil Days fund-raising doubles at UD

BRIGHT yellow daffodils filled every empty space in 132 Hullahen Hall at the University of Delaware on March 15 as students began the last leg of American Cancer Society Daffodil Days by delivering the flowers to contributors.

This year's Daffodil Days campaign raised approximately \$9,000, more than twice last year's \$4,431, and had an added component: Contributors could buy pots of daffodils for \$10 each to be planted in the new Center for the Performing Arts garden. Tom Taylor, UD landscape engineer, designed Taylor Garden in memory of his wife, Linda, a cancer victim.

Gwen Davis of Newark, administrative assistant in the office of the vice president and university secretary, coordinates Daffodil Days at UD. She said 93 pots were sold for the garden.

Davis said this year's drive was especially successful due in part to the hard work of members of the Delaware Undergraduate Student Congress (DUSC).

"I'd really like to acknowledge DUSC members participation in this year's event. They've raised over \$700 and helped with distribution," Davis said.

Unity Day at UD slated for April 21

In response to hate incidents that have occurred on and around the University of Delaware campus this year, a student committee is sponsoring a campus-wide Unity Day beginning at 2 p.m., Friday, April 21, on the North Green.

The public is invited.

Newark man earns NSF award

Prestigious \$550,000 award honors early career achievements

By NEIL THOMAS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

UNIVERSITY of Delaware researcher Neal J. Zondlo, assistant professor of chemistry and biochemistry, has been awarded the National Science Foundation's prestigious Faculty Early Career Development Award.

The five-year, \$550,000 award will support Zondlo's research in the design of hyper-stable proteins for use in nanotechnology and pharmaceuticals and also the development of a new curriculum initiative designed to heighten interest in chemistry among the nation's high school students.

The award is one of the National Science Foundation's highest honors for young faculty members, and recognizes and supports the early career development activities of those teachers and scholars who are most likely to become the academic leaders of the future.

Zondlo, of Newark, is conducting research to better understand the structure and function of proteins so that scientists can learn to control their structure

and develop new proteins that have novel functions.

"The human genome project was a wonderful achievement and provided an understanding of genes," Zondlo said.

"But genes do not function in and of themselves; genes encode for proteins. Understanding the structure and function of proteins is a central and extremely challenging problem. This is especially true since proteins are modified within cells, in response to biological signals," he said.

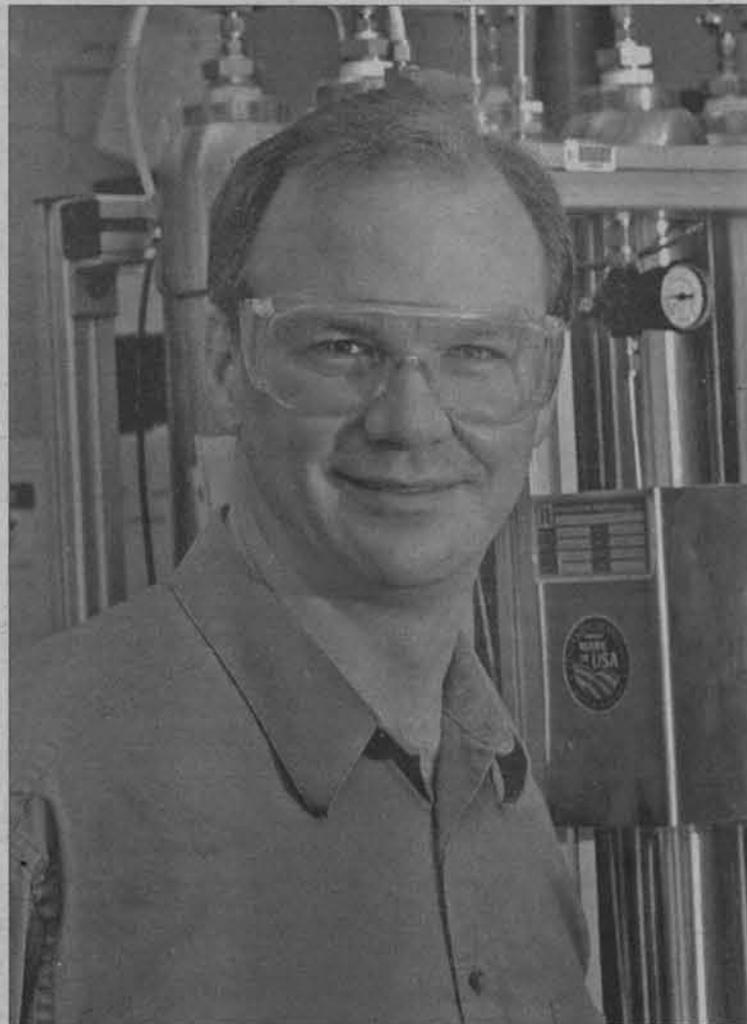
Zondlo noted the thrust of his work is to develop approaches to use subtle structural and electronic changes to control protein structure.

"For example, we have shown that by replacing a single hydrogen atom with a fluorine atom in a protein, the structure and stability of a protein can be dramatically changed," he said.

"Moreover, which hydrogen atom is replaced with a fluorine atom dramatically affects the protein structure and stability."

Zondlo received a bachelor's degree from Rice University and a doctorate from Yale University, where he also was a National Science Foundation predoctoral fellow.

He was a National Institutes of Health postdoctoral fellow at Harvard University before joining the UD faculty in 2001.



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Neal J. Zondlo, of Newark, is assistant professor of chemistry and biochemistry.

A SENIOR MAJORING IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Newarker wins national recognition for research

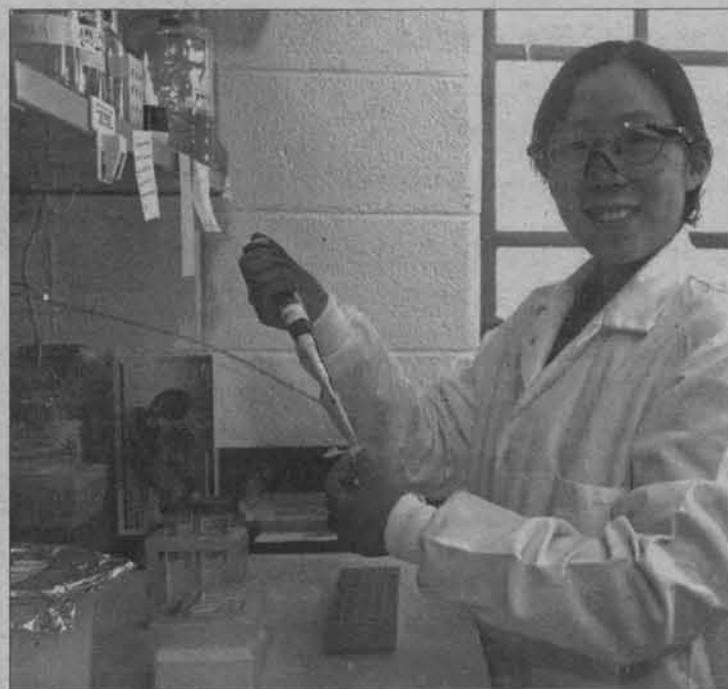
LIANG-I Kang, a University of Delaware senior from Newark majoring in biological sciences, earned national attention last month at the annual conference of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) for her poster presentation on research she conducted over the past two years under the direction Melinda Duncan, associate professor of biological sciences.

A 2006 Beckman Scholar and Howard Hughes Medical Institute Scholar, as well as a 2004 winner of a Goldwater Scholarship, Kang began her independent research on junctional adhesion molecule A two summers ago and presented a

summary of her work, in poster format, at the weeklong AAAS conference held recently in St. Louis.

Kang, who presented her research at the conference to scientists and a panel of designated judges, won the 2006 AAAS Student Poster Session in the Molecular and Cellular category.

Because AAAS strives to keep scientists connected to policymakers in Washington, D.C., and to give them a voice in the national arena, Kang said that the conference also serves as a way to learn about new developments in many different scientific fields.



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Liang-I Kang is a senior from Newark majoring in biological sciences.

Brass band celebrates 10th year with April 2 concert here

► BRASS, from 1

in Loudis Hall at the University of Delaware's Amy E. DuPont Building. The program will feature a variety of music, including marches, classical and big band swing.

The Chesapeake Band takes after traditional brass bands that originated during the Industrial Revolution in early-19th century England. In an effort to discourage political activity, employers financed bands for employees and community members to occupy their leisure time.

Coming, going

► HUMMEL, from 6

The current kids must be too affluent to need a couple of bucks. Perhaps a new video game they have to have will come out before their next dividend comes in.

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And remember - I have my own snow shovel and a couple of bucks. And Daisy will sit by the window and bark encouragement.

The tradition, said the band's president Larry Cole, carried over to the United States in the form of the Salvation Army band. Recently, he said, there has been a resurgence of brass bands here.

The brass band differs from a traditional band in its instrumentation. Instruments unusual to a band or symphony - such as a soprano cornet, flugelhorn and euphonium - have a place in the brass band.

"Because instruments try to cover (musical) parts for wind instruments, the music can be technically difficult for the musicians," said Director Ed Hockersmith.

For example, he said, the piccolo solo in the famous march, "Stars and Stripes Forever" must be played by a cornet, an instrument that has just three keys.

"The technical challenges are what make this a step above other community organizations," said Hockersmith.

Member Sam Ferrara remembers when the band got its start. At the first concert, he said, he watched in awe as the Cape May Brass Band performed, "Swiss Festival Overture."

"When they played it, I thought, maybe someday we'll be good enough to play it," he said. Now, said Ferrara, he's amazed when the brass band performs a piece members used to find dif-



The Chesapeake Silver Cornet Brass Band will play a 10th anniversary concert on Sunday, April 2, in Loudis Hall at the Amy E. DuPont building. For ticket information, call 738-2233.

ficult.

For the upcoming concert, the brass band will play several pieces they have performed in the past. "It's an interesting thing for the band," said Hockersmith. "They all say, 'I remember when we played that.'"

Cole credits Hockersmith and

band manager, Rich Fischer, for the success of the group and its professionalism. In 10 years of practicing and performing together, members have formed close friendships.

"Just like any other family, we have our ups and downs at moments," said Hockersmith.

"It's just phenomenal to me to see the number of people who show up every Monday night for rehearsal."

For information and tickets to the April 2 show, call 738-2233. Tickets are adults \$12, seniors \$9 and students/groups \$5.

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Fannie Boyer, 82

Fannie Boyer, 82, of Caledonia, Mich., formerly of Newark, died Feb. 19, 2006.

Ms. Boyer was preceded in death by her husbands, Bayard Baylis and Paul Boyer; brothers, William Jackson Hanks, Eugene Hanks, Charles Everett Hanks Jr., Albert Burns Hanks, and Sherwood G. Hanks; sisters, Lillian Hanks and Mary Webb. She is survived by her son, Bayard Baylis of Caledonia, Mich.; two grandchildren; three great grandchildren; sister, Geneva Ellis and brother, James Franklin Hanks of Logan, W.V.; close friend, Conrad Lederer of Barnesville, Ga.; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice of Michigan.

Mirko Slijepcevic, 93

Mirko Slijepcevic, 93, of Newark, died Tuesday, March 14, 2006. Service was on Saturday, March 18, at R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home in Newark. Burial was to be held in the Newark Cemetery.

■ Additional local obituaries are posted each week on the Newark Post web site. The web address appears at the top of every right-hand page. Obituaries of the following persons will be posted this week on the web:

Fannie Boyer
Albert Brayman
James Cutler
Jozef Spinski
Mirko Slijepcevic
Alphonse Scarpello
George Schaen
Florence Sterlicchi
Mary Banning
Francis Choma
Violet Hall

Albert Brayman, 86, principal in Newark-area schools

ALBERT L. Brayman, 86, of Newark, died on Saturday, March 11, 2006.

Mr. Brayman was known as a dedicated teacher and administrator, who had a special devotion to all teachers and students.

He was born in Marietta, Pa., on Jan. 12, 1920, and was a graduate of Marietta High School.

A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, he served in both France and Germany and attained the rank of first lieutenant.

Following his military service, he attended Elizabethtown College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts and teaching certification. He began his career as an educator in 1949 teaching social studies and English at Dallastown High School.

In 1951 he moved his family to Newark, where he taught ninth grade social studies at Central Junior High School until

1960. It was also in 1960 that Mr. Brayman received a master's degree in education from the University of Delaware and accepted a position as the vice-principal of Newark High School.

He was named principal of Christiana Junior High School in 1964 and remained there until 1969 when he was asked to become principal of Central Middle School in Newark.

He later served as assistant principal of Glasgow High School from 1971 until his retirement from education in 1980.

During his career, his professional affiliations included membership in the National Education Association, the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the Delaware Association of Secondary School Principals.

He also served on the board of directors of the Delaware Secondary School Athletic

Association from 1967 to 1977.

Active in the Newark community, he was a charter member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and had served on the church council. For three years, he was a commissioner with the Newark Housing Authority and, for two years, was a member of the Newark Community Development Advisory Committee. He was also a member of both VFW Post #475 and the American Legion in Newark.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years, Thelma W. Young Brayman; two sons, Ronald L. Brayman of Newark and Alan L. Brayman of Lancaster, Pa.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was to be held on Thursday, March 16 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in Newark. The committal service was to be held at Mt. Joy Cemetery in Pennsylvania.

Alphonse Scarpello

Alphonse N. Scarpello, 86, of Newark died Wednesday, March 15, 2006.

Mr. Scarpello was born May 8, 1919 in Philadelphia, Pa. to the late Joseph and Edith Scarpello. He was an Army veteran, of WWII and served in the European Theatre of Operations. Upon his return, he worked as a tailor in the family business, Rialto Tailors in Philadelphia, until his retirement. He married Helen in 1966.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Vince. He is survived by three daughters, Susan Stack, Gerri Stack and Chris Kardas; eight grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. Also surviving him are three brothers John, Alfred and Nick.

A Mass of Christian Burial was to be offered on Tuesday, March 21, at St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church in Wilmington. Interment was to follow in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Philadelphia.

James Cutler, 76

James Lloyd Cutler, 76, of Newark died on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2006.

Mr. Cutler, born in Nassawadox, Va., to L.C. Cutler and Stella Byrd Cutler, grew up on the Eastern Shore. He served in the U.S. Army and also in the U.S. Air Force in Korea, later working as a communication service technician for Lucent Technology until retirement in 1984. A favorite pastime was attending the races at both Brandywine Raceway and Delaware Park. He was a good friend and will be missed by all who shared his life.

He is survived by his daughters, Melissa Seay of Southport, N.C. and Nina Seay of Baltimore, Md.

George Schaen

George Schaen Jr., 82, of Daytona Beach, Fla., formerly of Newark, died on Sunday, March 12, 2006.

Mr. Schaen was born Aug. 26, 1923, in Newark, son of the late George Schaen Sr. and Nora Beck Schaen, and proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during World War II. A 1950 graduate of the University of Delaware, he was a member of the university's baseball team and also enjoyed gymnastics while in school. He later accepted a position with the Chrysler Corporation in Newark, retiring as a plant supervisor in 1979 after a 27-year career.

He was a life member of the J. Allison O'Daniel Post 475 VFW,

a member of the Daytona Beach Country Club, and a member of the Ocean City Golf Club.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Frances V. Wright Schaen; two sons, Paul Schaen and his wife, Christine, of Bear, and Roger "Rick" Schaen and his wife, Ruth, of Newark; two brothers, William Schaen and Eugene Schaen, both of Newark; two sisters, Lorraine Fretz of Newark and Nora Lee Vorous of Smyrna; two grandsons, Greg Schaen and Andrew Schaen Sr. and a great-grandson, Andrew Schaen Jr.

A funeral service was to be held on Monday, March 20. Interment was to follow in Newark Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the American Heart Association, 1501 Casho Mill Rd., Ste. 1, Newark, DE 19711.

Florence Sterlicchi

Florence E. Sterlicchi, 84, of Newark, died Thursday, March 16, 2006.

Mrs. Sterlicchi, was born in Newark on April 21, 1921, the daughter of the late Harry and Estelle Riley Coyle.

She is survived by three daughters, Patricia Merlino and her husband, William, of New Castle, Joyce Yerger and her husband Barry, of Bear and Linda Lafferty and her husband Michael, of Boca Raton, Fla.; and two sons, Guy Sterlicchi and his wife, Denise, of Lincoln, Pa., and Joseph Sterlicchi and his wife, Rose Marie, of Lake Worth, Fla. She is also survived by a sister, Gladys Machulski of Newark, as well as 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and her sister-in-law, Louise Coyle of Newark. She was preceded in death by her husband, Guy; brothers, Charlie, Alfred and Joe Coyle.

A memorial service was to be held at the Little Sisters of the Poor in Newark on Saturday, March 18. Burial was to be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Little Sisters of the Poor.

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Council to examine notification efforts

▶ REGISTER, from 1

As of March 3, the Newark Police Department had registered 30 sex offenders known to work, live or attend school within city limits. The Delaware Sex Offender Central Registry lists more than 100 offenders in the greater Newark area.

In the city of Newark, all but one offender are registered as a "moderate" risk. This means the offender was convicted of a crime that may include third or fourth degree rape, unlawful sexual contact in the second degree, unlawful sexual intercourse or sexual penetration in the third degree, sexual extortion, dangerous crimes against a child or dealing in child pornography.

When a moderate sex offender moves into the city, a letter is sent out to advise all Newark schools, places of worship, day care centers and libraries of the new resident.

For a high-risk offender, whose crimes may include rape in the

first or second degree, continuous sexual abuse of a child, sexual exploitation of a child or kidnapping, the notification process includes a door-to-door visit.

Athey said, in talking with constituents, several people thought the city could do a better job notifying residents about registered sex offenders living within their neighborhoods. He asked the City Solicitor to look

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into ways to increase these notification efforts.

Some jurisdictions, including Bridgeville, have gone a step further, seeking to

restrict sex offenders from living within a certain distance of schools, childcare facilities and other protected uses. The council will discuss possible residential restrictions for sex offenders at Monday's meeting.

A list of sex offenders in Newark is available at the Newark Police Department Web site, http://newark.de.us/docs/departments/police_department.html.

The state sex offender registry can be accessed at <http://www.state.de.us/dsp/sexoff/>.

▶ BLOTTER, from 2

getting into a maroon Ford Escort station wagon with Pennsylvania tag. The car was last seen on Marrows Road, police said.

Any person with information about the robbery, vehicle or suspect is asked to contact Newark police at 366-7110, ext. 136, or Crimestoppers at 800-TIP-3333.

Other incidents

Graffiti was sprayed outside Fusion Fitness Center, 280 E. Main St., police were told on Sunday, March 19, at 8:49 a.m.

Windows were smashed in an apartment building in the 600 block Lehigh Road, police were told on Saturday, March 18, at 9:51 p.m.

A white male kicked out a window at the Korner Diner, 137 E. Main St., on Saturday, March 18, at 3:35 p.m.

A man, 20, was cut above the eye and his car damaged during an altercation in the parking lot of McDonald's restaurant, 374 E. Main St., on Saturday, March 18, at 2:13 p.m. The victim sought treatment at the Newark Emergency Center.

Newark police said a smoke bomb was ignited at a residence in the 300 block East Main Street on Friday, March 17, at 12:12 a.m. No damage or injuries were reported, said police.

Markell James Lewis, 47, of Wilmington, was arrested on Thursday, March 16, at 2:24 p.m., after he allegedly attempted to cash a counterfeit check at the WSFS bank branch at College Square. Police said he was charged with theft and forgery, and transferred to Howard Young Correctional Institution after

failing to post \$4,000 bond.

Newark police investigated several complaints last week that a suspect was passing counterfeit \$100 bills at downtown Newark businesses.

Marine Corps uniforms were stolen during the burglary of a recruiting office in the 100 block East Main Street, police were told on Wednesday, March 15. Entry was gained through a side door.

An angry man, escorted out of the Blue Hen Lanes, 230 E. Main St., on Monday, March 13, at 11:44 p.m. punched a glass window and broke it, police were told.

Graffiti was sprayed in the hallway at 28 Haines St., police were informed on Monday, March 13, at 5:27 p.m.

Vehicles targeted

Vandals and thieves targeted a number of vehicles in the Newark area. Some of the recent reports to the Newark Police Department include:

Municipal parking lot 5, 260 E. Delaware Ave., on Sunday, March 19, at 2:39 p.m., 50 compact disc ad CD player removed from 1998 Chevrolet Cavalier. The missing items were valued at \$1,050.

Unit block of O'daniel Avenue, on Saturday, March 18, at 8:58 p.m., rear door of 1998 GMC Safari damaged;

100 block East Cleveland Avenue, on Saturday, March 18, at 7:26 p.m., 2006 Lexus valued at \$31,000 stolen. An arrest warrant is expected, police said;

300 block Chickory Way, on Saturday, March 18, at 10:30 a.m., window of 1988 Mazda broken and an amplifier valued at \$239 removed;

Newark Center For Creative Learning, 401 Phillips Ave., on Saturday, March 18, at 10:24 a.m., window of 1995 Ford van shattered;

Rear of 100 block East Main Street, on Friday, March 17, at 11:13 a.m., rear window of 2003 Volkswagen Jetta broken;

Porter Chevrolet, 414 E. Cleveland Ave., on Friday, March 17, at 8:51 a.m., tires and wheels valued at \$2,733 removed from 2006 Chevrolet Cobalt;

Unit block Cobblefield Drive, on Monday, March 13, at 6:25 a.m., window broken and CD player, amplifier and radar detector removed from 1999 Chevrolet. The missing items were valued at \$1,900; and

200 block East Main Street, on Tuesday, March 14, at 12:32 p.m., tires of five vehicles slashed, convertible top of one car slashed.

Alcohol, noise law violations detailed

The Newark Police Department and its Alcohol Enforcement Unit continued stepped-up enforcement of alcohol- and noise-related laws during the last weekend of winter. Some of the recent reports include:

Megan L. Garrett, 19, of Bear, maintaining a disorderly premises, on Sunday, March 19, at 2:15 a.m., in the 600 block Lehigh Road;

Darren W. Davis IV, 19, of Annapolis, Md., driving under the influence of alcohol, failure to stop, and underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, March 19, at 1:40 a.m., after a traffic stop near Wyoming Road and South Chapel Street;

Nicole M. Santoro, 21, of Moorestown, N.J., disorderly conduct, and Jessica A. Barger, of Phoenix, Md., noise law violation, on Sunday, March 19, at 12:08 a.m., in the unit block Prospect Avenue, after police cleared an estimated 200 people from a party;

Daniel Aikens, 20, of New Castle, noise violation, on Saturday, March 18, at 11:36 p.m., in the 100 block New London Road;

Kelly Lee Russ, of Newark, Jason Thomas McCanney, 20, of Middletown, Ashley N. Bachman, 19, of Middletown, and a 17-year-old female from Middletown, each charged with underage consumption, on Saturday, March 18, at 1:13 a.m., in the 700 block Lehigh Road.

James E. Winner, 18, of Bear, resisting arrest and underage consumption, on Saturday, March 18, at 12:47 a.m., on Short Lane near Lehigh Road;

Melissa Gonzalez, 19, of Chatham, N.J., underage consumption, on Friday, March 17, at 11:56 p.m., in the unit block South Chapel Street;

Thomas Kellerman, 18, of Westbury, N.J., underage consumption and criminal impersonation, on Friday, March 17, at 1:04 a.m., in the unit block East Cleveland Avenue;

Eric B. Johnson, 21, of Newark, noise violation, on Friday, March 17, at 12:02 a.m., in the 400 block South College Avenue;

Gregory D. Stewart, 21, of Whiteford, Md., noise violation, on Friday, March 17, at 10:44 p.m., in the 200 block Beverly Road; and

Justin Hackett, 20, of Newark, noise violation, on Thursday, March 16, at 9:38 p.m., in the 600 block Lehigh Road.

Police said all were processed and released pending court appearances.

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State gets good grades

► REVIEW, from 3

The review also looked at the Delaware Alternate Portfolio Assessment (DAPA) for students with the most severe cognitive learning disabilities.

Along with full approval, Delaware's system received one recommendation for improvement. Delaware must complete the development of new performance level descriptors for science. According to Ron Gough, Delaware DOE spokesman, a plan is already in place to complete this work this summer.

"In the past two years alone, several hundred educators and

stakeholders have been involved in various efforts to review, develop and enhance Delaware's standards and assessments system," said Governor Ruth Ann Minner. "Their efforts have obviously paid off with the approval that we have received from the USDOE."

Woodruff expressed pride in her staff and department. "From the Assessment and Accountability Branch to the Curriculum and Instructional Improvement Branch, the commitment to 'getting it right' has been nothing short of phenomenal," Woodruff said. "The energy, the enthusiasm and the commitment to education has been incredible."

Woodruff noted that the

approval for alternative assessments referred only to the DAPA for severely cognitive disabled students.

"We are still waiting for final guidelines from USDOE so that we can move forward on developing more appropriate assessments for the students with disabilities who continue to struggle with the regular assessment," she added.

Gagliardino moves on to national competition

► TEEN, from 3

the outgoing titleholder, Carly Economos, things got a little wild, said Gagliardino. "Everyone attacked me. All the girls came up and gave me hugs and said 'congratulations,'" she said. Audience members took pictures with the new Outstanding Teen as she signed autographs and spoke with reporters.

In August, Gagliardino will compete in Miss America's Outstanding Teen 2006 Pageant in Orlando, Fla. Last November, she was named Miss Teen New Castle County in the first pageant she entered.

Gagliardino said the best part of last week's competition was getting to know the participants. "Everyone was so nice. I made the best of friends through this," she said.

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Delaware Guard honors Bear, Newark women

THE Delaware Air National Guard makes sure their airmen don't go unnoticed. As thanks for their commitment to the country, three were chosen as the Airmen of the Quarter for first quarter of fiscal year 2006.

Two of the winners came from Delaware, and the third from New Jersey, with Chief Master Sgt. Jaskewich Jr., the Wing Command Chief for the 166th Airlift Wing, proclaiming all three as "great examples of our resourceful and reliable enlisted force."

From Bear, Staff Sgt. Amanda J. Dixon was given the honor of NCO of the Quarter. Through leadership and community service Dixon has served seven years in the 142nd Airlift Squadron. Using her skills as a leader, Dixon served in Operation Iraqi Freedom watching more than 5,000 deployed airmen. Making sure that everything was in line, Dixon created a tracking system to check the passports and visa requirements. She was involved with the Special Olympics of Delaware and attends church on a regular basis.

Chief Master Sgt. Deborah

Kamermans of Newark was awarded the Senior NCO of the Quarter. As a senior medical technician examiner, Kamermans served twenty six years in the 142nd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.

In more than 250 Aeromedical Evacuations, Kamermans helped to evacuate 2,000 patients returning from Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

Kamermans' Squadron Commander Virginia Schneider said, "A true leader, Chief Kamermans does whatever it takes to get the job done, volunteers for the difficult assignments, and puts the mission first."

Copson a Marine

Marine Corps Pvt. Jeffrey A. Copson, brother of Jennifer L. Copson of Newark, recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Copson and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics.



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2d Lt. Katie Ewing, left, and Lt. Col. Eugene L. Egry, right, present Senator Steven H. Amick (R-Newark) an award of appreciation for his long-time support of the Civil Air Patrol at the State Capitol on March 16.

Sen. Amick honored by Civil Air Patrol

STATE Sen. Steve Amick, R-Newark, an honorary Major in the Civil Air Patrol for several years, received an award of appreciation for his long-time support of the Civil Air Patrol at the state capitol on Thursday, March 16.

Amick said, "It is an honor to be recognized by the Civil Air Patrol, a group of volunteers who provide vital assistance to our community and state and federal authorities at times of emergency and humanitarian need."

The Civil Air Patrol is an aux-

iliary of the U.S. Air Force that is prepared and on standby for any disaster or special need. The Delaware Wing of the Civil Air Patrol includes seven squadrons in all three counties of Delaware

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OF INTEREST

Support group to look at elderly depression

ON Monday, March 27, New Directions Delaware Inc., a support and educational group for persons with depression or bipolar disorder and their families, will host a talk on depression in the elderly.

Emily Adams, a private practice psychologist with Associates in Health Pathology, will present the signs of depression in the elderly and the treatments available for dealing with the illness.

The talk will start at 7:15 p.m. at Aldersgate United Methodist Church at 2313 Concord Pike in Wilmington. The event is open to the public.

Late-life depression affects about 6.5 million of the 35 million Americans age 65 and older, but only 10 percent receive treatment, according to New Directions Delaware. Elderly white men are at the greatest risk, with suicide rates in people ages 80 to 84 more than twice that of the general population, said the organization.

This depression frequently coexists with other medical ill-

nesses and disabilities. In addition, advancing age is often accompanied by loss of key social support systems due to the death of a spouse or siblings, retirement and relocation.

For more information, visit www.newdirectionsdelaware.org or call 286-1161 or 610-265-1594.

Horseshoe tournament

The City of Newark will host a horseshoe tournament on Saturday, May 13, at 10 a.m. at Dickey Park.

The tournament is a singles competition with a double elimination format. Each match is one game to 30 points.

Awards will be presented to the top three finishers.

Registration fee is \$8 for residents and \$11 for non-residents. Registration deadline is Friday, May 12, at 5 p.m.

The rain date for the tournament is May 14.

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

Hickman is 'youth of year'

Greater Newark winner will compete in state competition

SARAH Hickman, 17, has been awarded the title of the Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club's 2006 Youth of the Year and will compete in the Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware Youth of the Year competition.

The program promotes and recognizes service to club and community, academic performance and contributions to family and spiritual life.

Each of the 15 clubs in Delaware has selected a member to represent the local club in the state competition. On April 12, Delaware's winner will be announced and crowned.

Hickman started attending the Greater Newark Club at age 9. She has participated in many sports programs and the Girls Night Out Program, now known as the Keystone Club. She volunteered to serve breakfast for the Breakfast with Santa, to adopt a family for the holidays and deliver presents to less fortunate kids.

"The club has shaped my character," said Hickman. "The club helped me to become a diverse young lady who accepts anyone from any background."

Hickman comes from a large family. She is one of seven children, and loves it. "Being a part of a big family makes family one of my top priorities," she said.

Her mother Kathy Hickman said Sarah is the family member "who helps to put the many



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Sarah Hickman, seated to the left of Santa, has been named the Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club's 2006 Youth of the Year. Her community service includes volunteering for the club's Breakfast with Santa.

puzzle pieces of the family life together and make them fit."

Sarah Hickman said, "Having responsibilities at home makes me a better leader in my everyday life."

Hickman is a junior at the Wilmington Christian School. She is a member of a small discipleship group and the Bible Youth Fellowship (BYF), a group of teens who meet and talk about how to deal with peer-pressure as young Christians.

Hickman volunteers at her church nursery, serves as secretary for the American Baptist Girls (AB Girls) and head secretary for the AB Girls of Pennsylvania and Delaware.

"Sarah has a strong faith com-

mitment and it translates beyond church into all of her life. She is a good team player," said Bruce Martin, senior minister of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Hickman makes a point not to forget about her community. She has served lunch in a Boston shelter, prepared and served food at the Emmanuel Dining Hall and the Sunday Breakfast Shelter, helped raise funds for hurricane victims and held a block party for an unfortunate neighbor.

She participates in the Delaware State's Student Council and plays three varsity level sports. She hopes to maintain her 3.6 GPA and receive state honors for sports. Her long-term goal is to attend Millersville University.

Senator honored for long-time support

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and crosses state lines.

"They are a valuable asset to our community and a dependable resource whenever needed," said Amick. "Between crises, their ongoing mission serves to train young people in all aspects of aeronautics. They came to Dover

to honor me, but more importantly, I salute them for what they do for all of us."

Amick received the award from 2nd Lt. Katie Ewing, deputy commander of the Delaware Air National Guard Cadet Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol and Lt. Col. Eugene L. Egry, vice commander of the Delaware Wing of the CAP.

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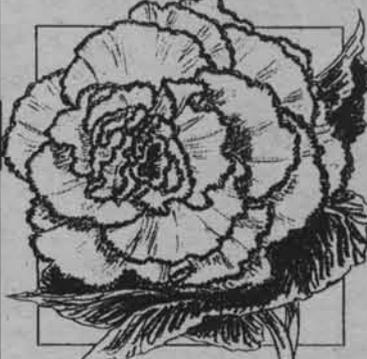


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By Morris and James Carey
For AP Weekly Features

In the last three years, the homes in our neck of the woods have more than doubled in price. Some subdivisions are holding lotteries where 400 people or more are in line for 20 to 30 home releases.

Although this condition does not exist in every community, there are similar pockets of rampant growth nationwide. Interestingly, mortgage rates are still low.

If you live near one of these "growth" areas, then you need to take heed. It now makes more sense than ever to refurbish your existing home rather than move to another. This is especially true if you enjoy several good neighborhood relationships, a school district you love and if you don't have a long commute to work.

Yes, construction costs are high — and that goes for remodeling too. Whenever new housing is selling well, construction workers have plenty of jobs and the "supply-demand" benchmark is raised — and prices rise across the board including remodel and room-addition construction costs.

But, even though the costs of both new and remodel construction are high, associated costs are low in the remodeling arena.

For example: With a remodel, your existing tax rate is only slightly affected by added features and maybe not affected at all by replacements such as new cabinets or appliances. After the dust settles, a tax savings alone can be worth thousands of dollars every year. This is unlike moving to another home where your property tax can easily more than double.

There are other things to consider when comparing moving and remodeling. There are the "not so obvious" costs that are an integral part of moving to a new home that don't come into play with a remodel or room addition:

— Moving costs are real; even if you move yourself, there will be a cost.

— In addition to property taxes, your homeowner's insurance premium can easily double with a move to a new home.

— With a new home, all or part of the yard will probably have to be landscaped.

Americans tend to tire of their homes very easily, wanting more space, more and different features, and most of all, less maintenance. A carefully planned remodel can achieve all of these things without the costs associated with moving. Tired of the old countertop or cabinets? Change them. Your taxes and insurance should remain about the same and that part of your home will look new again.

Need more room for a growing family? Going out is cheaper than going up. Ground floor construction costs less and happens faster than building over existing construction.

Yes, there are some "hidden costs" associated with room additions just like there are with any new construction. Property taxes can rise and landscaping will, most likely, be affected. Also, furniture and window coverings will be needed. But again, even with a room addition, overall costs will be less than when moving is involved.

Remodel construction will cost more per square foot than new construction, but your overall out-of-pocket expense should be considerably less. In any event, when it comes time to make the decision it will be important to compare all the costs that we've mentioned here.

Refinancing your home for a major project is a great alternative. With interest rates low, adding to your home can be nearly painless. Be careful to select the loan wisely. Variable or floating rate loans can sound great when rates are low, but the rising cost of such a loan can catch up with you

in no time and the increased rate can take a big bite out of your pocket-book.

By the way, the cost of a remodel is directly related to the value it creates. Spending \$25,000 and getting back \$35,000 for the investment makes a lot of sense.

However, it could go the other way. For example, overbuilding can be costly. Expanding your home to a size not in keeping with the neighborhood can result in lost value. The biggest home in the neighborhood won't sell for much more than the largest

that already exist.

It would probably be a mistake to build a 6,000-square-foot home in a neighborhood where the homes average 2,000 square feet.

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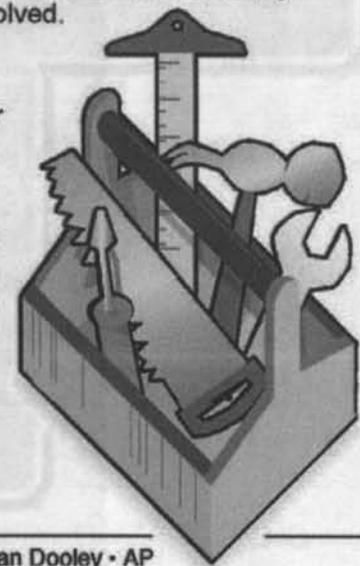
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Garden advice



By Lee Reich, Associated Press

All honeysuckles have virtue

Believe it or not, there are people who can dislike a plant with so sweet a name as "honeysuckle." Not that every honeysuckle should be loved.

Hall's honeysuckle is one honeysuckle that has given honeysuckles a bad name. After being introduced into this country from Asia a hundred or so years ago, Hall's honeysuckle found the soils and climate here much — too much — to its liking. It now strikes off on its own to try to take over the landscape, sometimes quite effectively, by billowing over the ground and engulfing trees.

But let's look at the good side of this plant: the white flowers are borne in profusion and they are intensely fragrant. For more pizzazz, there is a variety with variegated leaves, and one with purple leaves and flowers.

Tartarian honeysuckle is another honeysuckle native to Asia that has escaped from cultivation here. This one's a large shrub with soft, green leaves and fragrant flowers that are pink on some bushes, creamy white on others.

As you can see, even the "bad" honeysuckles have some endearing qualities. A lopping shears maintains peaceful coexistence with this honeysuckle.

One of the most welcome honeysuckles, in all respects, is the so-called winter honeysuckle, which

blossoms very early with a very strong fragrance, lemony in this case. The flowers are not all that showy but they do perfume the air in spring for weeks on end.

Another gem among honeysuckles is trumpet honeysuckle. Like Japanese honeysuckle, this one's a vine, but not invasive. You won't smell any sweet fragrance coming from trumpet honeysuckle's flowers, but that lack is more than offset by the large, orange-red trumpets, yellowish on the inside that appear over for weeks during summer. If you prefer yellow flowers, plant the variety Sulphurea; for scarlet ones, plant Superba.

The list of wholly virtuous honeysuckle could go on and on. European fly honeysuckle sports creamy white flowers and downy leaves. Belle honeysuckle has fragrant white or red flowers; those of Zabel's honeysuckle are intensely pink.

One common thread that runs through these honeysuckles is that they all are easy to grow. No need to spray honeysuckles, and most can even go years without pruning unless planted in a formal setting. Aphids occasionally attack, but they can usually be ignored or sprayed off with water.

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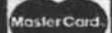
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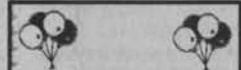
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PUBLIC STORAGE 425 NEW CHURCHMANS ROAD NEW CASTLE, DE 19720

The personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

- F045 - Rodney Coleman - 3 air conditioners, 2 bicycles, 10+ boxes, 7+ totes
- B053 - Kelly Hefner - bags, mattress, box spring, boxes, filing cabinet, suitcase, totes
- D061 - April Atchley - folding bed, 5+ boxes, table lamp, stereo, 10+ totes
- C032 - George Lutz Jr. - bags, boxes, kitchen chair, floor lamp, suitcase, kitchen table, vacuum
- F002 - Doug Lovette - bags, mattress, boxes, clothing, tires, tool box, car hood
- F085 - Attiladine Gray - misc. household goods
- C050 - Leroy Sayers - box spring, mattress, bookcase, ladder, pictures, radio, end table, tool box, toys, portable TV

CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MARCH 27, 2006 - 7:30 PM

1. **SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **CITY SECRETARY'S MINUTES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL:**
 - A. Regular Council Meeting of March 13, 2006
- *3. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - A. Public (5 minutes per speaker)
 - B. University
 - (1) Administration
 - (2) Student Body Representative
 - C. Council Members
4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
5. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**
 - A. Recommendation for Employee Benefits Consulting Services
- *6. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:** None
- *7. **PLANNING COMMISSION/DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:** None
8. **ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:**
 - A. Bill 06-7: An Ordinance Amending Ch. 27, Subdivisions, By Increasing Application & Review Fees for Subdivisions. **2nd Read. 4/24/06**
9. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - A. **COUNCIL MEMBERS:**
 1. Resolution No. 06-_: Retirement of Mary I. Roland
 - B. **COMMITTEES, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:** None
 - C. **OTHERS:** None
10. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - A. Special Reports from Manager & Staff:
 1. Discussion re Sex Offender Residential Restriction Legislation
 - B. Alderman's Report
 - C. Financial Statement

***OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

The above agenda is intended to be followed, but is subject to changes, deletions, additions and modifications, as permitted under the Freedom of Information Act of the State of Delaware. Copies may be obtained at the City Secretary's Office, 220 Elkton Road.

LEGAL NOTICE**PUBLIC AUCTION**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public auction on 4/18/06 at **PUBLIC STORAGE, 201 Bellevue Rd., Newark, DE 19713** at 12:30 p.m., the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

- E053 - Paul Marvel - bags, bed frame, boxes, clothing, hamper, ladder, tires
- E116 - William Thomas - bags, bed frame, boxes, portable TV
- E095 - John Voytilla - axes & blades, 3 trunks, 12 boxes, tools
- H040 - Edward Fields II - 10+ bags, box spring, mattress, clothing, dresser, suitcase, tool box, big screen TV, portable TV

np 3/17,24

PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell, at public auction, on 4/18/06 at 3801 Dupont Parkway, New Castle, DE 19720 at 4:00 p.m. The personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

- B328 - Sharon Fitzgerald - boxes, totes, toys, 1 Power Wheel trike, 1 car jack
- C533 - Moussa Kone - bed frame, bed mattress, computer, dresser, shelving, tool box
- C527 - Robert Lopez - baby chair, air purifier, 3 chairs, 1 table, pictures
- D705 - Monique Babes - bed box-spring, bed mattress, bicycle, clothing, refrigerator, tote
- E1010 - Melissa Riley - TV, totes, boxes, desk, speakers, bedding, sofa, bakers rack
- D703 - Damon Pearson - bags 10+, boxes 5+, misc. household goods
- D724 - Edward Stansbury - boxes, filing cabinet, ladder, toolbox, vacuum, TV
- A254 - Mitchell Baynard - 2 baby strollers, 4 boxes, TV, trash can
- A204 - Gloria Ashe - 8 boxes, 2 folding chairs
- B451 - Raylyn Douglas - bags, boxes, microwave, portable TV
- A211 - Tiffany Victoria - bags, boxes, dresser, suitcase, kitchen table

np 3/17,24

Legal Notice

Sun Enterprise Corporation, d/b/a Potstickers Asian Grill, has on March 20, 2006 applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for a Restaurant Liquor License that includes Sundays and permits the sales and service of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the licensed premise located at 1231 New Churchman's Road, Unit 1 and 2, Newark, Delaware 19711. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated area located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before April 27, 2006. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office.

LEGAL NOTICE**LEGAL NOTICE**

RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Robert Jeffrey Bazzoli residing at 21 Brookedge Court D-2, Newark, Delaware 19702 will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons, for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.
Robert Jeffrey Bazzoli
3/20/06

np 3/24

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

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Paul Randall Pavulak PETITIONER(S)
TO Paul Edward Randall
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Paul Randall Pavulak intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Paul Edward Randall.
Paul Randall Pavulak
Petitioner

Dated: 3/16/06
np 3/24,31,4/7

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

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Frances Ann Nagowski PETITIONER(S)
TO Frances Ann Brown
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Frances Ann Nagowski intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Frances Ann Brown.
Frances Ann Nagowski
Petitioner

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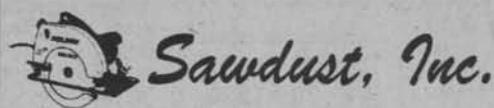
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Migdalia Haslam
Petitioner
Anthony Piunti
Petitioner

DATED: 3/10/06
np 3/17,24,31

**THE COURT OF
COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE STATE
OF DELAWARE
IN AND FOR
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IN RE: CHANGE OF
NAME OF
Alina Salvat Wright
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TO
Alina Salvat
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present a Petition to
the Court of Common
Pleas for the State of
Delaware in and for
New Castle County, to
change his/her name to
Alina Salvat.

Alina Salvat Wright
Petitioner

Dated: 2/27/06
np 3/10,17,24

LEGAL NOTICE
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Notice is hereby given
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Steven J. Barczewski
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David J. Ferry, Jr., Esq.
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