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District 5 candidate Donna Means answers a question as opponent Luke Chapman looks on during Tuesday's debate.

Budget, parking garage hot topics among council hopefuls

By KARIE SIMMONS

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The four contenders vying for two council seats in the upcoming election may not see eye-to-eye on everything, but during a debate at the Newark Senior Center on Tuesday night, they all seemed to agree there is more than just one major issue facing the city.

Candidates weighed in on issues ranging from downtown parking and

development to taxes, city spending and infrastructure as part of the event sponsored by the League of Women

The District 3 race pits Arlynn Hall, a real estate agent from Devon, against Jen Wallace, a Barksdale Estates resident who works as a freelance writer and communications consultant and first gained prominence as the leader of Newark Residents Against the Power Plant. The two are running for

the seat vacated by Rob Gifford, who endorsed Wallace after deciding not to seek a second term.

An Army veteran, Hall has spent 25 years as a volunteer firefighter with Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co., where he is an assistant engineer at Station 7. He also works in the meat department at the Acme in Suburban Plaza.

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Traders Alley OK'd

8 apartments, parking garage will be built behind Iron Hill

By KARIE SIMMONS ksimmons@chespub.com

A developer has been given the go-ahead to start building a parking garage and apartments in the lot behind Iron Hill Brewery on Main Street after council approved the project Monday night, despite a negative recommendation from the planning commis-

The plan involves a fourstory building with two levels of parking and eight three-bedroom apartments on the floors above as well as a pedestrian walkway attached to the second floor

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Police officers out-eat firefighters in charity wing bowl

By JOSH SHANNON ishannon@chespub.com

The Fraternal Order of Police came from behind to outeat the fire department and win the inaugural Newark First Responders Wing Bowl on Saturday.

The event, which pitted two Newark Police Department officers against two Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co. firefighters, raised money for Preston's Playground, the handicapped-accessible playground planned for the base of the Newark Reservoir. More than 100 people showed up to Grain Craft Bar + Kitchen to watch the con-

The fire department team jumped out to an early lead in the first round when firefighter John Weatherlow beat police Master Cpl. Jim Marconi, 15 wings to 12. However, the FOP came storming back in the second round, with Cpl. Brandon Walker polishing off an impressive 21 wings versus firefighter Scotty Mohler's 14.

When the scores were combined, the FOP edged out Aetna by a total of 33 to 29 to take home the custom-made trophy, which featured a wing submerged in a glass of beer.



Firefighter Scotty Mohler and police Cpl. Brandon Walker compete in the second round of the First Responders Wing Championship.

For Walker, it was his second time competing in a wing-eating contest - the first time, he came in second. He prepared for Saturday's event by chewing Tootsie Rolls to strengthen his jaw and spent the first part of the day fast-

He said the competition seemed to go by quickly.

"It was 5 minutes, so it was just go all out," he said.

He expects it to be a couple weeks before he's ready to eat wings again, adding that he is in no hurry to enter another eating contest.

"I think I'm going to retire

on top, like Peyton Manning," Walker joked.

Marconi gave all the credit

"Give me two hours and I'll eat more wings than anybody, but 5 minutes is tough,' Marconi said. "I knew Brandon would tear it up. I knew if I kept it close, he'd bring it

Marconi said he enjoyed teaming up with the fire department, even though there was a fierce competition and some friendly trash-talking.

'We work together, so it's nice to come out and do something against each other



ARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Firefighter John Weatherlow bites down on a wing during the First Responders Wing Championship.

for a good cause," he said.

Mayor Polly Sierer, who judged the eating competition, echoed those sentiments and added she hopes to make the competition an annual event.

"It's a great partnership, from a community stand-point, between the FOP and Aetna," Sierer said. "Both those organizations are very supportive of each other."

Grain donated \$1 per each wing eaten - by the competitors and the attendees

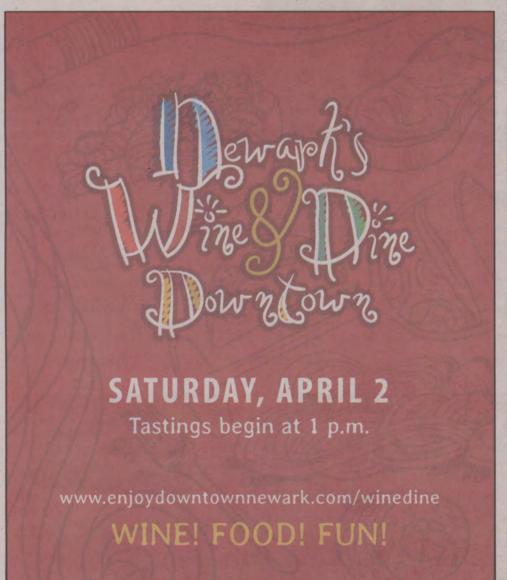
well as bartender tips and proceeds from a 50-50 raffle and T-shirt sales. In addition, Sierer pledged to personally donate an additional \$250 if the total number of wings sold exceeded 1,000. The total amount raised topped \$2,400, according to Grain coowner Lee Mikles.

The event is part of a series of fundraisers for the playground organized by Fusion Fitness owner Nic DeCaire. Named for Preston Buenaga, Wilmington 17-year-old

boy who has mitochondrial disease, the playground is meant to allow all children regardless of disabilities - to play together in a safe, accessible space. It will cost an estimated \$500,000 to build and will be paid for with donations and grants.

DeCaire remains confident the playground will be completed this fall.

"We're going to make this happen for the children of this area," he told the crowd Saturday





Voters to decide on Christina referendum Wednesday

By JESSICA IANNETTA jiannetta@chespub.com

Christina School District residents will head to the polls on Wednesday to vote on a proposed tax increase that would bring in more than \$16 million for the dis-

The referendum, which would raise taxes 30 cents per \$100 of assessed property value or an average of \$192 a year, represents the district's third try at a tax increase in the last year. In February 2015, voters rejected two different pro-posals – one that asked for an increase of 65 cents over three years and another that asked for a \$1.05 increase over four years. Three months later, voters also turned down an increase of 37 cents over

Brian Stephan, co-chair of the district's Referendum Steering Committee, said the district has learned a lot from those two failed referendums that will help it win this time around. For the February 2015 referendum, the district used a more negative message that emphasized what the dis-

"We hit it hard in February that way and got pretty slammed," Stephan said.

After the district overwhelmingly lost the February 2015 referendum, organizers changed their tone and tried to emphasize the district's future plans as a way to contradict the "no" voters, he said. That resulted in the district losing the May 2015 referendum by less than 500 votes.

Now, with a new acting superintendent in place, the district has



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRISTINA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Stubbs Elementary School used its second-floor windows to promote the upcoming district referendum.

trict would lose if the referendum come out "guns blazing" to prodidn't pass, he said.

come out "guns blazing" to produce the Sussex County-based lib-didn't pass, he said. Stephan said. The money generated by the tax increase is slated to go toward reducing class sizes, improving school climate, restoring school budgets, designing new programs, paying for increased operating expenses and eliminating the structural deficit.

Though the district has tried to stick to its positive message, last week residents started receiving robocalls urging them to vote against the referendum. The robocalls, which were sponsored

ertarian activist group First State Liberty, criticized the district for having too many high-paid administrators, among other things, and urged people to sign a petition opposing the referendum.

Much of the information cited in the calls were incorrect though, Stephan said, noting that FSL used the same robocall message last year, before the district made about \$9 million in cuts.

"It was wrong last year, and that was before we made all the cuts, so it's really wrong now," he said.

Calls and emails to First State Liberty were not returned but on Wednesday, its president, Eric Boye, posted a message to the group's website saying he would issue a statement clarifying any incorrect information if people could point out to him what he missed.

Administrative bloat is one of the most frequent criticisms leveled at the district, but with a ratio of 209 students for every one administrator, CSD has the lowest student-toadministrator rate in the county, Stephan said. Furthermore, of the district's 72 administrators, 50 are heading to Disney World.'

Voting Information

Christina School District residents can vote at any of the district schools as well as Bear Library, Newark Free Library, Carvel State Office Building, First Presbyterian Church, Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club and Quaker Hill Place Apartments.

Polls are open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March

For a complete list of polling places and addresses, visit csdpavingtheway.com/votinginformation/

building principals, he added.

For the most accurate information about the referendum, Stephan urged voters to visit csdpavingtheway.com or the district website. District schools are also holding a spirit week during the week of the referendum with themed days such as mismatch day, pajama day and college day.

Many schools are also hosting

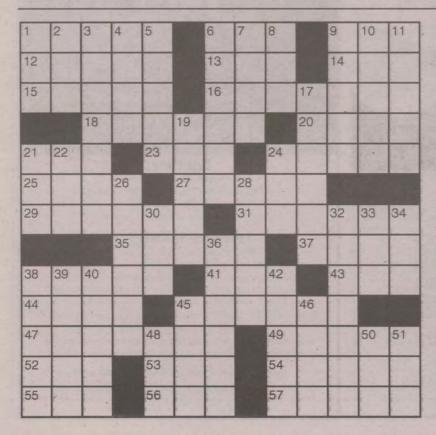
family dinners and reading nights on the day of the referendum as a way to draw parents to the school, where the district hopes they will also take the opportunity to vote

for the referendum. If the referendum is defeated,

the district has promised not to try again this year. But with the vote now quickly approaching, officials are feeling confident. At a Board of Education workshop on Tuesday, Superintendent Robert Andrzejewski joked about his spring break plans if the referendum passes.

When we win," he joked, "I'm

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Locked door foils second robbery attempt at Exxon

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For the second time in a little more than a week, a gunman came to the Exxon gas station on South College Avenue intent on robbing the business.

However, this time, the robbery was foiled by a clerk who kept the front door locked.

The incident happened just before 12:30 a.m. March 10 at the gas station at 820 S. College Ave.

Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said the clerk - the same man who was working during the previous week's robbery - was keeping the door locked as a precaution even though the store was open for business.

"He sees [the robbers] walking up with their face covered, yelling orders to open the door," Bryda said. "One guy had a gun in his hand.



Police investigate the scene of an armed robbery at the Exxon station on South College Avenue on March 2. Two men attempted but failed to rob the same gas station on March 10.

The robbers quickly realized they wouldn't get in and ran away toward Plymouth Drive. Police used a thin black me K-9 to search the area but

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Both robbers were described as medium-height ing day. thin black men approximately 25 years old. One was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt with the hood up, a white bandana over his face, black pants and gloves. The other was wearing red hooded sweatshirt with the hood up, a green bandana over his face and gloves.

The attempted robbery came almost exactly a week after four people succeeded in robbing the Exxon. In that incident, which happened at 9:40 p.m. March 2, the suspects pointed a gun at the clerk and stole \$150. Thanks from the gas station and a available.

nearby motel, the suspects were arrested the follow-

Bryda said the four people arrested in the March 2 incident remained in jail, so there is no reason to believe the two incidents are

Anyone with additional information about the latest robbery should contact Detective James Skinner at 302-366-7100 ext. 3135 or James.Skinner@cj.state. de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the Interto witness statements net at www.tipsubmit.com and surveillance footage where a reward may be



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Madelyn Torres, 2, of Newark, holds up a plastic egg during last year's egg hunt at White Clay

Newark's Easter egg hunt set for Saturday

nual egg hunt on Saturday.

The event will be held at White Clay

Creek State Park's Carpenter Recreation weather-related postponement informa-Area, located at 880 New London Road.

Kids up to age 4 will begin their egg hunt at 10 a.m., and kids ages 5 to 9 will begin at 10:30 a.m.

The Easter Bunny will stop in Newark a seek early this year as the Newark Parks and Recreation Department holds its answel east but an Set and Recreation Department holds its answel east but an Set and Recreation Department on Set

eggs.
The rain date is Sunday at 2 p.m. For tion, call 302-366-7147

Council aligns Newark's marijuana laws with state

By KARIE SIMMONS ksimmons@chespub.com

Fines for possessing small amounts of marijuana in Newark can now be paid or appealed in Alderman's Court, meaning defendants and police officers won't have to travel outside the city to make court appearances.

Council voted Monday night to amend the code to give Alderman's Court, which handles approximately 12,000 cases a year and mostly deals with traffic tickets and misdemeanors, the ability to process marijuana violations as well.

The decision comes on the heels of a new state law decriminalizing the possession and private use of up to an ounce of marijuana, which went into effect Dec. 18. Delaware is one of 19 states plus Washington, D.C., that have decriminalized marijuana. The state also has a medical marijuana program, but it has not been fully imple-

Under the state regulations, Delawareans over 21

vately without fear of criminal charges, although it will be confiscated if discovered by police. The criminal penalty for possession has been replaced with a \$100 civil fine; however, selling marijuana is still a criminal offense, as is growing it and using it in a moving vehicle or driving under the influence of marijuana.

Possessing up to an ounce of marijuana remains a criminal offense for anyone under the age of 21, and police emphasize that it is still illegal for anyone to use marijuana in public, regardless of age. The drug, in any amount, is still considered probable cause for police to enter and search a home or vehicle.

City Solicitor Bruce Herron said Monday that Newark code does not include any drug-related offenses other than DUI, so police officers have to bring marijuana violations to state courts outside the city. He said it would help law enforcement save time and increase efficiency if officers were able

are allowed to have up to an to cite civil marijuana of ounce and use the drug prifenders under the city code fenders under the city code and process the citation in Alderman's Court, which is located down the hall from the Newark Police Department.

The law aligns Newark's marijuana laws with the state, which bothered resident Jeff Lawrence. He questioned why the city has to fine people for possessing or consuming "a plant" and asked Herron if council could direct police not to issue the tickets.

Newark Police Chief Paul Tiernan said the city can either mirror state laws or make them more restrictive but can not make them more lenient.

"We don't get to choose which laws we seek to enforce," Herron added.

Council voted 5 to 1 to amend the code to mirror the state's marijuana laws and give Alderman's Court the ability to process viola-tions. Councilman Rob Gifford voted against the measure, and Councilman Mark Morehead was absent from the meeting.



Fair offers preview of summer camp options

By JOSH SHANNON

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Local kids and their families got a sneak peak at this coming summer on Saturday at the Newark Parks and Recreation Department's summer camp fair.

Drawing approximately 100 said. people, the fair was intended to show off the department's youth camp offerings and allow parents to meet some of the instructors. It also gave kids an opportunity to preview some of the activities they can take part in this summer.

The parks department startthat offer summer programs, the Iron Hill Museum. such as White Clay Creek State

The full list of pro YMCA. The city partnered with arkde.us/parks.

the University of Delaware Community Music School to hold the event at UD's Roselle Center for the Arts.

"Parents had one-stop shop-ping to find activities for their children this summer," Recreation Supervisor Sharon Bruen

The parks department offers two summer-long day camps, Rittenhouse Camp and Camp GWC, as well as a number of one-week camps that cover art, sports, theater, science and other subjects.

New offerings this year include a full-day art camp, two ed the fair a few years ago and cooking camps, a gymnastics this year expanded it to include camp and an "insect safari" proother organizations in the area gram run in collaboration with

The full list of programs is Park, Iron Hill Museum and the available at www.cityofnew-



Deniz Eastman, 7, plays Connect Four at the summer camp fair on Saturday.





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Next UD athletic director should bleed blue-and-gold

Jon Buzby



Division 1 athletic directors have to have a firm understanding of their school, its students, the athletes, coaches, donors and alumni. But at the University of Delaware, the athletic director must also understand the people who reside up and down the First State (i.e. above and below the canal) because they are the fan base of the UD athletic

directors were athletic outsiders with impressive backgrounds but stayed at UD just three years each. Bernard Muir did as many speculated he would, using his title at UD as a stepping stone to his next job. His replacement, Eric Ziady, moved here from New England and resigned in December in a situation that was clearly, albeit unofficially, a mutual parting of the ways.

So it has been a disappointing six years watching two people enter and quickly leave the athletic department's highest office, especially following the tenure of Edgar Johnson, who served as athletic director for 25 years. What was most

compared to his successors is that he took the position already bleeding Blue and Gold. Raised in Delaware, he was a student-athlete, coach and is still a faculty member at UD.

The reason for Johnson's success was simple: He took the position with a sound knowledge of the people who make up the First State and its largest college camand from hands-on experience knew the pulse of the students, student-athletes, coaches and fans. Unlike his successors, he took the position with the essential elements of knowledge required to be successful in any leadership position
The previous two UD that can't be learned from a textbook or explained on a resume: He understood the

people involved. We have two such candidates right here on campus.

UD's interim athletic director, Dr. Matt Robinson, has been on campus for nearly two decades as a professor and director of the sport management program in the Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics. He's also involved statewide on various commissions and committees. His tenure on campus and experiences off it has earned him, in my opinion, the honorary title of Bleeding Blue and Gold."

Robinson would be an excellent choice for the position, evinced by the univerdifferent about Johnson sity's faith in him serving

in the interim. Because of his current interim tag and with that his status as a public figure on campus, Robinson needs no extensive introduction as an internal worthy candidate, which I consider the purpose of this

Someone else does.

Jerry Oravitz is a lesserknown member of UD's athletics staff despite being part of it for nearly two de-

Oravitz was raised and has always resided in Delaware. He began his long athletic administration career here at UD as a graduate intern in the athletic department, and it was then that he set his professional goal to one day become the athletic di-rector of the University of Delaware.

Oravitz has been on campus for 18 years working his way up the athletic department ladder from graduate intern to his current role as associate athletic director/football administration. During that time he's seen student-athletes and coaches and administrators come and go. He has stayed, and I am confident, if hired, he would retire a Blue Hen.

Perhaps the biggest professional compliment Oravitz has ever received is when Dave Brock was hired as head football coach and instead of bringing his own right-hand man in as director of football operations,



UD ATHLETICS/MEDIA RELATIONS Jerry Oravitz has been on staff in the University of Delaware Athletic Department for 18

kept Oravitz on his new staff. It was a huge compliment to Oravitz the professional, but probably even more so, to Oravitz the person.

Naysayers might point out that Oravitz has never been an athletic director before. Neither was David Nelson or Edgar Johnson before their appointments. Tubby Raymond was never a college head coach before coming to UD. Instead, he came as an assistant coach and worked his way into the head position, learning the key things along the way he would need to be successful.

Oravitz has been learning here at UD for 18 years.

like Ziady. But that's not what this athletic department needs right now. It needs a people person. It needs one of our own.

The next athletic director has to be someone whom people at every level of the department will like and trust. Just as importantly, he must be liked and trusted by the foundation of the UD athletic program - the fans.

I'm not sure there's another person in the athletic department who understands the Blue Hen fan base, and all generations and demo-graphics of it, better than Oravitz.

Oravitz may not have the title of athletic director on his resume, but he is a proven leader with over 30 years of experience in government, nonprofit and educational sectors. He also has long relationships with many of the loyal supporters of Blue Hen athletics as well as with some of the most influential people who support them. And in his hands-on role with the football team he knows the personal side of the studentathletes as well as anyone in the athletic department.

Oravitz possesses technical and people skills and the established relationships to get and keep this program moving in the com.

UD could hire someone right direction for the like known nationally as Muir future. More importantly, he will have the trust of the people who work with him, for him and who support him that he is here for the long haul. Every decision he makes will be done not for the good of his resume, but for the good of Blue Hen-Nation now, and for generations to come.

I, along with my immediate and extended family, are avid Blue Hen fans and supporters. And I, for one, want the next person making decisions about a very important part of my family's life to be too. My guess is I'm not alone.

I'm sure the new president will do a thorough national search for UD's next athletic director, and I certainly respect that. I just hope that search includes a serious consideration for the two men on campus who deserve a close look.

Having a person who bleeds Blue and Gold lead the UD athletic department worked before, and with the right person, it can work

Fortunately, the new president already has two candidates from which to choose. I'm not rooting for one

over the other. I'm rooting for the Blue and Gold.

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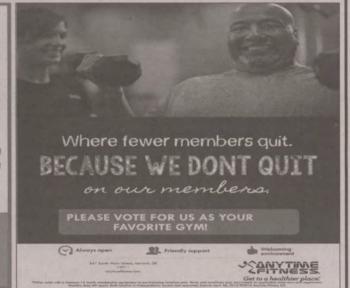
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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON Members of the University of Delaware women's lacrosse team dance on stage at UDance.



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B+ hero Ella Wilson performs with the University of Delaware swimming and diving team at UDance.

UD dance marathon raises \$1.7 million for cancer research

By JOSH SHANNON ishannon@chespub.com

University of Delaware students raised \$1.7 mil-

lion for childhood cancer research during the 10thannual UDance event on Sunday.

The 12-hour dance marathon was the culmination of a yearlong fundraising effort for the Andrew Mc-Donough B+ Foundation, named for a Wilmington teen who died from leukemia in 2007.

packed the Bob Carpenter Center for the event, which included DJs, live music performances and a talent show put on by "B+ heroes, children with cancer who are teamed up with fraternities, sororities, sports teams and other student groups.

"While the B+ heroes are on stage, students cheer them on and make them feel like they are on top of the world," Jeffrey Sowden, co-executive director of UDance said. "It is one day

More than 6,000 students that allows these children to forget about their hardships and just be kids. The magic in the room is truly entrancing."

While at the event, students could also donate their hair to cancer patients and sign up for the blood marrow registry.

Elizabeth Bell, a UD junior who serves as a spokeswoman for UDance, said the event has grown "exponentially" in the past decade. The first dance marathon, organized by one

fraternity and one sorority and held in the Trabant University Center, raised \$8,000.

In recent years, Bell said, the event has expanded beyond just fraternities and sororities and engaged a broader spectrum of stu-

"What can you rally college students around? Basically nothing," she said. But this event rallies a diverse group of students around one cause."

Students raise money by

soliciting online donations, collecting money outside local businesses and selling UDance merchandise as well as through other events held earlier in the school year.

"We really pride ourselves on being year-round," Bell

In addition, more than 50 student groups have adopted a B+ hero to mentor and spend time with, she said.

Alex Scarpone, 17, has been a B+ hero for two years. He was diagnosed

with leukemia in 2014 but is now in remission.

"This is really cool," he said, as he marveled at the flurry of activity in the Bob Carpenter Center on Sunday. "All they do is so great for cancer research."

Scarpone was matched with UD's Army ROTC and said the cadets often visit his house to hang out or take him bowling and to participate in other activi-

"They really brought my spirits up," he said.



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University of Delaware students participate in UDance on Sunday.

Christina starts discussion on school climate, discipline

By JESSICA IANNETTA jiannetta@chespub.com

Nearly 40 Christina School District community members gathered around a large horseshoe table set up in a Gauger-Cobbs Middle School classroom on Tuesday night to take the first step toward addressing school climate and discipline issues in the district.

The Board of Education workshop drew school principals, teachers and staff city officials to share their thoughts on what steps the district should take moving forward.

Superintendent Acting Robert Andrzejewski told ronment." the group he's been hearing concerns from parents and teachers about school mon themes emerged conclimate since he started visiting district schools last discipline around the disfall. He noted that Tuesday trict. Community members night's meeting was just the repeatedly mentioned a lack

"Rather than duck this issue, it's time to take it head on. It's time to take a look at what's in our schools that's working and what's not working because the climate of a school colors the whole learning environment."

> Robert Andrzejewski Acting Superintendent

process to address concerns with school climate and dis-

"Rather than duck this ismembers as well as parents, sue, it's time to take it head administrators and even on," he said. "It's time to take a look at what's in our schools that's working and what's not working because the climate of a school colors the whole learning envi-

During the more than twohour session, several comcerning school climate and beginning of the district's of consistent disciplinary

practices and expectations across all schools, the need to address student mental health issues and "the whole child," and the need for more resources and better teacher training.

The workshop session was facilitated by Andy Hegedus, a former CSD administrator who now operates Demosophia, a consulting firm that helps groups solve complex problems by gathering input from stakeholders.

After Hegedus gave a brief presentation about how to tackle complex problems, he passed several microphones around the room noted that many Christina of their time dealing with

until everyone had shared all their thoughts. During the first round of comments, more than 30 people gave

Hegedus described issues like school climate as "wicked problems" because of their complexity and the difficulty in defining them. As people shared their thoughts, many struggled with determining what the issue of school climate and discipline encompasses and what parts of the problem the district should be responsible for addressing.

students have mental health issues and problems at home that affect how they behave in the classroom. They stressed the need to help "the whole child," while admitting the district often doesn't have the resources to address these students' complex needs.

But others who spoke said schools can't do everything and stressed the need to hold parents accountable while also making sure students who do behave receive attention, too. Many teachers at the meeting also Several people who talked said they spend too much

difficult disciplinary issues, leaving them little time to actually teach. One district principal noted that if he had the resources, he would hire one mental health worker for his students and one for his teachers.

At the end of the session, Andrzejewski said the district's focus will remain on the operating referendum until Wednesday. However, he noted that \$1 million will be set aside to address school climate and discipline if the referendum passes and exactly how that money will be spent hasn't been decided.

Going forward, the district and school board will continue to gather perspectives from the community so they can begin to formulate an action plan, Andrzejewski said.

"This is a journey," he said. This is a good first step to take a look at the complexity of the problem. Then we have to decide what to do

Keene to dedicate library to late principal

Keene Elementary School will dedicate its library to its late principal, Beatrice Speir, school officials announced Wednesday.

Speir, who died in November 2014 after a lengthy illness, had been principal since the school opened in 2014. Before starting at Keene, she was principal at Pulaski Elementary

School for six years and served 16 will be named the "Beatrice Speir years as bilingual coordinator and assistant principal for Chester Upland School District in Delaware County, Pa.

In a ceremony April 4, the library

Library." The ceremony will start at 2:30 p.m. and be attended by the entire student body. Students and staff will assemble in the cafeteria, where there will be a brief ceremony followed by the dedication, which will take place in the library.

After the dedication, Speir's children will participate in the unveiling of her picture and new library name. All are welcome to attend.

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DEBATE

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In District 5, two-term incumbent Luke Chapman is being challenged by Donna Means, a real estate agent and a frequent critic of city government. Both live in Fairfield Crest

Means worked for Super-fresh for 23 years, spending most of those years at a store in Kennett Square, Pa., where she became involved with the union leadership. Chapman is a financial plan-

The election is set for April

Budget

Wallace said the path the city is on is "not sustainable" and council needs to make critical decisions to reduce spending and get the budget under control.

This year's \$48.9 million budget included a 9.5-percent tax increase, sewer and water rate increases as well as pay raises for manage-

Wallace criticized some of the city's past purchases, such as the solar-powered trash compactors on Main

In 2014, the city bought 25 solar trash cans, which officials said would reduce collection frequency, fuel costs and overtime labor. The bins smash down the waste and create more room using energy from the sun, which allows them to hold up to 150 gallons of refuse and requires collection twice a week or less instead of seven days a week.

Wallace said the trash cans were "nice but not necessary," and although they were partially funded by a state recycling grant, they still ended up costing nearly as much as the projected revenue from this year's 9.5-percent tax increase.

There is a conception that we are having caviar tastes on a Budweiser budget," she said.

Hall agreed the city needs to prioritize its spending, and added that better planning for infrastructure maintenance would reduce the need to reach into residents' wallets to cover large expenditures.

The city is currently attempting to pay for a multimillion dollar project to fix the aging stormwater system and is considering a stormwater fee, but Hall thinks tax and fee hikes should be a "last ditch effort." He promised that, if elected, he would explore more creative funding op- he only supported the in- there is a problem – but it's tions such as grants and creases because he knows not what many people think.



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District 3 candidate Arlynn Hall answers a question as opponent Jen Wallace looks on during Tuesday's debate.



An audience member holds a question for Arlynn Hall.

public-private partnerships before charging residents.

Means said the recent tax and rate increases are causing problems for her neigh-

"There are a lot of retired people living in my district who live on fixed incomes," she said. "They truly are affected."

She thinks the city can lower taxes and rates, or keep them steady, if council and staff can get ahold of what she calls "frivolous spending." To cut back, she suggested the city stop hiring new employees, adding positions and giving pay increases to department man-

As a two-term incumbent, Chapman acknowledged that he is partially responsible for the tax and rate hikes residents have endured over the last four years. He said

residents want to enjoy a high quality of life, which he said "equals a high quality of civil services and ameni-

He added that even though several major issues have only recently come about, they are not necessarily the current council's fault.

"Past councils and city administrations have put us in the current situation that we're in by avoiding addressing many of the very expensive infrastructure is sues and traffic issues and creating some of the rules around development and parking that have created some of the concerns - all of which are always more and more expensive to address,'

Downtown parking

When it comes to parking downtown, Wallace believes



District 6 Councilman Stu Markham, who is running unopposed, talks to resident Amy Roe after Tuesday night's debate.

She said the issue is not so much a lack of spaces but miscommunication about how to maneuver Main Street and where drivers can find available parking. She suggested the city invest in creating a parking app for smartphones as well as a printed flyer with a map to the municipal lots that people can keep in their

Hall, on the other hand, argued that Newark's parking problem has everything to do with the limited number of spaces. He believes the only solution is for the city to enter into a public-private partnership to build a downtown garage.

"We can't create more blank lots to put stripes on," Hall said. "You have to have a structure, a parking structure of some sort.'

years, and the city has already invested \$1.2 million toward acquiring the final portion of Lot 1 behind The Galleria on which to build a potential garage.

Such a project would cost

millions and likely require a referendum to allow the city to take on debt. Or, the city could enter into an agreement in which a private developer would build a parking garage and retail space, and the city would lease and operate the garage. In November, council came close to issuing a request for proposal soliciting interest for a public-private partnership to build the garage, but ultimately decided to hold off.

Chapman said parking downtown has improved with new ticket readers and gate arms, but there is still room for improvement The idea of building a without going right to the downtown parking garage garage idea. He doesn't new mark has been talked about for think a parking structure she said.

specifically in Lot 1 is the only solution, adding that if a garage were to be built, it would be better suited behind Klondike Kate's.

Means, however, she's never experienced a problem finding parking, although she hears the complaints. She suggested the city strike a deal with the College Square Shopping Center to allow people to park there and ride a shuttle to Main Street, or work with the university to use empty lots after school hours, instead of building a garage.

Fairfield Shopping Center

In addition to the problems plaguing the city as a whole, Chapman said the most important issue in his district for the past few years has been the revitalization of the Fairfield Shopping Center. He said the plaza became a top priority in November when Superfresh closed its doors and left residents of Fairfield and Fairfield Crest without a nearby grocery store.

Chapman said he is concerned about the senior citizens and disabled residents without cars who live near the plaza.

They need a community store that they can walk to,' he said.

Delle Donne & Associates, which manages Fairfield Shopping Center, has indicated to city officials that the company hopes to attract another grocery store to the shopping center and may use the vacancy as an opportunity to renovate the aging plaza.

Chapman said he established a relationship with the developer when he was first elected and has been trying to help the company attract a grocery store even before Superfresh closed, albeit without much success. He said two stores were close to closing a deal, but backed out.

"This property will not be turned into apartments. It will not be bulldozed and turned into student housing," Chapman said. "It will remain a shopping center and we're going to make sure that we do everything we can to partner with the landowner who has all the control on that property to help them attract a grocery store for the community.

Means hinted that Delle Donne & Associates has, in fact, secured a tenant and will announce the name of the grocery store next week.

"We will know who the garage idea. He doesn't new market is going to be,'

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PLAN

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of Traders Alley, the Tsionas Management building at 155 E. Main Street that houses Iron Hill and several other stores and restaurants, in addition to eight existing apartments.

There will be 37 parking spaces on the ground level of the garage open to the public, but the 32-space second-floor parking deck will be accessible only to the tenants of the existing eight units in Traders Alley and the eight new apartments built above the parking facility. Residents will be given a key or access card to park on the second floor.

the project, with several members stating that the mixed-use building does not fit with the comprehensive plan or "improve the area," as the garage does not add any additional public parking spaces to Traders Alley.

Still, council voted 4 to 2 to grant a special-use permit for apartments in the BB zoning district, with Councilmen Rob Gifford and Luke Chapman as the opposing votes, and the overall plan passed 6 to 0.
Council's decision is the

latest chapter in a yearslong dispute over the project, which traces back to 2011 when Traders Al-ley filed plans to build a 15,000-square-foot apartment and parking building in the existing parking lot. Last summer, the city's board of adjustment ruled that the plan did not include the required number of parking spaces and could not move forward.

The new plan reduces the number of apartments from 12 to 8, thus reducing the amount of parking required. However, the issue is still complicated by a dispute between Traders Alley and Schlosser & Dennis LLC, which owns the neighboring building



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Last month, the planning Part of this parking lot behind Traders Alley will be replaced with a four-story apartment building and parking garage.

eras Etc., Subway and several other businesses.

Under a previous agreement, Schlosser & Dennis and Traders Alley share the parking lot that spans both properties as well as the access way off East Main Street, which is owned by Schlosser & Dennis. The apartment building and garage will be built on Traders Alley's half of the lot, but Shawn Tucker, an attorney representing Schlosser & Dennis, contends that the project violates the agreement.

Tucker told council on Monday that the garage will also further complicate deliveries for Iron Hill Brewery, which does not have any loading bays in the back, as well as trucks that deliver to Subway.

According to Traders attorney Richard Abbott, delivery trucks will be able to travel from Main Street to Delaware Avenue through the garage, or back up onto Main Street. He also said trucks can park on Main Street to make deliveries as well.

"It's not pedestrian-friendly if trucks are back-ing up on Main Street," Tucker argued.

Subway owner Bilal Mus-tomers.

that contains Moxie, Cam-eras Etc., Subway and severs get tickets when they park on Main Street, and the trucks are too big to park in the lot.

> "They're trying to avoid the ticket, but there's no way of doing it," he said.

> Tucker agreed with Abbott that delivery trucks could technically maneuver through the garage, that is, if everyone is parked perfectly, but questioned how fire trucks and garbage trucks would get around. He claims the plan does not comply with the state or city's fire codes because it will cut-off existing emergency vehicle

He also argued that constructing the garage will cause problems for his client's tenants, such as Dain Simons, owner of Cameras Etc. The project could take up to nine months to build and Simons said most of the parking lot will be inaccessible to his customers during that time.

Abbott argued that the garage will be a parking improvement to what is currently referred to as a "free-for-all" due to illegal parkers who take advan-tage of the lot intended only for Traders Alley cus-



An artist's rendering shows the four-story parking garage and apartment building planned for the Trader's Alley parking lot behind Iron Hill Brewery.

"The circulation flow is now going to be regulated," Abbott said.

"When you have to go into a parking structure, it tends to dissuade some people from illegally parking," he added.

Mark Edelson, co-owner of Iron Hill Brewery, has said in the past that out of Iron Hill's 12 locations in Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, Newark is the worst for customer, employee and commercial parking, and the restaurant is considering leaving the city if the situation doesn't improve.

He has also previously called the current Traders Alley lot a "disaster."

"I don't believe that [this project] enhances anything," he told members of council on Monday, adding that he doesn't think it makes the situation worse, either.

Edelson said the only way to improve the lot is to turn it over to the city, but according to Abbott, that is not allowed under the current agreement.

After council approved the project, Tucker said his client plans to appeal to the Superior Court.

Council approves study of water rates

By KARIE SIMMONS ksimmons@chespub.com

On Monday night, city council voted to hire Black and Veatch Management Consulting, LLC, to refresh the last water rate study the company did for Newark in 2011, this time including sanitary sewer rates and a potential stormwater utility in the analysis.

The new study - estimated to cost roughly \$100,000 – will look at all of the city's waterrelated rates including drinking water, sanitary sewer and a stormwater utility in one in-

tegrated review.

Black and Veatch analysts will expand on what they originally prepared in 2011 as well as analyze a potential stormwater utility - which the city has been considering for a few years - in order to come up with methods to fairly distribute the cost of stormwater management to water customers living inside and outside city limits.

Councilman Stu Markham, who voted against the con-tract on Monday night along with Councilman Rob Gifford, was hesitant when the study was originally discussed last month. At the time, he said he was concerned about what the study might find and if it will cause water rates to go up even more than they already

Markham still had the same concerns Monday night.

On Jan. 1, water rates increased by 7.2 percent, resulting in a bill that is \$2.62 higher per month for an average residential household consuming 167 gallons of water per day. City officials have estimated the increase will generate \$600,000 in revenue for the city, \$300,000 of which will go directly to an existing \$1 million water main replacement project. Residents already endured a 7.2-percent rate hike last year.

Resident Helga Huntley thought the study itself was a good idea but was uncomfortable with the city's decision to waive the bid process and hire Black and Veatch. She thought the city might get a more competitive price if it looked at other offers.

"I don't understand why we're not putting this out to bid," she said.

The study is expected to be completed by late September.

Newark electric bills go down by \$2.60

By KARIE SIMMONS ksimmons@chespub.com

Newark electric customers will start to see a drop in their power bills due to the city's annual revenue stabilization adjustment.

Council agreed Monday night to return \$871,129 back to customers in the form of a monthly statement credit of \$0.00335 per kilowatt hour.

The vote passed unanimously; how-ever, Councilmen Mark Morehead was absent from the meeting.

Finance Director Lou Vitola said the average electric customer can expect his or her monthly bills to be roughly \$2.60 lower from now through January 2017.

This is less of a return than in the last years, but I'm happily surprised it remains a credit for at least anoth-

Last year, the average electric customers saw his or her monthly bills drop by \$4.88.

Vitola said several factors contributed to this year's giveback.

First, the city's wholesale cost of power fell by 1.5 cents in January, resulting in nearly \$4 million in savings, most of which would have gone to electric customers except that the

city under-collected \$269,050 from power bills last year due to mild weather in the summer and winter.

Vitola said the city also adjusted the RSA to align with the 2016 budget, which requires a 20 percent operating margin in the electric utility. He said this ensures the city is able to meet expected operating and capital expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year.

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Life After 50 Carla Grygiel



I have never been one to worry about all of the terrible "what ifs". I usually feel that if all of those potentially terrible things happen, there really isn't a whole lot we are going to be able to do.

But, listen to the news, read the paper and there is something that is coming - really actually here - that presents some major challenges. The good news is

'age wave." According to the Delaware Focus Report published by the Delaware Community Foundation, since 2000, Delaware has seen a 41 percent increase in people between the age of 60 and 84 and a 63 percent increase in those over 85 years of age. We clearly have no control over the number of seniors, but the good news is that we do have some control over how we age.

Living well and living longer are sometimes two very different things. One of my

that we can actually prepare favorite ladies at the Newfor these coming changes, and it will make a difference. I am talking about the state of these community. Classes are registrational to the state of these community. Classes are registration of these community. Classes are registration of the state of the Newford the sample of the state of the Newford the sample of the state of the state of the Newford the sample of the state of the Newford the sample of the state late 80s, takes yoga and Pilates classes several times per week and goes to the fitness center. She also has developed many wonderful friendships. She is definitely aging well - but clearly her choice of how she spends her day has had a wonderful impact on her aging.

Many chronic conditions can be managed with positive choices. The debilitating pain that comes with arthritis can be reduced with the appropriate exercise. We are fortunate to have a warm

ularly offered throughout the community by various agencies and in convenient locations to educate people about lifestyle choices and changes to help manage diabetes and other chronic conditions.

The year is still pretty young. Some people make resolutions, but many have already written about doing away with that train of thought and really making small changes each day to have major effects on our cational sessions of overall wellbeing. These of wellness topics.

other people and giving back by finding meaningful volunteer work can have a positive effect on our whole self. What is good for the heart is good for the brain and generally every system in our body.

We are fortunate to have many wonderful community resources. The Newark Senior Center, local libraries, the YMCA, other non-profit agencies as well as our local hospitals provide many educational sessions on a variety

I encourage you to take advantage of the oppor-tunities that are available throughout our community. The longer we are able to live independently, the longer we can stretch our economic resources. Consider making an investment in yourself by making positive life choices. The long term benefits may be truly price-

Carla Grygiel is chair of the Delaware Aging Net-work and executive director of the Newark Senior Center. She writes a monthly column in the Newark Post that highlights issues facing seniors in Newark.

Out of the Past

Editor's note: Volunteers at the Pencader Heritage Museum have been digitizing old Newark City Council meeting minutes. They share excerpts with Newark Post readers in a weekly column.

April-August 1922: Clay was dropping off carts hauling it from the pits to B&O Railroad on Elkton Road. A letter was sent to the haulers asking an immediate remedy to the

Renting out the town's steam roller netted \$400 in 1921, but the cost of repairs made it not worthwhile to do again. A motorcycle was purchased for \$100.

After the election of 1922, council was composed of Messrs. Beals, Frazer, Wilson, Colmery, Widdoes, Morrison and Patchell. Rodman Lovett and A. Fisher were named building and plumbing inspectors, respec-

With a milk safety ordinance in place, there was also a need for a milk inspector. At least 3 percent butter fat content of milk was required. A permit to sell milk in town was \$10.

Three complaints were received about property conditions. Alfred Johnson was dumping refuse in a ditch on his property, Dolly Boyles and Penrose Wilson properties were deemed unhealthy. The board of health was to order the nuisances cleaned up.

Daylight Saving Time was adopted. A fence was needed around the water tank. Those behind in payment of electric, water and sewer assessment bills would be hearing from town

Council OK'd the purchase of trousers for the town policeman. Bids for "Macadam with penetration system" to surface Cleveland Avenue's full length were sought.

Property assessments were raised significantly for Buckingham house and store, Curtis house and warehouses, two Handloff parcels, Casho, McNeal Lumber Yard, Oriental Lodge, Willis, Wright, with Tillie Thomas's omitted house added.

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Out of the Attic



Sigma Nu fraternity house fire - 1977

item is a 1977 photo of a fire that gutted the Sigma Nu fraternity house on the University of Delaware campus.

The fire broke out in the Main Street building (built in 1906) at around 2:30 p.m. on Aug. 29, 1977. A construction crew working nearby noticed the flames, and one worker

This week's Out of the Attic ran into the nearby Carpenter Sports Building to alert Bruce Troutman, a UD physical education teacher and deputy chief of Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Co. Nearly 100 firefighters worked for three hours to bring the blaze under control.

UD classes had not yet be-

gun, so students were not living in the fraternity house when it nor burns.

burned down. The only person inside, according to a Newark Post article at the time, was a 19-year-old Newport woman who was staying there without the fraternity's permission. A firefighter found her asleep on a couch and carried her to

Two firefighters suffered mi-

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Police searching for rope light thieves

Newark Police are asking for the public's help identifying two people who were captured on camera stealing a resident's rope

light earlier this month.
According to NPD According to NPD spokesman Lt. Bill Hargrove, the incident occurred around 3 a.m. March 5 at a home in the

Hargrove said the two suspects walked up the resident's driveway and took a rope light from the backyard. If found, Hargrove said they will be charged with theft.

The first suspect is a white man with brown hair and an average height and build. He was captured on camera wearing a blue button-down

100 block of West Main dress shirt, khaki pants and duck-style boots. The second suspect is also a white man of average height and build, wearing light-colored pants and a dark-colored zip-up hooded sweatshirt.

Anyone with additional information about this incident or the suspects should contact Master Cpl. Greg Micolucci at 302-366-7100 ext. 3412 or greg.micolucci@cj.state.de.us.

Flooring taken from One Easton construction site

Someone forced open a door to an apartment building under construction behind the Newark Shopping Center and stole thousands of dollars worth of flooring last week.

According to Lt. Bill Hargrove, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, the incident occurred sometime between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. March 7 at the apartment complex known as One Easton.

Hargrove said someone forced open the door to a unit where construction equipment and other materials were being stored and took 30 boxes of vinyl flooring worth \$3,000.

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footage of the incident, however, Hargrove said police continue to investigate. A suspect has not been identified at this time.

Electronics stolen from Silverbrook home

Two residents of the Silverbrook neighborhood are missing several electronics after someone broke into their home on Monday.

According to Lt. Bill Hargrove, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, the break-in occurred sometime between 7 a.m., and

There is no surveillance noon at a home in the 700 block of Brook Drive, which is located off West Chestnut Hill Road.

said police Hargrove learned of the burglary after one of the residents came home around noon to walk the dogs and noticed the TV was missing.

The thief stole the 43-inch TV and other miscellaneous electronics worth at total of \$1,290.

Hargrove said there was no evidence of forced entry, leading police to believe the front door was left unlocked. He said police are still investigating but have not identified any suspects at this







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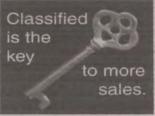
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Magazine: UD's physical therapy graduate program top in nation

SPECIAL TO THE POST

The University of Delaware's graduate physical therapy program has been ranked No. 1 in the nation in the 2017 edition of U.S. News and World Report's Best Graduate Schools.

In the newest rankings, the chemical engineering graduate program is ranked ninth in the nation, with UD's College of Engineering overall graduate program ranked

In addition, five other graduate programs are listed among the nation's top programs in the 2017 edition: education (35), public affairs (45), part-time MBA (51), chemistry and biochemistry (60), and psychological and brain sciences (67).

"The University of Delaware offers a wide range of top graduate programs across all our seven col-Provost Domenico leges," Grasso said in a statement. This latest recognition of these programs is an affirmation of the importance of UD's graduate education on a national stage and the key role they play in advancing our research and scholarly excellence.'

UD's graduate physical therapy program was rated best in the nation, tied at No. 1, with the University of



U.S. News and World Report magazine named the University of Delaware's graduate physical therapy program No. 1 in the nation.

of Southern California and Washington University in St.

"This recognition by U.S. News and World Report confirms what our students, alumni, faculty and staff and patients have known for some time," Kathleen Matt, dean of the College of Health Sciences, said in a state-ment. "UD's Department of Physical Therapy is all about excellence. The Department

Pittsburgh, the University of Physical Therapy offers train; they are the next genstudents a combination of engaging classwork with world-renowned professors, hands-on clinical experiences and top-flight research opportunities. The quality of the program, as exempli-fied by the students and the faculty, translates to worldclass comprehensive care in physical therapy that is offered here at our clinic on the STAR Campus. And we are proud of the students we

eration of health care lead-

All U.S. News rankings in health programs are based solely on the result of peer assessments surveys sent deans, administrators and faculty members at accredited degree programs or schools in each discipline.

The top four programs all received peer assessment scores of 4.3 on a five-point

Newark teen earns rank of Eagle Scout

POST STAFF REPORT

Jacob Vassalotti, 17, of Newark, was presented with Scouting's highest honor earlier this year at Elkton United Methodist Church, where family, friends, fellow Scouts and troop leaders gathered to celebrate his Eagle Scout achievement.

Vassalotti is the son of Tony and Tina Vassalotti, of Newark, and grandson of Bil and Fran Vassalotti, and Ray and Carol Ferguson, all of

He is a member of Troop 2, DelMar-Va Council, which is chartered by The Independence School.

To achieve the rank of Eagle, a Scout must earn a minimum of 21 merit badges — Vassalotti earned 49 — as well as demonstrate leadership by planning, developing and executing a service project in the local community. For his Eagle project, Vassalotti cleared a trail and built a campsite and handicapped-accessible bridge at



camp in Chestertown, Md. His project allows campers with disabilities to enjoy nature much like Scouting has afforded him similar opportunities.

Vassalotti started his Scouting ca-

reer in 2004 as a Tiger Cub in Pack He received the Arrow of Light in February 2009 and immediately joined Troop 2. Within the troop, Vas-Camp Fairlee Manor, an Easter Seals salotti has held numerous leadership

positions, including den chief, librarian, patrol leader, senior patrol leader and, currently, Order of the Arrow Troop Representative.

In June 2015, Vassalotti was awarded the Vigil Honor, the Order of the Arrow's highest honor. He previously served as Iron Hill Order of the Arrow's chapter secretary, and is presently chapter chief. In August 2015, he attended the National Order of the Arrow Conference at Michigan State University in Lansing, Mich.

During his Scouting career, Vassalotti has shown leadership not only within his troop, but also at the chap-ter and council levels. His perseverance and determination were integral parts of his Eagle Scout rank achievement on Sept. 3, 2015.

Vassalotti is a senior at Salesianum School, where he is involved in marching band, wind ensemble, National Honor Society, National Latin Honor Society, Science Olympiad as well as numerous other extracurricu-





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Jordan Conway Laber 3/10/16 np 3/18

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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.

Noel Nabung 3/9/16

LEGAL NOTICE RE: DEADLY WEAPON

I, Britt Jeanine Broyles, residing at 15 Dekalb Square, Newark, DE 19713 will make application to the judges of the superior court of the State 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.

Britt Jeanine Broyles 3/10/16

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LEGAL NOTICE RE: DEADLY WEAPON

RE: DEADLY WEAPON I, Dorothy Ann Larks, residing at 11 Westover Woods Drive, Newark, DE 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 weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.

Dorothy Ann Larks np 3/18 2618343

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Joseph Hugh West III, residing at 15 Ferncliff Road,
Newark, DE 19711, will make application to the judges of the superior court of the State of Delaware in and for New 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.

Joseph Hugh West III 3/11/16 np 3/18 2618349

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RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Kenneth Boggs, residing at
416 Orchard Road, Newark,
DE 19711, 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. a concealed deadly weapon or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.

> Kenneth Boggs 3/14/16 2618587

LEGAL NOTICE

RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Benjamin Paul DiSabatino I, Benjamin Paul DiSabatino
IV, residing at 2437 Sunset
Lake Rd., Newark DE 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 my person(s), or property, or

Benjamin Paul DiSabatino IV 3/14/16 np 3/18 2618971

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF SAMANTAL MARIE SCHOENBECK

SAM SCHOENBECK
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that APRIL DAVIS 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 minor child's name to SAM SCHOENBECK.

APRIL DAVIS Petitioner Dated: 2/29/2016 2615309

np 3/4,11,18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF DANIELLE ENGLISH

Petitioner(s)

DANIELLE DELIZZIO NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DANIELLE ENGLISH 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 DANIELLE DELIZZIO

DANIELLE ENGLISH Petitioner Dated: 2/29/2016

2618090

np 3/4,11.18

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Personal Representative
THEODORE G. VAN NAME, aka THEODORE
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np 3/18.25.4/1

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN
AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
MAHKENZI ABIODUN CRENTSIL

Petitioner(s)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TEE-ISHA LYNCH 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 minor child's name to MAHKENZI TIHANNA ABIODUN LYNCH.

TEE-ISHA LYNCH Petitioner Dated: 3/9/2016 2617848

np 3/18,25,4/1

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF DEBORAH ANN PACE

Petitioner(s)

DEBORAH ANN RAMBO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DEBORAH ANN PACE 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 DEBORAH ANN RAMBO

DEBORAH ANN PACE Dated: 2/24/2016 2613953

np 3/4.11.18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF PRISCAN YABOKE ISOE

Petitioner(s)

PRISCAH NYABOKE BOGITA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PRISCAH NYABOKE ISOE 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 PRISCAH NYABOKE BOGITA.

PRISCAH NYABOKE ISOE Petitione Dated: 2/26/2016 2614975

np 3/4,11,18

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Hon. John S. Spinale FIRST JUSTICE DATE ISSUED: 2/18/2016 Roger J. Oliveira Clerk Magistrate np 3/11,18,25

2616396

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RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Erich John Bollman, residing at 203 Saturn Dr., Newark,
DE 19711, will make apolic ing at 203 Saturn Dr., Newark, DE 19711, 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.

Erich John Bollman 3/15/16 np 3/18 2619192

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, John Patrick Landon, residing at 9 Decidedly Lane, Bear, DE 19701, 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.

John Patrick Landon

John Patrick Landon 3/15/16 np 3/18 2619209

LEGAL NOTICE

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RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, John Linwood Biliski, residing at 107 Lewis Court, Bear,
DE 19701, 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.

John Linwood Biliski

John Linwood Biliski 3/15/16 np 3/18

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, William George Wright 2nd, residing at 812 Hasting Court, Newark, DE 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.

William George Wright 2nd
3/14/16
np 3/18
2619336

LEGAL NOTICE RE: DEADLY WEAPON I, Sean Collins, residing at 40 Anna Ave, Bear, DE 19701 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 per-son(s), or property, or both.

Sean Collins 3/9/16 2617924 np 3/18

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Alan Arthur Gorman, residing at 451 Granger Dr., Bear, DE 19701, 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.

Alan Arthur Gorman

Alan Arthur Gorman 3/14/16 2618726

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Ronald L. Walstrum, residing at 11 Mallboro Dr., New-ark, DE 19713, 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.

Ronald L. Walstrum
3/14/16
np 3/18
2618807

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Tara N. Diodato, residing
at 54 Lynam Lookout Drive,
Newark, DE 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.

Tara N. Diodato
3/15/16

3/15/16 2619163

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF

2619336

AMY KATHRYN DIXON Petitioner(s)

AIMIE KATHRYN DIXON
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that AMY KATHRYN DIXON 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 AIMIE KATHRYN DIXON.

AMY KATHRYN DIXON Dated: 3/10/2016 2619222

np 3/18.25.4/1

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF JAMIE LYNN McCAHAN

Petitioner(s)

JAMIE LYNN MILLER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JAMIE LYNN McCAHAN 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 JAMIE LYNN MILLER.

JAMIE LYNN McCAHAN Petitioner Dated: 3/4/2016 THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF MARVIN RAY SMITH II

Petitioner(s)

RAY WESSON SMITH
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MARVIN RAY SMITH II 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 RAY WESSON SMITH.

MARVIN RAY SMITH II Petitioner Dated: 2/24/2016 2614360

np 3/4,11,18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF GABRIELLE CIRINO JACOBS

Petitioner(s)

TO
BARRIELLE CIRINO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that GABRIELLE CIRINO JACOBS 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 GABRIELLE CIRINO.

GABRIELLE CIRINO JACOBS

GABRIELLE CIRINO JACOBS Petitione Dated: 3/2/2016 2616250

np 3/11,18,25

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF

LAMONT WALTER LAWRENCE JR. Petitioner(s)

TO
LAMONT TRISTIAN EVERETT PAYNE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TIRA PAYNE intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her minor child's name to LAMONT TRISTIAN EVERETT PAYNE.

TIRA PAYNE Petitione Dated: 2/26/2016 2613284

np 3/4,11,18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF SELINA FRANCHESCA WILLIAMS

Petitioner(s)

TO SELINA FRANCHESCA EULEY NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SELINA FRANCHESCA WILLIAMS 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 SELINA FRANCHESCA EULEY.

SELINA FRANCHESCA WILLIAMS Petitioner

Petitioner Dated: 2/26/2016

np 3/4,11,18

2615909

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF JEREMY ALLEN GREGOR

Petitioner(s)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JEREMY ALLEN GREGOR 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 JEREMY ALLEN BREGERMANN.

JEREMY ALLEN GREGOR Petitioner Dated: 3/1/2016

np 3/4,11,18

np 3/18,25,4/1

Change of Seasons LLC t/a Game Changers has on Feb 29, 2016 applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for an extension of the Liquor License, to an outdoor patio for consumption of alcoholic beverages at premises located at 1430 Pulaski Highway Newark, DE 19702. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least ten signatures of residents of property owners located within one mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within one 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 protests must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before March 29, 2016. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office at 302-577-5222.

The household goods and personal effects of the following person(s) will be sold at Public Auction on the premises of Delaware Moving and Storage Inc., 214 Bear Christiana Road, Bear, DE 19701 on April 1, 2016: Michael Bard, New Castle, DE; Dorian Mendez-Vaz, Camden, NJ; Travis Smith, Wilmington, DE; James Wilks, New Castle, DE.

CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the City of Newark, at its regular meeting held March 14, 2016 adopted the following resolution:

Resolution 16-D - Major Subdivision of 0.88 Acres Located at 147-163 E. Main Street to Construct a Four Story Building with Ground and Second Level Surface Parking and Eight Upper Floor Three-Bedroom Apartments at the Location of the Trader's Alley Existing Surface Parking Lot and Attached to the Second Floor of the Existing Trader's Alley Building

np 3/18

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CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

March 28, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Sections 402.2 of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 S. Main Street, Newark, Delaware, on March 28, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Second Reading and Final Passage the following proposed Ordinances:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, To Prohibit U-Turns at the Intersection of Capitol Trail at Cleveland Avenue Bill 16-11

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20A, Noise, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Lowering the Permitted Noise Levels in Residential Districts, Updating Definitions and Clarifying Enforcement Mechanisms Bill 16-12

Note: Bill 16-08 which was advertised in the March 11, 2016 Newark Post will not be on the March 28, 2016 agen-

Renee K. Bensley City Secretary

np 3/18,4/1,8

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CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE

NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2016

BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 A.M. AND 8:00 P.M. TO ELECT COUNCIL MEMBERS IN DISTRICTS 3 AND 5

POLLING PLACES

DISTRICT 3 – Aetna Fire Station #7, 7 Thorn Lane
DISTRICT 5 – First Presbyterian Church, Memorial Hall
292 W. Main Street

CANDIDATES ON THE BALLOT FOR DISTRICT 3
COUNCIL MEMBER ARE:
ARLYNN HALL
JENNIFER WALLACE

CANDIDATES ON THE BALLOT FOR DISTRICT 5
COUNCIL MEMBER ARE:
LUKE CHAPMAN
DONNA MEANS

ALL INDIVIDUALS REGISTERED TO VOTE WITH THE STATE OF DELAWARE BY MARCH 21, 2016 AT AN ADDRESS WITHIN COUNCIL DISTRICTS 3 AND 5 ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION

IDENTIFICATION WILL BE REQUIRED OF ALL VOTERS

FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS CONTACT
THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AT 366-7000
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
8:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. UNTIL APRIL 12, 2016
OR VISIT HTTP://CITYOFNEWARKDE.US/ELECTIONS
FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO FILE
FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BY MAIL

ANY QUESTIONS CALL 366-7000

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np 3/11,18,25



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