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UP FRONT

The game of life

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE holidays were different for our family this winter. Instead of the two children returning to Newark and subsequent dashes up and down I-95 to attend extended family events in Baltimore, the four of us relaxed in Colorado Springs.

With no distractions - nowhere to go, no one to see, not a single item on the schedule - we did something we've seldom done before. Nothing.

This allowed time to watch movies, take all morning to peruse *The Colorado Springs Gazette*, simply hang out together and, at times, play cards and board games.

I found myself stepping outside our quarters frequently and simply gazing at the beautiful Colorado mountains. Usually, I'd take a short walk to a location where I could or could not see Pikes Peak, depending upon weather conditions at its summit.

One day, our son and daughter were completing another game of Trivial Pursuit when I went outside to catch another moment of solitude. I began to think about the board games I played as a kid.

For years, my sisters and I and other neighborhood kids would engage in hours-long games of Monopoly.

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Streit

Stitching together quilts, friendships

By KAYTIE DOWLING

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"IT'S okay, just sew right off the edge," Edna Kotrola said, trying to teach a newcomer to the Quilts for Comfort quilting bee. "That's right, it won't hurt a thing."

The duo struggled for a few minutes lining the needle up to create a small hem. Both pairs of hands worked together, one as a teacher, one as a student hoping to master a new skill.

Instructing a new quilter is all part of the job for Kotrola, who created the non-profit group Quilts for Comfort in 1999. Her dream was to offer a little bit of comfort to the area's sick children, while rediscovering quilting as a social event.

Now, almost six years later, Kotrola's vision has come to fruition. The group draws quite a crowd. Nearly 3,000 men, women and children have contributed to the 2,933 quilts that have been donated to hospitals across the area.

The hand-made blankets wrap infants suffering from AIDS, under developed hearts and other serious medical conditions in a bit of warmth and

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Mary Coffey puts the final touches on her quilt. After she finishes, it will be sent to a local hospital to comfort a sick infant.

Council wants info

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE Newark City Council decided at its Jan. 10 meeting to take a proactive approach to learning more about possible changes at the Newark Country Club.

Developer William Stritzinger has proposed purchasing the West Main Street property, building a development on the site, and relocating the Newark golf club to Maryland. A club membership vote on the swap is expected Jan. 20.

City officials have not yet seen any plans for the Newark property nor heard details about the swap.

The council voted unanimously Monday, approving a resolution that would push for a meeting between involved parties and an open sharing of information.

"I have heard from some people that this is a private matter and that we shouldn't take action like this," Councilman Karl Kalbacher said. "But this is a major parcel of land in the city. I think this is a good start. We want to signify publicly that we want to begin a dialogue."

Vacancy to be filled

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AFTER a series of extended deadlines, the Christina School Board has announced a candidate to fill its seventh seat.

At the meeting on Tuesday, the Board members voted to "extend an invitation" to Beverly Howell to fill the District D position left vacant by the resignation of Christopher Reed in October.

Howell, of Newark, is a 34-year resi-

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Newark man arrested on drug charges

MEMBERS of the Governors Task Force and the Department of Probation and Parole (GTF) arrested a Newark man on numerous weapon and drug charges, after conducting a search at his home.

On Thursday, Jan. 6, at about 12:21 a.m., GTF members went to the first block of Sandlewood Drive to conduct an administrative search at the residence of probationer, Ronald M. Birowski.

Police reported that upon arrival to the residence, a roommate advised officers that Birowski was not in the residence. However, during the search, officers discovered Birowski was hiding in a closet. Police said GTF members discovered a Smith and Wesson .45 caliber revolver, four marijuana plants, 139 grams of marijuana, 4.3 grams of cocaine, 2.5 Ecstasy tablets, 13 Oxycodone tablets, five Oxycodone tablets, and assorted drug paraphernalia.

Police said further investigation revealed that Birowski is prohibited from possessing a firearm due to a previous drug conviction.

Police said that Birowski, 24, was charged with possession with intent to deliver cocaine, cultivating marijuana, possession with intent to deliver marijuana, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, maintaining a dwelling for drugs, possession of a firearm by a person prohibited, possession of ammunition by person prohibited, possession of Ecstasy, possession of Oxycodone, possession of Oxycodone, possession of drug paraphernalia, resisting arrest and conspiracy. Albert W. Climaldi, 22, was charged with hindering prosecution, maintaining a dwelling for drugs, and conspiracy, police said.

Birowski was committed to Howard R. Young Correctional Facility on a \$53,000 secured bond. Climaldi was also committed on a \$3,000 secured bond.

Alarm thwarts intruders

A blaring burglar alarm sent suspects scurrying before officers arrived at Liberty Resource Inc., 532 Capitol Trail, Newark police said.

An alarm sounded at 10 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 9, and officers arrived to learn intruders had broken the glass in a rear door, reached through and turned the dead bolt to gain access to the office.

Apparently, motion detectors activated the alarm and the burglars fled without taking any property from the business, police said.

Arrests made at trash-filled Newark home

Newark parents Ronald Nickle and Dana Barks were arrested after their two children were found inside their trash and feces-filled home, according to New Castle County police.

On Thursday, Jan. 6, county police executed a search warrant for an unrelated issue at a home in the 1200 block of Flanders Way.

When police arrived, they knocked on the door, but received no answer but officers heard noise inside. Moments later, a man ran out of the back door and he was quickly apprehended by officers.

As officers entered the home, they were met with the combined smell of

dog feces, trash and rotten food. Police said they found dog feces in almost every room, closet, bed and article of clothing in the residence. Among the trash and other soiled items, detectives found suspected marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Nickle and Barks each were charged with two counts of endangering the welfare of a child, two counts of unlawful dealing with a child, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest. Their arraignment was pending. The children have temporarily been placed with a family member, police said.

Robbed at gunpoint

A 53-year-old employee was robbed at gunpoint inside Village Imports, 165 E. Main St., on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 7:15 p.m.

Police said the suspect showed a handgun to the female clerk and ordered her to the floor. The robber grabbed cash from the register and was last seen walking toward South Chapel Street.

The gunman is described as a white male, 20 to 25 years of age, about 5'8" tall with a thin build. The robber was wearing wrap-around sunglasses, a dark hooded sweatshirt and tight-fitting black pants, police said.

The store employee was not injured.

Any person with information about the crime is asked to contact Det. Bryda, 366-7110, ext. 132, or phone anonymous tips to Crime Stoppers, 800-TIP-3333.

Assault arrests

Two men were arrested moments after three University of Delaware students were assaulted in the rear

yard of a home in the unit block North Chapel Street on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 2:12 a.m.

An officer on patrol reported he was flagged down by a man who said he had just been attacked while attending a party and that a group of men were still beating his friends.

When he arrived, one officer reported he saw several males dragging and kicking one of the victims. He arrested one suspect as the others fled. A few moments later, another man was taken into custody, police said.

One victim had only minor injuries. Another suffered a bloody nose and cut on his right ear. The third victim had a cut eye and cuts in his face, police said. A fourth victim was pushed to the ground when she attempted to halt the attacks.

Witnesses told police the assaults took place when several uninvited party attendees were told to leave.

Vasilios George Pavlakis, 25, of Townsend, and Zachery Tyler Feeney, 23, of Newark, each were charged with assault and offensive touching, police said. They were released pending court appearances.

Cash disappears

A large amount of cash disappeared from a desk drawer of a home in the unit block East Cleveland Avenue, it was reported to Newark police on Sunday, Jan. 9, at 2:06 a.m.

The owner, a waitress, told police she had placed the cash in an envelope and put it in the drawer. After leaving while others remained in the home, she returned and discovered the cash missing.

Investigation is continuing, police said.

Altercation at Kate's

No arrests were immediately made after police discovered an altercation on the front deck of Klondike Kate's, 158 E. Main St., on Sunday, Jan. 9, at 1:05 a.m.

Three bar employees told police a patron got into an altercation inside and would not leave. The customer said he was pushed as he was being escorted out of the restaurant. During a scuffle, one restaurant worker was bruised and suffered a cut lip, police said.

Procedures to obtain warrants were explained to all parties.

16-year-old charged

A 16-year-old Wilmington youth was charged with driving without a license and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle after a Newark officer stopped a 1995 Hyundai near Wilson Road and Sypher Drive on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 11:51 p.m.

Police learned the driver was not licensed and that the car had been taken without permission from an auto body shop. The car was towed and the youth was released to a family member pending court appearances.

Rubber mats stolen

Eight red rubber mats were stolen from behind Caffé Gelato, 90 E. Main St., it was reported to Newark police at 4:55 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 6.

Indecent exposure

Newark police arrested Antonio Terrell, 35, of Newark, on Wednesday, Jan. 5, at 2:37 p.m., and charged him with indecent exposure second degree.

A woman told police a man exposed himself as she sat inside her car on the K-mart parking lot at College Square.

Police said Terrell was arraigned and held on \$300 secured bond.

Report suspicious persons quickly, Newark police urge

NEWARK police are asking residents, young and old, to be vigilant for suspicious persons after elderly citizens were victims of three home invasions recently.

Any person who notices strangers acting suspiciously near homes of elderly neighbors should call 9-1-1 immediately and let officers investigate, police said.

As well, in light of a string of burglaries in the past 10 weeks in the Fairfield, Fairfield Crest, Nottingham Green, Silverbrook, Nottingham Manor and Oaklands neighborhoods, residents should immediately report any suspicious person or condition to police.

The latest home invasion victim, an 83-year-old man, was robbed in his home in the 300 block Paper Mill Road early Tuesday morning.

Newark police also are investigating a home invasion that took place in the 200 block Peach Road about 9:15 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 6. An 83-year-old victim told police that he was

forced to turn over cash to an intruder.

Another home was hit on Wednesday, Jan. 5 at 1:30 a.m. in the Silverbrook section of Newark. While the victim, an elderly female, was asleep in her bed, she heard a noise. Within seconds, a man who is described as being between 5'02" and 5'08"

and of average build appeared in her bedroom. He told her he wanted money. She turned over an undisclosed amount of cash. He then fled.

The burglary suspect or suspects have been targeting homes in older neighborhoods, most with woods nearby to shield their approach and escape.

Police believe the home invasions and burglaries may be related.

Suspicious persons should be reported immediately to 9-1-1 but anyone with formation about the five dozen recent residential and commercial burglaries is asked to call Newark police at 366-7120.



Farrell will not seek reelection, Pomeroy announces candidacy

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NEWARK'S District 1 city council representative had barely announced that he would not seek another term Monday night when a contender to be a replacement surfaced.

Newark City Councilman John Farrell stated he would not seek reelection once his term expires in April. He did not cite reasons to fellow councilmembers for the decision.

Newark resident Paul Pomeroy immediately announced he will run for the council post.

Farrell, announcing his decision not to run has been bitter-sweet, said he enjoyed his opportunity to serve. "It has been rewarding for me," he said. "I feel like I've been able to help my neighbors, which is why I got into this in the first place."

Despite what he calls "a good experience," Farrell believes now is a good time to step down from his duties as a councilman.

"It's time," he said. "It's time to let someone else have his chance at this for a while."

Newark Mayor Vance Funk said that Farrell would be sorely

missed.

"The thing is with this council, each member brings something different to the table," Funk said. "Each member has a different view and that balances itself out. We will miss him."

Farrell saw a lot of changes in the city during his tenure on the council. He has served nearly six years under two mayors. He has seen the concept of an independent water supply turn into a near reality, a legal nightmare, and then a realistic goal for a completed reservoir once again. He was around for the closing of the Curtis Paper Mill as a business and was on council during the brainstorming for its future.

Some perennial problems have transcended his time in public office. Alcohol has remained a serious, unresolved issue. So has parking and crime.

But now those issues face whoever becomes his successor.



Farrell



Pomeroy

At the time of publication, only Pomeroy has announced plans to run.

"I was not thinking about running when I first heard that John might not run for reelection," Pomeroy admitted. "But a bunch of people that I respect around town asked if I'd be interested."

But it was not just encouragement from the right people that helped his decision evolve. "What it really came down to was that I found myself so invested in issues that affect Newark," he said. "My family, my friends, my life is in Newark, and this is an opportunity to serve city that I love."

In November, Pomeroy ran for the vacant State Representative slot for District 23 after Rep. Timothy Boulden chose not to seek reelection.

Pomeroy lost the hotly contested race by a margin of about seven percent to the Democrat victor Terry Schooley.

But Pomeroy said that the fall campaign gave him priceless insight into the hearts and minds of Newarkers. "I got to know the issues so much during campaign and how passionate that the people are," he said. "It was a great opportunity."

The candidate said that if elected, he hopes to live up to the legacy the Farrell would be leaving behind. "I hope to carry on in the tradition that John and others before him have created," he said. "I know a lot of folks have a big picture vision for Newark and I want to play a role in that."

For Pomeroy, those issues center on the future of Main Street, combating crime, preserving open space and alleviating traffic.

"These are the issues that face us now," he said. "And as towns evolve, you have to think about what city is going to be like 10 15 years down line. That means working with stakeholders in the community - the city, the university and local government - to understand what we want the city to be like. It's got to be a combination effort."

CITY BRIEFS

Demolition of mill funded

Partial demolition will begin soon at the Curtis Paper Mill, now that a bid has been accepted on the project. The Newark City Council approved a \$135,000 demolition proposal from Holley Enterprises at its Jan. 10 meeting.

"Now we're at a stage where we can clear out all of the debris that's hanging," said Assistant Administrator Carol Houck. "Right now we don't know what we have to work with."

Students get place on agenda

At the Newark City Council meeting on Jan. 10, the council proposed a new section on the agenda designed for University of Delaware students to have time to present their agenda, news items and other points of interest.

This comes after some argument from the community that students, who this year began speaking at the meeting under time traditionally earmarked for university administration, were taking advantage of the agenda's design.

"This is an important body," Councilman Karl Kalbacher said. "And having them on the agenda creates better dialogue."

Golf club to decide on land swap plan

Newark Country Club members have until Jan. 20 to decide if they want to swap the Main Street property for a new club facility in nearby Maryland.

Newark developer William Stritzinger has proposed a hotly-contested single-family home development, which would be called Aston Pointe, on the Maryland property. The country club would then relocate in Maryland in a land swap and the Newark property would transfer to Stritzinger.

Green and mean

Newark City Council has not forgotten the city's request to make green energy more available. The last city-wide survey, the results of which were announced in October, found that 57 percent of Newarkers are interested in paying a premium for green energy. Councilman Kevin Vonck asked council to stay vigilant about the issue and put it on this year's agenda.

UNIVERSITY LIAISON TELLS CITY COUNCIL

Enrollment spike, new building expected

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE University of Delaware expects to see a few new faces in the next few years, according to university representative Rick Armitage.

He told the Newark City Council at its meeting on Jan. 10 that the university is planning for a small spike in undergraduate enrollment in two years, but otherwise plans to maintain its current enrollment size for the foreseeable future.

The school also plans for some renovation projects, but only one new building is proposed for construction on the Newark campus.

Head count up

Enrollment in the past 10 years has been fairly predictable, with each incoming class averaging about 3,300 students, Armitage told the council. That has kept the combined undergraduate and graduate total averaging around 21,100 students.

"The only reason we would

have to change that is if there is a demographic need in the area," Armitage said.

He listed other schools, like those in California and Maryland, which have needed to increase class size because of an increase in graduating high school seniors.

The university does expect such an increase in two years for an additional 2,000 students, but will limit any actual growth by decreasing out-of-state admissions as in-state enrollment climbs.

"That won't make too much of a difference," Armitage said.

A changing campus

The UD spokesman said the campus will undergo a few changes. Those already underway, such as the North Campus dormitory redesign, will be completed. The Pencader complex, which once housed 750 students, is in the process of being replaced with a series of three new buildings. The first of the new dormitories will be home to 500 students and will open next fall. The remaining two buildings, housing

a total of 150 more beds, will open the following year.

The Center for the Arts garage will open next week, as soon as the university receives its occupancy permit. This will provide parking for up to 717 cars, Armitage said.

The nearby Center for the Arts, will follow suit in September 2006. It will provide a new home for the university's performing arts programs, complete with a recital hall, music library, space for the marching band to practice, and a 450-seat theatre.

"The building is moving well along," Armitage said.

Three new projects are in the works. The first would provide a central location for the Foreign Languages and Literature department. The former Sigma Nu and Sigma Epsilon fraternity houses, located next to the Carpenter Sports Building, will be transformed into the department's headquarters. The buildings will have 60 faculty offices and a language lab.

"For years, the department was crammed into space in Smith Hall," Armitage said. "It never

had one place to call its own, and now it will."

The second project would revitalize Brown Laboratory. While the south wing was renovated in 1994, the rest of the building has remained unchanged since 1950.

The building, which is home to the chemistry department, will see new laboratories and lecture halls.

But the sciences at UD will gain the most from the third proposed project, the only one that calls for a new building.

This project would construct a building dedicated solely to laboratory sciences, giving students more access to hands-on learning experience.

Construction is expected "later this decade," according to Armitage. While the plans are still in the early phases, a site on the corner of Academy and Lovette has been proposed.

"It is still three or four years before we have some real plans together," he told the council.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

NOTE PAD

Holiday schedule

Schools and offices in the Christina School District will be closed Monday, Jan. 17, in observance of the Martin Luther King holiday. Classes will resume Tuesday.

Drinking on rise

College students aren't the only ones who binge drink.

According to a 2003 survey conducted by the University of Delaware's Drug and Alcohol Studies and administered by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, 28 percent of all 11th graders and 11 percent of all eighth graders admit to binge drinking - having three or more drinks at a time - within two weeks of the survey being conducted.

And most students who reported having one drink in the past month also reported binge drinking in the past two weeks.

The percentage of 11th graders who drink and drive increased in 2003 after several years of decline, the study shows. About one out of every eight students in each of the eighth and 11th grades surveyed reported riding in a car with a drunken driver in the month prior to the survey.

The full 119-page report is online at the Drug-Free Delaware Web site at www.state.de.us/drugfree.

Student of Week

Jeremy Euston, a fifth grader at Bancroft Elementary School, was selected by Assistant Principal Eric

Stephens as this week's Student of the Week. Jeremy is a good student, consistently getting good

grades. Using his leadership, he can take charge of a group and help everyone else. His teacher, Colleen Mulhern, said other students follow Jeremy and try to compete with him, which is a good thing in the classroom.



Euston

Eager to learn

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THREE little piggies sat down in their houses. Eva sat in her house of straw. Sean sat in his house of sticks and Gabriel sat in his house of bricks.

"Knock, knock, knock," said Ryan, the big bad wolf, as he approached each little piggie. "By the hair of my chinie, chin, chin, let me come in or I'll blow your house down."

He huffed and he puffed and he blew their houses down, figuratively speaking, all except the house of bricks, of course.

As the three- and four-year-olds role played one of their favorite nursery rhymes in one corner, E.J. was leaving the room with his speech therapist.

"Do it quick," he commanded the therapist, nearly flying out the door and heading down the hallway to the specialist's room.

E.J. had a job to do that day and he did not want to be late returning to his room.

"I'm the doorholder," he said proudly. "I hold it open so everyone can go through."

In another room three-year-

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

"Look what I found," exclaimed one three-year-old after digging through the classroom sandbox at Brader School. Preschoolers in the Wings For Learning program are encouraged to explore and learn through play, with many hands-on experiences that provide growth in social, emotional and language skills as a foundation for their academic learning.

Budding scientists test their theories

Fair brings out creativity, curiosity

FROM eggs, to metals, to the human brain, students at Bancroft Elementary School in the Christina School District were curious as to how they worked, what they do, and why they should care.

At the school's annual science fair on Friday, Jan. 7, 75 students showed their ability to use scientific reasoning, thought process and problem solving. The entries were assessed by three judges with the top six entries in exhibits/demonstrations and experiments receiving recognition. Top entries will now go into competition at the county and then, potentially, state level.

The top six entries in each category are:

Exhibits/Demonstrations: First place: Joseph Campana,

Hovercraft; Second place: Christopher Boyle, How much weight can a truss bridge hold; Third place: Anyan Staford, Human brain; Fourth place: Christian McHugh, Mysteries of clouds; Fifth place: Jessica Bishop, Global pollution; and Sixth place: Mark Morakinyo, Hyperline Tracker.

Experiments: First place: Julie Bailey and Nicole Mahaney, What egg-zactly do they do; Second place: Paige Hartsoe and Christina Simmons, Detergent mystery; Third place: Shaili Shah, Electrolysis - what is water made of; Fourth Place (tie): Maria Oei, Moving in the wind; and Brittany Baga and Bethanne Morris, How different metals react with acids; Fifth place: Preeti Jain, Paper chromatography; Sixth place (tie): Tyler Prusisz, Lights out for the Bunny; and Marshilla Brahma, How does fertilizer affect plants.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOHN LLERA

It's lights out for the Bunny if he doesn't use the right battery. After experimenting with a variety of batteries for flashlights, CD players, cameras and Game Boys, Tyler Prusisz explained to Mayor James Baker which batteries performed the longest to keep the Bunny going.

School expands, program expands at Brader

► PRESCHOOL, from 4

olds were having snack time, but with a twist. Before taking a treat, they had to take a number card that would determine how many pieces of treat they could have at one time. One teacher patiently had each child count out their treats before eating.

"Can you say 'please'?" she coached one youngster.

Megan wasn't excited about today's selection of snacks. But that was okay with her. She went to the reading corner and plopped down in a pint-sized beanbag with a book about a snowman.

Soon it was time to put on coats, hats, gloves and backpacks and head to the waiting buses or parents' cars. The two and one half hours had gone by quickly. There was so much to do. Tomorrow they would have another chance to draw pictures, sponge paint, play in the sand box, listen to stories, build houses, sing songs, count numbers, learn letters, work with magnets or receive special help from a therapist.

Some children went out the door to head home, while others went to another classroom for an afternoon of childcare.

In just a few minutes the scene would be repeated in reverse, with more little people coming for the afternoon session.

Brader expanded

MORE than 200 three, four and five-year-olds attend the Christina School District's Wings For Learning preschool at Brader Elementary School, located off Rt. 896 in Four Seasons. Other facilities are located at Maclary Elementary School in Chapel Hill in Newark and Bancroft Elementary School in Wilmington.

Now in its fourth year at Brader, the program has recently expanded because of its newly constructed facility adjacent to the school.

With a ribbon-cutting ceremony in November, the facility now

has more space, allowing for additional enrollments and office space on site for occupational, physical and speech therapists. A preschool educational diagnostician and preschool psychologist, as well as a special education teacher have space within the facility to work with the students.

There are two classes of three-year-olds, one class of late three and four-year-olds mixed and two classes of four-year-olds in both the morning and the afternoon sessions.

Day care rooms are also within the same building, making the 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. childcare more assessable. Currently the childcare program at Brader is filled, with 30 children enrolled. Some are there for up to five hours per week, others are there for nearly 11 hours in the five days. Like the preschool portion of the program, some children are there two days a week, while others might be there four or five.

Maclary School has 60 students in two classes for three-year-olds and two for four-year-olds, both morning and afternoon. They come from the Downes, Maclary, West Park and Wilson Elementary School attendance areas.

Bancroft has one preschool and one childcare class to serve children in the district's portion of Wilmington.

Preschoolers from all other portions of the district, including Rt. 896, Rt. 40, Bear and Glasgow come to Brader.

Due to the growing demand for the preschool program, a proposal was made to the Board of Education to expand the program to two more schools in the next school year.

Learn by playing

EACH classroom has two certified teachers, one of which is an early childhood educator and one is a special educator, and one paraprofessional. The classes are set up in a Team Approach to Mastery (TAM) model, with approximately one third of the students being special education, free of tuition, and two

thirds being tuition-paid.

The students follow a creative curriculum that is based on the philosophy of learning through play. Learning letters and numbers is integrated into their play structure, with guidance from the teachers. The children are encouraged to learn through exploration, ask questions and share their knowledge in prepara-

tion for future academic learning.

"We are not all day care and not babysitters," said Lisa Lawson, director of the preschool program for the Christina School District. "There is a social and emotional basis for everything."

Originally established to service children of Christina teachers and staff, Wings For Learning now accepts all children, space

permitting, as long as they are residents of the Christina district and must be three or four years old by Aug. 31.

Applications are now being received for the 2005-2006 school year.

For information on the tuition rates and application process, visit www.christina.k12.de.us or call 454-2500.



NEWARK POST POST BY ROBIN BROOMALL

A DIFFERENT KIND OF HERO

In an effort to show students that heroes are made in more places than just on the basketball court or the football field, the national PTA is sponsoring a nationwide contest to draw attention to literacy and the arts. The contest, Reflections: A Different Kind of Hero, will accept entries in the visual and performing arts, including music, painting, photography, dancing, acting, writing, and more. Many schools throughout the Christina School District will participate. Individual talent nights will be held near the end of January with school winners advancing to state-level competition in March. Sixth grader from Bancroft Elementary School, Zach Wilson, above, played "Technique Break" on his flute as a demonstration to his classmates of his entry for the contest.

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WELCOME TO MY LIFE

The culture of underage drinking

By TRACY DOWNS

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

RECENTLY, I overheard my 5 and 7 year-old daughters role playing a scenario in which the 7 year-old was 20 and the 5 year-old was 19. Samantha, the "20 year-old," was telling her sister that the next day was her birthday and she would be able to drink a beer. What?! I was glad that she knew the drinking age is 21 years old, but wondered what prompted that scenario.

On the flip-side, I conducted an alcohol education program on campus where a student asked me why the University of Delaware's Public Safety officers are so strict about underage drinking. I couldn't believe I had to explain to a college student that the police are doing their job by enforcing a law that states it is illegal for anyone under the age of 21 to possess or consume alcohol.

Next to jaywalking, I suspect that drinking alcohol under the age of 21 is the most widely broken law in the United States. The average age of first alcohol use among youth in our country is 12 years old. In a survey of Delaware ninth graders, 40 percent reported using alcohol before the age of 13. This compares to only 20 percent of twelfth graders who report using alcohol before the age of 13, indicating that the problem is getting worse instead of better. In 2003, 43 percent of Delaware eleventh graders report drinking alcohol and 28 percent fall into the category of "binge drinkers."

This illustrates the dilemma that college and university administrators face when trying to reduce underage drinking and alcohol abuse. If incoming freshmen aren't already drinking, many of them certainly have the intention to drink, or perceptions about the culture of drinking in college, once they arrive.

Where are they getting these ideas? From several sources. Young people are bombarded by alcohol advertisements that glorify drinking and link alcohol consumption with everything we do. From watching sports to almost every holiday from Halloween to Cinco de Mayo, we get

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Downs

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the impression that we would be having a better time if we were drinking a “cold one.”

And it's not just direct advertising on television programs and in magazines that deliver these messages to young people. It's also through shows like MTV's "Real World" where the action revolves around alcohol. These shows portray alcohol use and abuse, mostly by underage people, in a glamorous way, with little to no attention paid to the negative consequences. I've heard from my students, many of whom are underage, that their younger brothers and sisters as young as 12 years old are fans of these shows.

Unfortunately, many parents let their teens drink or look the other way. Parents often believe that using alcohol is not as serious as “doing” drugs. They fail to acknowledge that alcohol is a drug and causes more problems for young people than all other drugs combined. Besides, they not only give teens a taste for alcohol at an early age, they inadvertently send the message that breaking the law is okay. Is there really any harm to letting an underage person have an occasional drink with dinner or at a celebration? I don't know, but I also don't think that parents should be enablers.

Then there are societal attitudes. I've been called anti-alcohol, anti-business, and a neo-prohibitionist. And I just heard a new one: temperance Nazi. Those of us who talk about alcohol abuse as a public health problem are often subjected to these labels and name-calling by the alcohol industry and its supporters in an attempt to discredit our message. Underage students do not make decisions on whether or not to drink inside of a vacuum. There are several outside influences that contribute to their decisions on when and how much to drink. If alcohol were promoted, sold, and consumed more responsibly, there would be far fewer problems for drinkers and society.

Unfortunately, college drinking won't change much until our culture changes the

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, from the files of the University of Delaware Archives, Out Of The Attic features a view of Academy Street, Penny Hall, Thompson Hall, and Lane Hall that was shot on March 20, 1958, looking southeast. According to Ian Janssen of the UD Archives, this photograph was taken during a late winter storm (note the downed power lines) and prior to the construction of many of the East Campus structures, such as the Delaware Geological Survey building and the East Campus residence complexes. Readers are encouraged to send old photos to the Newark Post, “Out of the Attic,” 168 Elkton Road, Newark 19711. Special care will be taken. For information, call 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

■ Jan. 16, 1930

Newark horse can do things

A thoroughly human-like horse that can tell the number of past presidents of the United States, the number of States in the Union, that can add, multiply, and subtract by bowing or shaking its head, and can dance a waltz beautifully and gracefully in addition to its other accomplishments, is owned by Lieut. Col. Samuel J. Smith, Chaplains' Corps, U. S. Army, retired, 222 South College Avenue, Newark.

The horse, “Prince of Aver II” is a 7-8 English thoroughbred, is a son of “Goldseeker,” who was imported from Scotland to near Sheridan, Wyoming,

some time in the 90's, and has been in Chaplain Smith's possession ever since he was three-years-old.

“Prince” is now past 18 and is retired from active service after having traveled in his day with Chaplain Smith the length

and breadth of the United States.

Mercy in law asserts jurist

“I must use my heart as well as my head and my head as well as my heart in imposing sentence on those found guilty in this court,” Judge Hugh M. Morris, of the U. S. District Court, in Wilmington, stated Friday morning.

“The value of severe sentences is doubtful and I will not impose a sentence with any idea of vengeance. This court is not concerned in making men smart, but rather in convincing them by fair and just treatment, leaning a little toward leniency, perhaps, that the govern-



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

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Letter to the editor: Look at alternatives

To: The editor

From: John A. Worton
Newark

THERE has been a spate of articles and letters regarding the proposed "swap" of the Newark Country Club properties with the Aston Pointe development in Maryland. The club's president asserts that this is a private transaction, and that he is determined to see the proposal to a vote on Jan. 20.

I respect the right of the

Newark Country Club, if it were strictly a "private" organization, to conduct its affairs without community involvement.

However, the country club operates as a non-profit organization under tax-exempt provisions of the IRS Code. In addition to the tax benefits received under this status, the proposed "swap" is structured to take advantage of the club's non-profit status, so as to minimize taxes on the transaction.

It seems to me that, in return for receiving benefits from the

commonwealth, the country club has a reciprocal obligation to serve the "common good." In pursuit of the Aston proposal, the club's leaders have limited any consideration of alternative efforts by the community at large to retain the club's properties as open space. Instead, Newark is facing the prospect of forever losing this open space and being saddled with infrastructure costs and stresses resulting from a huge, new development.

The proposed deal rides on the developer's promise to build a new golf course in Maryland. The Cecil County Commissioners, at a hearing last week, delayed action on the developer's request to amend the regulations for water and sewage disposal, pending review by appropriate Maryland authorities. This action may take weeks or months, but until such determination, the developer likely will not proceed. Why then, does the club not delay voting on the proposed swap? If the club votes Jan. 20 to accept the proposal, the Newark Country Club property will be under the control of the developer. The club will be precluded from considering any alternatives.

Why are the leaders of the Newark Country Club so hell-bent on pushing through the Aston Pointe proposal? Why is there not opportunity for discussion with the community at large, in return for the community's involvement in and support of the club for so many years?

'Take a stand now'

To: The editor

From: Jennifer Proctor
Newark

PRESIDENT Bush is endangering my retirement and the retirements of millions of Americans by taking the first step in his plan to dismantle Social Security.

THE *Newark Post* wants to let readers have their say, for or against, praising or criticizing, and to vent their frustrations over what they usually perceive to be an injustice. Yet we do not want to print unsubstantiated allegations or rumors.

Generally the subject of a letter is someone in government or a public issue. That's okay with us. We see that as a fact of life.

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We expect your name, address and daytime phone number to be on the letter as well as your signature. The phone number will not appear in the newspaper; it is for our use only. All letters subject to editing. Mail to: *The Newark Post*, Suite 206, 168 Elkton Road, Newark, DE 19711.

Recently, White House sources revealed their plan to cut promised benefits to retirees by nearly a third. And these cuts are guaranteed — whether you opt in to the Bush plan or not.

For those entering the workforce today, that means more than a 25 percent cut in the retirement benefits they're counting on; for their children, it guarantees a 46 percent cut.

We can't stand by and let George W. Bush and the Republicans cut our promised guaranteed retirement benefits — especially when so many of us are counting on Social Security to help us lead a happy, healthy life when we retire.

We need to take a stand now before every option we have left is eliminated.

Governor announces aid package for Chrysler

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ment is their friend and wants to help them be good citizens."

■ Jan. 16, 1980

Legislators wary of Chrysler aid package

Gov. Pierre S. du Pont briefed legislators and Chrysler officials Tuesday on his proposal to loan \$5 million to aid the financially-troubled automaker.

Prior to the meeting area legislators expressed support for the aid package, but felt some questions needed to be answered. At least one, Rep. James P. Neal (R-25th) said he would introduce an amendment to the bill to provide a stock option plan for employees.

Du Pont unveiled his proposal at a press conference Saturday

morning at Local 1183 United Auto Workers union hall in Newark. The governor said he was proposing the loan to "help Chrysler remain in business in Delaware and across the country."

■ Jan. 14, 2000

Bus link sought for Newark-Elkton

If an Newark-Elkton bus line is to start later this year, as Delaware and Cecil transportation officials hope, a substantial kink needs to be worked out first.

"Right now, we're looking to find out how it will be funded," said Cecil County planner Eric Sennstrom. "Everybody has been receptive to the idea. The legality and insurance issues have been looked at and also proposed routes and schedules."

The most likely scenario for a bus service would have commuters shuttling between Elkton's Amtrak station and Newark, Sennstrom said.

Overlapping oversight overdone, says mayor

The city of Newark has too many fingers in the broth of traffic flowing downtown, according to some members of city council.

"Do we have a problem of overlapping authority with the Newark Traffic Relief Committee?" asked District 6 member Gerald Grant, noting that traffic group had apparently talked to the Delaware Department of Transportation directly about signals at Main Street crosswalks instead of making a recommendation through council.

"I was going to talk to (NTRC chair) David Athey and DeDOT," said Mayor Hal Godwin. "I think the NTRC has gained more influence than we're comfortable with - they're not supposed to set policy - that's for (council) to do."

Difficult to fight societal influences

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way it views and uses alcohol. We can spend significant resources educating students to drink responsibly if they choose to drink and providing alternative activities to drinking.

But it's an uphill battle due to a powerful and influential alcohol industry that can set attitudes about alcohol by the way products are marketed and aggressively block any efforts to implement effective, research-based policies and increased law enforcement.

Although I will not provide alcohol to my daughters before they are legally allowed to drink, it will be difficult to counteract the other societal influences that make it so attractive and easy for young people to do so.

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OUTLOOK

Helping your kids

By MARIA PIPPIDIS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

BACK to the school schedule after the holidays can be a hard transition especially when it comes to homework. We all understand the intent of homework is to reinforce learning that has taken place at school. It provides an opportunity to master skills taught in school, prepares children for future class discussions and activities, completes class work not finished at school, encourages independence, creativity and reading, and develops a sense of discipline and organization.

With all of this going for it, how does it sometimes turn into such a battle? Homework can become a power struggle between parents and children with parents nagging, and children finding ways to procrastinate doing homework. Before too long both parents and children see homework as a chore or even a punishment.

Don't despair parents. Here are some pointers to help with this daily challenge. First, don't nag. Instead, set up specific expectations for when and where homework should be done. Let children help make these decisions. Agree on consequences if these expectations are not met.

Establish a nightly quiet or study time. If children have no homework, or it's finished early, encourage them to spend the time reading. This routine avoids rewarding children for completing their homework as quickly as possible so they can play. During this quiet time parents can be good role models by reading, writing letters or paying bills. The length of time depends on the child's age and homework load. Elementary-age children may need to take a break every 15 - 30 minutes;

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

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If the shoe fits...

After helping more than 5,000 local students, Glauser's still going strong

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

FOR thousands of school children in Delaware, Joanne Glauser is a hero. She's helped them find a sense of pride, self-esteem and individuality when it seemed that no one else would.

If you ask her, she'll never admit that what she does is unique.

She'll tell you that there are lots of amazing volunteers and social workers out there. She'll tell you that they are the heroes.

But what Glauser forgets to admit is that she is playing the role of a hero in addition to working full time and caring for her own family.

Glauser tops off her daily tasks by working an additional 15 hours per week to collect new clothes for the area's underprivileged children.

She hunts down funding, seeks out bargains and finds gloves that fit even the tiniest of fingers.

The busy banking professional heads up Delaware's branch of Shoes That Fit. It's a program that is sorely needed in the area. It collects new clothing for children who might not otherwise have any. But it outfits kids with more than a new pair of shoes. It eliminates the stress of not fitting in because your jeans are older than you, or a size too big.

"It's funny," she said. "As my kids keep getting older, you hear more stories about how this kid is weird because of this or that. And I'm left thinking, 'How can I not do something?' This is impacting kids' lives. For some of them, this is the first time that they're not wearing second-hand clothes.

"Often times how a child perceives themselves is developed by what they're wearing and the feedback they get when they walk into a classroom. This has a much wider impact than finding out if a child has shoes or a coat?"

Joanne discovered the national program while reading a 1998 issue of Family Circle. The magazine explained what the program did and how far its reach extends.

The article granted the group instant fame and thousands of letters poured in asking how to help. Glauser was one of the potential volunteers.

It took several months for the national headquarters to get back to Glauser. She was on maternity leave with her daughter when she finally was contacted.

From that point on, there was no stopping her. Things snowballed almost overnight.

She began her efforts at Bancroft Elementary, collecting uniform pieces for the kindergartners. But Glauser quickly realized the need was much greater than just serving a few students at one school.

"My husband and I did that for about a year,"



Joanne Glauser searches through another box of coats, shoes, gloves and scarves. She will sort through enough clothing to supply 11 Clothing Closets throughout Delaware.

Glauser explained. "We were very naive when we started. But slowly I realized I have to get funding. I have to keep my name out so volunteers can reach me. And more importantly, we can't just do one school."

Over the few short years Glauser has worked with Shoes That Fit, she has dressed 5,100 students and provided 34,000 items of clothing. Despite the amazing rate at which she has worked, she still remains modest.

"How can I say I'm overwhelmed? There are so many other people out there doing more than I am, working 50 hours a week."

But Glauser is searching for help. She needs more people to help set up a closet at a local school. She also needs volunteers to spend the money she's raised on clothing. Those who are interested in donating their time, or just some money or new clothing items, can reach her at 234-9319.

You can learn America's history through cartoons

I would like to begin today with an American History Quiz.

Q: Who and what did it take to bring down Al Capone and his Chicago based gangsters?

A: Elliot Ness, The Untouchables and the U.S. Treasury Department.

Q: Who and what did it take to bring down arch criminal John Dillinger?

A: J. Edgar Hoover and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Q: Who and what did it take to bring down the Tamany Hall political machine and Boss Tweed in New York?

A: A cartoonist named Thomas Nast! Impressive, huh?

You can learn much more about cartoons and cartoonists now through Feb. 13 at the Brandywine River Museum presents "Cartoons and Caricatures

THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

from the Collection." And their BRM cartoon collection is fabulous.

This exhibition features illustrations that examine and illuminate a variety of social, political and cultural issues from the 19th

and 20th centuries.

Included are approximately 43 watercolors and pen and ink drawings by 32 well-known humorists.

The art of the cartoon and caricature became popular in America during the second half of the 19th century.

The common thread in early images is their focus on political events. Thomas Nast's "Let Him Go!" and "Bismarck Putting It in His Pipe to Smoke" were composed for Harper's Weekly in the late 1880s. Nast, famous for his biting humor, quickly gained a reputation as an enemy of scoundrels in public office. His assault on William Marcy Tweed, Chairman of New York's Democratic Party, incensed Tweed who complained, "I don't care so much what the papers write about me. My constituents can't read. But, damn it, they can see pictures!"

And see the pictures they did, issue after issue until the spotlight shone so brightly on the political gangsters that a new broom swept clean. Of course New York being New York, it didn't stay clean very long.

There are so many cartoons and cartoonists selected by BRM for this show from their huge collection that you do need to allow plenty of time to take it all in. It would be incorrect to think of this exhibit as "fluff."

Like Nast, Edward W. Kemble also concentrated on political and economic ills. "Sole Owner and Proprietor," his 1902 cartoon for Life magazine, attacks trusts that manipulated votes in the U.S. Senate. Kemble and Nast worked



This is but one of the cartoons on exhibit right now at the Brandywine River Museum in "Cartoons and Caricatures from the Collection." This one is a caricature of Jimmy Powers by Alfred J. Fruch. The show continues through Feb. 13.

together at the Daily Graphic during the 1880s, and their styles are similar. Kemble established the elephant and donkey as the symbols for the Republican and Democratic parties in "I Go, but Remember, I Will Return" (1913) and "I'm Afraid this is to be the Maddest, Merriest Inauguration of My Whole Career" (ca. 1900).

Prior to W.W. II, Rube Goldberg created Professor Lucifer Gorgonzola Butts, an inventor of complex contraptions that accomplish simple tasks. Goldberg's humorous and imagi-

native creations, such as "Perpetual Motion Machine-An Invention" earned him the title of "greatest engineering cartoonist." His name became synonymous with complicated drawings of anything.

The exhibition also features cartoons and caricatures from the mid- and late- 20th century by artists such as Ronald Searle, Al Hirschfeld, David Levine, Charles Addams and Charles M. Schulz. British born Searle poked fun at American culture in works such as "Florida" (1950) which depicts fat men and buxom ladies on a Miami beach. In "The Odd Couple" and "George C. Scott," Hirschfeld skillfully represents theater performers with very few flowing lines. Levine's masterful command of line drawing is apparent in "General Custer" (1971).

Of course, the collection includes Charles M. Schulz's inimitable "Peanuts" cartoon strip featuring Snoopy as a vulture receiving advice from Linus. It would be incomplete without dear Peanuts.

The museum is an easy drive from this area. It is on U.S. Rt. 1 where it crosses the Brandywine River in nearby Chadds Ford, Pa. It is open daily, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Admission is \$8 for adults; \$5 for seniors ages 65 and over, students with I.D., and children ages 6 to 12; and free for children under six.

For more information, call 610-388-2700 or visit the museum's web site at www.brandywinemuseum.org.

Enjoy.

Helping with homework can build relationships

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older children can usually concentrate for 30-45 minutes at a time.

Provide a place to study that is quiet and free of distractions. Make sure there is good lighting, and a desk or table with a comfortable chair.

Help children keep track of assignments and projects on a calendar or in an assignment journal.

Be interested in assignments and available to help. Start by helping children understand the directions for the assignment. Have children read the directions out-loud or read them together. Help children identify and assemble all the supplies they will need to complete the assignment (pencil, calculator, dictionary). If children are still unsure what to do, parents can complete one or two examples, but not every question.

Check homework and have children correct any mistakes. Pointing out mistakes while keeping children feeling positive about you and their work is very tricky. One suggestion is to ask children how they got the answer. They may discover their own mistake. Praise right answers, creative thinking, problem solving and effort. Show children how to correct mistakes. If children are tired or frustrated you might offer to help by erasing while they take a quick break before they make needed corrections.

Recognize your limits and the frustration level between you and your child. In some cases it may be better to hire a tutor or older student to help your child. Talk to the teacher if your child does not

understand assignments, or struggles to complete them. Ask the teacher how much time completing nightly homework should take.

By working together, homework time can actually be a time for building relationships rather than breaking them down.

Newark swim instructors honored

Michael and Kateri Morton have been recognized as outstanding teachers by the United States Swim School Association in a countrywide competition for the fourth consecutive year.

Their program at the Greater Newark Boys and Girls Club has been recognized with such honors as the first position in the Top Aquatic Programs in the State of Delaware, seventh in the country for the Top 60 Aquatic Programs in the United States, 14th in the country for the Top 30 Swimming Instruction Programs in the United States, and ninth in the country for the Top 30 Aquatic Personal Trainer Programs in the United States.

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.

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GALLERY TOURS 2 p.m. Weekdays. Victoria Browning Wyeth, granddaughter of artist Andrew Wyeth, will guide public tours of works by Andrew Wyeth and by her uncle, Jamie Wyeth. The tours will include a discussion of the artists' media, techniques, subject matter, and use of models. Tickets are free with museum admission. Admission is \$8 for adults; \$5 for seniors ages 65 and over and students; free for children under six and members.

Brandywine River Museum, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Tour schedule is subject to change. Call in advance to confirm the tour. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

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VINES TO WINE SCHOOL Noon. Learn the winemaker's art and craft in this series. Learn about pruning, harvesting, blending and more. Taste the wine as it evolves. Admission is \$25. Cape May Winery, 709 Townbank Road, Cape May, N.J. Info., call 609-884-5404

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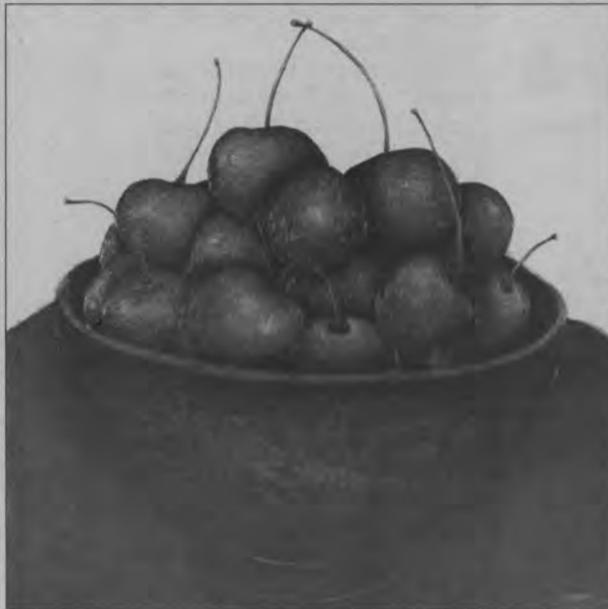
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LINE DANCING 1 p.m. beginner class; and 2 p.m. advanced class every Monday at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info., 737-2336.



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In May, Jacqueline Cornette's work will be part of a traveling exhibition featuring some of the nation's best encaustic artists - but this month you can see her paintings right in downtown Newark. "Fruit, Flowers and Vegetables," Cornette's solo show, is the January exhibit in the Main Gallery at the Newark Arts Alliance. Call 266-7266 for more information. Newark Arts Alliance, 100 Elkton Road, Newark, DE 19711

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19

BINGO 5 p.m. doors open & 6:55 p.m. games begin. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Mill Creek Fire Company sponsors this event every Wednesday. Mill Creek Volunteer Fire Company, 3900 Kirkwood Hwy., Wilmington. Snack bar is available. Info., call 994-6361.

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

THURSDAY

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BEGINNER LINE DANCE 6 p.m. Beginner classes at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

LATINO MAGAZINE NIGHT 5 p.m.-1 a.m. Never a cover. Always a good time. Come experience sophisticated night life at The Red Room, 550 Madison St., Wilmington. Info., 571-8440.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 - 6 p.m. Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band

Music at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info., 737-2336.

HOLISTIC HEALTH 7 p.m. third Thursdays. Workshop by certified natural health professional at Rainbow Books, Main St., Newark. Free, preregistration required 368-7738.

ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. third Thursdays at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

MEDAL OF HONOR ASSN 7 p.m. third Thursdays. Delaware Medal of Honor Historical Association meets at Veterans Administration Hospital, Elsmere. Open to public.

AARP 1:30 p.m. third Thursdays. New Castle Chapter No. 4265 of AARP meets at the Weston Community and Senior Center, New Castle. Info., 328-2830.

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

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. every Thursday. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit at Brandywine Zoo. Info., 571-7747.

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

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7 and up get to swim. Info., 610-869-2140.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info., 737-1711 or 737-0724.

BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30 - 10 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument.

MEETINGS

FRIDAY, JAN. 14

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

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

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. every Saturday at Greater Grace Church, 30 Blue Hen Dr. \$5 donation goes to missions. Info., 738-1530.

NATURE VIDEOS 1 p.m. every Saturday. Video and one-hour guided walk for all ages at Ashland Nature Center. Info., 239-2334.

SUNDAY, JAN. 16

DELAWARE ACCORDION CLUB 2 - 5 p.m. Third Sunday of each month. Meeting for an open mic session at

the Bear Diner & Restaurant on Rt. 40 at School Bell Road. Open to the public. Info., 738-7378.

MONDAY, JAN. 17

FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES Mondays at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street, Newark. Classes begin on Sept. 20 for beginners and intermediate level. Info., 368-4942 or 368-8774.

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 at 765-9740.

SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE 10:15 a.m. Mondays, 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 a.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 737-2336.

CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE 7:30 p.m. Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogleton. All welcome. Info., 655-

SING. NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn, Route 273. Info., 453-8853.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children at Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark. Information and registration, 658-5177, ext. 260.

NCCo STROKE CLUB Noon at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., call Nancy Traub at 324-4444.

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

TUESDAY, JAN. 18

CAREGIVER SUPPORT 7 - 9 p.m. third Tuesdays at Newark Senior Center, White Chapel Dr., Newark. Free & open to public. Info., 737-

2336. **CANCER SUPPORT GROUP** 7 p.m. first and third Tuesdays at Liberty Baptist Church, Red Lion Rd., Bear. Info., 838-2060.

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. first and third Tuesday at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

NEWARK LIONS 6:30 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month. Lions meeting with program at the Holiday Inn, Newark Rt.273/I-95. Call Marvin Quinn at 731-1972.

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

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

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19

CROHN'S AND COLITIS FOUNDATION 7:30 p.m. third Wednesdays. Wilmington Satellite Group meets at Christiana Hospital, Room 1100. Info., 764-5717.

BGCCO MEETING 7 p.m. third

Wednesdays. Bear Glasgow Council of Civic Organizations meets at Pencader Grange Hall, Glasgow Avenue/Old Rt. 896. Info., 832-0793.

DIAMOND STATE CROCHETERS 6 p.m. third Wednesdays in the Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limestone Rd. Info., call Ann at 324-8585.

PARENT ADVISORY BOARD 7 p.m. third Wednesday of each month alternating between Bayard and Keene schools. Info., 454-2500, or visit www.christina.k12.de.us.

CONSTITUENT MEETING 7 a.m. first and third Wednesdays of the month. Rep. Melanie George of the 5th District and Rep. John Viola of the 26th District will meet for morning coffee and discuss a wide variety of concerns with constituents at the Bob Evans Restaurant at Governor's Square in Bear.

NEWARK DELTONES 7 - 10 p.m. at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 737-4544.

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Fifth Pencader heritage festival set for Oct. 8

THE Pencader Heritage Area Planning Committee has selected Oct. 8 for its fifth annual Pencader Area Heritage Celebration.

John Slack, president of Slack Insurance, and William Conley, Gauger Middle School administrator, will serve as co-chairs of the event.

The organizers are again welcoming any Bear, Glasgow, or Newark area civic organization that would like to organize a booth to call Conley at 454-2358, ext. 121.

The 2005 event will also have a Colonial Farming theme and the co-chairs are interested in locating area farmers and reenactors who are available to demonstrate various facets of farming life in the 16 and 17 centuries.

The event will continue to emphasize local school musical, choral and creative arts programs as well as the local high school JROTC drill teams.

This year, the musical program will be expanded to include local church choirs under the coordination of former Glasgow High principal Robert Anderson.

New Aetna leaders elected

AETNA Hose, Hook & Ladder Co. of Newark elected officers for the year at its December meeting.

Elected to administrative offices are President Larry Thompson, Vice President Ed Hawthorne, Secretary Tim Harris, and Financial Secretary Roland Leathrum.

Elected to the Board of Directors are E. David Bailey, Joe Franzoni, Gene Niland and Lisa Pragg.

Elected to fire line offices are Fire Chief Walt Meredith, Deputy Chiefs Steve Debold, Brian

Hendricks and Bryan Kreer. Elected to First Assistant Chiefs are Drew Bowerson, Jeff Campbell and Sam Palermo, and to Second Assistant Chiefs are Geoff Daniels, AJ Schall and Bob Weyl.

Elected to Chief Engineer is George Crum Jr. and to Ambulance Captain is Chris Johnson.

Aetna's Past President and former Newark City Councilman Olan Thomas, along with Past President and Past Chief Jon Townley swore in the newly elected officers.

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Quilts for Comfort help

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generosity.

And according to the volunteers, that's a priceless gift.

"I was in the hospital not too long ago," Kotrola said. "And when I was there, my friends all brought in quilts for me. It really is something special. It's a security blanket, which is so important to have when you're surrounded by hands that are poking and jabbing you."

Newark resident and quilter Ginny Ferguson agreed. "When you're sick, you definitely need hugs and extra love," she explained. "This helps."

Quilts for Comfort gathers quilters from the area every weekend, at different churches. By the end of the day-long event, everyone has completed an infant-sized quilt.

"[An individual] can put one together in a day," Ferguson said. "You do the top in the morning, and put it together after lunch. But the thing is, no one ever wants to stop to have lunch!"

But for the group members, lunch is when the social aspect gets flowing. Because the Quilts for Comfort draws so many volunteers, few actually know one another. "In the morning, things are pretty quiet," Kotrola said. "But by the end of the day, there

isn't a stranger in the room."

Bringing new people together is part of the attraction. It's an old tradition that Kotrola fell in love with and wanted to reinstate. In years past, she had participated in a group that donated hand-made quilts to charities, but everyone did the quilting on their own time.

"This is about the quilting bee concept," she said. "It brings people together to do something good. But it's also good for the people who actually come out."

The group also celebrated a major milestone this week. They discovered that their raffle quilt, an annual tradition that pays most of the bills, was entirely too stunning to sell to just one person. Designed around the theme of "Celebrate the Children," the quilt was pieced together from 18 squares from different volunteers. Each was designed in their own interpretation of the theme. Some squares featured crayons or boats or kites. Others had geometric designs. But all were brilliantly colored.

"When we looked at the finished project, we decided to call it the 'Oh My Gosh Quilt,' because that's what you say when you see it. It defies description."

Once the 83 by 89 quilt was finished, the group decided not to raffle it off. Instead, they looked



PHOTO BY KAYTIE DOWLING

Coffey pays close attention to the stitching on her quilt. In all, the quilts can take eight hours to complete.

for a group to sponsor it, so it could be hung at A.I. DuPont Children's Hospital, and enjoyed by the children staying there. Quilts for Comfort found the answer to its search with Premcor, who footed the bill.

On Jan. 6, Kotrola and several other contributors took their masterpiece to the hospital where it can serve an entire group of people. "It really is just too beautiful for just one bed," she said.

Volunteer service way to celebrate King holiday

MANY Delaware residents will honor the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr. by volunteering on Monday, Jan. 17, the national holiday recognizing Kings legacy.

Martin Luther King Jr. dedicated his life to service and reconciliation. He worked toward equality for all Americans. "Making this a day on, not a day off, is a gratifying opportunity and wonderful way to give back," said Elisa Diller, Ph.D., State Office of Volunteerism administrator.

To get involved, contact the Delaware Volunteer Resource Center at 1-800-815-5465 or visit www.volunteerway.org and use key words MLK Day or Martin Luther King to search for opportunities. Several agencies have listed specific projects for MLK Day. For a toolkit on planning your own project, visit www.MLKDay.org.

Projects scheduled for Jan. 17 include:

- Clothing drive - The Shoes That Fit of Delaware is accepting new clothing and financial donations. Call 234-9319 for more information.

- Cell phone drive - Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence 658-2958

- MLK Build Day - Four construction sites will be open to volunteers - Habitat for Humanity of New Castle 652-0365

- Paint Power - Interior painting needed at home of homebound elderly - Rebuilding Together Wilmington 655-5488

- Family Fun Night -

Sponsored by the Moms Club of Pike Creek and Friendly's Restaurant on Jan. 19, from 5 to 9 p.m., at Friendly's Restaurant, Kirkwood Highway

Ten percent of all sales made during this time will go to the Moms Club, which will forward the donation to the Red Cross.

Register now for parks and rec programs

The City of Newark Parks and Recreation is now taking registration for the following programs.

To register, contact the Recreation office at 366-7060. Dates and registration fees vary between programs.

- Summer Tot Lots - a preschool outdoor recreation program, held Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. till noon during the summer months.

- First Aid and CPR - held at the George Wilson Community Center on Feb. 6, March 13 and May 1.

- Adult pottery - classes are offered Thursdays throughout the spring at the George Wilson Community Center.

- Gymnastics - classes run for ages from 4 through 12 years old. They start on Feb. 5 and run through April 23.

- Swimming lessons - little swimmers ages 4 and up can make a splash at the Newark Senior Center. Lessons run from Jan. 22 through March 12 and again from April 2 through May 21.

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St. Mark's to honor 1995 title team

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

While tournaments are the biggest part of the wrestling season, there are some big dual meets that take place.

One of those will be Wednesday night at St. Mark's when the Spartans host Hodgson.

The Spartans are coming off a second place finish in the Maryland Catholic tournament last week and will be participating in the prestigious Virginia Duals this weekend.

St. Mark's defeated the second and third ranked teams in Maryland, as well as Delaware foes Sussex Central and Hodgson.



Valania

Kenny Zell, Zach Fredrick, Jeremy Shaw and Andrew Bradley led the way for the Spartans, winning all their matches. Zach LaPenta and Andrew Riley also had significant contributions for St. Mark's. Jake Sawyer and Vinnie Shaw also placed among the top six.

Hodgson is a perennial power and is coached by former St. Mark's wrestler Stan Spoor.

The night will also feature a celebration of the 10th anniversary of the 1995 St. Mark's state championship team.

Hen women roll

How about the last few weeks the Delaware women's basketball team has had.

First, the Blue Hens knocked off Alabama, of the powerful Southeastern Conference, and then they go to Norfolk and end traditional power Old Dominion

See **HENS, 14** ▶

Glasgow boys top Christiana

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Glasgow's offense exploded for 19 points in the pivotal third period, while the team's stingy defense surrendered only four points in the quarter, as the Dragons defeated cross-town rival Christiana 55-44 Tuesday night in a Flight A conference game.

The Dragons improved their record to 6-3 overall, while the Vikings watched their season record drop to 2-9 under first year coach Nick Mariano.

After trailing 25-24 at the half, Glasgow regained control of the court in the third quarter as senior Corey Lemons and company began to run the Vikings ragged, and then pounded the ball inside, to take advantage of their superior size over Christiana.

Seven different Dragons scored, providing Glasgow with a 43-29 lead with eight minutes remaining in the contest. Rakee Anderson and Julian Kirkland each hit three pointers in the middle of the period to help establish Glasgow's commanding lead.

Glasgow's coach Shahid Perkins said he was very pleased

with his team's effort on their home court.

"Our hard work paid off for us tonight, and I'm sure it will help us be successful down the road," he said.

Glasgow ran out to a commanding 12-2 lead in the first quarter behind the hot hand of Lemons, who popped in six of the Dragons' first seven points.

The Viking climbed back in the game in the second quarter, as coach Mariano changed his lineup until he found some offensive continuity.

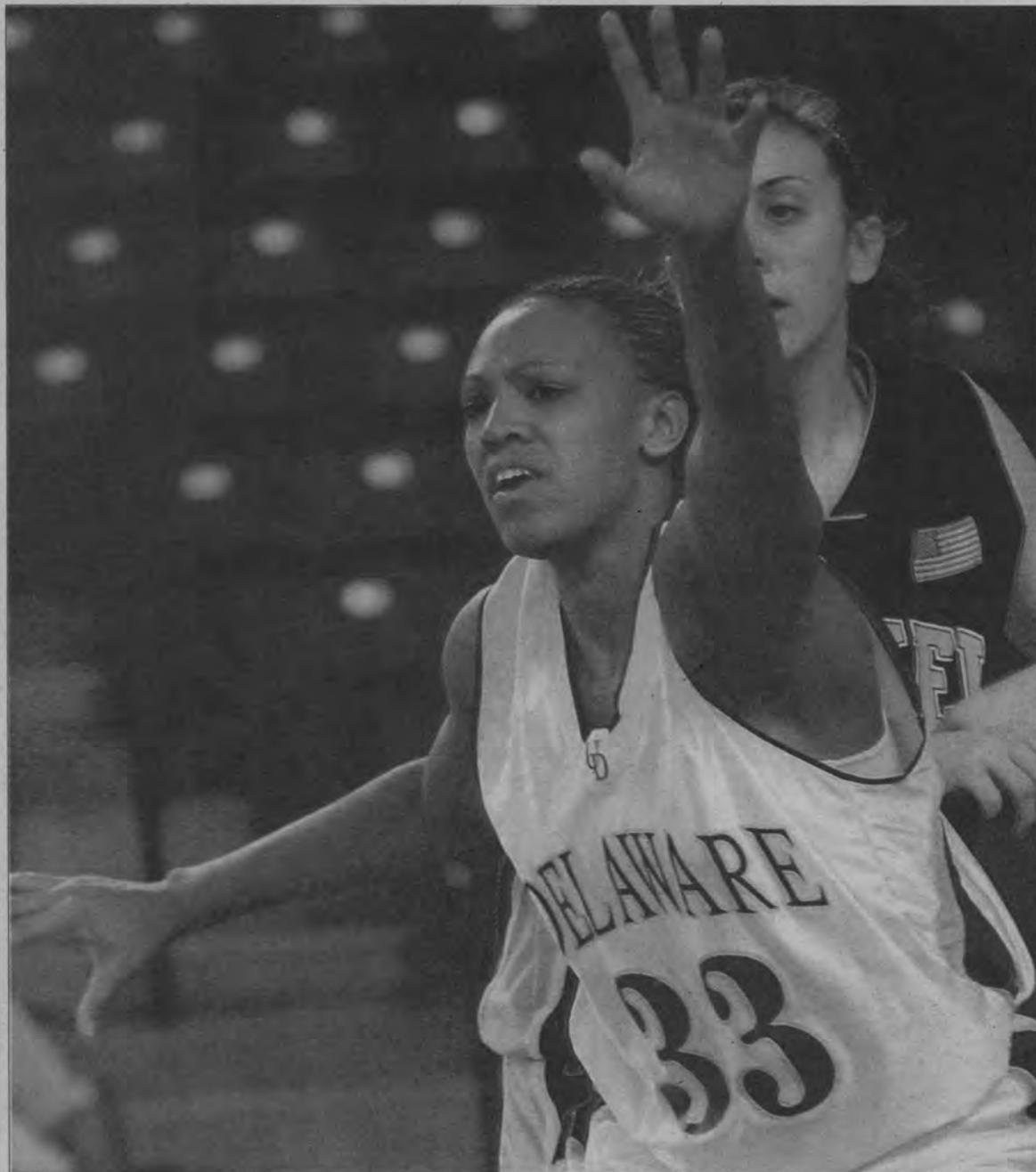
The strategy worked well, as Christiana responded by outscor-

ing Glasgow 17-9 in the second session, as Aaron Meades and Joel Maldonado found their offensive touches.

By halftime, the Vikings had turned an early, huge deficit into a 25-24 lead.

Christiana's Lionel Kosh lead all scored with 15 points, and teammate Meades added 11. Anthony Boyer chipped in with 7, and Maldonado finished the game with 5 points.

Lemons racked up 13 points for the Dragons, while Khyle Nelson and Steve Cooper each had 11 points, and Anderson contributed 9 in the victory.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Tiara Malcolm, the CAA Player of the Year, scored 16 points as the Blue Hens knocked off Old Dominion.

Hen women topple Monarchs

Tyresa Smith scored a career-high 22 points and tied her career mark with eight steals as the University of Delaware women's basketball team posted one of the biggest wins in program history by defeating 13-time Colonial Athletic Association defending champion Old Dominion, 73-70, Sunday afternoon at the Constant Convocation Center.

The victory, which was the eighth straight for the Blue Hens, snapped the Monarchs' 122-game home winning streak against CAA opponents. Old Dominion had been 126-1 in Norfolk against CAA teams, with its only previous loss coming to Richmond, 74-70, on February 19, 1992, in the Monarchs' first year in the league.

Tiara Malcom scored 16 points and pulled down a team-high eight rebounds for Delaware, which improved to 10-2 overall and 3-0 in the conference. Alena Koshansky added 12 points and a career-high seven assists, while Julie Sailer was the fourth Blue Hen in double figures, as she also scored 12 points.

Lawona Davis scored a team-high 19 points and grabbed seven rebounds for Old Dominion,

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Delaware gains first-ever win at Old Dominion

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which fell to 5-6 overall and 1-1 in the league. The Monarchs, who had defeated 16th-ranked Rutgers, 69-61, at home earlier this season, also got 11 points from Tish Lyons and 10 apiece from Tiffany Green and Shareese Grant.

The Blue Hens, who improved to 2-7 all-time against Old Dominion, led 37-33 at the half and extended their advantage to 43-36 with 18:07 remaining when Koshansky hit two free throws. However the Monarchs answered with 11 straight points, going up 47-43 with 14:11 left when Davis converted a lay-up.

Old Dominion still led by four at 57-53 with 9:05 to play, but Delaware responded with a 14-0 run, including nine straight by Smith, to take a 67-57 advantage with 5:17 left after two free throws by Sailer. The Blue Hens led 71-64 with 55 seconds remaining following a foul shot by Koshansky but Shahida Williams hit a jumper, and after Sailer made one of two from the foul line, Green converted a three-point play to make it a 72-69 game with 13.8 seconds remaining.

Malcom had a wide open lay-

up on the UD inbounds play but missed, giving the Monarchs a chance to tie. However, Grant drove the lane instead of attempting a potential game-tying three-pointer, and was fouled with 1.8 seconds to play. She missed the first free throw but made the second, and Smith was fouled with 0.8 seconds on the clock. Smith, who entered the game shooting 43.5 percent from the foul line but made 10-of-12 in the game, missed the first and made the second, and the Monarchs could not get off a desperation shot before the buzzer.

The Blue Hens hit 26-of-32 free throw attempts for the game, while Old Dominion was just 10-of-14 from the charity stripe.

"It was an incredible game, and this win is a great achievement for our team," ninth-year head coach Tina Martin said. "Our team showed a lot of character today. It took a monumental effort, and it is a huge conference win to beat Old Dominion on its home court. This is certainly one of the biggest wins we've ever had, and I'm so excited for our players."

The game remained tight early, and the teams were tied at 19-19 until Delaware used an 8-0 run to take a 27-19 advantage.

UD men snap losing streak

Harding Nana and Andrew Washington combined for 49 points and Rulon Washington nailed two big three-pointers in the final minutes as the University of Delaware snapped a six-game losing streak with a 69-59 comeback victory over William & Mary Saturday afternoon in a Colonial Athletic Association game at William & Mary Hall.

Nana recorded his ninth double-double in the last 10 games with 25 points and 10 rebounds and Andrew Washington broke out of a slump to add 24 points as the Hens (5-9, 2-1 CAA) won for the first time since a 68-66 victory over Rider on Dec. 11. The Hens overcame a 13-point early second half deficit to defeat the Tribe for the sixth straight time and for the 9th time in the last 10 meetings.

Nana, who eclipsed 20 points for the fourth straight game and for the ninth time this season, hit on 7 of 14 shots from the field and 9 of 13 from the line to lead the Blue Hens while Andrew Washington snapped out of a three-game slump that saw him hit just 5 of 32 shots from the field, including a steal and dunk with 12 seconds left to seal the win. Mike Slattery added six points and dished out eight

assists to become just the third player in UD history to surpass 500 career assists. The Hen point guard committed just one turnover on the day as Delaware recorded a season-low 11 turnovers.

William & Mary (4-8, 0-3 CAA) remained winless in conference play despite putting three players in doubles figures. Laimis Kisielius came off the bench to lead the Tribe with 14 points while Cory Cofield added 13 points and six rebounds and Mike D'Antoni chipped in with 12 points.

"This is a good feeling," said Delaware head coach David Henderson, whose team's six-game losing skid was the longest since the 1990-91 season. "We haven't felt like this in a long time. You have to give William & Mary a lot of credit because they are a very good basketball team. We were fortunate today that we made the plays when we needed to. We challenged the team from the heart and they responded. It was a great team effort. Mike Slattery did a great job of running the offense, you can't say enough about Harding Nana, and Andrew broke out of a slump in a big way today."

Delaware shot just 33 percent from the field in the first half (8 of 24) and found themselves

trailing by a 30-23 margin at the break. The Tribe came out strong to begin the second half and upped the lead to 13 points at 38-25 with 16:02 left on a layup by Kisielius.

But the Hens responded with a 20-5 run over the next eight minutes, holding William & Mary without a field goal over the span and eventually taking a 45-43 lead with 8:28 remaining. Nana scored 11 of the 13 points during the run, including nine straight at one point, to pace the Hens.

The lead switched hands four times and the game featured three other ties over the next six minutes with the Tribe gaining their last lead at 57-56 with 2:40 left after single free throws by Hawley Smith and D'Antoni.

Delaware's Rulon Washington, who hit a three-pointer with 3:09 left to cut the lead to one, came back with another triple just 41 seconds later to give the Hens the lead for good at 59-57 with 2:28 left. The Hens finished the game on a 13-2 run, holding the Tribe without a field goal over the last four minutes. Nana scored a field goal with 1:02 to give the Hens a four-point lead and Slattery collected two key steals in the final minutes to preserve the lead.

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Solo exhibition continues at Newark Arts Alliance gallery

JACQUI Cornette blends a clean sense of style, an unusual technique and a sharp eye for the dramatic in everyday life in her first exhibit at the Newark Arts Alliance. Her show, called "Fruit, Flowers and Vegetables," angles in for an

upclose freeze frame on just what the title implies - fruits, flowers and vegetables.

Cornette said she approached

the paintings as if they were of the rolling hills around her Avondale, Pa. home. "I looked at them like they were landscapes," she said. "In my head, I called them fruitscapes. I used a composition like you would if you were painting a landscape."

Cornette thanks her unusual approach for giving the paintings a more sculptural look. Although, that can also be said for the unusual medium, which is called encaustic, that the artist took.

It's a technique that uses layers of beeswax, pigment and resin to actually sculpt the image on a birch plywood canvas.

In a single painting, there can be as many as 40 layers of wax.

In some areas, layers are carved away to reveal colors below, giving the fruit a translucent image.

Cornette's paintings have another subtle distinction. She doesn't use black dye. "The dark lines you see are not usually a black pigment," she said. "It's just many layers over and over again. That creates a more rich black."

But the encaustic technique is more than an aesthetic one. It's functional, too.

Cornette came across the style almost three years ago, after spending months waiting for her oil paintings to dry.

"I was frustrated with how long it took," she said of her old technique. "So I started doing some research and discovered encaustic."

This style dries as soon as she decides she's finished layering.

"It's dry almost immediately," she said. "I knew I had to switch if I wanted to be able to produce more work."

After her show at the Newark Arts Alliance, Cornette's work will participate this spring's National Encaustic Exhibition and Conference. It opens at the Community Arts Center in Wallingford, Pa., and will travel to Chicago, Ill., and Kennebunkport, Maine, among other cities.

"I'm extremely honored to be exhibiting with some of the nation's best encaustic artists," Cornette admitted, "particularly since the show is curated by Alan Soffer, who actually taught me encaustic." She will be one of the artists demonstrating at the conference. — Kaytie Dowling



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KAYTIE DOWLING

A visitor inspects the texture and complex color composition of Cornette's encaustic piece. Encaustic is a style that builds layers of wax over and over, creating a sculpture-like look.

The details

Cornette's solo show is on exhibit through Jan. 29.

The Newark Arts Alliance is located at 100 Elkton Road in the Grainery Station.

Hours are Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, noon-4 p.m.; closed Monday.

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Speeders, beware!

Newark police receives more precise speed detection gun

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

SPEEDERS beware. That's the message the Newark Police Department is sending to drivers. The department now touts some of the most technologically advanced speed-detection equipment available, all with the hopes that speeders will heed the warning and slow down.

"Speed, as a singular factor, is as dangerous as impaired driving," said Andrea Summers, spokeswoman for the Office of Highway Safety. "In 2004, it was a primary factor in one-third of all fatal crashes in Delaware."

For that reason, the OHS sent seven Stalker Lidar devices to 15 law enforcement agencies throughout the state, including the Newark Police Department.

The new speed-detection devices work much like the traditional radar detectors, but with much more precision.

Radar detectors rely on wide radio waves to determine drivers' speed. But because these waves are so wide, they often reflect the speed of an entire pack of cars - not individual drivers.

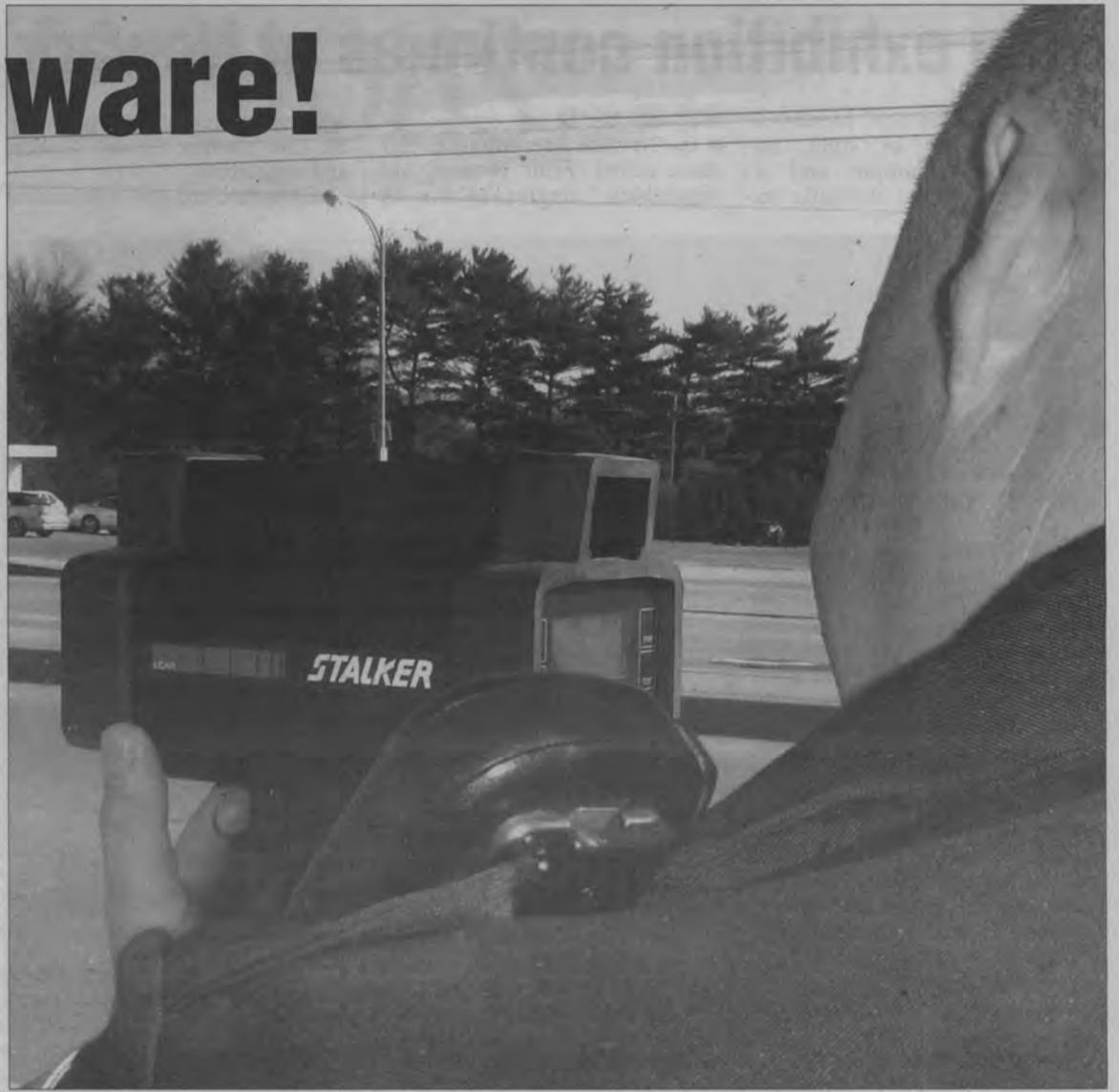
"In congested areas, radar isn't effective," Newark police Lt. Thomas F. Le Min said. "Radar guns can make it nearly impossi-

ble to discriminate between vehicles. But because this is so precise, it makes it possible to run traffic enforcement, even in a congested area."

He said that the department will use the Stalkers in highly trafficked areas such as Kirkwood Highway and Elkton Road.

Lidar works on the same principals that radar guns do, but uses a tiny laser instead of a radio wave. The laser is so precise that in the Stalker's screen, there is a tiny bull's eye to help officers' aim.

"You point the gun, line up the little red dot in the screen, and pull the trigger," Cpl. Dave Kerr explained. "With these, you can single out a driver in the back of a pack of cars. You couldn't do that with radar. These are very target selective."



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KAYTIE DOWLING

Cpl. Dave Kerr monitors the speed of cars along Elkton Road with the Newark Police Department's new, more precise Stalker Lidar speed detection device.

Trash pick-up schedule

Due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday, refuse normally collected on Monday, Jan. 17 by the City of Newark will be collected on Tuesday, Jan. 18.

Refuse normally collected on Tuesday, Jan. 18 will be collected on Wednesday, Jan. 19. There are changes to Thursday and Friday's refuse collection.

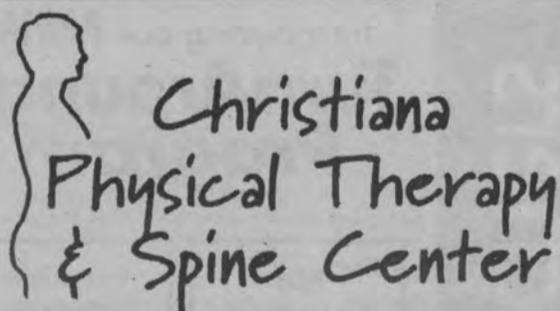
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dent of Delaware. She is a retired special education teacher from the Red Clay School District. She worked with the Department of Service for Children, Youth and Families as a special education teacher. She has a degree from the University of Delaware in biology and a minor in social studies.

Howell's four children are graduates of the Christina District schools.

A Wednesday morning phone call was made by Superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise to extend the invitation to Howell. At press time, her response was unknown.

Extensions to the original deadline of Dec. 14 for announcing a selection needed to be made to allow time for the board members to fully interview the candidates. One person was traveling out of the country at the time and was not available, Brenda Phillips, president of the board, said at the December meeting.

Only two applications had been received within the announced time limit. Three other potential candidates presented their names after the deadline but were not considered by the board.

Board member Jim Durr said he did not want to wait any longer to make a decision, in spite of some confusion with the length of term for the position.

When the position was vacated by Reed, the board received legal counsel that said the person nominated by the board would serve out the remainder of Reed's term, until June 2009.

However, the New Castle County Board of Elections said the code states the board appointment would serve only until the next school board election, which would be in May 2005. A representative from the Board of Elections said on Tuesday they have requested a ruling from the state's Attorney General.

Durr said, "We should move forward and let them (the nominee) know there is some confusion with the Board of Elections. We've procrastinated long enough."

Board member Dr. John Mackenzie expressed concern at Tuesday's meeting that the person appointed have a full commitment to continue the direction the board is taking with extensive training through the Broad Foundation. Other members expressed their faith in Howell.

"I did not hear anything in Ms.

“The Christina district's 2003 United Way contribution was an increase of 15 percent over the previous year. The 2004 contribution was an increase of 33 percent over 2003.”

Howell's interview that did not imply her commitment to students, the Christina School District and the public at large," Phillips said.

Howell was approved by a vote of 5-0. Mackenzie abstained from voting.

■ Contract approved

A new teachers' contract was unanimously approved by the Board of Education Tuesday, without much fanfare.

The proposal calls for a 4.25 percent increase in salary in the

first year of employment. There were additional increases and changes, including elimination of performance stipends.

Chief of Staff David Sundstrum, reported 98 percent of the teachers approved the contract before it was presented to the board.

Board member George Evans, after the contract was approved by the board, expressed disbelief that the process had gone so smoothly and there had not been any picketing of the board. He joked that there must be some hidden perks and vacation days.

■ Students expelled

The Board of Education approved expulsions of four students.

Two of the expulsions were the result of possession of a weapon (boxcutter), one was for arson, and another for possession of a weapon (knife).

Board member Connie Merlet expressed concern for some students who have a lengthy record of school offenses, absentees, and poor grades.

Superintendent Wise said the administrators are collecting data on students 16 years or older with less than five high school credits.

His staff will have a report on the findings and suggestions for alternative education at a future board meeting.

■ National search

A national search is underway for the position of band director at Newark High School.

The position was vacated by Lloyd Ross who retired in December. Lloyd Walton is temporarily filling the position.

Wise said he "does not know of another job search as costly and comprehensive as this national search."

■ United Way giving

More than \$90,000 was contributed to the United Way Campaign through staff, teacher and student contributions, said Maurice Pritchett, district chairman for the 2004 campaign.

Students from five schools, including Brader, Kirk, Brookside, Gallaher and Bayard schools held fund raisers or collected change to contribute to the fund.

The district's 2003 contribution was an increase of 15 percent over the previous year. The 2004 contribution was an increase of 33 percent over 2003.

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Student film reveal signs of cutting

By JOE OLIVIERI

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A young woman moves cautiously through the empty house. She removes a knife from a kitchen drawer and slowly walks upstairs. Before she opens her bedroom door, she pauses, throwing a nervous glance over her shoulder. Then she enters the room with the intention of harming herself.

So begins "Self Harm: Cutting to the Chase," a 15-minute docudrama film created by eight University of Delaware senior nursing students for their Honors Community Clinical Class.

The film examines the topic of self-harm, a "deliberate, repetitive, impulsive, non-lethal behavior to harm oneself." Approximately 2 million people in the United States harm themselves, according to the film.

A 21-year-old former self-injurer described her experience.

"I just did it so that it hurt bad enough so that I wouldn't think about the pain that was inside," she said.

The film recommends that self-injurers or people that know someone who is engaging in this behavior to talk to someone they

trust and seek help. Potential signs of those who are self-injuring include wearing long sleeves or pants, when seasonally inappropriate, to hide scars.

The film project has grown far beyond the class assignment. Nursing Instructor Lisa McBeth-Snyder suggested to the honors students before fall semester began. The students have been showing the film at local middle and high schools and plan to sell it for purchase nationwide. A teaching module and brochure

have been produced to accompany the film.

The eight students - Ashley Borkowski, Dawn Chenokal, Lindsay Fanelli, Samantha Foy, Tiffany Hale, Heidi Johnson, Meredith Reardon and Carrie Reichert - have been interviewed by local television and radio stations and have shown their film at several locations.

Johnson gave her explanation for the success of the project.

"Each of us had individual gifts and abilities that we brought

to the group," she said. "That blended together beautifully so that each of the tasks that we had were completed in every area of the project."

Senior Lindsay Fanelli said that the more she learned about

the topic of self-harm, the more she realized the need for a film to address it.

"This is something that we have to do," she said. "There's a great need in the community for this project to be done."

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Award-winning Indian film due at UD

“**S**hwaas,” an award-winning film from India, will be shown at 7 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 15, in the Trabant University Center Theatre, Main Street and South College Avenue, in Newark.

Nominated for best foreign language film in the 2004 Academy Awards, “Shwaas,” which is based on a true story of a grandfather’s struggle to save his grandson from a rare form of eye cancer, also is up for a 2005 Oscar in India.

Tickets to both the film and discussion are \$10 at the door. For more information, call 831-8705.

Family Fun Sundays set at UD ice arena

Winter weekends can be dreary if time hangs heavy and the kids are bored. But, with the range of activities scheduled at the University of Delaware Ice Arena during January and February, cabin fever isn’t likely to set in.

Packing its Sunday afternoon public skating sessions with guests and giveaways certain to please all ages and interests, UD’s Fred Rust Ice Arena provides an oasis of fun during the heart of winter.

Family Fun Sundays, cosponsored by WSTW-FM and Arby’s Roast Beef restaurants, are held from 1-3 p.m. through February.

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Family and friends of about 500 of the 1,242 University of Delaware graduates gathered in the Bob Carpenter Center Saturday to congratulate the students.

UD recognizes new grads

MEMBERS of the University of Delaware Class of 2004 left the clouds and rain outside as they gathered on their special day to receive diplomas Saturday, Jan. 8, during Winter Commencement ceremonies in UD’s Bob Carpenter Sports/Convocation Center in Newark.

Speaking to near-capacity audience from a stage displaying the flags of the home states and countries of UD students, President David P. Roselle congratulated the degree recipients and extended a welcome to them and their families, friends and sponsors attending the ceremony, which was webcast live on the Internet.

Of the 1,242 students who completed their degree requirements in August and December,

nearly 500 attended the ceremony.

Jo Anne B. Barnhart, a 1975 UD graduate who became the 14th commissioner of the Social Security Administration in 2001, continued a tradition of UD distinguished alumni serving as guest speakers at Winter Commencement ceremonies.

In welcoming the newest members of the Class of 2004, Barnhart recalled the sense of exuberance she felt on graduating from UD and embarking on what has proven to be a challenging and rewarding career.

While encouraging the graduates to celebrate their academic achievements, she reminded them that the most interesting and challenging part of their lives lies ahead.

“No doubt, you will, and

should, celebrate this life passage with friends and family, and, perhaps, even heave a huge sigh of relief that you have accomplished your mission,” Barnhart said. “But, in reality, your mission in life is just beginning.”

In advising new members of the Class of 2004 to “seek and find inspiration and example from those who came before and those who you will meet along the way,” Barnhart recounted the help and inspiration she received from the late Delaware U.S. Sen. Bill Roth Jr.

“He [Bill Roth] inspired, encouraged and supported me, and he instilled in me the importance of public service,” Barnhart said. “Most importantly, in the midst of cynicism, he was forever filled with hope. Sen. Roth believed in the American dream,

the power of the individual to prevail.”

Barnhart also noted the accomplishments of several individuals, including suffragettes Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who died before their dreams of securing the right to vote for women in America became a reality.

Also during the ceremony, Howard E. Cosgrove, chairman of the University’s Board of Trustees, awarded the University’s Medal of Distinction to Paul and Gloria Fine in recognition of their commitment to education and public service.

More than 15 years ago, Paul and Gloria Fine established a “Vision of Hope” scholarship trust for 30 low-income students at Conrad Middle School in Wilmington.

True Blue family goes five for five

FOR University of Delaware alumni John and Sharon Riley, UD has been a 35-year family affair. The tradition was reinforced Jan. 8 when their third and youngest child, Carie, received her bachelor's degree at the Bob Carpenter Sports and Convocation Center and joined her parents and siblings, Amy and Tim, to make it a thoroughly true Blue Hen family.

Gushing with excitement, the whole family attended Winter Commencement ceremonies and cheered as Carie received her degree in fashion merchandising.

Friends and relatives, including Amy's cousin, Katie O'Leary Battaglia, and her husband, Russ, both UD alumni from New York, later joined the family for a celebration in Greenville.

"I feel very honored to be carrying on the UD tradition that was started by my parents," Carie said. "My parents, my sister and my brother are all very successful today due, in part, to the education they received and the experiences they had at UD. I just hope that I can follow in their footsteps."

John and Sharon Riley first met at UD's student center in 1965.

John, a former captain of the golf team, graduated in 1968 with a degree in history, while Sharon, who was a Blue Hen cheerleader, earned her degree in physical education in 1969.

John is the director of public affairs at Hercules Inc., and Sharon, a senior claims examiner at AIG Insurance, serves on the UD Alumni Association board.

Their first child, Amy, who was a diver on the swim team, graduated in 1995 with a degree in biology and now lives in Ridgewood, N.J., with her husband, Jim Clements, and their two daughters, Hailey, 2, and 4-month-old Ava Anne. Tim, of

Bridgewater, N.J., was a member of the golf team who received a degree in sociology in 1999. Amy owns and operates a fitness business, Stroller Strides, and Tim is a retail credit analyst for Mercedes Benz of North America in Parsippany, N.J.

"It is a unique thing knowing that everyone in our family has now graduated from UD," Amy said. "It goes to show what a great school it must be if all of us wanted to attend school there. It's hard to believe that my little sister is graduating from UD. I know that she has thoroughly enjoyed her time there, and it is nice to know that we have that in common besides being sisters."

The excitement, John said, also marks the end of an era. "We are very excited, pleased for Carie, but also a little sad," he said. "In addition to the time Sharon and I spent at UD, we have had a son or daughter on campus for most of the last 14 years."

Sharon said the sight of students in gowns gathered at the Bob Carpenter Sports-Convocation Center was a nostalgic experience that brought back memories of her own and John's graduations.

"It's very exciting to be back here. We've done this a few times but it feels different every time," she said. "We usually come to sports events, and we've been involved in various fund-raising events for the athletics program over the years, particularly the golf team, so we'll always be part of the UD community."

Tim said the reason behind the family's deep involvement with UD is simple: "When we find something good, we stick to it. My experience at the University of Delaware also helped me get to where I am today."

Carie, who worked as administrative assistant at the Delaware

Biotechnology Institute for more than four years and interned for Delaware Sen. Tom Carper in Washington, D.C., last summer, said the wealth of her education both in and out of class at UD has prepared her for a variety of

career possibilities.

"My four-and-a-half years at UD were definitely the best of my life," she said. "I met amazing people and created long-lasting memories. Being a sister in Chi Omega sorority provided me

with the opportunity to make lifelong friends, become more involved in activities around campus and participate in numerous philanthropic events."

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From left, John, Sharon, Carie, Amy and Tim Riley

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David Johnston Luck, author, teacher, scholar

NEWARK area resident David Johnston Luck died Monday, Jan. 10, 2005 at his home following a prolonged illness.

Dr. Luck, 92, received his BA degree from Dartmouth College, Class of 1934, his master's degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and his doctorate from the University of Texas.

During W.W. II, he served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy.

Stationed in Washington, D.C., he worked with the War Production Board, using his business skills to help develop the wartime rationing system.

A prolific author, his classic text, *Marketing Research*, originally co-authored with Hugh G. Wales and Donald A. Taylor, appeared in seven editions from 1952-1987 and in Japanese, Russian, French, Italian and Spanish, among other languages.

A devoted teacher as well as scholar, he taught generations of business students at the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Texas, the University of Illinois, Michigan State University, Southern Illinois University, where he chaired the marketing department from 1969-1978, and the University of Delaware, which he joined as a distinguished professor in 1978.

H. Eugene Pierce, 88, WWII veteran, active in Newark Lions Club, First Presbyterian Church

FORMER Newark resident H. Eugene Pierce of Suffolk, Va. died on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2005, at Chesapeake (Va.) General Hospital.

Mr. Pierce, 88, was a U.S. Army veteran of W.W. II and was retired from the administrative office of the University of Delaware.

A member of the First Presbyterian Church of Newark, Mr. Pierce was very civic-minded and charitable throughout his life

and served actively in the Newark (Del.) Lions Club, the Newark Parking Authority, and his church.

During his many years of dedicated service with the Lions Club, he was honored by his colleagues with both the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellow Award and the Ralph Helm Award for Humanitarian Service.

He is survived by his daughter, Cynthia L. Pierce of Newark; son, Geoffrey E. Pierce and his wife, Carolyn M. of Suffolk, Va.; sister,

Martha P. Rogers of Warren, Ohio; granddaughter, Lorna P. Steadham of Sylvania, Ohio; grandson, Jeffrey K. Pierce of Oceanside, Calif.; great grandson, Colby J. Steadham of Sylvania, Ohio; and two stepdaughters, Elizabeth A. Reading of Rocky Mount, N.C. and Barbara J. Reading of Newark.

A service was scheduled for Monday, Jan. 10 at the First Presbyterian Church, Newark.

Burial is private in Gracelawn

Always interested in the practical applications of his research and theories, Dr. Luck consulted widely with leading corporations.

He took leave from his faculty appointments to serve as marketing research coordinator at Ford Motor Company, as senior marketing economist at Stanford Research Institute, and as associate director and one of the founders of the Marketing Science Institute in Philadelphia.

A leader in the development of marketing concepts for half a century, Dr. Luck consistently stressed in the classroom and in his writings the importance of practicality and realism, of bridging the realms of theory and experience.

Through his work with corporate leaders, he made seminal contributions to product management and to strategies for product development.

Among his other books in this regard, were *Promotional Decision Making: Practice and Theory*, *Market Strategy*, *Product Policy and Strategy*, *Marketing Strategy and Plans*, and *Strategic Marketing*

Management: Texts and Cases.

Among Professor Luck's abiding concerns was the development and integrity of the field of marketing research.

A frequent contributor to professional journals, such as the *Journal of Marketing* and the *Harvard Business Review*, he resisted efforts to apply the techniques and strategies of marketing research to fields of social policy for which they were not, in his view, well suited.

He was among the early advocates, as well, for enunciating clear ethical and professional standards for the conduct of marketing research, since he recognized the possibilities of abuse.

He served as a director of the American Marketing Association and the Product Development Management Association and as vice president of the Southern Marketing Association.

He is survived by his wife of more than 63 years, Adele, also of Hockessin; by three sons, Charles of Port Deposit, Md., David of Oak Park, Ill. and Edward of Briarcliff Manor, N.Y.; nine grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

A service was scheduled for

Wednesday, January 5 in the chapel at Cokesbury Village.

The family requests memorial contributions in Dr. Luck's memory to the PUMH Foundation, 726 Loveville Rd., Suite 3000, Hockessin, DE 19707.

Kenneth David Knotts

Former Newark resident Kenneth David Knotts died Sunday, Jan. 2, 2005 at his residence.

Mr. Knotts, 73, was a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He was formerly employed as the manager of Suburban Gas Co. in Glasgow, and later worked as an independent truck driver. After moving to Smyrna in 1973, he was employed by Southern States in Clayton as a fuel delivery driver.

After his retirement, he enjoyed spending time with his wife, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

He was a faithful member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Smyrna, and was involved in many organizations within the church, including Methodist Men, the choir

and membership in numerous committees. In addition, Ken was involved in other Christian organizations such as the Walk to Emmaus, and Promise Keepers.

As a former member of the Del-Bay Retrievers Club, he enjoyed running Labrador retrievers in field trials. He also belonged to a camping club.

He is survived by a son, David of Harrington; three daughters, Karen Swartz and Jill Walters, both of Smyrna, and Kathy Pepper of Lewes; two brothers, Rev. Jerry Knotts of Bear and Merle Knotts of Newark; a sister, Patricia Gruner of Newark; 10 grandchildren, Amy Muchenberger, Andy Swartz, Angel Swartz, Jeff Still, Rebecca Pepper, Hannah Pepper, Jen Pepper, Tara Stewart, Laverne Jerread and Meghan Knotts; and two great grandchildren, Marc and Jacob Stewart.

A service was scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 6 at Asbury United Methodist Church, Smyrna.

Burial is in Barratts Chapel Cemetery near Frederica.

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NEWARK POST ❖ POLICE BLOTTER

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Computer stolen

While the residents were away for the holiday break, thieves pushed open a basement window to a home in the 100 block East Cleveland Avenue, it was reported to Newark police on Thursday, Jan. 6, at 12:58 p.m.

A laptop computer, valued at \$1,500, was listed as missing.

Burglary attempt

A resident of the 300 block

Beverly Road told Newark police on Thursday, Jan. 6, at 11:30 a.m. that he heard noises outside his home just after 10 p.m. two nights before.

Police said it appeared as though a window screen had been pried.

Wallet theft at NHS

Newark police reported that a 15-year-old Wilmington youth has been charged with the theft of another student's wallet at Newark High School, 401 E. Delaware Ave., on Wednesday, Dec. 22, at 11:30 a.m.

The victim told police the suspect grabbed the wallet from his hands and fled.

The arrest was made after police and school officials conducted an investigation and viewed security surveillance tapes.

Downes vandalized

Graffiti artists spray-painted a rear wall of John R. Downes Elementary School, 220 Casho Mill Road, as reported to Newark police on Thursday, Dec. 30, at 9 a.m.

Vehicles hit

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

of the reports include:

Paper Mill Road, one-quarter mile north of Old Paper Mill Road, on Monday, Jan. 10, at 12:04 a.m., window of University of Delaware bus show with BB gun as it traveled northbound;

Parking lot at 168 Elkton Road, on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 6:58 p.m., eggs thrown at a Subaru Legacy possibly in connection with a domestic dispute;

Enterprise Car Sales, 155 E. Cleveland Ave., on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 1:55 p.m., vandals used rocks to shatter three windows and cause seven dents in a 2004 Honda Pilot parked on the car lot;

33 Continental Dr., on Saturday, Jan. 8, 1:08 p.m., four vehicles dented and scratched; and

7-Eleven lot, 235 E. Delaware Ave., on Friday, Jan. 7, at 12:29 a.m., door of vehicle kicked in.

Stiffed for bar tab

Officials at TGIFridays restaurant, 650 S. College Ave., told Newark police on Friday, Jan. 7, at 10:37 p.m., that a large group of people left the eatery without paying a \$144 bar and food bill.

Violations listed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws here during the early weeks of 2005. Some of the recent arrests include:

Ashley Landis Petro, 20, of Middletown, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 1:52 a.m., at 10 Center St.;

Richard W. Beverly, 19, noise violation, **Mark G. Ciavarella**, 19, noise violation, and **Nathaniel James Bell**, 22, noise violation, all of Newark, on Saturday, Jan. 8, at 1:10 a.m., at 27 Westfield Dr.;

Randy C. Vickers, 20, noise violation, **James T. Mitchell**, 22, noise violation, and **Joshua Barchard**, 22, noise violation, all of Newark, on Friday, Jan. 7, at 11:57 p.m., at 963 Devon Dr.;

Erik Michael Styer, 21, of Schwenksville, Pa., noise violation, on Friday, Jan. 7, at 2:58 a.m., at 236 E. Delaware Ave.; and

Mary Frances Fisher, 22, of Succasun, N.J., noise violation, on Friday, Jan. 7, at 1:39 a.m., at 600 Lehigh Road.

Police said all were released pending court appearances.

There is no \$15 tax today

▶ UP FRONT, from 1

path, I began to think how different the game of life is from the Parker Brothers game.

For example, in the game of Monopoly, a player may erect as many houses as he wants on a property he owns.

In the game of life, you must first secure financing, have architects and engineers prepare drawings, have them approved by the EPA, DEP and planning board.

Then, after spending hundreds, maybe thousands of dollars you learn that you can't build as many houses as you planned. (Think I'm exaggerating? Just follow the Waterstone plans proposed for the Stone Balloon site.)

In the game of Monopoly, you start the game with \$1,500 (in 1935 dollars, the year the game was introduced. Indexed for inflation, you should begin a game today with \$19,709.67). In the game of life, you are lucky if you start with a couple \$25 savings bonds from an aunt you'll never meet.

In the game of Monopoly, all leftover money goes to the bank. In real life, it goes to the government.

In the game of Monopoly,

your income tax is 10 percent or \$200. Don't we wish?

In the game of Monopoly, players compete to see who can own the most railroads. In the game of life, nobody wants them. Instead they are subsidized or taken over by the government.

In the game of Monopoly, with a little luck on the throw of a die, you can enjoy Free Parking. In the game of life, particularly in Newark, hardly a chance.

In the game of Monopoly, you can be tagged \$25 for "general repairs" to all your properties. In real life, a simple downspout problem can cost \$2,500 to fix...and you can't find any contractor who'll do the work.

In the game of Monopoly, if you land on someone else's property, you pony up a modest rent. In real life, the property owner sues you.

In the game of Monopoly, all houses are identical. In the game of life...errr... scratch this one. In Bear, all houses are alike, too.

In the game of Monopoly, when a player draws a "go directly to jail" card, he or she does. In the game of life, a player gets an attorney, several continuances and probation-before-judgment.

In the game of Monopoly, hotels can be bought for as little as \$50. In the game of life, you're lucky to get a room in a Motel 6 for that.

In the game of Monopoly, you might have to pay a "poor tax" of \$15. In real life, there no tax as low as \$15.

In the game of Monopoly, the player who acts as banker must keep his funds separate from the bank's money. In the game of life, this is not always so.

In the game of Monopoly, if the bank runs out of cash, it is permissible to issue as much cash as is needed by simply writing on plain paper. In real life, this privilege belongs only to the government.

Finally, in the game of Monopoly, if you go bankrupt, you lose. In the game of life, you win and everybody you owe money to loses.

■ *When not referring to the Parker Brothers game as "Monotony," the writer is publisher of this and three other newspapers headquartered in Newark. The Streits have returned to the family home in the Cherry Hill neighborhood of Newark.*

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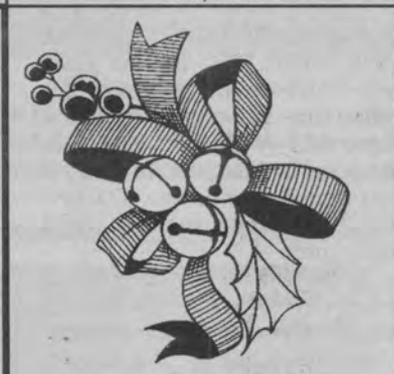
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Newark resident joins security force at Del. ANG

LATE last year, the Delaware Air National Guard gained a new Security Forces member when 2nd Lt. Michael Vinzinski, 166th Security Forces Commander, gave the oath of enlistment to a new Airman with 22 years of military experience as a soldier.

The new Airman, Staff Sgt. Sylvia Wells, a resident of Newark, is already a familiar face to her fellow Security Force Airmen.

For the two years, Sgt. Sylvia Wells, the Army soldier, had been working the main gate and performing other security force duties for the Delaware Air National Guard's 166th Security Forces Squadron. She was one of 35 Delaware Army National Guard soldiers working on base as full-time security force augmentees.

After Sept. 11, 2001, the Delaware Air National Guard was in need of augmentees to help with some security duties, such as manning the main gate, patrolling the flight line and base facilities, and performing perimeter checks at the Delaware Air Guard base in New Castle.

Through the end of 2002, existing part-time Security Force members of the Delaware Air National Guard were mobilized to work full-time, manning shifts 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



Sylvia Wells, right, enlists in the Delaware Air National Guard.

However, when their mobilization ended, the Delaware Air Guard — mirroring the situation nationwide with the Air Force and Air Guard in the post-Sept. 11, 2001 environment — faced a manpower shortage.

The Delaware Air Guard turned to the Army Guard for help with base security and homeland defense needs. The Delaware Army Guard mobilized 35 members for Security Forces augmentee duty in Jan. 2003, when Sgt. Wells began performing her full-time active duty

augmentee duty at the base. This was part of a nationwide Army and Air Force joint effort under Operation Noble Eagle to enhance Homeland Defense capabilities throughout the Air Force and ANG.

As things turned out, when the mobilized Army Guard members were about to be demobilized, Sgt. Wells learned of an opening for a permanent full-time Security Forces position in the same unit of the Delaware Air Guard. Since she liked the work she was doing, she applied and

was selected for the position, switching from Army green to Air Force blue.

As of November, Sgt. Wells has worked in the Pass and Identification section of the 166th Security Forces Squadron of Delaware Air National Guard's 166th Airlift Wing in New Castle. She handles vehicle military decals, line badges, National Guard license plates, Geneva Convention cards, and

performs other support for the Security Forces commander and his staff.

Her current duties involve a lot of interaction with people, but are much changed from when she began her military career two decades ago.

— By Tech. Sgt. Benjamin Matwey, Public Affairs Specialist, Delaware Air National Guard

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GAIL and Terry Humfeld of Newark, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Amy L. Humfeld, to Brian Werner.

Brian is the son of Bobbie and Frank Werner of Havertown, Pa.

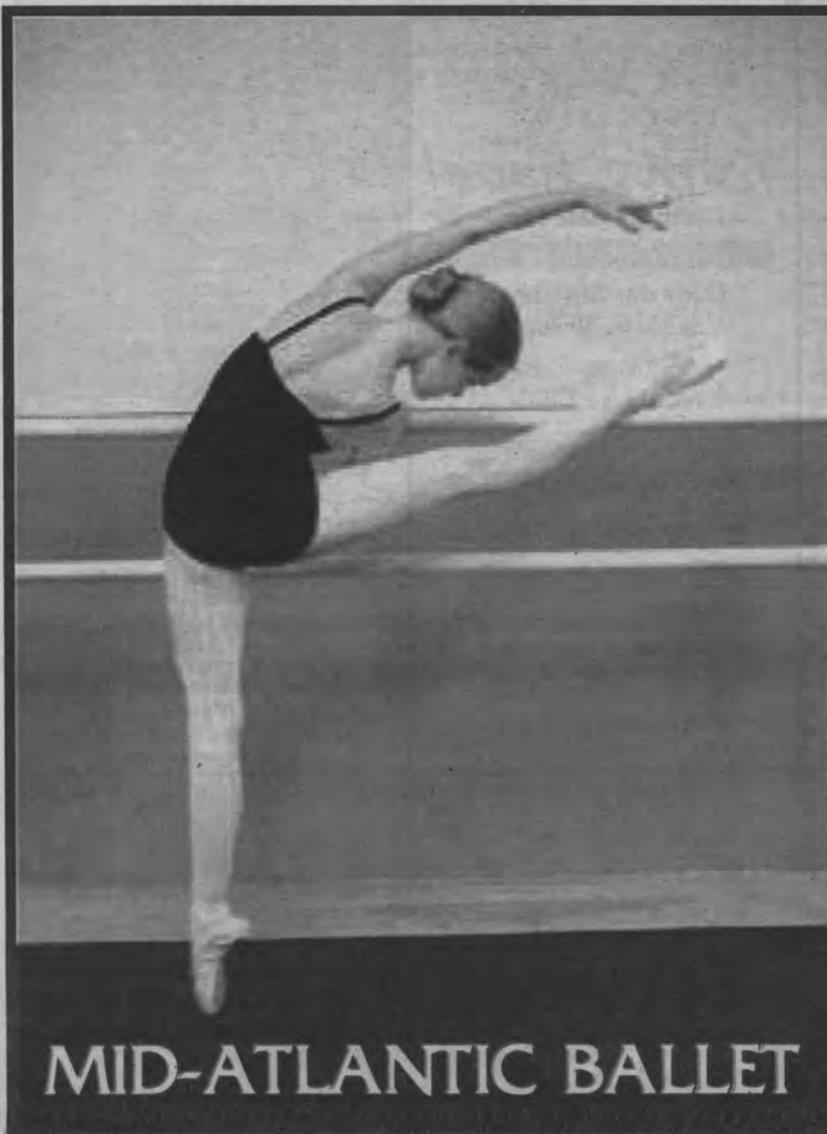
Both Amy and Brian are 2001 graduates of the University of Delaware.

Amy is a fourth-year medical student at George Washington University. Brian works for America Online in Dulles, Va.

A May 21 wedding is planned in Newark.



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It was literally an invention that made the world go around

By JASON STEIN

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The moment is frozen in time, like a tire track across the automotive landscape.

The day Henry Ford found his way down a busy Detroit, Mich. street and into the Columbus Buggy Works building is the prelude, the climax and the denouement of automotive history, all rolled into one.

It isn't the starting point; it is the turning point. And not only for an industry but a whole new century.

Ford had one request for the unassuming clerk at the front counter:

"I'm here to see Harvey Firestone," he said.

It was 1895.

Mark the moment and you'll see how the world changes. You'll see how Firestone, then an agent for Columbus Buggy Works, met Ford, a man who was building his first automobile. Ford was using bicycle tires for a car that weighed 500 pounds. Not viable, Ford knew at the time.

Mark the occasion and you'll see how Ford approached Firestone to inquire about obtaining some solid-rubber tires as a substitute. How Firestone told Ford he had just started creating some new tires that were softer.

"They were pneumatic tires," Ford would remember later. "I had him order me a set."

Harvey Firestone's career, and the path of an industry, was forever

altered.

How did Firestone put himself in this position and what did he do following it? Firestone's own tracks tell all.

They show a man who was a legend because he had grand visions. They show someone who would alter the way employers treated their workers. And a man who would ultimately rub elbows with Ford and Thomas Edison and botanist Luther Burbank, all legends in their time.

Born in 1868 in Columbiana, Ohio, a tiny town just south of Youngstown on State Road 422, Harvey Samuel Firestone lived the American dream. He grew up in love with land and the farm he was raised on. He was a farmer at heart, but he was also a businessman with a wealth of ideas.

He worked his way up through a number of different buggy companies and then opened his own shop at age 22.

With very little money, Firestone had created a set of rubber tires for his own buggy. While riding around one day on those new tires, he impressed a friend so much they began discussing the idea of running their own shop producing these rubber tires. With a third partner in tow, they raised the \$1,000 it took to open the shop, known as the Rubber Tire Wheel Company and an agent for Columbus Buggy Works. They had one employee.

Firestone's vision was simple: Mass produce a tire that would reduce the jolt transmitted through the steel wheel. Ford was his launching point.

It was kismet for both men. Ford

would create his car; Firestone would eventually create the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio out of nothing but one large contract and 17 employees.

Within a decade, Firestone was making rubber tires for the automobile that everyone wanted, in a factory that was the envy of the new economy. He was as progressive in his management of men as he was in his business. Firestone knew that if he ensured the welfare of workers, his company would be a success.

His factories were a model of efficiency. Firestone employees received medical and dental services, free life insurance and all the benefits of the Firestone Club House, a \$350,000 building constructed in 1915 that offered employees a restaurant, swimming pool and a library.

The company also purchased nearby land and helped workers build and finance their own homes.

In 1916, with his business booming, Firestone was one of the first to introduce the eight-hour day in his Akron rubber factories. He even revised pay rates so men earned as much in eight hours as they had in 10 or 12. Firestone set aside company stock for employee purchase and promised that those in his company who served in the First World War would have their job "or a better one" when they returned.

During the War, Firestone developed a new tire that made truck transport more efficient and reliable. When it was over, more than 600,000 trucks were in use in the United States, thanks to his "Ship By Truck" campaign that encouraged

private industry to take advantage of the efficiency. That then led to the "good roads movement" and the beginning of the national highway system.

Firestone knew manufacturing was important, but also understood his business would survive if it controlled the supply of rubber from trees. At one point, Firestone had a rubber plantation in Liberia that covered more than one million acres.

He was a man for all seasons.

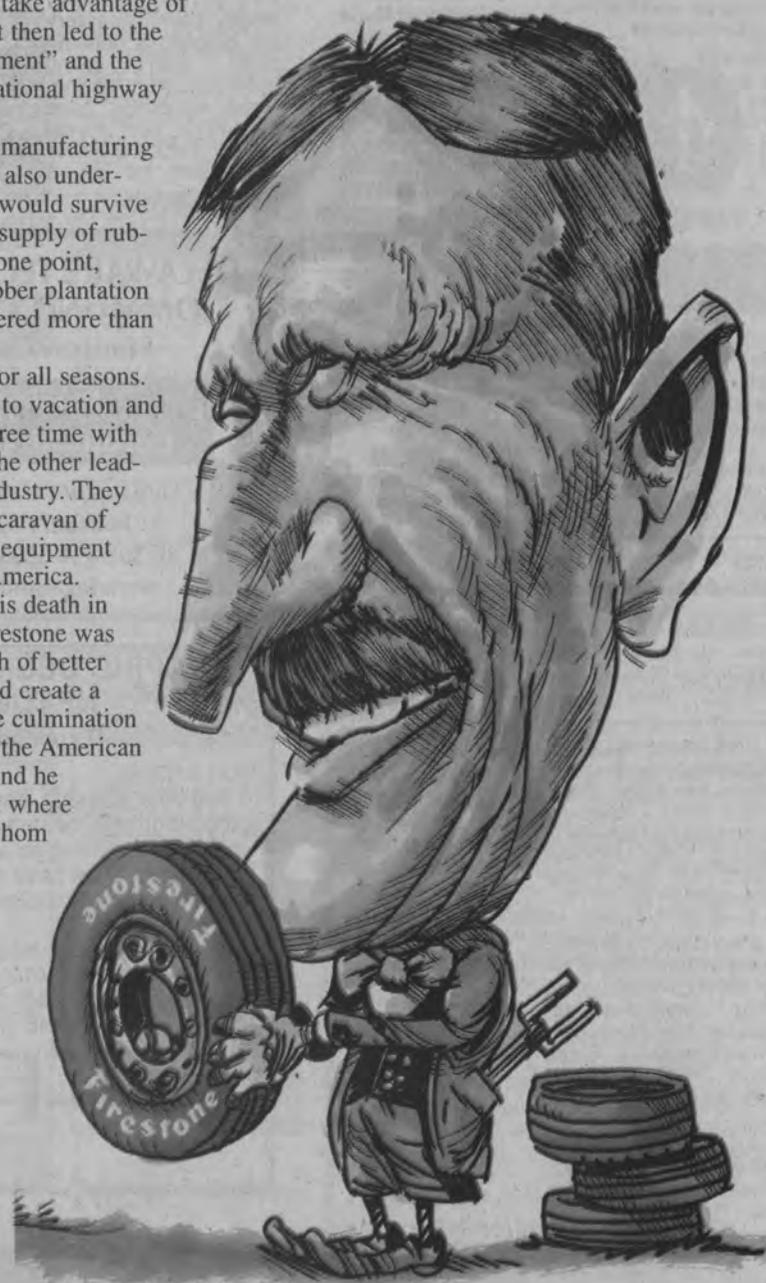
Firestone loved to vacation and used to spend his free time with Ford and Edison, the other leaders in American industry. They would set out in a caravan of cars with camping equipment and travel across America.

Right up until his death in 1938 at age 69, Firestone was constantly in search of better solutions. He would create a better farm tire, the culmination of a dream to put "the American farm on rubber." And he would never forget where he came from or whom he met that day in 1895.

Both men had simple goals. Both lived the dream.

"You get the best out of others when you get the best out of yourself," Firestone once said.

Something says he lived every word of it.



Lexus GX 470 instills plushness, comfort and utility

Lexus, Toyota's luxury division, manages to instill a certain balance of plushness, comfort and utility in everything it offers. This is true of the GX 470, its truck-based, high-end recreational vehicle that has all the capability necessary to tow the family trailer or boat while carrying seven people in living-room splendor.

Sitting essentially on the 4Runner's

By Les Jackson

Cars at Carlisle



ladder frame and fitted with its iron V-8, dual-range transmission and full-time four-wheel drive, the GX 470 is an imposing SUV, in spite of its relatively mid-size proportions. Its V-8 is a 4.7-liter, four cam, 32-valve piece of machinery that produces 235 horsepower and 320 lb.-ft. of torque, all of which is put through a five-speed automatic transmission to yield a 0-60 mph time of 8.5 seconds.

Its four-wheel drive system is a Torsen limited-slip center differential with active traction control and adaptive variable suspension. This suspension is a computer-controlled system that continuously adjusts the shock absorber damping rates to provide a very consistent ride. It senses wheel speed, rpm, steering wheel input, brake input and vertical body motion at all times. The driver can select four modes for the system, ranging from Sport to Comfort. I found the Sport mode to be a bit too choppy, without really providing the benefit of crisp handling. To be fair, though, Lexus isn't the brand to buy if

you want sports car-like characteristics. All other suspension modes were quite easy to live with and detectable from one to the other. The rear suspension features auto-leveling and adjustable height control for those who tow.

Getting into the GX 470, one immediately knows one is in a Lexus. The bird's-eye maple trim and leather-wrapped fittings all speak of expense and good taste, and Lexus has broken the code when it comes to elegance. I would place Lexus second only to Jaguar in that department. The seats are very handsome and extremely comfortable, as one would expect of a vehicle in this class.

Lexus missed nothing in the feature

department. There's an 11-speaker audio system (14-speaker system available for those who want even more sound) with rear seat control and a six-disc CD in-dash changer. The test vehicle had a voice-activated navigation system as well, and a nifty standard feature is the trip computer that has an altimeter and barometer built in.

Moving down the road the Lexus proved to be extremely quiet. There's hardly any perception of wind noise, and even coming alongside big diesel trucks didn't produce the annoying din that is so common in other vehicles. There's very little "road feel," which can be a benefit or detriment depending upon the driver. I found it to be the former, although passengers in the third-

row seat did notice some pitch and yaw movements during a trip down the interstate. They also suffered (mildly) from the usual discomfort that third-row seats are famous for in nearly all vehicles. Such seats should be dedicated to kids and pets.

The GX 470 is thoroughly utilitarian. It has nearly 80 cubic feet of cargo space (with the third seating row removed) and the roof rack actually holds heavy stuff up to 130 pounds. I liked the swing-out tailgate feature that allows loading when something is hooked up to the tow bar. The vehicle can hold 1,260 pounds inside and tow up to 6,500 pounds. The vehicle itself weighs in at 4,740 pounds and has an overall length of only 188.2 inches, or 15.7 feet. That's about the same length as most full-sized passenger cars, by the

way, but the combination of height and truck-like styling make it look larger.

All this utility and luxury comes at a price, which should be no surprise to Lexus buyers. With added options such as the DVD entertainment system, navigation and booming audio, it's easy to top the \$50,000 mark. On the other hand, Lexus vehicles tend to hold their values over time, so there are worse things to do than buy a GX 470. It's not really a gussied-up 4Runner, but its own uniquely executed assemblage of Toyota-designed components.

Visit www.carsatcarlisle.com for more on the automotive hobby.

Tech expert Les "Dr. Crankshaft" Jackson explains auto restoration on his Web site, www.secondchancegarage.com, and is co-host of the nationally syndicated automotive radio show "Cruise Control."





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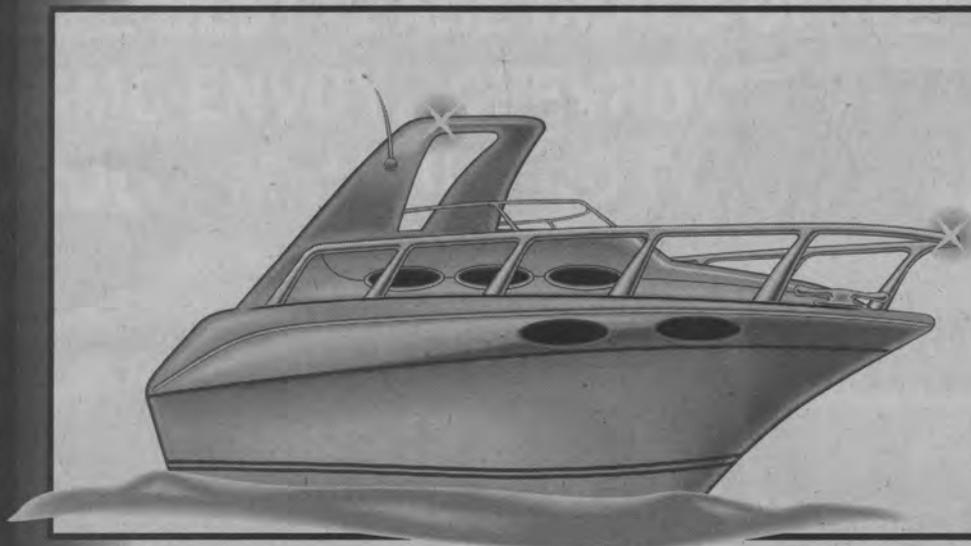
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A public auction will be held Feb. 9, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. The following units will be sold:
#0139 - Phyllis E. Christopher - household items
#0214 - Kimberly Blevins & Steve Verucci - household items
#0239 - Rashidah Roane - household items
#0321 - Sylvan Learning Center - business records
#0341 - Travis L. Smith - household items
#0400 - Yolanda Abellana - household items
#1217 - Jason Ryan - household items
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#1426 - Randall D. Spatz, Jr. - household items
#6283 - Tracey Nilan - household items

SENTINEL SELF STORAGE
465 Pulaski Hwy, New Castle, DE 19720
302-328-5810

A public auction will be held on February 9, 2005 at the above address. The sale will begin at 1:00 p.m. The units to be auctioned at Wilton are as follows:

#1003 - Xixa Powell - household items
#1007 - Kimatha L. Flech - household items
#1018 - Shontae Sancho - household items
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Nichelle Nichols

TO
Adrian Xavier Nichols
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Adrian Seven Johnson 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 Adrian Xavier Nichols.
Nichelle Nichols
Petitioner
DATED: 12/27/04
np 1/7,1/14,1/21

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Shaun Allen Williams
Michelle Gibson PETITIONER(S)

TO: Shaun Allen Gibson
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Shaun Allen 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 Shaun Allen Gibson.
Michelle Gibson
Petitioner
DATED: Dec. 23, 2004
np 12/31,1/7,1/14

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

SHELLY FRYE- RONEY
PETITIONER(S)
TO
JESTEN MORRIS PEEBLES
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Petitioner
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np 1/7,1/14,1/21

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#339 - Sandra Santana - household
#63 - Sanjiv Guha - household
#191 - Ernestine Young - household
#327 - Benjamin B. Brown - electronic equipment
#211 - Bruce Moore - rug insulation, etc.
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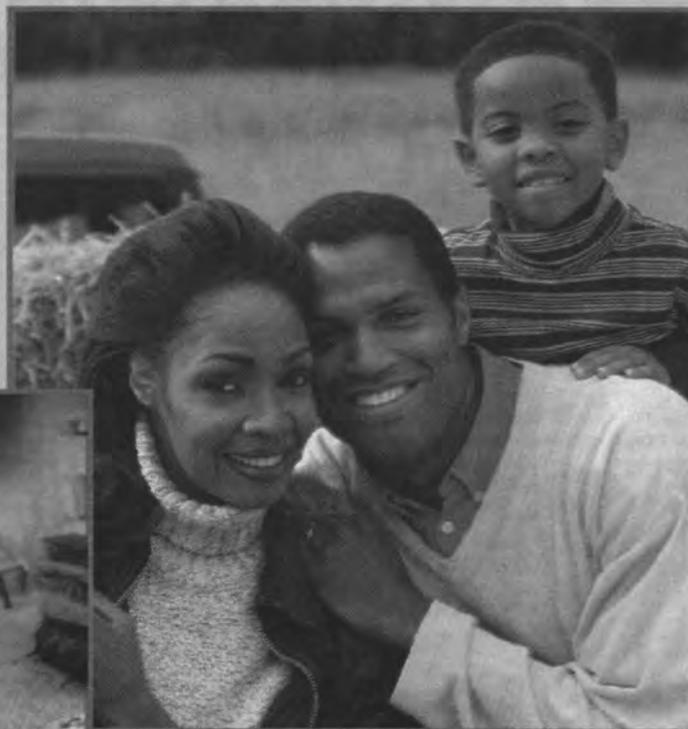
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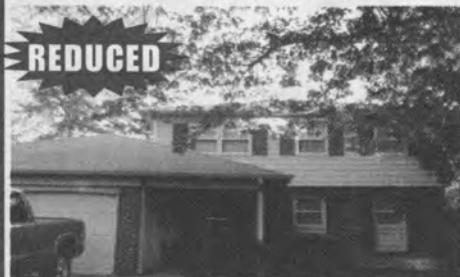


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Good insulation in the walls is like money in the bank

By James and Morris Carey
For AP Weekly Features

We recently had the pleasure of touring a major insulation manufacturing plant and acting as judges in a regional and national competition recognizing "Americas Best Insulation Installer."

The competition, sponsored by Johns Manville and Insulate America, an industry trade group, honored insulation installation professionals with the neatest, most professional installation.

We came away with a deeper understanding of the importance that a quality insulation job plays in improving home comfort and the impact that it can have in controlling soaring utility costs. Most importantly, we learned that insulation can be of little value when not installed properly or in the right locations.

Many people tend to regard insulation as a building component which has value only during winter when home heating bills are high. In reality, insulation is important every day of the year.

Insulation resists the flow of heat. Heat is a form of energy. By reducing

heat flow in a properly insulated building, less energy is used for winter heating and summer cooling.

There are other less obvious benefits that insulation provides, such as moisture control and sound control.

A vapor-resistant membrane, commonly called a vapor barrier, attached to batt or roll insulation, or installed separately, decreases the possibility of moisture vapor condensing to water within a structure. This reduces the prospect of mold, mildew, rot and musty odors.

Insulation also reduces sound transmission. An insulated floor, wall or ceiling will have an improved sound transmission class compared to a similar building section with no insulation.

As an example, 3 1/2 inches of fiberglass insulation in a wall can improve the STC from 4 to 11 points, depending upon construction details.

Though insulation is available in many styles and materials, fiberglass is the most widely-used. Batts and rolls of varying widths are designed for installation between floor joist, wall studs and ceiling joist.

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Insulating year round

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Insulating your attic

Effective ventilation helps prevent heat buildup. Fresh air flows through the soffit vents up through baffles located between roof sheathing and attic insulation and exits through vents up high on the roof.

Roof vent (outtake)
Located up high on the roof or, a continuous ridge vent.

Insulation
Fiberglass insulation is the most widely used form of insulation.

Baffle
Can be installed at the underside of roof sheathing to improve air flow.

Roofing

Attic insulation blanket (between ceiling joists)

Vapor barrier

Unconditioned attic space

Soffit vent (intake)

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Good insulation is like money in the bank –

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Alternatively, loose fiberglass can be blown into attics or in existing wall cavities where it is impossible to install batts or roll material.

The areas that should be insulated to provide the best bang for your energy buck include exterior walls, ceilings with cold spaces above, and floors with cold spaces below.

The following are a few key areas that should not be overlooked:

– Exterior walls between unheated garages and storage rooms, dormer walls, knee walls of finished attics, basement walls.

– Dormer ceilings and sloped walls and ceilings of attic spaces finished as living quarters.

– Floors above vented crawl spaces, living space above garages or porches and over unheated basements. Cantilevered portions of floors (that extend outward beyond the foundation).

Insulation is available in varying thicknesses depending upon the required R-value. The thicker the material, the higher the R-value and the better the level of energy protection. However, the mistake that many do-it-yourselfers make is to try and force thick material into a shallow cavity, assuming that it will be more efficient. For example, they will compress R-19 into a two-by-four wall that is designed to accept a maximum thickness of R-15.

Compressing insulation diminishes its effectiveness and reduces its R-value. Pay close attention to manufacturer material recommendations for specific cavity depths.

Insulation techniques vary depending upon location in the structure and the size and type.

In general, if you are installing batt or roll insulation with an integral vapor barrier, the barrier is installed in the wall, ceiling or floor framing cavity toward the warm-in-winter side. Thus, ceiling insulation would be installed with the vapor barrier down, wall material toward the interior of the space and floor material with the vapor barrier up against the underside of the subfloor.

In hot, humid climates, vapor barriers can be installed facing the outside.

In cold climates, unfaced insulation is installed with a separate continuous plastic vapor barrier over the face of the interior side of the wall. This prevents condensation occurring due to extreme differences between interior and exterior temperature. Check local practices or building codes for what method will work best in your neck of the woods.

Faced insulation (material with an integral vapor barrier) is usually installed in one of two ways: face-stapled or inset-stapled.

The stapling flanges that extend over the sides of the insulation can be

used for either stapling method. When face-stapling, the face material is flush with the face of the framing and the flanges extend over the face of the framing and overlap. The material is then stapled to the face of the framing.

With inset-stapling, the flange is placed along the side of the framing material with the outside edge of the flange flush with the face of the stud. This method is usually preferred by the wall finish trades because it allows adhesive application of wall board.

Both methods provide acceptable performance.

When insulating a ceiling with batt or roll material, it may take more than one layer of material to achieve the desired R-value specified by the Department of Energy for your climate zone.

When such is the case, the material should be placed between the framing with the vapor barrier on the primary layer (closest to the ceiling) facing down. The second layer should consist of unfaced material run perpendicular to the first layer.

One common mistake when insulating an attic is to block soffit and eave ventilation. Ventilation works in harmony with insulation and must be preserved. Prefabricated baffle boards can be installed at the underside of the roof sheathing near eave and soffit vents to maintain a minimum of one inch of clearance for free air movement.

Other insulation installation tips and tricks that we learned from the pros:

Insulate nonstandard-width framed spaces by cutting the insulation and facing about an inch wider than the space to be filled. This will provide a snug fit and the facing will be wide enough to staple.

Whether face- or inset-stapling, prevent gathering or buckling of the flange. This condition is referred to as "fishmouthing" and can reduce the effectiveness of the insulation.

Be sure to insulate all gaps, especially narrow cavities around windows, doors and at corners. Cut material to size and stuff it into the area. Where a vapor barrier is required, cover the warm-in-winter side of the narrow space with excess vapor barrier, duct tape or polyethylene film.

Repair rips or tears in the vapor barrier using duct tape or polyvinyl tape.

Where electrical wiring exits, split the insulation to prevent compaction.

Where plumbing pipes exist, insulate only the exterior (between the pipes and the cold side) to prevent the pipes from freezing.

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