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PHOTO COURTESY OF ALEXANDRIA WAILES

Sign language interpreter Alexandria Wailes rehearses "America The Beautiful" with Leslie Odom Jr. prior to the Super Bowl. Wailes, who is deaf, provided interpretation for singers during the opening ceremony in Minneapolis.

## A super experience

Newark native performs in sign language at Super Bowl

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Before the coin was tossed, before Justin Timberlake performed and long before the green and white confetti fell, Alexandria Wailes made sure deaf and hard of hearing viewers were involved

in the opening festivities of Super Bowl LII.

Wailes, who is deaf, provided American Sign Language interpretation for singers Leslie Odom Jr. and Pink during the opening ceremony in U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

Born in Wilmington and raised

in Newark, Wailes is used to performing in American Sign Language in front of large crowds. Through a spokesperson, she said she signed Michael Jackson's "Heal the World" at the 1993

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## Two seats contested in April 10 election

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After a flurry of last minute filings Monday, there will be two contested races in the April 10 Newark City Council election.

In District 3, former city employee Ricky Nietubicz is challenging incumbent Councilwoman Jen Wallace.

Meanwhile, three newcomers – Neel Barua, Jason Lawhorn and Lena Thayer – are competing for the District 5 seat after incumbent Luke Chapman chose not to seek re-election.

In District 6, Councilman Stu Markham is unchallenged and will get a seventh term on council.

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## Park N Shop plan moves forward

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A developer's proposal to build 12 apartments in the Park N Shop plaza moved forward Tuesday, when the planning commission gave the plan its blessing.

The project will now move on to city council for final approval.

DSM Commercial is seeking to demolish the shuttered M&T Bank building at the corner of South Main Street and Apple Road and replace it with a three-story building containing 10,600 square feet of retail space on the first floor and 12 apartments on the second and third

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**Art gallery reception:** Tonight, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Newark Arts Alliance, 276 E. Main St. A reception will introduce NAA's exhibit "Baby, It's Cold Outside," art in any media exploring the cold of winter. The exhibit will be on display through Feb. 23. Free.

**Tree and shrub ID:** Saturday, 10 a.m., at UD's Fischer Greenhouse, 533 S. College Ave. Dr. John Frett will lead a walk through the gardens and teach participants how to identify plants year-round using bud, leaf scar and stem characteristics. UD Botanical Gardens Friends \$10; non-members \$15. Prepayment is required. Call 302-831-2531 or email [BotanicGardens@udel.edu](mailto:BotanicGardens@udel.edu) to register.

**The Art of Dessert:** Saturday, 6:30 to 9 p.m., at the Newark Arts Alliance, 276 E. Main St. The annual Newark Arts Alliance fundraiser offers guests samples of desserts from several Newark restaurants. Tickets are \$20 and are available at [www.newarkartsalliance.org](http://www.newarkartsalliance.org) or at the door.

**Empty Bowls:** Sunday, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., at the Newark Senior Center, 200 Whitechapel Drive. Admission price of \$50 includes a handmade bowl and all-you-can-eat soup. Benefits Meals on Wheels. Call (302) 737-2336 or visit <http://newark-seniorcenter.com/> to buy tickets.

**Council meeting:** Monday, 7 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. Council will discuss a new wage plan for management employees, set the salary for the city solicitor and appoint a new deputy city solicitor.

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# 'The Price' at Chapel Street is a family affair on and offstage

By DARA MCBRIDE  
Special to The Post

When Ray Barto was faced with the last minute recasting of a role in Chapel Street Players' "The Price" – a play in which two brothers reunite to sell their parents' estate – he didn't look far.

He called his brother.

"I knew Bob was a quick study," said Barto, director of "The Price" and younger brother to actor Bob Barto. "So I said, 'Can you do this?' And he said, 'Yeah, sure, I'll do it.'"

"The Price" opens with a reception at 7:30 p.m. and performance at 8 p.m. tonight, and will run for six performances at 27 N. Chapel St. through Feb. 17.

Arthur Miller wrote the play, which opened on Broadway in 1968 and earned a Tony Award nomination for Best Play that year. It recently returned to Broadway in 2017, with Mark Ruffalo and Danny DeVito in two of the play's four roles.

Growing up, Barto said he and his brother were "drawn to theater" and remembers the two performing with Holy Angels' Angel Players as teenagers. Both brothers studied theater in college and, as adults, continued to look for artistic opportunities.

Barto first encountered "The Price" in the '70s, when it was required reading in one of his college courses. It stayed with him, and he pitched performing the play this season at Chapel Street. While audience members may be more familiar with some of Miller's other works, like "Death of a Salesman" or "The Crucible," Barto said "The Price" is both something different and very familiar.

"This is something that everybody's gonna go through at some point," Barto said. "Getting rid of your parent's stuff, getting



PHOTO COURTESY OF CSP

Dan Tucker and Curt King appear in "The Price" by Arthur Miller at Chapel Street Players.

rid of your stuff."

Set in a New York City brownstone, "The Price" has New York cop Victor Franz return to his childhood home to sell the remainder of his parents' estate. Victor gave up going to college to support his family and is now confronted with the past as he, his wife, his estranged brother and a sharp-witted furniture dealer (that's the role Bob Barto plays), sort through the family's history.

The premise of the show – going through all that stuff – presented Barto with a unique problem when it came to creating the setting. A harp is often referenced in dialogue and is central to the plot. It was a wedding gift to Victor's parents, and his mother had a talent for music.

It's certainly one of the more challenging set pieces Barto has been tasked with finding. So he got in touch with The Bran-

dywine Harp Orchestra. Harpist Janet Witman founded the ensemble in 2000. Today, the group has a dozen harpers and pulls talent from Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland.

"I was not familiar with them at all. It was totally a shot in the dark. I was actually thinking of building a harp," said Barto, adding he quickly discovered online that making a harp would cost more than his budget would allow.

The ensemble is now loaning the theater a harp for the stage and will also provide music for the 8 p.m. performances tonight and Feb. 16. Harpists may perform other dates, depending on availability, Barto added.

Tickets for "The Price" cost between \$5 and \$18. For more information, visit <http://chapelstreetplayers.org/> or call (302) 368-2248.

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# Main Street repaving project expands in scope

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A summer project to repave Main Street has expanded in scope after state transportation officials realized the condition of the road is worse than originally thought.

The work, still set to begin early this summer, will now include a full reconstruction of the road, said George LeCates, a project manager for the Delaware Department of Transportation.

The original plan was to do a standard mill and overlay, which consists of scraping off 2 to 3 inches of the pavement and replacing it with new asphalt. However, that would only last about seven years, LeCates said.

The problem lies more than a foot under the road surface, where there's old concrete beneath the asphalt. When joints in the concrete fail, it damages the asphalt above.

"You can see every joint if you ride down and look," LeCates said, explaining they appear as horizontal cracks in the road.

The concrete would have to be patched anyway, so DelDOT decided to replace it instead. Crews will dig up the entire road surface, getting rid of the aging concrete and replacing it with approximately 14 inches of asphalt.

The work will be more complex but will last up to twice as long, an important factor considering the difficulty in doing work on a highly trafficked road, LeCates said.

"It's no fun to go [work] on Main Street. It's disruptive and inconvenient," he said. "Let's fix it for good and we'll see you every 10 or 12 years, maybe longer."

LeCates said the project is still slated to last about a year and said the expanded scope shouldn't affect drivers much more than the original plan would have. However, Newark officials warned in

a report that the project will be "more disruptive."

"The additional work of digging up the foundation and rebuilding means there will be a longer construction time," city spokeswoman Kelly Bachman said.

In conjunction with the repaving, city officials are planning the installation of several "parklets" along Main Street.

Parklets take up one or more on-street parking spaces, typically extending out from the sidewalk and spanning the width of the parking space, and are a growing trend in cities like Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. Amenities could include benches, bicycle parking, landscaping and public art installations.

By standardizing the size of parking spaces — some are currently larger than the standard 19 feet long — the project will actually result in an additional four spaces. That includes eight des-



SUBMITTED GRAPHIC  
An artist's rendering shows what Main Street could look like following a project to repave the road and install parklets.

ignated handicapped spaces, of which there are currently none.

The Downtown Newark Partnership has been working on the parklet proposal for several years, and the planned repaving project is an ideal time to implement it.

"It's an opportunity to introduce some landscaping and some of the niceties," Joe Charma, who chairs the DNP's Design Committee, explained last year. "It would give people a place to relax downtown with a cold beverage or an ice cream cone."

# Court upholds Newark board's ruling in dispute over garage

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A Delaware Superior Court judge has upheld a decision by the Newark Board of Adjustment in a neighborhood dispute over a proposed garage.

The lawsuit concerned an October 2016 decision by the board to allow Timothy Chopko and his wife, Cecilia Carroll, to build a garage in

the front yard of their home at 250 Dallam Road.

A car collector, Chopko proposed building a 26-by-40-foot garage, where he planned to store four of his cars.

Under city code, garages must be constructed in the rear portion of a yard. However, Chopko told the board that his .58-acre property is unusual because his house is built near the back of the

property. With 85 percent of the property defined as a front yard, there is no room to build a garage without a variance, he argued.

The garage would be built off to the side of the front yard, not directly in front of the house.

The property already has a two-car garage, but Chopko said he plans to convert it to a bedroom, bathroom and laundry room due to the

small size of the house.

Three neighbors submitted letters in support of the plan, but next-door neighbor Francis Fierro attended the board of adjustment meeting to voice his opposition.

He argued that the garage would negatively affect his property value and change the residential character of the neighborhood. He also worried that Chopko would pave a portion of the yard in

front of the garage to use for additional parking.

The board approved the variance unanimously, with the conditions that the driveway would go straight to Dallam Road with no additional parking lot and Chopko would use vegetation to screen the garage from view.

After the decision, Fierro appealed it to Delaware Superior Court, filing suit against the board, the city

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# UD police officer charged with child abuse

By JOSH SHANNON

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An officer from the University of Delaware Police Department was arrested last week and charged with child abuse, police reported.

Bernard Innocent, 29, was arrested by New Castle County Police on Feb. 1., following

a months-long investigation, according to Master Cpl. Heather Carter, a county police spokeswoman.

Carter did not detail the allegations against Innocent but stated that the alleged offenses were not related to UD or his duties as a police officer.

"We want to protect the

victim involved," Carter said. "We're not releasing any details of the investigation."

Innocent was charged with third-degree child abuse and endangering the welfare of a child, both misdemeanors. He was released on \$2,000 unsecured bond and ordered not to have contact with the alleged victim.

UDPD Chief Patrick Ogden said he learned of the allegation Nov. 1 and immediately suspended Innocent.

"The conduct of this officer falls well short of the expectations of the University of Delaware," Ogden said in a prepared statement. "We will continue to cooperate with the criminal investigation, as

we complete our own internal investigation."

According to UD's website, Innocent joined the department in October 2011. A cached version of the police department's online directory lists him at the rank of master police officer, but by Feb. 1, it appeared his name had been removed from the website.



INNOCENT

## Shoplifters steal body wash, shrimp from Suburban Plaza store

By JOSH SHANNON

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Two shoplifters stole body wash and shrimp from the Acme in Suburban Plaza on Monday afternoon, police reported.

The first theft happened at 1:30 p.m. when a man entered the store, hid several bottles of Dove Body Wash under his coat and left without paying, according to Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

As store employees watched on surveillance cameras, the man returned a short time later and stole more body wash.

Approximately an hour later, another man entered the store, loaded a shopping basket with five packages of shrimp worth a total of \$90 and left, Bryda said. Store employees yelled for him to stop, but he did not comply.

The first suspect is described as a middle-aged white man wearing a brown coat and a black knit hat. The second suspect is a white man, 25 to 35 years old, with dark hair, a beard and wearing a dark hooded jacket and jeans. He drove away in a silver sedan.

Anyone with information about the thefts should contact Officer Casey Rivers at CRivers@newark.de.us or 302-366-7100 ext. 3479. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime



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Police believe this man stole shrimp from the Acme in Suburban Plaza.

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## Cub Scout pack tours police station

Cub Scout Pack 205 got a behind-the-scenes tour of the Newark Police Department station last month. Here, members of the pack check out the department's motorcycles with Cpl. Brandon Walker.

## Man robbed, assaulted while trying to buy pot in Newark

By JOSH SHANNON

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A man attempting to buy marijuana behind a Newark sub shop was assaulted and robbed last week, police said.

The incident happened at 10 p.m. Jan. 29 behind Jersey Mike's on South College Avenue, according to Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark

Police Department.

The victim agreed to meet up with two teens in order to purchase a large quantity of marijuana, Bryda said. However, when he arrived, the teens assaulted him and stole his cash, cell phone and keys.

The victim suffered a head injury but declined medical attention.

Detectives linked the crime to William Booker and

Chris Poore, both 17-year-old residents of Newark, and arrested them Feb. 2, Bryda said.

Both were charged with first-degree robbery, third-degree assault and second-degree conspiracy. Poore was committed to the New Castle County Detention Center in lieu of \$6,500 secured bond, while Booker was released on \$6,500 unsecured bond.

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# Newark man gets two years in Maryland robbery

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A Newark man received a two-year jail term on Tuesday for helping rob a pizza delivery worker near North East, Md., early last year.

Cecil County Circuit Court Judge Brenda A. Sexton imposed a 10-year sentence on the defendant, Steven Anthony Taylor, 39, and then suspended eight years of it. The judge gave Taylor — prosecutors identified him as the getaway driver — credit for approximately six months that he had served in jail after his arrest.

In December, as part of a plea agreement, Taylor pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery and, in exchange, prosecutors dropped eight related charges, including armed robbery and theft.

Sexton ordered Taylor to serve three years of supervised probation after completing his two-year term, which he will serve in the Cecil County Detention Center.

Taylor's defense lawyer, Paul Marshall Long Jr., of



TAYLOR

Centreville, Md., told the judge that his client was a "distinguished honor roll student" in high school and that, after graduating, he worked in the "banking business."

Speaking on Taylor's behalf, his mother told Sexton that her son got hooked on pain medication after a doctor had prescribed it to him to treat an injury. Noting that she is a nurse, his mother commented, "I did not think it (the painkiller prescription) was a good idea."

"He's a great guy. He's very intelligent," his mother told the judge, surmising that her son's addiction and the company he kept led him to commit the crime. "Look at him for who he is and how he was raised."

Sexton responded from the bench, "I think his mother speaks the truth."

Taylor's two co-defendants — Brandy Ranay Cameron, 28, of Elkton, Md.; and Keith Jason Dougherty, 40, of Pennsville, N.J. — also pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery as part of plea bargains in earlier proceed-

ings, and they have been sentenced.

The trio called a North East-area pizzeria about 9 p.m. on Jan. 26, 2017, ordered chicken wings, breadsticks and pizza and asked that the food be delivered to a specific address a short distance from that establishment, prosecutors reported. When the delivery worker arrived at the designated place and got out of his vehicle, the culprits approached him, prosecutors said. While Cameron brandished what appeared to be handgun — investigators later de-

termined that it was a flashlight — they robbed the worker of \$40, prosecutors added.

The robbers ran away but, moments later, a Plymouth Neon caught the attention of the worker as it drove by him slowly, according to prosecutors. The employee recorded the license plate number and relayed that information to Cecil County Sheriff's Office investigators when he reported the robbery, prosecutors reported.

The investigation later led to the arrests of the three suspects.

## Cops: Glasgow man endangered kids by setting couch on fire

By CARL HAMILTON

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A Glasgow man is facing arson charges after he allegedly torched a downstairs couch inside a Maryland residence while his girlfriend and her two young children were upstairs, according to Cecil County District Court records.

No one was injured during the incident that occurred late Sunday night in the unit block of Cedar Hill Circle in North East, Md. The defendant was identified as Kendall T. Dickerson, 27.

Court records list Dickerson as a living in the Forest Glen neighborhood in Glasgow but state he has been staying with his 32-year-

old girlfriend and her children, ages 2 and 5, since October, court records show.

Dickerson reportedly extinguished the blaze — it set off a smoke alarm inside the apartment — and then allegedly fled, police reported.

The incident started about 10:30 p.m. Sunday, with Dickerson allegedly ripping toys out of the hands of his girlfriend's 2-year-old daughter and throwing them against the youngster's bedroom wall because she had been playing too loudly, police said.

At that point, police added, Dickerson allegedly grabbed a piece of wood from a dresser drawer and struck the walls with it.

Then Dickerson allegedly started ransacking the place, while his girlfriend and her two children were upstairs, according to a statement of probable cause authored by Deputy Brian Bravo of the Cecil County Sheriff's Office.

"When upstairs, (the girlfriend) heard the fire alarm going off downstairs ... she exited the bedroom, went downstairs and observed Dickerson standing next to the couch, which was on fire," according to court records, which indicate that the couch was value at approximately \$250.

The girlfriend told investigators that she did not know how Dickerson set the blaze, which occurred shortly before midnight

on Sunday, but that she did notice two lighters on a table near that piece of furniture, police said.

She also told investigators that she had thrown the couch's burnt seat cushions into a commercial garbage bin behind her residence, after Dickerson had extinguished the fire and left the residence, police added.

Shortly before 1 a.m. on Monday, the girlfriend called Bravo and reported that she saw Dickerson walking behind her residence when she looked out the back window, prompting Bravo to canvass that area, according to court records.

After a brief foot chase, Bravo caught and arrested Dickerson,

police added. Bravo then drove Dickerson to CCSO's headquarters near Elkton for processing, police noted.

"During the transport, Dickerson spontaneously uttered that he set fire to the sofa because he was 'angry' due to 'many things going wrong' in his life and that he 'wasn't thinking' at the time of the incident," Bravo reports in charging documents.

Dickerson is facing seven charges, including first-degree arson and second-degree arson — both of which are felonies — second-degree malicious burning and three counts of reckless endangerment, according to court records.

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# Former NHS swimmer Zoe Coffing is now head coach

By JON BUZBY

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Newark High's swim team experienced an overhaul at the top after the 2017 season when longtime head coaches Brian Polaski (boys) and Bryan Stambaugh (girls) stepped down from their positions. The Yellowjackets quickly hired two former swimmers to fill both positions.

Zoe Coffing, a member of the Newark High class of 2014, was hired to coach the girls team. Brett Melcher, a 2015 graduate, is the new boys coach.

"It was incredibly exciting to be hired to coach at Newark," Coffing, a four-time all-conference swimmer, said. "Being on the swim team was one of my favorite parts of high school. I really enjoyed being at Newark and creating memories with the team."

Coffing, who is a senior majoring in history at UD, came into the position having served most recently as a volunteer assistant coach at Newark for two years under Polaski and Stambaugh.

"I really learned a lot from that experience under them about dealing with older swimmers and refining technique instead of just teaching it," Coffing explained.

Both of her former coaches are confident that Coffing is the right person for the job.

"Zoe is very interested in working with the kids to improve their mechanics, which is the basis of improving their performance," Stambaugh, now retired from high school coaching, said. "Zoe is also very much invested in the team, which helps the kids to



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Former Newark High swimmer Zoe Coffing is wrapping up her first season as the Yellowjackets' girls head coach.

buy into the team when they see that their coach is all in."

Polaski, now the dean of students at William Penn High School, concurred.

"Zoe's work ethic, spirit and understanding of what it means to be a part of the tradition that is Newark swimming is second to none," Polaski said. "She is doing a fantastic job of keeping that

tradition alive."

Coffing's previous coaching experience included stints as an assistant coach at Nottingham Swim Club and as the head coach at Oaklands swim club.

"I started out coaching as a volunteer over the summer to fulfill my volunteer hours requirement for high school graduation," she explained.

"I quickly realized that it was similar and related to teaching, and I really fell in love with helping swimmers learn, watching them grow, and having the opportunity to positively impact their lives. Also, swimming has been a sport that connected me to my three brothers for our whole lives. I love being able to stay involved in the sport

and keeping that connection with them."

That sibling connection continues at Newark with two of her brothers. Zach is a junior on the swim team and Nathan took over his sister's volunteer coaching position with the Yellowjackets. Notably, it was Coffing's two years as a volunteer assistant that made this first one as a head coach even more gratifying.

"It's been great to be back with the whole team for a third year, especially knowing that I've been with the entire junior class for their whole swimming careers at Newark," she said. "I know that team meant a lot to me, and it's just really cool to be able to watch those swimmers grow through the program like I did."

Coffing was a four-year varsity letter-winner and in addition to her all-conference accolades was a three-time honorable mention all-state selection, primarily swimming the breaststroke. Her transition from swimming in the pool to coaching on the deck has had its challenges.

"One of the challenges I had was finding my 'voice' with this team," she admitted. "Because I had been there before as an assistant, it took me a little while to feel comfortable being the one calling the shots."

And even though she's fallen into more of a comfort zone as the head coach, she hasn't forgotten what she learned as a Yellowjacket swimmer.

"I copy a lot of the sets Brian and Bryan used," she said. "I think they both did fantastic jobs and I know what they did

worked so I use some of their sets verbatim and others I alter to my own taste. I also try to be really encouraging and give every swimmer specific feedback, which is something I know I always admired about Brian and Bryan."

The Yellowjackets are 8-6 and riding a six-meet winning streak into Saturday's Blue Hen Conference Championships, and their rookie head coach likes where they're at as a team.

"The season so far has honestly been better than I anticipated," she said. "We got some new swimmers on both the girls and the boys side who were pleasant surprises that have helped us a lot this year. We also have a lot of returning swimmers who have been improving and that's been really exciting. Some of the time drops come seemingly out of nowhere, and it's always a happy surprise."

Several swimmers have already qualified for states and Coffing said a few more are very close and hopefully will have an opportunity to swim in preliminaries at the state meet.

"It's exciting to begin talking about states because we do have both boys and girls who have the potential to make finals and I think we're all looking forward to prelims," Coffing said.

Regardless of the outcome at the state meet, as the swim season winds down, Coffing feels good about her first year at the helm of her alma mater.

"I think we've had a lot of fun this season as a team, and I've tried to connect and relate to the swimmers as well as help them individually as much as I can," she said.

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## Out of the Attic

# Memorial Hall sketch — 1922

This week's Out of the Attic item is an early sketch of Memorial Hall on the University of Delaware's campus. The sketch was published in an October 1922 issue of the Newark Post, as UD and the state were beginning to raise money for the building, which was designed as a memorial to Delaware soldiers lost in World War I.

The fundraising campaign included a massive parade in Wilmington designed to raise awareness of the effort. UD students rode a special train to Wilmington and were joined by thousands of school children as they marched to Rodney Square. That event alone raised \$34,000.

People from around the state joined in the fundraising effort, including Wilmington High School students, who donated \$3,700; Newark High School students, who raised "quite a tidy sum" with a candy sale; and prisoners at the New Castle County Workhouse, who pledged \$25.



The design changed a bit from the sketch shown here by the time the building opened in 1925. The first building to serve both the men's and women's campus, it served as UD's library until the Morris Library opened in 1963. Memorial Hall now houses the English department.

*Out of the Attic is produced in partnership with the Newark Historical Society. The*

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Marshall Elementary students show their Eagles pride.

## Newark-area students show their Eagles pride

By JOSH SHANNON

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In the days leading up to Sunday's Super Bowl, schools around the Newark area held rallies and other events for students to showcase their Eagles pride.

Their cheers might have been heard — on Sunday, the Eagles defeated the New England Patriots 41-33, earning Philadelphia its first-ever Super Bowl victory.

At Keene Elementary, students lined up outside last Thursday and spelled out the letters E-A-G-L-E-S. Students and teachers wore green and also collected change to benefit kids suffering from leukemia and lymphoma.

Keene school nurse Eileen Paulson also used the Eagles to spread awareness of the flu. She decorated a poster with flu prevention tips and the catchphrase "Eagles fever is the only fever you can catch and stay in school."

Jones Elementary planned an afternoon of Eagles activities last Friday, starting with making crafts, including Eagles necklaces and "underdog" masks. The stu-



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Brookside Elementary students show their Eagles pride.

dents then went to the cafeteria for an Eagles pep rally, complete with trivia questions, races and a dance off. They then headed back to their classrooms to end the day with a Super Bowl party.

Students in the Chinese Immersion Program at Downes Elementary put a unique twist on the fun, learning to sing the Eagles fight song in Mandarin.

Meanwhile, The Independence School found a way to channel students' Eagles pride into a benefit for the Food Bank of Delaware. Head of School Vicky Yatzus arranged for two large collection barrels to be delivered to the school and told students that if they filled the barrels, they could have a two-hour delay to the start of the school day Monday.

"Within less than 24 hours...the barrels were overflowing into the hallway," Claire Brechter, director of enrollment management and marketing, said.

"Such a generous and fun response from our families. The event helped connect our students with 'supporting the home team,' those in need in Delaware."

Gallaher Elementary held a school-wide assembly combining Eagles green with a green approach to disposing of waste last Friday. The school displayed a banner reading "Gallaher Goes Green," and a group of students ran through the banner, like at the start of a football game. They then gave a presentation about recycling before leading the rest of the school in singing the Eagles fight song.

Other celebrations included a school-wide parade at Jennie E. Smith Elementary, a party at Marshall Elementary, a reading contest at Wilson Elementary and a Bleed Green Spirit Week at Bancroft Elementary. Teachers at Oberle Elementary raised \$200 for an Eagles-affiliated autism charity.




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An artist's rendering shows how the proposed mixed-use project at the Park N Shop would look from Apple Road.

## PLAN

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floors. There would be 10 four-bedroom apartments and two two-bedroom apartments for a total of 44 bedrooms.

Most of the existing, recently renovated retail space at the shopping center would remain, though plans call for demolishing 6,400 square feet of the western-most portion of the building – which Park N Shop Liquors occupied before it moved elsewhere in the shopping center – to provide more parking and create an end-cap unit.

Mike Hoffman, a lawyer for DSM, said the company aims to create a walkable, community-oriented feel to the shopping center.

He conceded the apartments would most likely be rented by university students but noted that there are already a number of mixed-use buildings featuring student apartments along South Main Street.

“At 12 units, that’s a drop in the bucket in comparison, so it’s hardly inserting that character into the corridor or changing or altering that character,” he said.

DSM officials have said previously that they want to attract “community-type amenities” to the proposed retail space as well as the three existing vacancies. Such businesses could include a coffee shop, an ice-cream shop or a restaurant, they said.

Last summer, the center welcomed two new student-centric businesses: D.P. Dough, a late-night calzone spot, and Good Uncle, a delivery-only food service that operates out of a building behind the main retail strip.

DSM would not disclose any other possible tenants. “We’re approached very often by potential tenants, but we’ve been extremely selective,” Managing Partner Tripp Way said last fall. “We don’t want to just fill it with any tenant.”

DSM purchased the 5-acre shopping center in 2014 – after the previous owner abandoned a highly controversial proposal to replace the bank building with a Wawa gas station – and held two community meetings to gain feedback from neighbors before coming to the planning commission.

The plan originally called for a drive-thru coffee shop, but DSM eliminated that after many residents voiced concerns about increased traffic and noise from the speaker.

However, some residents who spoke at Tuesday’s meeting still had concerns.

Gene Lara, who lives across from the shopping center at the corner of Winslow and Apple roads, said he is worried about the additional traffic the project could bring.

“I’m really concerned about the impact it will have on the neighborhood,” Lara said.

He also argued that the new building should be turned around so that most of its frontage is on South Main Street, rather than Apple Road.

Hoffman responded that is not possible because some existing tenants in the shopping center have leases that dictate DSM cannot build a structure that blocks the view of their store from South Main Street.

Lara’s partner, Bill Wersinger, said he feels there has been too much development along South Main Street.

“What’s next, the BP station is going to be developed?” he said. “They’re going to keep moving into Old Newark. Basically, we’re losing our neighborhood.”

Jean White, who lives in Nottingham Green, said she would rather the new building be office space instead of apartments.

Hoffman replied that having residential space creates more of a community feel.

“The residential aspect, having people on site, creates that energy and creates that excitement and provides us benefits that would not have the same impact on traffic as a pure office,” he said.

Rosie Zappo, whose house backs up to the Park N Shop, praised DSM for improving the shopping center.

“I’ve lived here since I was 12 years old, on and off, and the place was a nightmare,” Zappo said. “We had rats, we had prostitutes, we had drug dealers, and I’m not Mrs. Kravitz saying, ‘Abner.’ This was the reality of living in this house.”

She added that DSM has installed surveillance cameras, improved the parking lot and has been responsive to concerns from neighbors.

“They do what they say they do, they’re open to suggestions and they’re great



SUBMITTED IMAGE

A bird's-eye view shows the layout of the proposed project at the Park N Shop. The new building would be built at the corner of South Main Street and Apple Road, while most of the existing retail space would remain.




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An artist's rendering shows how the proposed mixed-use project at the Park N Shop would look from South Main Street

neighbors,” Zappo said.


The planning commission unanimously approved DSM’s request to divide the property into two parcels and rezone the 1.13-acre parcel containing the new mixed-use building from general business to central business district. It also approved a comprehensive plan amendment, major subdivision, a special-use permit and a 27-space parking waiver, for which DSM will pay the city \$100,000.

If approved by council, the \$5 million project is slated to be completed by spring 2019.



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## Newark couple converting Md. farm into wedding venue

By JANE BELLMYER

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A Newark couple recently bought a Maryland farm and is working to convert it into a conference center and wedding venue.

Located at 80 Ricketts Mill Road near Elkton, Rosewood Farm is the former home of Terrapin Station Winery. Terrapin Station, which opened its tasting room in June 2010 and hosted old-time baseball games each year, was hit by a spring storm in 2013 that laid havoc to its grape vines. After trying to keep the business afloat, owners Morris and Janet Zwick ultimately chose to close in the fall of 2015.

Rick and Anne Biddle, who live in the Christianstead neighborhood, bought the 44-acre property with the plan to restore the barn and celebrate its history. It was not to be, however.

"So we said, 'Let's rebuild the barn on top and keep the foundation of the bank barn,'" Rick said.

Horizon Builders carefully

deconstructed the more than century-old barn to preserve as much of the wood as possible for future uses on site. The new barn will have three levels, as well as modern heating, ventilation, plumbing and electric.

"But we'll keep the quaintness," Rick said.

Meanwhile, the process is underway for a 6,000-square-foot conference center to be built by Conestoga Builders. That will make Rosewood Farms available for receptions, large meetings and private parties, but also public events.

"We want to get the community involved," Rick said.

The Biddles also have their children and grandchildren involved in the new family business. Anne envisions Rosewood Farms becoming part of destination weddings where families can come from all over for the ceremony, but also take arranged tours to Washington, D.C., Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Rosewood Farms expects to begin hosting events this summer.

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Inaugural Gala for President Bill Clinton. Since then, Wailes has gone on to perform on stages of all sizes, on and off Broadway as an actor and a dancer.

She attended what is now known as the Delaware School for the Deaf, then transferred to mainstream public schools before finishing her education at Model Secondary School for the Deaf in Washington, D.C.

It was the National Association for the Deaf that brought Wailes to the National Football League stage where she provided ASL as Odom sang "America the Beautiful" and then accompanied Pink for the singing of the national anthem.

Wailes said she was in performance mode leading up to and during her time on the global stage. It wasn't until she was finished that she grasped just how large was her audience.

"It was a great time, and it happened so quickly," she said.

Although she rehearsed with both singers and got a quick photo op, she didn't get to talk with Pink much. She said they met Feb. 2 for a rehearsal, but added it was



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Besides being a sign language interpreter, Alexandria Wailes is also an accomplished actor, director and choreographer.

more "an acknowledgement from a distance since Pink was battling the flu."

Because both songs are well known, the rehearsal was more technical than artistic.

"It was mostly related for the timing of getting on and off the field, the choreography of the flag bearers, the choir, the unraveling of the flag and the guards as well as the operations of the cameras," she said. "Behind the scenes, one experiences how well-oiled the machine is."

Wailes said she would gladly do it again, but added the deaf community needs broader representation.

"I would (like to see) more representation from the diverse community of Deaf people in this country," Wailes said.

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

July – September 1939: Pride of Delaware, a B.P.O.E. lodge, asked for the opening of a new street on its property

to be known as Church Street and asked for utility services. The request went to the town engineer for study.

Council granted permission to place road signs directing traffic to the New Castle-Pennsville Ferry. Lovett Avenue residents wanted street shoulders paved, as traffic had increased greatly. Haines

Street house numbers were not in sequence and needed re-numbering.

The chamber of commerce wanted a new street opened parallel to Main Street and “to be located in rear of north side of Main Street, entrance to be from Center Street.” This never happened, as council was reluctant to

build more streets requiring maintenance. Decades prior, a petition was presented to council asking to have New Street opened all the way to North College Avenue, but it was tabled.

The state sanitary engineer urged that private and town water supplies be totally separate to prevent any con-

tamination flowing into town system. The Newark Inn had interconnected service and was told to remedy the situation or town water would be shut off.

Reports of reckless driving were made, and Chief Cunningham complained that Magistrate Eubanks was not cooperating in his efforts to

curb the offense.

A notice was to go into local newspapers giving schedule of rubbish collection in various areas. July 19-20 were monthly Clean-up Days.

Chief Cunningham asked for “No Parking” signs for a short distance on New London Avenue west of B&O tracks.

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# Former Mad Macs chef to open restaurant in Elkton



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C3ntral Tavern will open at the site of the former Lyons Pharmacy and Luncheonette on Main Street in Elkton.

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Two long-time employees of Mad Macs on South College Avenue plan to leave the business and open their own restaurant in nearby Elkton, Md.

Beckie McMahon, general manager at Mad Mac's, and her fiancé Max Cramner, a former chef at the restaurant, plan to open C3ntral Tavern on Main Street in Elkton later this year. The restaurant will be able to seat 75 to 90 people once renovations are complete and McMahon said the couple is planning a menu and atmosphere that embodies comfort.

"I love the space and the town, and everyone's been absolutely amazing," McMahon said. "We're planning the menu right now and it includes hearty, American comfort food — wings, fried green tomatoes and burgers."

There's two signature burg-

ers on the menu right now: the Central Burger, with bacon, lettuce, tomatoes and a sunny-side egg; and the BMC (for Beckie McMahon Cramner) burger topped with bacon, caramelized onion and blue cheese crumbles. Cramner, who is an executive chef trained in American-style food, will be back in the kitchen when "C3" opens for business.

The idea behind C3ntral Tavern is to create a warm, relaxed atmosphere where residents can come for a bite to eat or drink, McMahon said. That's even reflected in the unique spelling in the eatery's name.

"Max wanted something that embodied home. The three C's stand for our family: Cramner, my future last name, our son Cash and our dog Cooper," she said. "We want to open up a place where everyone knows your name."

That takes time, and McMahon did not say when

C3ntral will open for business but she would "love to be open for St. Patrick's Day." Renovation and demolition started last Saturday.

The restaurant will open in the former home of Lyons Pharmacy and Luncheonette at 107 E. Main St., which operated as a family business for 142 years before closing its doors last October. The pharmacy property was sold days later, and eventually leased out to Cramner and McMahon.

Having worked for years at Mad Macs, McMahon said her departure is bittersweet. McMahon worked as a general manager for 12 years, while Cramner was a chef.

"It's sad and a little scary going off on your own," she said. "It's very hard, but this is something we're passionate about and it's time to do it. We're still working on getting the liquor license, but we hope it's a smooth transition and we can join the good people of Elkton."

## ELECTION

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Nietubicz, 31, worked for the city from 2012 to 2016, first as a city planner and then as spokesman and community affairs representative. He also served as administrator of the Downtown Newark Partnership.

He now does communication and marketing for Mishimoto Automotive, a New Castle company that makes high-performance car parts.

"I really enjoyed everybody I worked with when I was an employee," Nietubicz said. "I want to see what I can do on the other side of the dais."

Nietubicz, who holds a master's degree in public administration, said he always envisioned himself working in civil service but never considered running for office. However, he said he continued to follow what was going on in Newark and realized that council is still discussing many of the same issues as when he worked for the city.

"I really hope I can break that cycle," said Nietubicz, who lives in Newark Preserve with his wife, Kimberly.

He said his knowledge of how the city works would help him improve the relationship and communication between council and city staff, which at times has been tense.

"There's been a lot of negativity and finger pointing," he said. "At the end of the day, it's difficult to hold anybody accountable when you haven't set clear expectations."

Nietubicz will challenge Wallace, who is in her first two-year term on council.

A resident of Barksdale Estates, Wallace was elected by a large margin in 2016. Prior to that, she was a leader of the grassroots group Newark Residents Against the Power Plant. She works for the American Society of Cytopathology and as a freelance writer.

Wallace, 46, said her proudest accomplishment in her first term was helping promote open government, such as pushing for an earlier start to the budget process and asking the planning department to post proposed development projects online.

"I've worked to bring more transparency to city council," Wallace said. "That's something District 3 is sensitive to in light of recent years. That's gone a long way in restoring trust with residents of the city."

If re-elected, she said, her main priority would be to help find the right person to fill the city manager position, which has been vacant since May 2017. She's looking for a person who has experience being a city manager in a college town, is a team player and is willing to engage with the community.

Selecting a city manager, who runs the day-to-day operations of

the city, is council's biggest job, Wallace said.

"It's important to get that right," she said. "The main reason I decided to run again is to see that through."

She added that there's a learning curve for council members.

"Now is not the time for a leadership change," she said. "We need people who have been here to choose the next city manager."

Wallace said she is concerned about development and would like to see the city examine how it evaluates projects to ensure that an annexation or development project doesn't end up costing the city money.

In District 5, Barua, 30, said he is running to help Newark get control of what he called "rapid development" in the city.

"A lot of residents feel it's too much in too little space," Barua, a resident of Fairfield, said, adding he is still developing ideas about how to solve the problem.

A native of Newark, Barua graduated from Newark High School and is currently pursuing an English degree from UD.

He serves as director of operations for his family's business, Glocal Service Partners, a Newark travel agency that specializes in trips based around service projects. He also sells real estate.

Barua said that once he learned

the District 5 seat was open, he decided to throw his hat in the ring.

"I'm 100 percent local, a Newark native. I know the area. Why not give it a shot?" he said. "If you want change, local government is where it happens. Those issues affect you every day."

Lawhorn, 40, said he has considered running for office for a while and has been following city council closely for the past year.

"I'm taking the next step forward," Lawhorn said. "I can use the knowledge I've gained after participating in the process over the last year."

He said his first priority, if elected, would be the search for a new city manager and the June 19 referendum, in which residents will vote on borrowing \$26 million for capital projects, including the Rodney stormwater pond and park.

"It's an important issue," he said. "The key is making sure our citizens have all the information." Another concern is balancing fiscal responsibility with the desire to keep providing a high level of city services.

"We need to have an economic development plan that helps us pay for those things without causing a burden on our citizens," he said.

A native of Wilmington,



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Lawhorn moved to the Newark area two decades ago. He now lives in Fairfield with his wife, Colleen, and their two sons, ages 10 and 12.

He attended UD and started his career at Rodel. He now works as research manager for Advanced Materials Technologies in Wilmington.

Lawhorn also serves as vice president of Newark American Little League.

Thayer, 40, worked part-time for the Newark Parks and Recreation Department from 2005 to 2007. She left for a private-sector job at Hosting.com but recently has been looking for a way to return to public service.

"I missed working with the community," she said.

In what she called "cosmic timing," a friend contacted her about the open seat just days after she was laid off from her job.

"This is something I know I can do," she said, adding that she recently completed the Ready to Run program, which trains women to run for elected office.

Originally from Massachusetts, Thayer moved to Delaware as a teenager in 1994. She and her husband, Adam Seely, and their four teenagers live in Fairfield.

She, too, cited development as her main reason for running.

"Development is a big concern for me," she said. "I'm for development, but I'm for smart development."

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NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 0902230108  
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**ADDRESS:** 3813 EVELYN  
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COURT NEWARK 19713  
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**SHERIFF #18-000030**

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HOCKESSIN 19707  
**PARCEL:** 0802440222  
**SHERIFF #17-012015**

**ADDRESS:** 4006 GOLFOVIEW  
DRIVE UNIT 4081  
NEWARK 19702  
**PARCEL:** 0902400015C4081  
**SHERIFF #17-012018**

**ADDRESS:** 49 N. OLD  
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NEWARK 19702  
**PARCEL:** 0903030027  
**SHERIFF #17-012023**

**ADDRESS:** 33 WESTFIELD  
DRIVE NEWARK 197112  
**PARCEL:** 1803000033  
**SHERIFF #17-012027**

**ADDRESS:** 6 KRESS ROAD  
NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 1100620059  
**SHERIFF #17-012032**

**ADDRESS:** 4612 BAILEY  
DRIVE WILMINGTON 19808  
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**SHERIFF #17-012053**

**ADDRESS:** 1101 STONEWALL  
RUN NEWARK 19702  
**PARCEL:** 1102030028  
**SHERIFF #17-012058**

**ADDRESS:** 41 BOBBY DRIVE  
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**PARCEL:** 1100630127  
**SHERIFF #17-012082**

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**SHERIFF #17-012092**

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**SHERIFF #17-012093**

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WILMINGTON 19808  
**PARCEL:** 0804220033C40A3  
**SHERIFF #17-012229**

**ADDRESS:** 16 ALEXIS DRIVE  
NEWARK 19702  
**PARCEL:** 0902930075  
**SHERIFF #17-012235**

**ADDRESS:** 5 BACH DRIVE  
NEWARK 197022  
**PARCEL:** 1003220113  
**SHERIFF #17-012241**

**ADDRESS:** 3806  
HUTCHINSON ROAD  
WILMINGTON 19808  
**PARCEL:** 0803840431  
**SHERIFF #17-012245**

**ADDRESS:** 3831 KATHERINE  
AVENUE WILMINGTON 19808  
**PARCEL:** 08083840377  
**SHERIFF #17-012249**

**ADDRESS:** 900 SABINA  
CIRCLE BEAR 19701  
**PARCEL:** 1102820034  
**SHERIFF #17-012266**

**ADDRESS:** 4148 MILL CREEK  
ROAD HOCKESSIN 19707  
**PARCEL:** 0801200056  
**SHERIFF #17-012267**

**ADDRESS:** 17 BALLINA  
BOULEVARD BEAR 19701  
**PARCEL:** 1104640054  
**SHERIFF #17-012277**

**ADDRESS:** 17 MARTELL  
ROAD NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 1100310056  
**SHERIFF #17-012279**

**ADDRESS:** 11 ARCHER  
CIRCLE TAYLORTOWNE  
NEWARK 19702  
**PARCEL:** 1003220308  
**SHERIFF #17-012290**

**ADDRESS:** 68 MERCER  
DRIVE NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 1100230029  
**SHERIFF #17-012293**

**ADDRESS:** 8 CORONET  
COURT NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 0902310312  
**SHERIFF #17-012296**

**ADDRESS:** 146 TALL PINES  
ROAD NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 1100800135  
**SHERIFF #17-012341**

**ADDRESS:** 977 RUE MADORA  
BEAR 19701  
**PARCEL:** 1102820241  
**SHERIFF #17-012345**

**ADDRESS:** 608 BANYAN  
ROAD NEWARK 19713  
**PARCEL:** 0902230140  
**SHERIFF #17-012482**

**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE  
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**February 12, 2018 – 6:00 P.M. – CC**

There may be a vote on each and every agenda item set forth herein.

**MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(9) for the purpose of the discussion of personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees are discussed

*(Executive Session to conclude at 7:00 p.m. with Council meeting to resume immediately after. Council may continue Executive Session after the conclusion of the agenda of the regular business meeting.)*

**RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

**SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- \*1. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:** None
2. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
  - A. Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers
  - B. University
    - (1) Administration (5 minutes per speaker)
    - (2) Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker)
  - C. Lobbyist
  - D. City Manager
  - E. Council Members
  - F. Public (3 minutes per speaker)
3. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**
  - A. Approval of Council Minutes – January 16, 2018
  - B. Approval of Council Minutes – January 22, 2018
  - C. Approval of Council Minutes – January 29, 2018
  - D. Receipt of Planning Commission Minutes – January 2, 2018
  - E. Receipt of Planning Commission Parking Subcommittee Minutes – December 21, 2017
  - F. Receipt of Alderman's Report – January 10, 2018
  - G. Approval of Polling Places for April 10, 2018 Council Election
4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
- \*5. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:** None
- \*6. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
  - A. Management Wages and Benefits Discussion and Direction to Staff – Acting City Manager
- \*7. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**
  - A. Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process in Accordance with the Code of the City of Newark to Utilize State of Delaware Awarded Contracts for the Purchase of Annual City Materials and Resources
  - B. Award of Contract 17-14 – Wyoming Road Culvert Repair Replacement #1
  - C. Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process to Purchase Public Works and Water Resources Vehicles from Competitively Solicited Purchase Contracts in Association with the National Joint Powers Alliance
  - D. Award of Contract 17-13 – Purchase of Material for the Chemours Project
- \*8. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** None
- \*9. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:** None
- \*10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:** None
- \*11. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
  - A. **Council Members:**
    1. Appointment of Geena George as Deputy City Solicitor
    2. Setting the Compensation Rate for the City Solicitor and Deputy City Solicitor
    3. Discussion and Potential Direction on the City Manager Search – GovHR
  - B. **Others:** None

\*OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

**Agenda Posted – February 5, 2018**



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#### LEGAL NOTICE

RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, James Earl Furlow Jr., residing at 26 Evergreen Drive, Newark, DE 19702, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
James Earl Furlow Jr.  
1/31/18  
np 2/9 2764727

#### LEGAL NOTICE

RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Janah Samir, residing at 402 Terrace Dr., Newark, DE 19711, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
Janah Samir  
2/6/18  
np 2/9 2765872

#### LEGAL NOTICE

RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, John George Mantakounis, residing at 17 Neurys Lane, Newark, DE 19702, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
John George Mantakounis  
2/5/18  
np 2/9 2765545

#### LEGAL NOTICE

RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Elmer Francis Collins, residing at 134 Clear Creek Dr., Bear, DE 19701, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
Elmer Francis Collins  
1/24/18  
np 2/9 2763055

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
MARY ANN JOHNSON  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
MARIANNE THERESA JOHNSON  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MARY ANN 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 MARIANNE THERESA JOHNSON.  
MARY ANN JOHNSON  
Petitioner  
Dated: 2/5/2018  
np 2/9,16,23 2765663

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
EVAN MATTHEW BASTIANELLI  
TO  
AMBER MARIE BASTIANELLI  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LESLIE BASTIANELLI and PAUL BASTIANELLI intend to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change their minor child's name to AMBER MARIE BASTIANELLI.  
LESLIE BASTIANELLI  
PAUL BASTIANELLI  
Petitioners  
Dated: 1/18/2018  
np 1/26,2/2,9 2762170

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
SOFIA QINGRU ALEXANDRA ALONSO HE  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
SOFIA QINGRU ALEXANDRA PLACINTAR ALONSO HE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MONICA VETURIA PLACINTAR intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to SOFIA QINGRU ALEXANDRA PLACINTAR ALONSO HE.  
MONICA VETURIA PLACINTAR  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/26/2018  
np 2/2,9,16 2763853

# PUBLIC NOTICES

PROTECTING YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

The household goods and personal effects of the following person will be sold at public auction on the premises of Delaware Moving and Storage Inc.  
214 Bear Christiana Road, Bear, DE 19701 on Wed February 21, 2018  
Sharon Petty  
Wilmington, DE  
np 2/9,16 2764836

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
QUDEER A. RAGHBAT  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
NAADIR M. RAGHBAT  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUDEER A. RAGHBAT 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 NAADIR M. RAGHBAT.  
QUDEER A. RAGHBAT  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/31/2018  
np 2/9,16,23 2764825

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
KIMMY SHANG  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
AIDEN SHANG  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LAMLAM CHAN and KAI SHANG intend to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change their minor child's name to AIDEN SHANG.  
LAMLAM CHAN  
KAI SHANG  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/31/2018  
np 2/9,16,23 2764769

### PUBLIC AUCTION SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

465 Pulaski Hwy  
New Castle, DE 19720  
(302) 328-5810

A Public Auction will be held on Thursday, March 15th, 2018 at 11:00 AM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:  
**Unit #4046 - Natalie Ortiz** - Boxes, Dresser, Step Ladder, Mirror, Tire, Love Seat w/ Bed, Car Bumper, Trundle Drawers, Mattress

200 First State Blvd  
Wilmington, DE 19804  
(302) 999-0704

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 1:00pm. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:  
**Unit #6173 - Gluadia Lampkins** - bags, boxes, computer, hamper, ice chest, ironing board, lamps, rug, folding table, totes, hand truck, trash can  
**Unit #6204 - Paul Marley Jr.** - boxes, chest of drawers, dresser, rug, totes, toys, flat screen tv, vacuum, fireplace

141 Edgemoor Rd.  
Wilmington, DE 19809  
(302) 762-3626

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 3:00 PM. Sales are "cash only". The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:  
**Unit #235 - Tremelle Godwin** - 30 boxes, dining chairs, upholstered chairs, clothing closet, floor lamp, table lamps, dining table, end tables, metal shelving, speakers, Rainbow vacuum, buffet, foot massager, chandelier, mannequins, round wooden cabinet  
**Unit #378 - Terrence Cowsette** - boxes, exercise equipment, 12 totes, toys, weight bench, cooler  
**Unit #400 - Alicia Chainey** - headboard, box springs, mattress, computer desk, pictures, chairs, bike, mirror, floor lamp, laptop

333 E. Lea Blvd.,  
Wilmington, DE 19802  
(302) 764-6300

A Public Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 2:00 PM. The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:  
**Unit #182 - Shawn Allen** - Boxes, (3) office chairs, desk, love seat, end table, (2) folding tables, work bench, file cabinet, metal shelf, small refrigerator.  
**Unit #153 - Saleem A. Chaudhry** - Air conditioner, box spring, folding bed, headboard, mattress, office chair, rocking chair, clothing, floor lamp, table lamp, clock, grill, step ladder, computer desk.  
**Unit #330 - Alisha N. Congo** - Bags, box spring, mattress, clothing, end table, totes, four poster bed, recliner.  
**Unit #278 - Shannon R. Jones** - Futon, bunk beds, box spring, mattress.  
**Unit #236 - Michael Johnson** - Bags, folding table, gas can, (2) walkers.  
**Unit #3 - Darryl Hamilton** - Bags, boxes, clothing, speakers, suitcase, tool box, totes, snow shovel, misc. household items.  
**Unit #170 - Tiffany N. Henderson** - Washer, dryer.  
**Unit #64 - Lionel Kaleem Shockley** - Boxes, freezer, end table, totes, washer.  
np 2/9,16 2762991

N. Main LLC has on Friday, Jan 19th, 2018 applied with the Alcohol Beverage Control Commissioner for a Liquor license for premises located at 413 N. Market Street Wilmington DE 19801. Persons who are against this application should provide written a notice of their objections to the commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents of property owners located within one mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within one mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the commissioner's office on or before February 19th, 2018. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office.  
np 2/2,9,16 2762950

Midnight Oil Brewing, LLC has on November 25th, 2017 applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for license for a microbrewery to sell alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises where sold located at 674 Pencader Dr, Newark De, 19702, and plan to be operating Sunday through Saturday. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before Wednesday, February 22nd, 2018. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office.  
np 1/26,2/2,9 2762420

OMG Marina, LLC, T/A Grain Craft Bar + Kitchen, has on January 29, 2018, applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a change to their existing liquor license, located at 3006 Summit Harbour Lane, Bear, Delaware 19701. Grain H2O would like to extend the length of the existing outdoor bar from 16'8" long to 38'2" long. We would also like to extend the edge of the patio for dining purposes, the expansion would cover an additional 1,920 square feet. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before March 1, 2018. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Commissioner's Office.  
np 2/2,9,16 2763706

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
SARAH ELLEN WELDON  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
AMELIE HARLEEN WELDON  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SARAH ELLEN WELDON 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 AMELIE HARLEEN WELDON.  
SARAH ELLEN WELDON  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/18/2018  
np 1/26,2/2,9 2762123

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
COLIN ZAYNE PERDUE  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
COLIN ZAYNE BARRY  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANNIE BARRY intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to COLIN ZAYNE BARRY.  
ANNIE BARRY  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/22/2018  
np 1/26,2/2,9 2762443

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
ANEURIS MARTIR  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
JOHAN ANEURIS MARTIR  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANEURIS MARTIR 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 JOHAN ANEURIS MARTIR.  
ANEURIS MARTIR  
Petitioner  
Dated: 1/26/2018  
np 2/2,9,16 2761104

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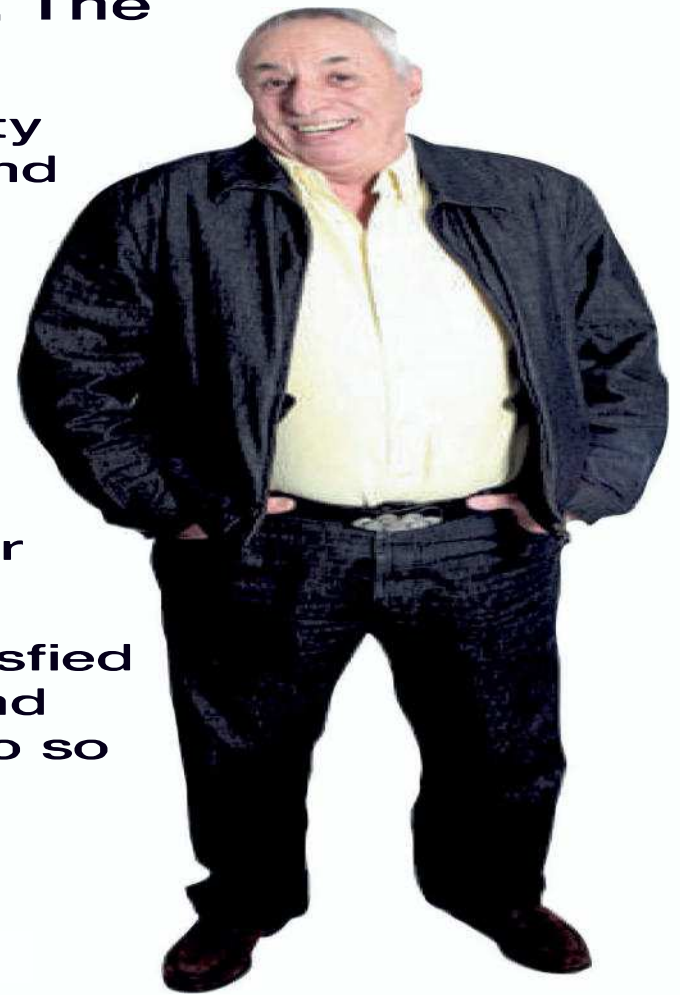
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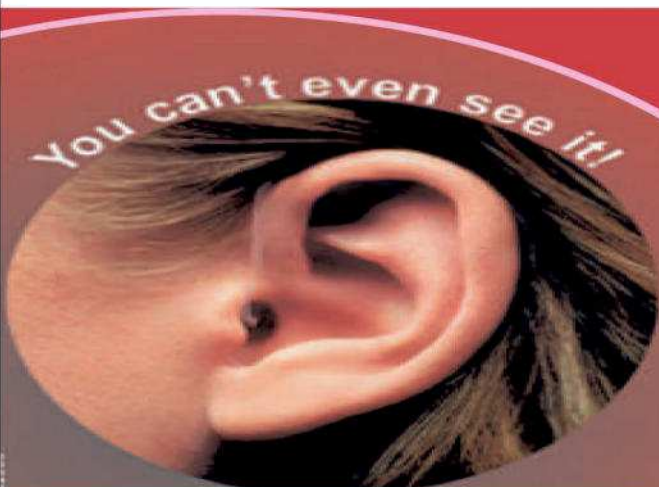
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