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Seth Meiselman gives a magnet demonstration in front of Sharp Lab during Sunday's Community Day festival.

New faces, old traditions

44th-annual Community Day draws thousands

By **KARIE SIMMONS**
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Joanne Walter lives in Wilmington now but she said she'll always be a Newark girl, and on Sunday — making scarecrows with her grandkids at

Community Day — she really felt like one.

"It's like coming home," she said, looking around at her family members. "We all went to UD."

Walter and thousands of other people flocked to the University of Delaware Green on Sunday for the 44th-annual Community Day, which is put on each year the by city's Parks and

Recreation Department. Attendees perused more than 200 vendors and enjoyed live music, food and other performances throughout the day.

Walter said the cool, sunny weather brought her and her family to The Green.

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Trash plan draws heat

Residents express concern over outsourcing

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The city could save millions of dollars by outsourcing trash collection to a private waste hauler, but during a public hearing Monday night, dozens of residents pleaded with council to keep the service in-house.

"I can only ask you to continue, please, council, to respect the fact that we want excellent service and we will pay for it, but we do want excellent service," said resident Ron Walker. "We have it and we want to keep it, and we love our garbage men."

The special meeting held at the Church of the

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A group of friends pose for a photo at Oktoberfest. The three-day annual celebration was held at the Delaware Saengerbund on Salem Church Road.



Oktoberfest brings taste of Germany to Newark

POST STAFF REPORT

Thousands of people flocked to the Delaware Saengerbund on Salem Church Road over the weekend for the annual Oktoberfest celebration of food, music, dance and, of course, beer.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KARIE SIMMONS
Christine and Arno Fells of Aberdeen, Md., pose for a picture during Newark's Oktoberfest over the weekend.



Many people took to the dance floor during Newark's Oktoberfest over the weekend. The three-day annual celebration was held at the Delaware Saengerbund on Salem Church Road.



Two-year-old Gianni Parham bites into a pretzel at Oktoberfest over the weekend.

Volunteers serve John Podesta, of Bear, a German sausage with sauerkraut at Newark's Oktoberfest celebration over the weekend.



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24-hour vigil, run honor missing troops

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Lap after lap, as day turned to night and night turned back to day, the flag never stopped moving.

Carried by cadets from Air

Force ROTC Detachment 128 at the University of Delaware, the POW/MIA flag made a day-long continuous trip around downtown Newark last weekend to remind people of the 83,000 Americans who never came home from fight-

ing on foreign soil.

"It will stay in constant motion for 24 hours," said Lt. Col. Linda Vadnais, commander of Detachment 128 and a UD aerospace studies professor.

The run was part of a 24-hour vigil held by the ROTC cadets and members of Newark's VFW Post 475 in observance of National POW/MIA Recognition Day. From 8 a.m. Friday to 8 a.m. Saturday, the cadets ran with the flag, and members of both groups manned a display on the Academy Lawn.

Cadet Ryan Pattman, who took a 90-minute shift carrying the flag, described the support he received as he ran down Main Street.

"People were honking and waving," said Pattman, a UD senior. "It's a good feeling. We're reminding people there are those who haven't come back."

He added that, as he prepares for military service, it was satisfying to participate in a remembrance event.

"It's good to know there's a support system in this country," he said. "People really do care."

Cadet Colin Hovelin said it is important to honor not just those who died in action but also those who served as prisoners of war and those who have never been found.

"It's important we serve in their honor," the UD junior

said.

Vadnais said nearly all of her 54 cadets participated in the remembrance.

"It's important for them to honor those who have gone before them and to recognize the gravity of what they're about to do," she said. "Anyone who signs up knows there's a real possibility of being sent into combat and not coming home. This brings it home to them and makes it real."

On the Academy Lawn, VFW members set up two cages, meant to represent the conditions in which many POWs were held. A POW/MIA flag flew high over the permanent memorial to the 47 Newarkers who died in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

At 6 p.m. Friday, the veterans and cadets held a somber remembrance featuring speeches, the playing of Taps and a traditional missing man table ceremony.

Al Lawler, who helps organize the event for the VFW, served two years in Korea.

"We lost 8,000 men over there we've never gotten back," Lawler said.

This is the ninth year the VFW has held the 24-hour vigil.

"That's why we do it, to remember them and make people aware of who they are. They're our neighbors," he said. "It's a big honor for me."



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

VFW Post 475 held a National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony on the Academy Lawn.



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ROTC cadets carry a POW/MIA flag down the UD Green, part of a 24-hour run through Newark.



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A display representing POWs held captive during World War II and the Korean War sits on the Academy Lawn.

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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.

September-December 1911: The town's 20-inch drain on Joseph Cooch's property was extended 50 feet, as it was undermining his stable. An additional

streetlight was ordered on Delaware Avenue near the Roach property. A new ordinance against trains blocking streets was given first and second reading.

Typhoid was found in some water samples from the west end of town. Allen Reed was paid \$10 for taking prisoners to the workhouse (now site of Wilmington & Western Railroad and

a county park.) A request was put in newspapers that citizens refrain from throwing rubbish and ashes onto streets.

January-April 1912: Electric rates were set at minimum \$1 for 12 kilowatt hours. Additional usage was subject to higher charge. Those outside town limits had 25 percent added to their bills. All water usage

was by meter measurement at given rate "whether used or wasted."

Dr. Kollock was appointed to unexpired term caused when Eben Frazer moved.

Delaware & Atlantic Telephone Company asked permission to build a line from eastern limits of town to North College Avenue, but was turned down. A quantity of excess street dirt

sold for \$7.50. C. Strahorn was given 24 hours to remove his property from the alley by the Presbyterian Church.

The B&O RR was requested to put windows in its watch boxes so the watchman could better see trains coming and to somehow prevent objects falling through the overpass onto North Chapel Street.

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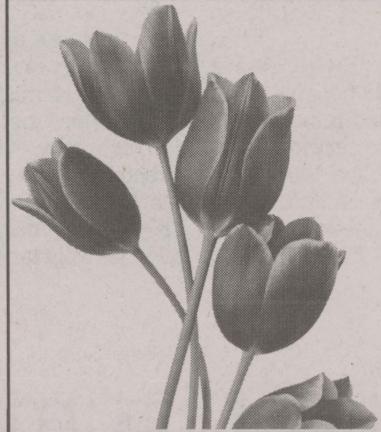



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Police: After scuffle, UD students detain burglar

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Several UD students were able to detain a burglar who broke into their off-campus home Sunday, authorities reported.

The incident happened just after 5 a.m. in the 100 block of Kristins Way, off North Street, said Cpl. James Spadola, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

One of the residents was heading up to a bedroom when he noticed a dresser that was out of place and saw a shadow moving in the bathroom.

"He said, 'Who's there,' and the suspect rushed him



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and punched him on the side of his face," Spadola said.

A scuffle ensued, and the resident called out to the other occupants of the home for help. Four students live there, and another two were visiting.

The students were able to subdue the burglar and detain him in the living room until police arrived.

Officers identified the man as John M. McCormick, 25,

of Newport. He was charged with second-degree burglary, offensive touching and two counts of theft, as well as possession of drug paraphernalia for a hypodermic needle police allegedly found in his possession.

McCormick, who police say entered through the unlocked front door, was committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institute in lieu of \$5,800 bond.

Four teens charged with robbery on Marrows Road

By **KARIE SIMMONS**
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Newark Police have arrested four teenagers who allegedly robbed a man at gunpoint on Marrows Road while he was walking home from work last week, officials say.

Police identified the defendants as Zaire Palmer, 15; Taheem Nicholas, 15; and Byron Stafford, 14; all of Newark; as well as Amir Fennell, 14, of Wilmington.

According to NPD spokesman Cpl. James Spadola, the incident occurred at approximately 11:30 p.m. on Sept. 18 as the victim was walking home from work on the west side of Marrows Road in the opposite direction of the teens, near the railroad bridge.

Spadola said the teens called out to the victim as he passed them and when he turned

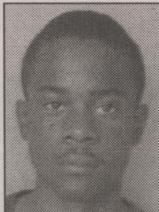
around, they hit him on the head with a BB gun, causing him to fall to the ground.

They then kicked him and demanded his wallet, which he handed over before jumping over the guardrail.

The teens allegedly fled with the victim's wallet and bicycle but were picked up minutes later by University of Delaware Police at the Dart bus stop on Library Avenue.

Nicholas, Stafford and Fennell were all charged with first-degree robbery and second-degree conspiracy. Palmer was charged with first-degree robbery, second-degree conspiracy and third-degree assault.

Palmer, Stafford and Fennell were committed to New Castle County Detention Center in lieu of \$62,000 secured bail. Nicholas was taken to People's Place in Townsend in lieu of \$62,000 secured bail.



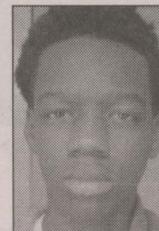
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Police: Man passed fake \$100 bills at two Newark eateries

By **JOSH SHANNON**
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A Wilmington man was arrested last week on charges that he passed counterfeit bills at two Newark restaurants.

The two incidents – the first at Grotto Pizza on Main Street and the second at Timothy's Restaurant off Paper Mill Road – came approximately 30 minutes apart late Sept. 13 and early Sept. 14.

In both cases, Dvotne Johnson, 23, allegedly used a fake \$100 bill to make a small purchase and receive \$97 and \$90 in change, re-

spectively, said Cpl. James Spadola, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

Timothy's staff quickly grew suspicious and called police, who arrested Johnson in the parking lot.

The following day, officers were able to use surveillance footage to link Johnson to the crime at Grotto's as well, Spadola said.

Johnson was charged with two counts each of forgery and theft and was committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$3,600 secured bond.



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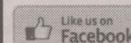


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"We thought it was a nice day and we wanted to get the kids out," she said. "They really liked the firetrucks and all the crafts and games. It's just great."

At the Newark Natural Foods Co-op booth, Wade Carey greeted visitors with a smile. He said Community Day is always a good opportunity to connect with university students, residents and people who aren't yet members of the organic grocery store in the Newark Shopping Center.

As visitors grabbed free Co-op gear and information, Carey talked about some of the different groups, classes and events at the store —

like the weekly farmer's market. "Our mission is to educate the community, and this is a great place to do that because everyone thinks we're just a grocery store, but we're more than just a grocery store," he said.

Like Carey, Judy Taggart and JoAnne Deshon from Friends of the Newark Free Library said they view Community Day as an opportunity to meet people. They spent Sunday talking with visitors and handing out free books to children.

"It's great for the kids to get books," Taggart said. "For us, it's so fun to see how happy they are just to have a book."

Christy and Andrew Krezel watched as their 5-year-old son, Jake, picked out a few books at the Newark Free Library booth. They said they recently moved to New-

ark from Philadelphia and had never been to Community Day before, but we're pleasantly surprised.

"It's a lot bigger than I expected," Christy said. "It's nice how close it is to Main Street. We went up and had lunch earlier and there's plenty of room to walk around here, so we came down. Plus, you can't beat the weather."

Andrew said he and his wife were learning all that Newark has to offer just from walking around the different vendors on Sunday, listening to the live music and making a fish kite with their son at The New School booth.

"There's a pretty good variety of things here," he said. "We didn't really run into the same things, which is what you worry about at these kind of events."

Sierra RyanWallick, 18, was an-

other new face at Community Day. She spent Sunday manning a tent on The Green for her non-profit, Autumn Leaf Fundraisers, which raises money for Forgotten Cats by selling handmade items and gifts. She estimated that she would raise \$600 by the end of the day.

"I don't know why we didn't come here before. We're getting a lot of interest," she said. "I would say it's been a success. The Newark community is so nice and welcoming, so it's really cool."

Melanie Hiner, on the other hand, is no stranger to Community Day. She is the founder of The New School, a private school located on Elkton Road, and has had a booth at the annual festival for many years.

Hiner said she enjoys seeing all the different vendors come togeth-

er on The Green.

"It's good to be reminded who is in your community because we're all so spread out, so it's good to remember each other, at least once," she said.

On Sunday, volunteers from The New School helped children make fish kites out of tissue paper, glitter and string — an activity Hiner said they do every year. She said she met a woman Sunday whose son made a fish kite at Community Day 10 years ago. The woman told her it had been hanging in her home until she recently threw it out, so she had to stop by the booth on Sunday to make another one for her son, now a freshman in college.

"It's kind of a tradition," Hiner said, smiling. "We'll probably be here 20 years from now, still making fish kites."



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A crowd watches as Jessica Belle performs in front of Memorial Hall.



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The Delaware Dance Company performs in front of Wolf Hall.



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Community Day attendees stroll past a variety of booths set up on the UD Green.



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Matthew Wiebe plays the soccer game at Community Day.



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The Diamond State Chorus performs on The Green.

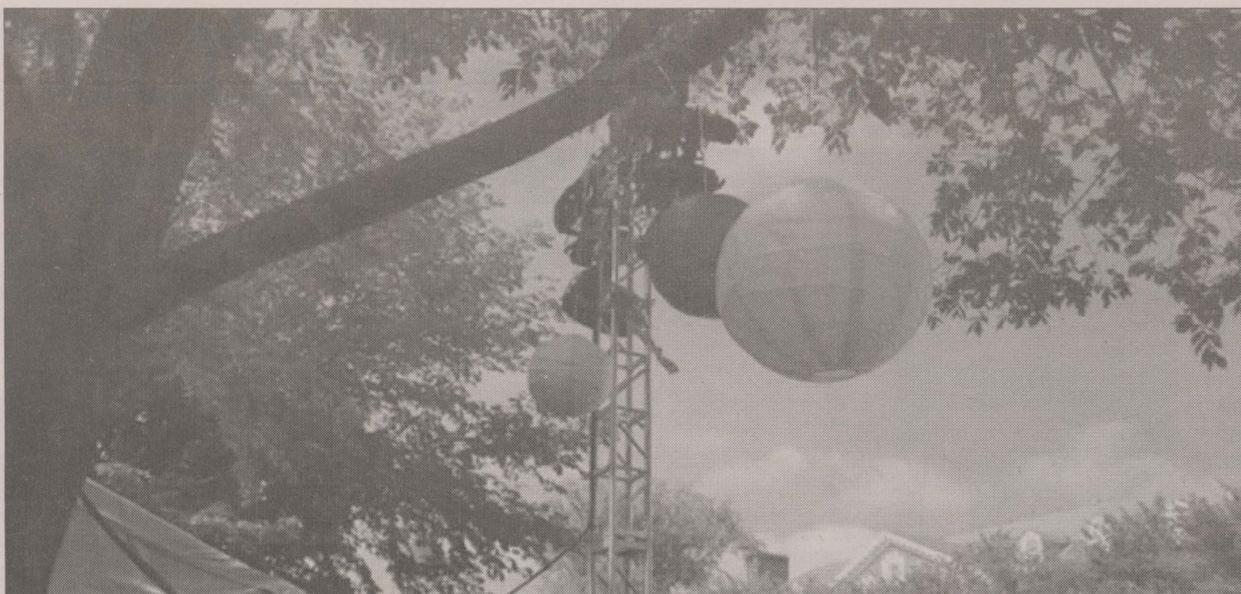


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UD released this photo of the lantern display as it appeared earlier this year.



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This photo — described by students as depicting nooses in front of Mitchell Hall — circulated on social media Tuesday night. It was later determined to be remnants of a lantern display.

Lantern remnants mistaken for nooses at UD

Administration decries 'racist display' but backtracks after police investigation

By JOSH SHANNON

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Three so-called “nooses” that created an uproar on the University of Delaware campus were nothing more than remnants of a lantern display, UD officials acknowledged Wednesday morning.

Photos of the alleged nooses hanging from a tree in front of Mitchell Hall began circulating on social media late Tuesday night, drawing

an outcry from students who believed they were hung as a response to a Black Lives Matter rally that had been held there the day before.

UD officials quickly released a statement condemning the “racist display.”

“Such cowardly and reprehensible acts are clearly designed to intimidate and frighten, and they are unacceptable on our campus,” interim President Nancy Targett wrote in a letter sent

to students and faculty just before 1 a.m. Wednesday.

However, less than six hours later, Targett sent a second letter, this one announcing that a police investigation had ruled out foul play. Instead, the alleged nooses — described as pieces of wire hanging by string — were actually part of decorative lanterns and had been there for months.

UD Police Chief Patrick Ogden said the lanterns

were hung up as part of Alumni Weekend in June.

After news of the discovery spread late Tuesday, Ogden said, a student contacted police and stated that she had climbed atop an overturned trash can and pulled down three of the lanterns to display in her room after Alumni Weekend. Police believe she took the paper portion, leaving just the string and wire, which crews removing the

lanterns did not notice.

Several other witnesses, including two student police cadets, told UDPD they had seen the string in the tree over the past few weeks. Another student showed police a time-stamped photo of the string he posted online Sept. 16.

“Definitely people have probably noticed it, but everyone’s perception is different,” Ogden said, adding that he thought it looked like

a noose when he first saw the photos. “Emotions were heightened after Monday.”

On Monday night, students associated with the Black Lives Matter movement had gathered outside Mitchell Hall to protest an appearance by Katie Pavlich, a conservative commentator and gun-rights activist who recently called Black Lives Matter “a racist, violent hate group that promotes the execution of police officers.”

State Senator Townsend to run for Congress

By KARIE SIMMONS

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State Sen. Bryan Townsend has announced he is vying for Delaware’s only seat in the U.S. House of Representatives next November.

“I believe it’s important we have representation in our lone congressional state, so I’m seeking a seat,” he said Wednesday.

Townsend is a graduate of the Christina School Dis-



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trict and the University of Delaware, where he earned both his undergraduate and graduate degrees before attending Yale Law School.

He now works as an attorney in Wilmington.

He was first elected to the state senate in 2012 when he defeated 14-year incumbent Anthony J. DeLuca, president pro tempore of the Delaware State Senate, in the Democratic primary. He then went on to overcome Republican Evan

Queitsch in the 2012 general election, securing 78.4 percent of the vote to win a redistricting-shortened, two-year term.

He was re-elected in 2014 after beating New Castle County Councilman David L. Tackett in the primary and running unopposed in the general election.

Now, in the wake of U.S. Rep. John Carney’s announcement that he will run for governor, Townsend says he hopes to secure Carney’s spot in the House.

He said Wednesday he

wants to battle income inequality by “finding new policies that spark more economic growth in a way that benefits the middle class and lower wages.” He also plans to focus his efforts on incarceration issues, addiction help, education and student loan burdens.

“We need to have more affordable lifelong learning opportunities,” he said.

Although he will have to step down as state senator if he wins the House seat next November, Townsend said he won’t forget about

his hometown of Newark, which he described as “a critical part of Delaware” and “an economic hub.”

“I think a lot of people in Newark would like to see a Newark son become a congressman,” he said.



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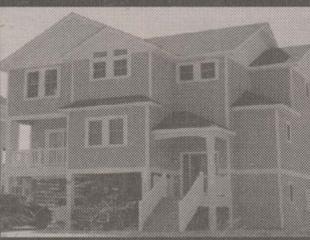
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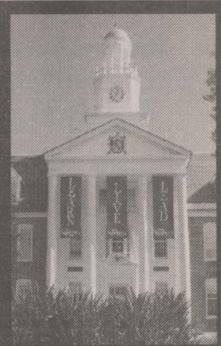
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In DUI enforcement, 'the eyes don't lie'



Josh Shannon

With the room darkened, a video matter-of-factly told the heart-wrenching story of a young New York girl who was killed by a drunken driver as she rode home from a wedding in a limousine with her family.

After the video clicked off, Sgt. Andrew Rubin strode to the front of the room.

"It's not just a DUI," Rubin said. "Every person who drives under the influence has the ability to cause that."

So began the lesson on DUI enforcement, part of the eight-week citizen's police academy offered by the Newark Police Department.

Rubin walked us through the standardized steps of determining whether a driver is drunk, a process that starts when he watches for cars that are swerv-

ing, driving in the wrong lane or committing other traffic violations.

Once he pulls a car over, he tries to get the driver talking so he can check for slurred speech and the smell of alcohol. He also conducts "divided attention tests," which require the driver to do two tasks simultaneously, such as answer questions while looking for the insurance and registration.

If he suspects DUI, he will have the driver exit the car to begin a series of field-sobriety tests. One of the most telling tests, Rubin said, is when the officer has the driver follow a pen or finger with his eyes while the officer watches his eye movement. A person who is drunk will involuntarily move his eyes in a jerky motion.

"The truth is in the eyes," Rubin said. "The eyes don't lie."

Other tests include the ones you're used to seeing on TV: walking heel-to-toe in a straight line and balancing on one foot. The officers can also measure the driver's blood alcohol content using a hand-held device.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Citizens police academy participant Linda Busacca performs a field-sobriety test on a volunteer.

After the lesson, we split into groups to test out our newly learned skills on volunteers who'd spent the evening drinking (but not driving.) Our "drunk" nearly aced the one-leg-stand test but struggled to walk in a

straight line and exhibited jerky eye movement.

A test showed his BAC was 0.078, just under the legal limit. However, he could still have been arrested because he showed signs of impairment. (Yes, that's

right. You can get a DUI even if you're under the legal limit of .08.)

It was a good lesson that even someone who appears normal at first — our volunteer was a big guy who handles his liquor well — can be too impaired to safely drive a car.

Rubin said that while officers are good at identifying drunken drivers, it's much harder to prove someone is driving under the influence of drugs. He is one of 10 officers in the state who is a certified Drug Recognition Expert, meaning he is trained to use additional tests and medical observations to determine if a driver is on drugs and, if so, what kind.

He said drivers on drugs are becoming an increasingly significant problem.

"Drugs are huge right now," he said. "Heroin has come back and it's worse than ever."

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12th-annual Taste of Newark returns Sunday

By KARIE SIMMONS

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University of Delaware to celebrate area chefs and restaurants at the annual Taste of Newark.

The event, now in its 12th year, is from 12 to 3 p.m., and will feature nearly 50 restaurants and wineries as well as a cooking demonstration from celebrity chef Ronnie Burkle, who oversees Matt's Fish Camp, NorthEast Seafood Kitchen, Catch 54, Papa Grandes and Big Thunder Roadside Kitchen.

Downtown Newark Partnership Administrator Ricky Nietubicz said Taste of Newark is an opportunity for people to sample from participating restaurants including Main Street favorites like Klondike Kate's and Cafe Gelato as well as downtown newcomers like Churrascaria Saudades, a Brazilian steakhouse slated

to open in Newark Shopping Center; Stone Balloon Ale House; Grain Craft Bar+Kitchen; Duck Donuts and Honeygrow, which is expected to open at 58 E. Main St. this fall.

"It's always a great way to highlight all of our restaurant community, especially as we grow into a regional dining destination," he said.

However, unlike in years past, there will not be a Battle of the Chefs competition this Sunday.

"Folks seem to like the other forms of entertainment we had better than the Battle of the Chefs, as well as the music," Nietubicz said.

Taste of Newark was started in 2003 by former mayor Vance Funk, who got the idea after attending a food-and-wine festival at

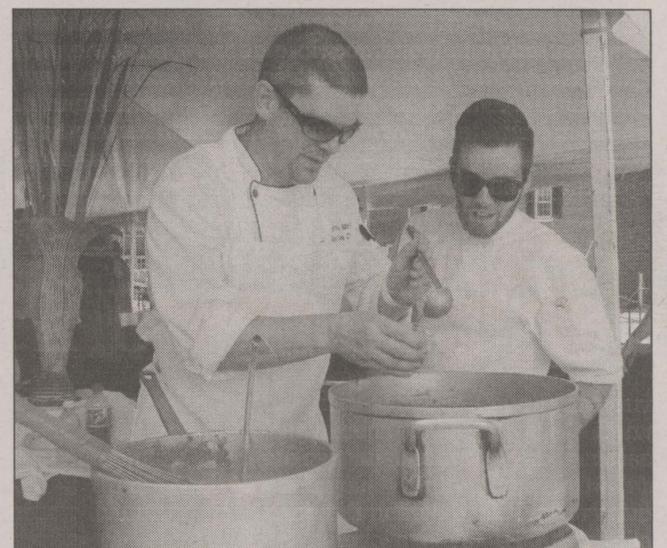
Disney World. He decided to develop the same concept here and the event has since seen much success.

"It's been a good event since day one," said Funk, who stepped down as mayor in 2013 but still sees the annual food festival as his pride and joy.

He said he created Taste of Newark as a way to market the downtown restaurant district and foster positive relationships between the university and the city.

"I think probably one of the biggest achievements I had when I was mayor was getting the two of them to work together," he said.

Since his resignation, Funk has co-chaired the event alongside Mayor Polly Sierer and Dr. Sheryl Kline, Chair of the University of Delaware's Hotel,



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Matthew McKay and Richard Burke, of the Newark Country Club, dish out bowls of fall harvest gumbo at last year's Taste of Newark festival.

Restaurant and Institutional Management Department, but said he isn't sure if he will continue to be involved in Taste of Newark going forward.

"I'm telling my wife it's my last year, but you know that's probably not true," Funk said.

Nietubicz said tickets are \$50 prior to Sunday and can be purchased in Funk's law office at 273 E. Main St. or online at tasteofnewark2015.eventbrite.com. They will also be available at the door for \$70.

Nietubicz said all tickets come with a complimentary wine glass and champagne flute and all proceeds from the event benefit UD's Department of Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management and the DNP.

Parking will be free in all downtown city lots until 1 p.m. on Sunday, after which all regular fees will be in effect. Visitors are encouraged to park in UD's Trabant Garage or in the city's Lot 1 behind The Galleria on Main Street.

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Senior center to honor longtime volunteer

POST STAFF REPORT

The Newark Senior Center will fête longtime volunteer Richard Gays with the Vance Funk Community Support Award during the organization's second-annual community breakfast next month.

A retired educator, Gays serves

on the senior center's board of directors and is also active with the Newark Area Welfare Committee and the Newark Free Library.

"Richard has always been the first to step up and help out without regard to personal recognition," said Carla Grygiel, executive director of the Newark Senior Cen-

ter. "He is a treasure to the Newark community."

Mayor Polly Sierer will host the breakfast, and Delaware First Lady Carla Markell will give the keynote speech.

The event is set for 7 a.m. Oct. 6. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at newarkseniorcenter.com.



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Carla Grygiel (right) presents Gail Chickersky with the Vance Funk Community Support Award last year. This year's award breakfast is set for Oct. 6.

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Main Street bank robbed; suspect still at large

By **JOSH SHANNON**
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Police are searching for a

man who robbed a downtown Newark bank at lunchtime last week.

The robbery happened at

12:20 p.m. Sept. 18 at the Fulton Bank, located at the intersection of Main Street and Tyre Avenue.

Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said the robber handed the teller a note de-

manding money. The teller complied, and the man left with an undisclosed amount of cash.

The robber did not display a weapon, and no one was hurt.

A surveillance camera at the bank captured clear photos of the suspect, but police are still looking at other footage to determine where he went after leaving the bank, Bryda said.

The robber is described as a 6-foot-tall black man wearing a black button-up shirt, blue or gray pants, black shoes and

a black hat. He made no attempts to conceal his face.

Anyone with information about this robbery is asked to contact Det. James Skinner at 302-366-7110 ext. 3135 or james.skinner@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the Internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.



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Police are searching for this man, who they say robbed the Fulton Bank on Main Street.

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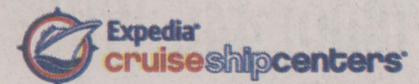
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Eagles mascot visits Wilson Elem. to promote fitness



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Wilson Elementary students pose with Eagles cheerleaders and Swoop.

By **JOSH SHANNON**
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Wilson Elementary School physical education teacher Arden Miller often extols the benefits of exercise to her students, but on Tuesday, she called in some reinforcements to drive home the message.

"They can hear it all they want from me, but when the Eagles come tell them to exercise for 60 minutes a day, they'll listen," Miller said.

A contingent from the Philadelphia Eagles spirit

squad visited the school off Polly Drummond Hill Road to kickoff the students' participation in the NFL's Play 60 Challenge, which encourages kids to be active for an hour each day.

Mascot Swoop and two Eagles cheerleaders led fourth and fifth-graders in a high-energy pep rally that included a health-themed quiz game, fitness competitions and several renditions of the "Fly, Eagles, Fly" fight song and E-A-G-L-E-S chant.

Created in 2007, the Play 60 Challenge is a collaboration between the NFL and the American Heart Association. Students are encouraged to log their physical activity, striving for an hour each day. Top

performing students from the top five schools in the area will get to travel to Philadelphia for a field day with Eagles players.

Christina Crews, communication director for the southeastern Pennsylvania chapter of AHA, said Wilson is one of 10 schools in the tri-state area participating in the program this fall. The school was chosen based on its history of participating in Jump Rope for Heart, another fitness challenge organized by AHA.

"Put down the electronic devices, turn off the TV and we want you to move," Crews told the students Tuesday. "Before you know it, you'll have 60 minutes."

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Newark Charter soccer off to solid start in first varsity year

By JON BUZBY

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Newark Charter varsity soccer head coach Mike Scruggs has a wealth of experience on the pitch.

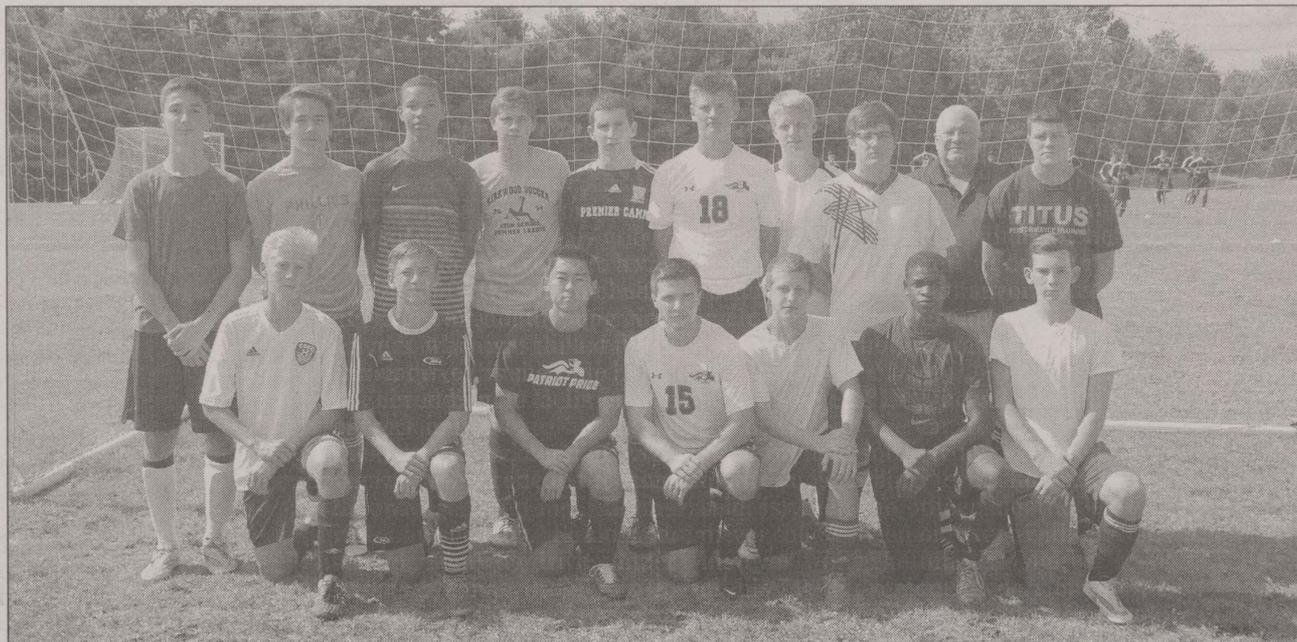
Before coming to Newark Charter he coached club soccer for nine years for several different age groups and most recently was an assistant varsity coach for three years at Delaware Military Academy.

But despite all the experience he gained during those dozen years on the sideline, he is perhaps facing his biggest challenge at Newark Charter, where he has been charged with not only leading the program in its first year at the varsity level, but preparing it for a successful future.

It's an exciting challenge for the school's third soccer coach in three years.

"I'm coming on board in the third year, and the mandate is to build the program," Scruggs said. "The attraction for me as a coach is to take a team and improve it and in addition to that, develop a process that can be sustained."

Scruggs' Patriot soccer team has kicked off its first year as a varsity program. Like the rest of the varsity teams at the school without a senior class, Scruggs is competing against teams with much more varsity experience than



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The Newark Charter varsity soccer team: Front row, left to right: Quinton Kramarck, Brian Burg, Michael Chen, Jon Hynson, Liam Seefried, Kojo Otchere-Addo and Ryan Sigmund. Back row: Alex Beane, Evan Cleghorn, Nick Lewis, Josh Wilson, Zack Sigmund, Shane Chopko, Ryan Carlson, Jeremy Cleghorn, head coach Mike Scruggs and Nick Krusko.

his sophomore- and junior-dominated squad. However, it's not something he's overly concerned about.

"I'd characterize the strength of the team as having a solid group of 11th-graders," he said of his team, which consists of 11 juniors, four sophomores, two ninth-graders and an eighth-grader.

That being said, Scruggs realizes the tall task ahead for his squad playing against older, more experienced teams.

"The biggest challenge is balancing the percep-

tion of being a new program with setting realistic expectations for the players," Scruggs explained.

Having never coached this particular group of kids before, Scruggs relied on getting to know them by watching his future players compete in local leagues this past summer.

"My impression was that they were a pretty athletic group and that we would have critical positions covered," he said.

Through the preseason and during the first sev-

eral games, he has learned much more about his team.

"This group of players has a strong sense of 'we' rather than 'me,'" Scruggs said. "My impression is that with them, everything is about the team agenda, not the individual's."

Scruggs is depending not only on the older players on the team, but also the rookies. He expects freshmen Evan Cleghorn and Quenton Kramark along with eighth-grader Brian Burg to see significant playing time.

"They are all in the top half of the team skill-wise," Scruggs said.

As with any young team, leadership will be vital to its success. Scruggs is calling on captains Shane Chopko and Jon Hynson to provide it. The two juniors proved on the very first day of practice they possessed the leadership qualities Scruggs was looking for.

"The first two days of preseason I was by myself until my assistant coach was cleared to go," Scruggs recalled. "There were 44 players trying out, and

the first objective was to evaluate players to select the JV-varsity pool, and then select players for the first play day. Needing to get creative, and since we were doing fundamental-type practices, I made Jon and Shane temporary assistant coaches, instructed them how to organize practice and gave them the key coaching points. Jon and Shane ran practices for the 10th- and 11th-grade players returning from last year's team on one half of the field, which allowed me to evaluate the eighth- and ninth-graders on the other Mission accomplished."

Chopko helped get the varsity program off to a winning start, assisting on Michael Chen's first-half goal that sparked the Patriots to a 1-0 win over St. Thomas More in the program's inaugural varsity game.

Newark Charter dropped its second game to Archmere but then rebounded with a 3-1 win over Red Lion Christian Academy. The Patriots dropped a 2-1 decision to St. Elizabeth on Tuesday to even their record at 2-2.

Like any coach, Scruggs wants to win every game. But he also realizes there has to be other goals for the first-time varsity team.

"The only tangible soccer goal that I've set is to improve our goals against average," he said.

Newark's comeback bid falls short on missed PAT

By JOE BACKER

Special to the Newark Post

WILMINGTON — The Newark Yellowjackets nearly overcame a series of miscues and penalties but ultimately fell in an excruciating, 35-34 road loss to Mount Pleasant on Saturday morning.

With 5:50 remaining in the contest, Green Knights' quarterback Sayvon Willis slipped past the 'Jackets' defense for a 9-yard touchdown run to increase the Mount Pleasant lead to 35-28.

Newark then began a do-or-die drive to tie or win the game. With 2:55 left, the 'Jackets' converted a 4th-and-5 from the 38-yard line to keep hope alive. Finally, junior quarterback Andrew DelPerio found Brendan Sherman in the back of the end zone with a 2-yard pass to bring Newark to within one with 36 ticks left on the clock.

However, the extra point attempt was no good, leaving the final score 35-34, and the New-



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY DAVID MELLON

Newark's Dequan Woods runs the ball downfield during Saturday's game at Mt. Pleasant.

ark players, coaches and fans stunned at the outcome.

"I am embarrassed as a ball coach. It's probably best it's my

last year, because that was one of the most uninspired performances, and I am responsible for that," said Newark coach Butch Simpson. "We can't get people in the right position, and we have people that just don't do the discipline factors that we are trying to coach, but that's on me, and it's a humbling, humbling day for us."

There were plenty of offensive fireworks in the first quarter as Mt. Pleasant scored on a 65-yard touchdown pass from Jashawn Johnson to Robert Myrick on the Knights' first possession. Moments later, Newark's Dequan Woods raced 71 yards for a score, but the PAT was not good, leaving Mt. Pleasant on top 7-6.

Midway through the first quarter, Bryce Ciarlo recovered a Knights' fumble, setting up the 'Jackets' at the Mt. Pleasant 22-yard line. Woods scored again on a 1-yard plunge to give Newark its first lead at 12-7.

The Knights kept their offense rolling as Johnson then tossed

a 13-yard strike to Nigel Bynum at the 3:15 mark. Spencer Read's PAT increased the home team's lead to 14-7.

Newark then regained the lead as Alex Pollard scored on a 16-yard run, and a two-point attempt gave the 'Jackets' a 20-14 lead heading into halftime.

The large crowd witnessed some sloppy play in the third period, but the Knights scored with just over three minutes remaining as Johnson tossed a short-range pass to Ronald Shipman-Scott. Read's PAT gave Mt. Pleasant the edge 21-20 going into the final quarter.

Newark fell further behind about a minute into the fourth period, when Nyair Small stripped a 'Jacket' ball carrier and raced 55-yards with the fumble recovery. A two-pointer by Johnson gave Mt. Pleasant a 29-20 lead.

Just when it looked like Newark was in trouble, Jalen Coverdale grabbed the kickoff and scored on a 76-yard return. Joel

Miller caught the two-point conversion to bring the 'Jackets' to within one point at 29-28.

"This was a very special win for me and the program because this was our first Flight A win," said Knights' coach Randy Holmes. "And it felt like a huge monkey off our back, and showed that we could play at this level, so I am very happy."

Mount Pleasant improved to 2-0 early in the season and will face Concord on Saturday morning. Newark, meanwhile, slips to 1-1, and will host Appoquinimink High School on tonight at 7.

"To Mount Pleasant's credit, they came to play," said Simpson. "There certainly wasn't any factors involved in them feeling like they couldn't compete today and they played the game right, got ahead early and we just self-destructed, and again that's on me. This team wasn't ready mentally, emotionally and physically today, and that's on one guy, the head football coach."

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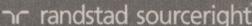
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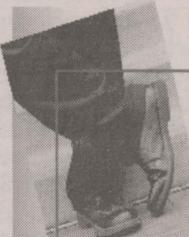
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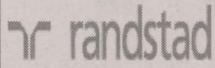
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LEGAL NOTICES

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE**

October 12, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Chapter 32, Zoning, Sections
32-78 and 32-18(b)(14), Code of the City of
Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a
public hearing in the Council Chamber, New-
ark Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street,
on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. to
consider the renewed request of ZRC Opera-
tions Company, LLC for a Special Use Permit
to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages for con-
sumption at the business, Qdoba Mexican Grill,
to be located at 58 East Main Street, Newark,
Delaware.

Zoning Classification: BB (Central Business
District)

Renee K. Bensley
City Secretary

np 9/25

2577956

LEGAL NOTICES

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN
AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
SAHMIAH JEWEL WILCOX
Petitioner(s)
TO

SAHMIAH JEWEL SAINSON
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SAMANTHA
SAINSON intend to present a Petition to the
Court of Common Pleas for the State of Dela-
ware in and for New Castle County, to change
her minor child's name to SAHMIAH JEWEL
SAINSON.

SAMANTHA SAINSON
Petitioner
Dated: 9/11/2015
2576619

np 9/18,25,10/2

LEGAL NOTICES

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN
AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
SAMANTHA LEA RIALE
Petitioner(s)
TO

SAMANTHA LEA POLSTER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SAMANTHA
LEA RIALE intends to present a Petition to the
Court of Common Pleas for the State of Dela-
ware in and for New Castle County, to change
his/her name to SAMANTHA LEA POLSTER.

SAMANTHA LEA RIALE
Petitioner
Dated: 9/6/2015
2576277

np 9/18,25,10/2

LEGAL NOTICE

**OCTOBER QUARTER
2015/16 SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENTS**

The Supplemental Assessment Roll for New
Castle County and the City of Wilmington prop-
erty and school taxes for the October Quarter
of the 2015/16 tax year may be inspected in the
Office of Property Assessment of New Castle
County, New Castle County Government Ser-
vice Center, 87 Reads Way, Corporate Com-
mons, New Castle, DE, 19720, from 8:00 a.m.
to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

These Supplemental Assessments will be-
come effective October 1, 2015. Forms to ap-
peal these Supplemental Assessments may be
obtained from the Office of Property Assess-
ment at the address aforesaid and must be
filed with the Office of Property Assessment no
later than 4:00 p.m. on October 31, 2015. The
Board of Assessment Review of New Castle
County will sit in the New Castle County Gov-
ernment Center, or some other public place to
be announced, to hear appeals from these Sup-
plemental Assessments. The exact dates and
times of such hearings will be provided to the
appellants in accordance with 9 Del. C. Sec.
8311.

np 9/25,10/2

2577618

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE**

BOARD OF ETHICS

Thursday, October 1, 2015
7:00 PM - Council Chamber

The Newark Board of Ethics will hold a hear-
ing on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 7:00 pm in
the Council Chamber of the Newark Municipal
Building, 220 South Main Street.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider
Mayor Polly Sierer's request for an advisory
opinion regarding her potential participation in
discussion and potential votes regarding the
pending rezoning ordinance for the property lo-
cated at 300 West Main Street (Newark Coun-
try Club). Mayor Sierer seeks an advisory op-
inion regarding an interpretation of the relevant
City Code provision (Section 2-97.11 - Conflicts
of interests prohibited generally) as it applies to
her positions as a voting member of City Coun-
cil and as a member of the Newark Country
Club.

If you have any questions, please contact the
City Secretary's Office at 366-7000.
np 9/25 2578141

Estate of

JOSEPH C. WEST, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that **Letters Testamen-
tary** upon the estate of **JOSEPH C. WEST** who
departed this life on the **12th day of April, A.D.
2015**, late of **4949 OGLETOWN-STANTON
ROAD, NEWARK, DE 19713**, were duly grant-
ed unto **ARLENE GLOMP** on **June 2, 2015**, and
all persons indebted to the said deceased are
requested to make payments to the **Personal
Representative** without delay, and all persons
having demands against the deceased are re-
quired to exhibit and present the same duly pro-
bated to the said **Personal Representative** on
or before **December 12, 2015**, or abide by the
law in this behalf.
Address
CURRAN, JAMES P., ESQ.
LAW OFFICE OF JAMES P. CURRAN, JR.
256 CHAPMAN ROAD, STE 107
NEWARK, DE 19702

Personal Representative
ARLENE GLOMP

File #161338
np 9/11,18,25

2575580

LEGAL NOTICES

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np 9/18,25

2576817

**LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAP-
ON**

I, Kyle Robert Bart-
ley, residing at 104
Eastfield Rd., New-
ark, DE 19713 will
make application
to the judges of the
superior court of the
State of Delaware in
and for New Castle
County at Wilming-
ton 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.

Kyle Robert Bartley
9/16/15
np 9/25 2577228

**LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAP-
ON**

I, Mark Petriccione,
residing at 14 New-
gate Lane, Newark,
DE 19713 will make
application to the
judges of the super-
ior court of the
State of Delaware in
and for New Castle
County at Wilming-
ton 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.

Mark Petriccione
9/17/15
np 9/25 2577564

LEGAL NOTICES

BEAR, DE
Garage Keeper's
Notice of Sale
Garrett Auto
Service
 3310 Wrangle Hill
 Road, Building 104.
 10/1 at 10am.
Description of
Vehicle:
 2006 Mini Cooper
 WM-
 WRC33536TJ9128
 np 9/25 2578072

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAP-
ON
 I, Eugene Weylin
 Bledsoe, residing at
 8 Faith Circle, New-
 ark DE 19711 will
 make application
 to the judges of the
 superior court of the
 State of Delaware in
 and for New Castle
 County at Wilming-
 ton 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.
 Eugene Weylin
 Bledsoe
 9/16/15
 np 9/25 2577278

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAP-
ON
 I, Franklin Andrew
 White, residing at 12
 Mackay Ln., New-
 ark, DE 19713 will
 make application
 to the judges of the
 superior court of the
 State of Delaware in
 and for New Castle
 County at Wilming-
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 for a license to carry
 a concealed deadly
 weapon, or weapons
 for the protection
 of my person(s), or
 property, or both.
 Franklin Andrew
 White
 9/17/15
 np 9/25 2577565

LEGAL NOTICE
RE: DEADLY WEAP-
ON
 I, Jeffrey Arthur
 Copson, residing
 at 6 Mackay Lane,
 Newark, DE 19713
 will make application
 to the judges of the
 superior court of the
 State of Delaware in
 and for New Castle
 County at Wilming-
 ton for the next term
 for a license to carry
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 Jeffrey Arthur
 Copson
 9/21/15
 np 9/25 2577923

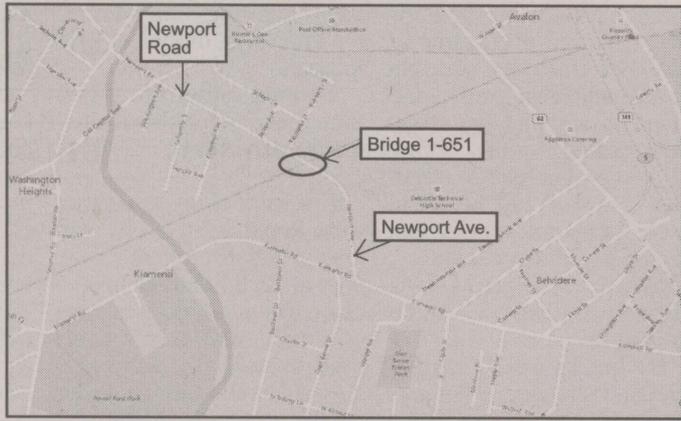
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PUBLIC AUCTION
 Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at a public auction on
 October 20, 2015 at 10 A.M. at
Churchmans Mini Storage
455 New Churchmans Road
New Castle, De 19720
302-322-7836
 The personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:
 A008 - Joseph Holley - Furniture/Electric Scooter/Household Items
 B005/52 - Joseph Roe - Roofing Materials/Showels/Furniture
 D014 - Darrie Hallmon - Household items/Furniture
 D024 - David Blunt - Furniture/Household
 D037 - Michelle Miller - Furniture/Household/Drum Set
 D042 - Diane Miller - Household/Furniture
 D058 - Heather Shepard - Household/Furniture
 np 9/18,25 2576534

CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Council of the City of Newark, at its regular meeting held Septem-
 ber 14, 2015 adopted the following resolution:
RESOLUTION NO.15-AA – Major Subdivision of 1.21 Acres Located at
 163,171, 175 and 179 South Chapel Street
 and 52 Benny Street In Order to Demolish
 the Existing Buildings on the South Chapel
 Street Parcels and Construct One 16-Unit
 Apartment Building and Five Townhouse-
 Style Apartments with Associated Parking
 to be Known as Pike Place
 np 9/25 2578133

 **Delaware Department of Transportation**
 Jennifer L. Cohan, Secretary

VIRTUAL WORKSHOP



BR 1-651 on Newport Road over CSX Railroad
<http://deldot.gov/information/projects/bridges/br-1-651/vw/index.shtml>
 October 5, 2015

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) would like to invite interested parties to a virtual workshop to discuss the proposed rehabilitation of Bridge 1-651 on (N332) Newport Road over CSX Railroad. The purpose of the virtual workshop is to present the details of the proposed rehabilitation of Bridge 1-651 and to solicit input from the public regarding the plans. The workshop will be available online beginning October 5, 2015 and will be accessible for 14 DAYS.

Interested persons are invited to express their views either online or in writing, giving reasons for support of, or in opposition to, the proposed project. Comments will be received during the workshop or can be mailed to DelDOT Community Relations, P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903, or dot-pr@state.de.us.

The virtual workshop is accessible to persons with disabilities. A transcript of the video is available by a link located below the video on the virtual workshop page. If you need further assistance or additional information, please contact DelDOT Community Relations at 1-800-652-5600 (in DE) or 302-760-2080 or write to the above address.

PUBLIC NOTICE
 np 9/25 2577504

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
 FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN
 AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
 IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
 TANAY D'MIA ALLEN
 TYRONE FRANKLIN ALLEN
 Petitioner(s)
 TO
 TANAY D'MIA WISHER
 TJ COWANIS WISHER
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MISTI WISHER intend to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her minor children's names to TANAY D'MIA WISHER and TJ COWANIS WISHER.
 MISTI WISHER
 Petitioner
 Dated: 9/2/2015
 np 9/11,18,25 2575302

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
 FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN
 AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
 IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
 ALLAN SCHOLZ
 JOHN SCHOLZ
 Petitioner(s)
 TO
 ALLAN BRAMBLE
 JOHN BRAMBLE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HEATHER KRUGER intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her minor children's names to ALLAN BRAMBLE and JOHN BRAMBLE.
 HEATHER KRUGER
 Petitioner
 Dated: 9/8/2015
 np 9/11,18,25 2575974

CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
September 28, 2015 – 6:00 P.M. – CC

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS
 A. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(4) and (6) for the purpose of a strategy session involving legal advice from an attorney-at-law regarding potential litigation and the discussion of the content of documents excluded from the definition of "public record" in 29 Del. C. §10002 where such discussion may disclose the contents of such documents.
(Executive Session to conclude at approximately 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.)

SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**
 - Resolution No. 15-__**: Recognizing Samuel Burns for His Work on the Board of Elections and Contributions to the City of Newark
 - Proclamation Recognizing the International Literacy Association – 60th Year in Newark
- ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - Public (3 minutes per speaker)
 - Elected Officials
 - University
 - Administration
 - Student Body Representative
 - Lobbyist
 - City Manager
 - Council Members
- ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
- APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:**
 - Appointment of Joseph Brady to the Board of Business License Review to the Vacant At-Large Term to Expire July 15, 2017
 - Appointment of Ruby Herrington to the Downtown Newark Partnership to the Banking Representative Term to Expire July 15, 2018
 - Appointment of Paul Keely to the Board of Business License Review to the Vacant At-Large Term to Expire July 15, 2018
 - Reappointment of Karie Simmons to the Downtown Newark Partnership to the Media Representative Term to Expire July 15, 2018
- SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - Special Reports from Manager & Staff
 - Second Quarter 2015 Pension Report – Deputy City Manager/Finance Director
- RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:** None
- FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** (Ending July 31, 2015)
- ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**
 - Bill 15-25** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Amending the Pay Grade for the Deputy Director of Finance and Adding the Positions of Communications Manager and Assistant IT Manager
- RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:**
(The Special Use Permit hearing advertised for September 28, 2015 has been postponed until October 12, 2015 by request of the applicant.)
- ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - Council Members:** None
 - Others:** None
- APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - Approval of Council Meeting Minutes – August 31, 2015
 - Receipt of Alderman's Report – September 15, 2015
 - First Reading – Bill 15-26** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23, Parades and Public Assemblies, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Changing the Liability Insurance Required for Special Events to \$1,000,000 – **Second Reading – October 12, 2015**

CONSENT AGENDA – Those items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by a single vote of the Council. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of Council so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered a separate item.

***OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT** – The above agenda is intended to be followed, but is subject to changes, deletions, additions, and modifications, as permitted under the Freedom of Information Act of the State of Delaware. The agenda is posted (7) seven days in advance of the scheduled meeting in compliance with 29 Del. C. Section 10004 (e)(2). Copies may be obtained at the City Secretary's Office, 220 South Main Street, or online at www.cityofnewarkde.us

Agenda Posted – September 21, 2015
 np 9/25 2578064

Council changes code to redefine 'accessory use'

By **KARIE SIMMONS**
ksimmons@chespub.com

Last week, council voted to change the city's zoning code based on the planning commission's recommendation that the terms "accessory use" and "neighborhood" needed to be reviewed and redefined.

Those two terms sparked a debate last year surrounding the now-defunct data center and power plant proposed for the University of Delaware's STAR Campus. At a board of adjustment hearing, lawyers representing the city, opponents and The Data Centers, LLC, went back and forth, arguing over whether the proposed power plant was in fact an "accessory use" to the data center

slated for the site.

According to the city zoning code, "accessory uses" cannot impair the "neighborhood" and must be customarily incidental and subordinate to the principal use of the property. However, because the city did not have a clear definition for "neighborhood" and instead went off the Merriam-Webster's Unabridged Dictionary definition, it was unclear where the area that would be impaired by the power plant was in fact located.

The city's lawyer said the "neighborhood" is defined by where the accessory use exists, which in TDC's case is the STAR Campus and not the residential area that surrounds it, while the attorney representing the citizen group Newark Residents Against the

Power Plant argued that "neighborhood" is distance-driven and refers to vicinity.

Over the summer, the planning commission decided on an alternative to the city's current definition of "accessory use" as well as arrived at a solution to the "neighborhood" issue that, in theory, should prevent future confusion.

On Sept. 14, council voted to make those changes law.

"Accessory building" and "accessory use" will now be broken down into two categories: no-impact and with impact. No-impact accessory buildings and uses are defined as those that generate no noise, smoke, dust, odor or pollution above normal local background levels detectable outside the proper-

ty line. Backup generators, residential grills and fireplaces are considered no-impact.

If an impact from an accessory building or use extends beyond the property line, the project will need to come to council for a special-use permit.

Accessory buildings and uses with impact are defined as those that do not meet the definition or requirements associated with no-impact.

Council also voted to replace references to "neighborhood" with "surrounding area" in sections of the code that refer to impacted areas. "Surrounding area" is defined as properties immediately adjacent and within 300 feet in any direction from the property in question.

TRASH

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Nazarene drew a large crowd of people who, like Walker, were overwhelmingly against the proposal to transfer all refuse collection to Republic Services — a Phoenix-based conglomerate that has approximately 14 million customers, 27,000 of which are in Delaware. The company is already under contract with 12 other municipalities in the state, all of which are in Kent and Sussex counties.

Under the seven-year deal, Republic Services would pick up all residential trash, recycling and yard waste in the city, as well as empty trash cans on Main Street, in city parks and at other city facilities.

The plan would save the city an average of \$700,000 each year.

Trash collection service will remain funded by taxes, and residents would see no additional fees. The city's customer service department would continue to schedule bulk pickups and field calls about missed pickups.

City Manager Carol Houck told residents Monday night that the switch to Republic will not affect their existing service.

"The change in the color of the truck should be the only thing you notice," she said.

However, the residents who spoke said they care less about the color of the truck and more about who is driving it.

According to Tom Coleman, public works director, outsourcing waste hauling would result in the elimination of eight jobs. He said three or four workers would be offered early retirement, and the others could be hired by other city departments. Republic Services has also agreed to consider hiring some of the city's refuse worker, however, city officials cannot guarantee there won't be layoffs.

Former city councilman Jerry Clifton spoke during the public comment session, stating that the city's refuse workers are close with many of the residents on their route, and he is worried about losing that personal touch. He recalled a time when someone broke into a resident's home while they were away, and the refuse worker noticed and called police.

"How do you negotiate that with a company?" Clifton asked.

Resident Doortje Shover said she moved to the U.S. from The Netherlands and



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY KARIE SIMMONS

Resident Natasha Ortega questions why there was no public input on a plan to outsource the city's refuse collection prior to Monday night's meeting at the Church of the Nazarene.

was impressed with Newark's trash service. She said the same garbage collector comes at the same time every week and even came to take her trash the day before Thanksgiving after she called to say she had company visiting.

"To me, this man is worth gold and I would be absolutely furious if you let this person go," Shover said.

Newark resident Donna Means echoed Shover's comments.

"He knows me by name," she said, referring to her garbage collector. "I would do anything for him."

Nancy Duffy said one of the city's refuse workers goes above and beyond for her 86-year-old mother, even trudging through 4 feet of snow to get her garbage can from behind her house, empty it and return it.

"He did that every single time it snowed," she said. "I just like the one-on-one personal service that these gentlemen provide us."

Carolyn Zsoldos used to be a Republic customer until she moved to Newark two years ago. She said she was dissatisfied with her service after workers took out her mailbox, knocked her car side-view mirror off and failed to pickup trash if her

street hadn't been plowed.

Now, she is on a first-name basis with her Newark garbage collector, Jim, who often checks in on her elderly mother.

"I would rather go to hell than have Republic as my trash man again," Zsoldos said.

If Newark signs a contract with Republic, the city will look to sell its current refuse fleet at auction but keep special collection trucks in case of emergency, which worried resident Len Schwartz. He said if the city sells the trucks and lays off the employees, and Republic's service doesn't end up working out, "we are stuck forever."

Finance Director Lou Vitola assured residents that wouldn't be the case. He said the city would have enough money at the end of the seven-year agreement to be able to buy a whole new fleet and still have roughly \$3 million in savings left over.

Still, Coleman said, the decision to outsource refuse collection wasn't easy, but it is necessary in order to "make the city more financially stable." He reminded the residents Monday night that they were sitting in the very room where, just last year, city staff held a presentation on how to raise \$7

million to address critical infrastructure repairs and flooding issues caused by heavy rainstorms in 2013.

"Those storms exposed a real need," he said.

Coleman said the city could use the savings from outsourcing waste pickup to repave roads, fix aging water pipes or buy the University of Delaware's Rodney Residence Hall for a stormwater pond.

Still, he said, the contract with Republic isn't the only way to fund the city's infrastructure problems.

"We could tackle them by raising taxes. We could tackle them by raising utility fees," Coleman said.

Rep. Paul Baumbach questioned why the city is looking to take away the highest-rated service in Newark.

"We love our trash service. It's not broken, why are we trying to fix it?" he asked.

He suggested the city leave refuse collection as is and instead look at other ways to fix Newark's problems, even if it means raising taxes.

"We are willing to pay more, and I don't think mayor and council really get that," he said.

Council is slated to vote on the proposal during the regular council meeting on Oct. 12.



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September 30
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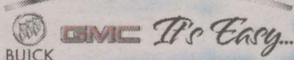
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