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UP FRONT

Gotta love 'em

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

I'M being honest when I say that the characteristic I like best about Newark is that it is a college town. It is what makes us different from other communities of our age up and down the eastern seaboard. Our downtown is alive while others are boarded up.

When friends visit, I usually mention two things about this uniqueness.

First, I tell about taking my then-young son shortly after the first Gulf War to see Colin L. Powell at The Bob when he spoke at the Black Achievers dinner. This free opportunity to hook my son up with a national leader and familiar face on TV is symbolic of the many offerings we have here in Newark, thanks to the University of Delaware.

Second, I take my friends down Main Street and ask them to "feel the energy." They do and usually comment on the mix of students and adults scurrying about.

All this said, living through last weekend when an estimated 15,000 undergraduates ballooned the population of Newark reminded me that summer here is nice.

Now that the students are back, I'll enjoy the busyness here but, nonetheless, I will miss:



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A FRESH START

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

New friends, new books, new looks to old buildings for returning students

THEY came by bus, car, taxi, bike, wagon and foot power as more than 20,000 students returned to the local schools this week.

"There were no tears getting off the busses," said Assistant Principal of Downes Elementary Flo Reiman as she greeted students at the curb. But there were some clutched hands as kindergartners walked into the schools with moms and dads.

For the 19,500 returning students to Christina School District schools, there were lots of friends to shout "Hi" to and former teachers to give out hugs.

Not everyone was eager for summer to be over, but most said they were ready to get back to school. Some admitted being a little scared or nervous.

"I'm kinda happy," said fourth grader Bakari Prigg while walking to school with her mother.

Wiping sweat from their brows, the students quickly got into their new classrooms and were ready for a fresh start in a new school year.

Superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise made quick stops at all schools in the district on Monday.



Christina Superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise, kneeling, and Principal Dave McCarthy welcome kindergartener Rachel Collison and her mom, Sharon, to West Park Elementary.



They came by bus, car, foot and wagon to Downes Elementary.

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Ben Steckel, a seventh grader at Newark Charter, waited on the curb for his bus Monday.

PHOTOS BY JOHN IZERA

Primary election Sept. 11

Only registered party members can vote

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

REGISTERED voters in the city of Newark and in outlying areas, including Bear and Glasgow, will have plenty of opportunities to vote in the Saturday, Sept. 11 State Primary Election.

Delaware law allows only Democrats to vote for Democrats and Republicans to vote for Republicans in the primary.

Still, registered Republican voters will get to choose one of three for governor, and one of two for New Castle County Council President. Also, Republicans in New Castle County Council District 9 (Lancaster Pike to Pike Creek area) will choose a candidate

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Walk to work?

New city program to help homeowners who live near their employment

By JIA DIN

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

LONG commutes and traffic jams may be a thing of the past for some local employees as the city of Newark plans to implement a program which advocates living near one's place of work.

The Live Near Your Work (LNYW) program is designed to financially aid employees who choose to buy homes near their place of employment to increase the quality of life and increase home ownership in Newark, said Mike Fortner, who is handling the program for

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Woman strikes Bear bank

THE Delaware State Police Robbery Squad is investigating a Friday evening bank robbery in which an unidentified woman made off with cash.

On Friday, Aug. 27, at approximately 7:21 p.m. Troopers responded to the Commerce Bank, 1100 E. Songsmith Dr., Governor's Square Shopping Center, Bear, after receiving a report of a bank robbery.

Troopers learned that a female entered the bank and approached one of the bank tellers. She displayed a demand note for money and the teller complied with the request.

The robber then exited the bank with an undisclosed amount of cash. The assailant was last observed on foot in the parking lot heading towards Rt. 7.

The assailant is described as a black woman approximately 5'7" in height and weighing approximately 170 pounds. She was wearing a white shirt and dark pants.

Any person who has information pertaining to this incident is asked to call 834-2620, ext. 4.

Purse thief chased by senior citizen

The Delaware State Police arrested a 29-year-old Glasgow man for allegedly stealing an 83-year-old woman's pocket book as she loaded groceries into her vehicle.

On Saturday, Aug. 28, at approximately 3 p.m. troopers arrested Richard D. Montgomery Jr., 29, of Glasgow Pines, Newark, for one count of felony theft. Montgomery was arraigned at Magistrate Court 11 and committed to the Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$5,000 secure bond.

Police reported that on Aug. 24 at approximately 1:20 p.m., the victim completed grocery shopping at the Shop Rite store, 1600 West Newport Pike, Stanton and walked to her vehicle to load the groceries, police said.

As the victim entered the driver's side of her vehicle, she threw her purse onto the passenger side front seat.

While the victim was in the process of sitting down in the driver's seat, a man opened the passenger side front door of the victim's vehicle and took her purse, police said.

Police said the victim observed her assailant enter a dark blue or green passenger car, then flee the parking lot onto eastbound Rt. 4, police said.

With the registration number of the vehicle and other information provided by witnesses, troopers were able to track down and arrest

Newark police officer attacked

THE quiet summer ended quickly on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 12:50 a.m. when a contingent of Newark police officers dispersed a crowd of "several hundred" at the Main Street Courtyard apartments, 329 E. Main St. Police reported a large group of disorderly persons were inside the courtyard complex. As the partiers were dispersed, twice a full beer can was hurled from an upper floor at a Newark officer. The witness said the missiles missed the officer's head by one foot.

As police took a suspect into custody, the man was wrestled to the ground several times after fighting with and running from officers, police said.

During the scuffles, a police radio was damaged.

Jonathan William Sepp, 20, of Hockessin, was charged with underage

consumption of alcohol, reckless endangering, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and criminal mischief. He was released pending court appearances, police said.

The apartment complex has an open courtyard onto which several floors of apartment units open. The courtyard is gated but, in the past, residents have admitted many visitors. Several times each year, the courtyard becomes a trouble spot for police. Numerous parties often spill out into the courtyard. Police have estimated crowds of disorderly persons as large as 800 in the area, potentially dangerous for a few officers in a confined area.

The complex is referred to by some insiders as Attica, a reference to the 1971 New York State Prison riot

Montgomery at his residence.

N.Y. man arrested after assault of girl, 10

New Castle County Police have arrested Orlando Torres, a 62-year-old male who resides in Harrison, N.Y. He is accused of inappropriately touching a 10-year-old girl.

On Friday, Aug. 27, detectives arrested Torres, who was a visitor at a residence in the 700 block of Manfield Road in Newark. The 10-year-old victim told police that while she was visiting the same home, she was assaulted four different times over the course of three days. The suspect also is accused of exposing himself to the victim.

Torres was taken into custody without incident. He is charged with unlawful sexual contact in the second degree (four counts) and indecent exposure. Torres was arraigned and released on \$7,500 cash bail, police said.

Shot fired outside bar

The Delaware State Police's Major Crimes Unit is investigating an early morning Saturday, Aug. 28 incident in which a weapon was fired into the air after a fight.

At approximately 1:35 a.m. troopers responded to Tailgates Restaurant and Bar, 4126 Ogletown Road, Newark, for a report of shots fired.

Troopers were told that a fight

broke out between several individuals in the parking lot. After the fight, a man who was involved in the altercation retrieved a handgun from a vehicle and fired it into the air.

No injuries were reported, however all parties involved fled the scene prior to the arrival of the troopers.

The unidentified male who shot the weapon is believed to have fled possibly in a green Toyota Camry, police said.

Investigators did recover one spent casing and one live round of ammunition from a 9mm handgun in the parking lot.

The suspect is described as a black male, approximately 5'10" and weighing approximately 250 pounds. He is thought to be in his early 30s.

Persons who have information pertaining to the incident are requested to contact State Police, 834-2620, ext. 4.

Wilbur St. assault

Two 21-year-old men told Newark police they were assaulted outside a home in the unit block Wilbur Street early Monday morning.

Police said that the two were assaulted after a group of uninvited visitors were asked to leave the residence about 2:10 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 30.

Both victims were taken to the Christiana Hospital emergency room for treatment. Police said one victim drifted in and out of consciousness

during treatment at the scene by the Aetna ambulance crew. He also suffered head and neck pain. The other victim had a tooth knocked out and cut his lip and chin.

Investigation is continuing.

Peeping Tom arrest

After a resident of an apartment in the 200 block Elkton Road told Newark police on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 12:25 a.m. that a man was peering through the bedroom window where a young woman was sleeping, police arrested Patrick T. Brecklin, 36, of Newark, outside the home.

Police said he was charged with trespassing with the intent to peer or peep and was taken to the Howard Young Correctional Institute in lieu of \$1,000 secured bond.

Traffic stop leads to DUI

Newark police reported that a routine traffic stop early Sunday morning ended with a DUI arrest.

Police reported that an officer on patrol in a marked car discovered that the license tag on a 1986 Cadillac travelling west on Main Street on Sunday, Aug. 29, at 1:16 a.m. was registered to a Saab.

The officer stopped the vehicle on North College Avenue and arrested the driver.

Police said Shawne D. Bowen, 31, of Delaware City, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and displaying a fictitious registration. Police said Bowen had four prior DUI convictions in 1993, 1997 and 1999. Bowen was transferred to Gander Hill prison after failing to post \$2,500 secured bond, police reported.

Mad when turned down

Newark police were summoned to the University BP station, 121 Elkton Road, on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 9:38 p.m. to investigate disorderly persons.

A clerk told officers that two males got angry when he refused to sell them cigarettes without ID. The pair threw cigarette lighters on the floor and kicked an ice cream cooler before fleeing.

Teen shoplifting

Two Newark teens, ages 14 and 15, were arrested and charged with shoplifting a 20-ounce bottle of soda from the Dollar Tree store, 230 E. Main St., on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 3:38 p.m.

The two were released to family members pending court appearances.

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 Weekly traffic report <small>STATISTICS FOR AUG. 8-14, 2004 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT</small>				
TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	Year to date 2003	Year to date 2004	This week 2003	This week 2004
Moving	2627	2291	50	120
Non-moving	1550	1680	29	91
Total	4177	3971	79	211
PARKING SUMMONSES	Year to date 2003	Year to date 2004	This week 2003	This week 2004
Meter tickets	20369	27513	597	478
Parking summonses	5130	5360	192	119
Total	25499	31873	789	597
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	Year to date 2003	Year to date 2004	This week 2003	This week 2004
Fatal	0	1	0	0
Personal injury	128	163	4	7
Property damage (reportable)	330	323	7	8
Property damage (non-reportable)	319	322	15	3
Total	777	809	26	16
Hit-and-run reports	145	195	5	3
DUI cases	118	101	7	2

Rt. 40's in a jam

There's good news: traffic counts, delays decrease in latest state studies

By **DARREL W. COLE**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

GOING by the most recent statistics, traffic congestion and waiting times at intersections along Rt. 40 are better than in years past.

According to traffic monitoring reports presented at a community workshop Tuesday, Aug. 10 at the Bear Library, traffic flows on Rt. 40 decreased at the intersections of Perch Creek Drive, Salem Church Road and Walther Road, and saw a small increase at Rt. 72.

Meanwhile, total delays at Rt. 40 intersections also decreased between 2002 and 2003. Most significantly, at Rt. 7, the total delays in seconds dropped from 99 seconds in 2002 to 66.9 seconds in 2003, and at Rt. 72 the delay went from 79.6 in 2002 to 47.8 in 2003.

The presentation included statistics as well as a variety of ongoing and planned construction projects in the corridor, all part of DelDot's Route 40 Corridor 20-Year Transportation Plan. To monitor and study problems in the corridor, a Corridor Monitoring Committee of area residents and state officials meets regularly to discuss issues and analyze data. A project moves forward when conditions dictate, such as delays at intersections or significantly increased traffic counts.

People driving Rt. 40 today, however, might not be noticing improvements in their drive times because since 2003 significant development has occurred in the Bear/Glasgow area and in southern New Castle County. State transportation officials consider the year to year statistics as "fairly steady in most of the corridor," and remain concerned about traffic issues.

"I don't think you could point to one single thing as the reason for the reductions," said Brian T. Urbanek, a squad manager at DelDot. "I have been doing this for a long time and you rarely see these kinds of drops. But certainly we (DelDot) would like to think it's because of the things



we've done like mass transit and some of the road improvements."

One resident at the meeting said the reductions could be due to commuter's changing their driving habits, such as leaving for and going to work at different hours to avoid heavy traffic times.

Jeffrey R. Riegner, a planner with Whitman, Requardt and Associates, who is assisting DelDot with the Corridor projects, said what sets planning apart on Rt. 40 is the yearly "triggering" mechanisms. In other words, if an intersection's traffic volumes show consecutive-years of poor operating levels, projects to reduce those problems may be implemented sooner.

Other improvement projects in the area of Rt. 40 between Glasgow and Rt. 72:

■ Additional through lanes on Rt. 72 at Rt. 40 in each direction, and double left turn lanes from Rt. 40 onto Rt. 72. Construction could begin in the spring or summer of 2005;

■ Studying Glasgow Avenue (Main Street Study) now that Rt. 896 bypasses that section of roadway. DelDot is considering making the section more pedestrian-friendly with sidewalks and other features. The hope is to create more of a "village feel," said Riegner.

■ Building a ramp to carry Rt. 896 over Rt. 40. Transportation officials said the intersection is getting close to its capacity and don't expect it to improve anytime soon. Riegner said the project is in concept design right now but he expects construction could begin in a few years. The ramp would relieve the congestion and long wait at that intersection.

■ Widening Rt. 40 to six total lanes (now it's four lanes both ways) between Rt. 72 and Rt. 896. This project, however, is at least 15 years away.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY DARREL W. COLE

The driver of this vehicle carrier from Michigan thought he could slip under the railroad bridge crossing over South Chapel Street, near the intersection of Cleveland Avenue. But as is obvious here, his tractor trailer was too tall for the 12-foot clearance. The Monday, Aug. 30, incident didn't result in any injuries and had only a minor impact on traffic because it occurred just after the heavy early-morning commute times.

Baby born at gas station

A Division of Public Health maternal child health nurse assisted in the unexpected delivery of a baby girl the morning of Monday, Aug. 23 at the Limestone Shell gas station on Limestone Road.

Peg Matsen, who teaches labor and delivery as part of DPH's Smart Start home visiting program, stopped at the station to buy a newspaper when she discovered two women in a car helping another woman deliver a

baby. The women, who spoke only Spanish, had dialed 911 on a pay phone. Matsen worked with the 911 operator to translate information to the mother and other women. Gas station customers provided bath towels as a baby blanket and the little girl gave a healthy cry shortly after birth.

Soon after Matsen tied off the umbilical chord, paramedics arrived to take the mother and infant to the hospital.

"I'm very thankful that the mom and baby were doing well after this event," Matsen said. "Everyone there was very focused on helping this mother deliver safely."

Nurses from DPH's Smart Start program visit expectant mothers to provide prenatal education, nutrition counseling, baby items and resources to assure that mother and baby are healthy.

Fire destroys home

A 1:25 a.m. fire destroyed a two-story home at 11 Tyson Ford Road in Meeting House Hill Tuesday, Aug. 31.

Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder spokesman John Farrell IV said the fire started in the basement while a family of seven was on the first floor. The father smelled smoke and got the family out of the home, although the father was treated at Christiana Hospital for smoke inhalation, said Farrell.

The family dog was also rescued by firefighters from the first floor, and was treated at Newark Animal Hospital.

Farrell said a smoke detector failed to work because there was no battery in it. The family was staying with relatives in New Jersey.

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Other agencies responding were Mill Creek, Cranston Heights and Hockessin.

Holiday refuse collection listed

Due to the Labor Day holiday, city of Newark refuse normally collected on Monday, Sept. 6, will be picked up on Tuesday, Sept. 7, and refuse normally collected on Tuesday, Sept. 7, will be collected on Wednesday, Sept. 8.

Voter registration

Register to vote in the November election at Captain Blue Hen Comics &

Entertainment, 280 E. Main St. in Newark Saturday, Sept. 4, from noon to 4 p.m.

Captain Blue Hen hosts the "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility" voter registration drive.

The event includes on-site voter registration and a 10 percent off discount on comics and books (some exclusions apply) to every visitor who registers or has an up-to-date voter card.

Volunteers from the League of Women Voters of Delaware will be on hand with information about the voting process and to register anyone who would like to do so.

Also, look for guest appearances by comic book professionals. Guests to be announced. Check www.captainbluehen.com for further details and store directions.

On Campus

NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

OF NOTE

Legalization of drugs debate here Sept. 8

A debate on the legalization of drugs will be held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 8, in 140 Smith Hall, at the corner of South College and Amstel avenues, on the University of Delaware's Newark campus.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will inaugurate the Great Debate Series, sponsored by the Delaware Interdisciplinary Ethics Program.

Douglas Husak, professor of philosophy and law at Rutgers University, and Peter de Marneffe, associate professor of philosophy at Arizona State University, will participate in the debate, titled "Should Drugs be Legalized?"

Husak's research focuses on the moral limits of criminal sanction, while Marneffe is an expert on moral, political and legal philosophy. Husak recently published a book, "Legalize This! The Case for Decriminalizing Drugs."

"There are many difficult ethical issues that we must deal with as parents, voters, community leaders, teachers and professionals," Frederick Adams, chair of the Delaware Interdisciplinary Ethics Program and of UD's Department of Philosophy, said. "Today's students will be making tomorrow's policy decisions as they enter adult lives. We are excited to offer a number of public programs, including the great debates, which will bring national experts to Delaware."

Students from any Delaware college are invited to further analyze the issues raised in the debate through an essay contest with \$1,200 in prize money.

The Ethics Program is steered by representatives from a consortium of Delaware institutions of higher learning, health care institutions and research organizations.

Marching band bigger than ever

By JERRY RHODES

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

When the 340-plus members of the University of Delaware Marching Band lead the defending national champion Fightin' Blue Hens onto Tubby Raymond Field against New Hampshire, it will be the largest unit in the band's illustrious 57-year history.

Small units of the band began arriving at UD on Aug. 19, with the full complement on campus on Sunday, Aug. 22.

The band has been less visible this year to Newark residents. Because of the construction of the new parking deck on the site of the band's former practice field near the Amy E. du Pont Music Building that was visible to traffic on Elton Road, the band is practicing in a more secluded area on Frazer Field, just north of Carpenter Sports Building.

Heidi I. Sarver, UD Marching Band director, said that the increased size of the band, which has averaged around 300 members since 1998, will give True Blue Hen fans more of a good thing at Delaware Stadium this fall.

"Every year is a little different, but this year the size of the band has changed everything," Sarver said. "The pregame program had to be adjusted, but don't worry—it's still essentially the same traditional show—but the word 'H-E-N-S' will be huge."

The band's halftime musical selections will feature something



SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST • UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PHOTO BY REVIN QUINLAN

UD's marching band is ready for action.

for everybody this season, Sarver said.

Being a marching band member not only requires a considerable time commitment, Sarver said, it's also physically demanding. Being in shape is as important to band members as it is to members of any competitive athletic group, she said.

"If a nonmusician of average physical fitness simply walks

down the street at the pulse of your average radio pop tune for about 3.5 minutes without slowing down or taking a break, he or she would begin to understand the minimum demands of a Marching Band member," Sarver said. "If you increase the speed to slightly under that of speed-walking, strap on a 30-pound sousaphone or a 60-pound drum, don a lined jacket, pants, gloves and

hat, play the instrument—which means controlling your breathing while varying your direction every 16 steps or so—you will start to understand that Marching Band is a sport."

Sarver said the band will be ready to go on opening day, and the band members and staff can't wait for another exciting season at Delaware Stadium this fall.

UD's Class of 2008 sets new records

SATURDAY, Aug. 28, marked a milestone for 3,469 freshmen and 577 transfer students as they arrived in Newark to embark on their college careers at University of Delaware this fall.

"The Class of 2008 represents another record-setting entering class at UD, with the highest average SATs, class rank and average high school GPAs of any class that we have ever enrolled," Lou Hirsh, director of admissions, said.

"This continues a recent trend of enrolling academically stronger entering classes. In the five years between 1999 and 2004, the average SATs of entering UD freshmen have climbed 44 points," he said.

"The Class of 2008 is among the most diverse in history as well. For the second year in a row, we will be enrolling more than 500 students of color in our freshman class," Hirsch said.

By the numbers...

Increase in average SAT score of UD freshmen: 44 points
 Applications to UD: 22,000
 Number of freshmen: 3,469
 Number of freshmen with perfect 4.0 GPA in high school: 435
 UD freshmen from Newark High: 81
 From St. Mark's: 98
 From Charter School: 91
 Sets of twins in Class of 2008: 9
 Oldest freshmen: Born in 1935
 Freshmen with name of Michael: 81

"Once again, we set a record for applications: We received over 22,200 applications for fall freshman admission. The

University of Delaware also has emerged as the first-choice college for the majority of our entering freshmen," Hirsh said. "Of the freshmen who will be joining us this fall, 64 percent identified the University of Delaware as their first-choice college, including 61 percent of out-of-state freshmen and 71 percent of Delawareans."

"In fact," Hirsh said, "many of our most outstanding candidates listed Delaware as their first choice. We were the first choice of over one-third of our enrollees with SATs between 1400 and 1600 and nearly 56 percent of our enrollees with SATs of 1200 or higher. Nearly half of the 66 valedictorians and salutatorians who are joining us this fall had Delaware designated as their first choice college on their applications for admission."

The new students come from all over the

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Class of 2008 gets started in Newark

The University of Delaware officially welcomed the Class of 2008 during New Student Convocation on Monday, Aug. 30 in the Bob Carpenter Sports/Convocation Center.

The convocation, which marks the beginning of the 2004-05 academic year, included the presentation of an honorary degree to one of the nation's foremost collectors of African-

American art, Paul R. Jones. Howard E. Cosgrove, chairman of UD's Board of Trustees, conferred the degree.

Jones, who delivered the keynote speech, is an Atlanta entrepreneur who amassed a collection of more than 1,500 pieces, one of the most complete holdings of African-American art in the world. His collection, containing etchings, photographs and

three-dimensional works by 20th Century African-American artists, was donated to UD in February 2001. The collection is housed in the newly renovated Mechanical Hall.

University President David P. Roselle welcomed the new students, and Brandon Langer, a freshman music education major from Lincoln, Neb., sang the national anthem and alma mater.



SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST • UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PHOTO

YouDee was joined by the University of Delaware marching band, cheerleaders and others Monday inside The Bob in an effort to rally freshmen support of the Fightin' Blue Hens.



SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST • UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PHOTO

University of Delaware freshmen had a variety of gazes during the Class of 2008 convocation ceremony at The Bob Monday.

John Cordrey from the Class of 2006 extended the student welcome, and Patricia DiPinto, Class of 1954, presented the Class of 2008 flag to Darren Mooney, from Newark, and Katelyn Ruiz, from Trumbull, Conn.

New Student Convocation is a required event for all new students. Faculty, staff and other members of the university community were encouraged to attend.

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COLUMNIST

Newark's big green rectangle

By ALRED A. GRUBER

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

I'M upset with what I hear of the Newark Country Club and golf course. I like Newark. Having lived here only 40 years perhaps I'm insufficiently settled in, but I do like Newark. It's a much more interesting place than any other I've lived in or observed as an adult.

There must be a reason for Newark's attractiveness. I believe it lies in the people and leadership of many past generations. Look at this short list of big things they brought about:

- The University of Delaware.
- Clean industries.
- City manager form of government.
- The Newark Country Club.

That's big time stuff, but just as important are lesser accomplishments that in total improve our lives, including:

- Good schools.
- A lively Main Street.
- A fine library.
- Efficient city services.
- Planted traffic islands.
- Garden clubs.
- The Newark Symphony Orchestra.
- The Memorial Day Parade.
- Newark Parks and Recreation.

The evidence is obvious. Many generations, (including the 'Greatest') for well over 100 years, wealthy or not, contributed heart, energy and resources and made these things work.

They answered the penetrating question, "Will Newark be better for what we

■ Retired after 32 years with Dupont, the writer also was a Christmas tree farmer for 25 years. He is a member of the Scribblers group at Newark Senior Center and has lived in Newark for four decades.



Gruber

“... Will Newark be a better place with the Newark Country Club eliminated?”

build?”

We learn the Newark Country Club may be sold and a housing development built. Every city planner salivates thinking about a big green spot like this golf course in his community. By proportion, the NCC is larger than Central Park in Manhattan. Granted it is a private club, but it provides relief from the boring sameness prevalent elsewhere as we drive or walk by. That's the same sort of relief the interstate highway managers are spending money on planting flowers to relax drivers. Our city does likewise with the smaller traffic islands and parks.

The question begging an answer by the present generation (titled "X") and by our movers and shakers and by we regular folks is unchanged from before: Will Newark be better off with the Newark Country Club eliminated?

That's the case for city beauty. There is an allied reason; future growth. I am surprised how few are aware of the largely hidden small industries around us. To our east and south are at least five large industrial parks. When these small companies and larger employers like MBNA, U of Delaware and Chrysler seek talented staff, the candidates in turn look for great living and recreation possibilities. We have them and we need to keep them to attract talented people.

The question is worth repeating: Will Newark be a better place with the Newark Country Club eliminated?

End note: Apologies to those who worked on accomplishments I failed to mention above; and I am not a member of the Newark Country Club.

It is our mission to inform readers of local government activity that touches the lives of the citizens it serves; to celebrate the freedom of speech granted all of us by the Founding Fathers of our Constitution by publishing letters of opinion and matters of record; and, most important, to offer news of people, places and events that chronicles the greater Newark community.

OUT OF THE ATTIC



THIS week's "Out of the Attic" features another old photograph borrowed from the files of the City of Newark Parks and Recreation Department and its predecessor, the Newark Recreation Association. This photo shows prize winners at the 1960 Junior Fishing Derby. There is no further identification. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. For information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

■ Sept. 5, 1929

Newark family hurt in crash

Four members of a Newark family were injured, Monday afternoon, in an automobile accident, near St. Georges, when the driver of a car, which had pulled out of line, lost control and crashed into the car in which they were riding. Three of the members of the family, Randolph Lindell, of Cleveland Avenue, his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Lindell, and his daughter, Elizabeth Lindell, are in the Delaware Hospital, Wilmington. Another daughter, Nora Lindell, was badly bruised, but did not require hospital treatment.

The Lindell family was riding south in a Ford sedan, with Mr. Lindell

driving, when a machine coming north and driven by Calvin Winslow, of New Brunswick, N.J., pulled out of line, and could not get back. He apparently lost control of his car and swerving, struck the Lindell car in

the side, turning it over, and throwing the occupants to the road. Other motorists rushed the three most seriously injured to the hospital, and Miss Nora Lindell was brought home to Newark.

Council draws new ordinance for traffic

At the regular meeting of the Council of Newark, held on Tuesday night, a new traffic ordinance was given its first and second readings and it was decided to put its provisions into effect within the next few days.

The meeting, Tuesday night, was a postponed meeting.

The Council met Monday night, but adjourned for lack of a quorum.

The new traffic ordinance. See PAGES, 7 ▶



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

What I miss about the calm summer in Newark

▶ UP FRONT, from 1

Quick "in and outs" at the 7-Eleven. During the summer, I can whip out of our office three buildings away from the Elkton Road 7-Eleven, load up a Big Gulp, cash out and be back at the keyboard in a few minutes. Save a few overheated munchkins from the Oaklands pool that slow things deciding between cherry or "wild blue" Slurpees, it's nice not to have 12 people in line in front of you buying cigarettes and hot dogs with debit cards. (However, there's some good news here. When UD is in session, late-munchies usually wipes out the supply of tempting doughnuts, Tastykakes and cookies. I opt for a banana instead each morning.)

Easily finding a spot of the Galleria municipal lot. I've been going to physical therapy at the University of Delaware lab for treatment of a bum foot that was injured in a June car crash. It has been con-

venient to have to hobble only across Delaware Avenue into McKinly Lab after parking adjacent to the roadway. Earlier this week, I had to stalk departing students and settle for any space I could find.

An abundant supply of ping pong balls at National 5&10....in the unlikely event I decide to take up table tennis. (Don't understand what I'm talking about? Just ask any UD student about their favorite party game.)

Only two inches of police reports. Each Monday, I spend hours reading through a stack of papers that chronicle the week's activities of the Newark police. The pile is high because I must rummage every police report (real crime, imagined or otherwise) looking for juicy tidbits. God help me next week. The first weekend that the students are back often is the high water mark of the year.

No wait at Kate's. Every time we've gone to Klondike's this summer (usually on a Tuesday "nacho night" per my daugh-

ter's request), our family was seated immediately, sometimes on the porch. Fat chance now.

Always having cell phone service. When Newark is jammed with people, many of whom are walking or driving with communication devices smashed against their ears, I sometimes have difficulty getting a cellular signal. My carrier's response to this problem: "it's a rare peak usage period." Yea, like 9 p.m. Thursday night, is a peak period (although it is prime time to round up a posse for Mug Night at the Balloon).

Fewer pedestrian targets. All of us who get behind the wheels of big pieces of metal now must be more alert. Driving along student pedestrian routes, which are not always at designated crosswalks or safe places, now is treacherous. The walkers that make eye contact, then defy you to hit them when they step off the curb in front of you make me angry. But it's the spacy, head-in-the-clouds ones that are

most unpredictable. These students, who apparently never have lived in a city, usually wearing earphones or carrying art supplies are the ones to watch out for. (Frankly, I am amazed there are not more car-student tragedies than there have been.)

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Okay, I'm done moaning. I'll miss the peace and tranquility of Newark in the summertime but you gotta love the students. Don't I wish I had their energy, optimism and ability to scheme? I'm ready to enjoy the excitement that few other communities can claim.

■ *When not taking circuitous routes to avoid traffic jams on Delaware Avenue, the writer is publisher of this and two other First State newspapers that are headquartered in Newark. He has been looking for a parking place downtown for 12 years.*

1979: State plans modification to right-turn-on-red law

▶ PAGES, from 6

nance, which was drawn by J. Pearce Cann, provides for parallel parking to the curb in the direction of travel on all streets in town except the north side of Main street, where three hour parking at an angle of 45 degrees will be provided.

Cars will park to the curb on the south side of Main street, under a 20-minute parking limit.

Stalls are to be painted for the angle parking, and cars will back into the stalls. It is expected that the stalls will be painted by the first of the week and that the ordinance will be put into effect then.

■ Sept. 5, 1979

Historic structures to be documented

The city of Newark is in the process of hiring a new temporary employee to document all historic structures and properties within the city, thanks to a \$10,792 matching grant from the Delaware Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs.

The surveyor, who will work out of the planning department, will spend one year, starting Oct. 1, researching and photographing "all sites, structures, buildings, objects and districts of historical, architectural, archaeological or aesthetic significance," including all properties that predate 1948, according to the agreement between the city and the state.

Turn law changes

The State Division of Highways is beginning a program to modify Delaware's right-turn-on-red law in school crossing zones.

Eight selected locations in

New Castle County will get special T-shaped signals that will allow motorists to make a right on red in school pedestrian traffic. Now, all intersections with school pedestrian zones have signs prohibiting right turns on red. 24 hours a day, 365 days a year," according to Raymond Pusey, chief traffic engineer for the state.

"If Delaware drivers obeyed the law with reference to pedestrians, there would be no problem," said Pusey. However, I don't advise you to tempt any of our drivers."

When a car approaches the new signal as it is about to turn red, a red arrow, prohibiting a turn, will come on if there are pedestrians at the intersection. If there are no pedestrians at the intersection, the regular round red light will show, and the motorist will be allowed to turn right after a stop. The red arrow signal will be activated by a crossing guard or by the pedestrian.

■ Sept. 3, 1999

DelDOT proposes new bridge here

A little inconvenience and detours will mean a safer and sturdier bridge for cars traveling Thompson Station Road north of Newark in the future.

The bridge which was built across Lamborn Run in 1928 has deteriorated beyond repair, said Jiten K. Soneji, supervising bridge engineer at Delaware Department of Transportation.

It's come to the point where routine maintenance just won't work anymore," he said.

DelDOT presented their proposal for a replacement bridge to local residents and other concerned citizens recently. The new

bridge would employ the present concrete rigid frame with stone parapet walls, and would be realigned to match the existing stream slopes, Soneji said.

A school bus driver needs 'the right stuff'

It took a large sign bearing the plea, "Christina School District

needs bus drivers," draped across the side of a bright yellow school bus to attract enough drivers to transport about 20,000 students in the Christiana District this year.

Strategically positioned near a busy intersection in Newark for the better part of the summer, the bus advertisement resulted in about 30 new applicants for

Christina's transportation department.

Ron Albence, Christina's supervisor of transportation, explained it can be difficult to hire and retain drivers. "It is not an easy job," he said. "It takes a certain personality and a lot of responsibility to drive school buses and not everyone can handle it - but there are rewards."

Tobacco Prevention & Control Mini-Grants Available

Community-based organizations and nonprofit organizations in Delaware are eligible to apply for funding for programs that address at least one of the following goals of *A Plan for a Tobacco-Free Delaware*:

- Prevent tobacco use among young people
- Increase the proportion of cigarette smokers who attempt to stop smoking
- Reduce routine exposure to environmental tobacco smoke
- Increase the number of Delawareans who strongly disapprove of cigarette use

September 16, 2004—Deadline for submission of application/proposal

Additional information and grant applications are available on the American Lung Association website, www.alade.org, or by calling them at (302) 655-7258.



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These grants are made possible by tobacco settlement money from the Delaware Health Fund.

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OUTLOOK

Ease kids from bed to bus

By DORIS BEHNKE

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

NEWARK schools opened this week, and your family's morning routine will speed up for the next nine months.

Whether your kids are off to school or daycare, you can make weekday mornings easier for you and your children by planning ahead.

Here are some suggestions on how a parent can orchestrate an easy transition from bed to bus:

■ **Earlier bedtimes** - It may take your children a few weeks to adapt to going to bed earlier, but in the long run, it will be easier for getting them ready and out the door. And children who are rested do better in school.

■ **Place all to-go items by the door** - Designate a place by the door for bookbags, homework, school supplies, permission slips and gym clothes. Before bedtime make sure these items are in that place.

■ **Keep a petty cash fund nearby** - Whether it's for milk, lunch in the cafeteria or a school outing, money within easy reach prevents a frenzied search, thus reducing morning stress.

■ **Make clothing choices the night before** - Lay clothes out the night before and morning dressing becomes hassle-free.

■ **Rise first and dress before waking others** - Rise a few minutes earlier than the kids. Unhurried time alone in the morning can help you prepare mentally for the rush.

■ **Make lunches the night before** - A packed lunch kept in the refrigerator saves time in

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

Railroad gets \$300,000 boost

New Castle County officials presented a \$300,000 check recently to Wilmington & Western Railroad.

The county grant supports the campaign to rebuild the railroad following the devastating effects of hurricane Isabel and tropical storm Henri in September 2003.

At the time, railroad officials said they would need almost \$6 million to rebuild. Currently, a short track is in use for some

rides and events.

New Castle County's support will assist the railroad in rebuilding the track and bridges while preserving the area's history of freight and passenger rail service.

Shortly after the end of the Civil War, the rail lines that are now used by the Wilmington and Western Railroad moved goods and services between the mills at Red Clay Creek and the ports of Wilmington.

A decade later, the railroad supplied iron and coal to the mills.

In its heyday, this stretch of railroad carried passengers between Washington, D.C. and New York City, many of whom stopped to enjoy local recreation such as Brandywine Springs Amusement park, now a county park.

The railroad provides a variety of educational services in addi-

tion to the seasonal holiday trips scheduled throughout the year.

The Civil War Skirmish gives passengers the opportunity to ride along with Union and Confederate soldiers while discussing local battles and the War.

Track Car Day brings North American Rail Car Operators Association to Wilmington, where track cars are presented on line at the Mt. Cuba picnic grove.

Counting her pennies

Newark girl helps children with bank donation

WHEN choosing what to do with the money she had collected in her piggy bank, six-year-old Margaret Botbyl, of Newark, did not pick toys, games or candy.

Instead, Margaret decided to donate half of the contents of her piggy bank to the Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children.

After hearing one of her teachers at school discuss the living conditions of some children in other poorer regions of the world, Margaret wanted to help other children in her own community. So she told her parents of her idea.

Margaret's parents, Kevin and Cheryl Botbyl, contacted Lori Counts, Director of Development, regarding Margaret's contribution. "It is so inspiring to have a young child want to help children in



need. We can be encouraged by Margaret's generosity," said Counts.

Chief Operating Officer Paul Kempinski, pictured above,

accepted the donation on behalf of the hospital on Friday, Aug. 13. He explained to Margaret that the money she generously donated will be able to help in

many areas of the hospital. "We are very touched to receive such a gracious contribution," said Kempinski.

Local Girl Scouts aim to enlarge circle of friends here

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay is enlarging its circle of friends.

Girl Scout groups are now forming in schools, places of worship, community centers and in your community. Meeting places and times are flexible to meet the schedules of today's girls and adults.

Girl Scouting is available to girls 5-17 years old. When in Girl Scouting, girls have the chance to explore science and technology,

sports and fitness, outdoors and the environment while making great friends that last a lifetime.

Families can learn more about Girl Scout by going to www.girlscoutschesapeakebay.org. Girl Scouts will hold school open houses at the following locations:

■ Sunday, Sept. 5, 2-4 p.m., Brownie Girl Scout Sampler Event, at the Girl Scouts

building, 501 S. College Ave., Newark.

■ Monday, Sept. 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Elsemere Skating Rink.

Also, Adult volunteers are needed. Training and skills development is provided. Find out more about volunteering by calling 302-456-7150.

The Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay has 24,000 members on the Delmarva Peninsula.

Newark Lions auction fundraiser set Sept. 17

ARE you an art lover but can't afford to pay those high gallery prices to purchase an original?

Then come to the Newark Lions Club Art Auction on Friday, Sept. 17 at the Newark Country Club to find affordably priced reprints of masterpieces from the likes of Van Gogh, Picasso and Wyeth and Rockwell. There will be reprints of works by photographer Ansel Adams, and reprints of trendy "shopping mall" artwork of Robert Kinkade.

The Lions Club has invited Ross Galleries of New York to auction these artists' work and others' work from the gallery's art collection of original oils, watercolors, acrylics, serigraphs, lithographs, etchings, Disney cells, and sculpture. Ross

Galleries will also offer for sale their collection of estate jewelry and signed sports images and memorabilia.

The auction will feature something for everyone's taste and budget. All artwork is custom framed and matted. Opening bids are up to 50 percent less than traditional framed gallery prices. Most bids range from \$45 to \$300. Credit cards will be accepted.

An auction preview will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Newark Country Club at 300 W. Main St. in Newark. The auction begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person, which includes hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Proceeds from the auction benefit the Newark Lions Club.

For tickets and information call 737-7214.

Christina expands reading program here

CHRISTINA School District recently signed an agreement with Scientific Learning Corporation to expand the company's Fast ForWord series of products to 13 additional schools, bringing the total number of school district's nationwide using Fast ForWord to 19.

Last November Christina School District adopted Fast ForWord in six intermediate schools. A seventh school, Christiana High School, introduced the products in April. Based on positive results at these locations, district Superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise suggested an expansion to all of the district's elementary schools, scheduled for September.

The new contract is valued at approximately \$900,000.

"Fast ForWord products bring proven neuroscience research to our students performing below standards in reading," said Dr. Wise. "Christina is focused on using research-proven approaches to instruction. Increasing our levels of student engagement and using programs like Fast ForWord that have demonstrated

results, help us reach our aggressive but achievable performance goals. We're confident this program will give our students a jump-start in improving their reading abilities."

Robert Bowen, Chairman and CEO of Scientific Learning, said, "Planning teams from each school are facilitating the smooth integration and implementation of Fast ForWord products within the school curriculum and schedule. Our company is excited to be a partner with Christina, as they identify and address the needs of their students."

Scientific Learning produces the patented Fast ForWord family of products, a series of computer-delivered reading intervention products that combine reading instruction. For more about the company go to www.scientificlearning.com and www.brainconnection.com.

Eat breakfast

► OUTLOOK, from 8

the morning. If your children are mature enough, have them prepare their own lunches.

■ **Take time for breakfast** - Studies show that kids are more alert and do better in school when they start the day with a good breakfast. Set the breakfast table the night before, then sit down for 15 minutes to eat a wholesome breakfast with the kids. If time is in short supply, have "portable" foods to give children to eat at the bus stop. These include fruit, granola, cheese sticks, fruit juice in boxes, enriched whole-grain muffin or a small sandwich.



DEER PARK GETS NEW LOOK

Wilmington artist Larry Anderson will be signing the latest in his series of limited edition prints depicting the Deer Park Tavern on Sunday, Sept. 19, at You've Been Framed, 172 E. Main St., Newark. Anderson has painted several versions of the historic Newark tavern, capturing its unique character as a local landmark and college hangout. Anderson's most recent version reflects a nostalgic look back at its appearance before the major renovations done two years ago. Anderson will be available to personalize prints and meet the public during Newark's Downtown with the Arts and Community Day celebrations. Free and open to the public. For info., 302-366-1403.

Plummer graduates with honors from Syracuse University

Newark resident Melissa Plummer graduated from Syracuse University with an honor degree following the successful completion of an Honors Thesis Project. The capstone experience in a challenging

course of study, the project offers undergraduate students an opportunity for intensive research and/or creative experience in one's major. In addition to meeting requirements, students must take seminars on the planning

and execution of the project and two courses contributing directly to the thesis project; maintain an honors-level grade point average; and present the thesis project before a review committee.

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FRIDAY

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LIS HARVEY 7 - 9 p.m. An alternative folk musical performance. Tickets are \$12 at the gate and includes wine-tasting before the show outdoors on the deck. Smithbridge Cellars, 18th century barn on Beaver Valley Rd., 1/2 mile west of Rt. 202, just north of the Pennsylvania-Delaware border. Info., 610-558-4703.

THE RED DOG BAND 5 - 7 p.m. A Jazz musical performance. Chamber & Alliance

Lawn Area, corner of Main & North Sts., Elkton. Info., 410-398-5076.

SATURDAY

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CATERPILLAR COUNT 10 a.m. Learn how to identify common caterpillars while helping the naturalist count any caterpillars that are found along the trail in this data-collecting program. White Clay Creek State Park, Nature Center, 425 Wedgewood Road, Newark. To register, call 302-368-6900.

REGISTER TO VOTE Noon to 4 pm. Captain Blue Hen hosts our "With Great Power Comes

Great Responsibility" voter registration drive. The event includes on-site voter registration and a 10% discount on comics and books (some exclusions apply) to every visitor who registers or has an up-to-date voter card. Volunteers from the League of Women Voters of Delaware will be on hand with information about the voting process and to register anyone who would like to do so. Look for guest appearances by comic book professionals. Captain Blue Hen Comics & Entertainment in Newark, 280 E. Main Street, Newark. Info., 302-737-3434, www.captainbluehen.com.

MAESTROS DE PLATA 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues - Sun. Through Sept. 26. An exhibition that traces the changes in Mexican silver design from the 1920s to the present. Winterthur, Rt. 52 (five miles south of Rt. 1). Tickets \$20 for adults; \$18 for students and seniors; \$10 for ages 2-11. Info., 302-888-4600.

REMEMBERING BELLANCA 1 - 4 p.m. Every Sat. and Sun. through Sept. 5. This exhibit features photographs of the Bellanca Air Hangar, the Bellanca Corporation, and the personnel that made this famed period of early aviation history possible. Old Library, 38 Third St., New Castle. Info., 302-322-2794.

Bluegrass Festival Ticket
Labor Day Weekend (September 3-5) 2004
at the Salem County Fairgrounds, Woodstown, NJ

Friday: Rhonda Vincent & the Rage
Mary Kaye Bergin (formerly of Bluebelles)
Kip Wiggie
New England French Fiddlers
Chip Taylor and Castle Rockband
Bob Peabody & Southern Cross

Saturday: Del McCoury
Clare Esch
Blue Highway
Country Carnival 100 Year Bluegrass Parade
April Verch (Canadian fiddler and step-dancer)
Chris Street & Backcountry
Jesse McReynolds & the Virginia Boys
Lynn Morris
Vivian Smith & Liberty Pike
Chris Street & Backcountry
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Sunday: Jesse McReynolds & the Virginia Boys
Lynn Morris
Vivian Smith & Liberty Pike
Chris Street & Backcountry
Ray Medication (open 100 year Blue Hen)

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in addition to longtime favorites such as the Del McCoury Band, Rhonda Vincent and the Rage, Jesse McReynolds and the Virginia Boys, Blue Highway, and the Lynn Morris Band, the stage will welcome dynamic acts like the scintillating Canadian fiddler and step-dancer April Verch. Full 3-day weekend tickets may be purchased at the gate for \$70. Single-day tickets cost between \$25-\$30 and must be purchased at the gate Friday, Aug. 27-31. Senior citizens receive discounts, students 12-16 will be admitted for half-price and children under 12 get in for free. For info., www.delawarevalleybluegrass.org, or 302-475-3454. The festival will be held rain or shine, all three days. On-site camping is available at no additional charge for weekend ticket holders only.

SUNDAY

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FREE SUNDAY MORNINGS Month of September 9:30 a.m. - Noon. Free admission includes the special exhibition The Kuerner Farm, museum guides offering information about artwork, free children's Discovery Game, and new annual family memberships at 25 percent off. Brandywine River Museum, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-

BLUEGRASS AND MORE

Area-based Brandywine Friends of Old Time Music will present the 33rd annual Delaware Valley Bluegrass Festival Labor Day Weekend, Friday, Sept. 3-5 at the Salem County Fair Grounds, on Rt. 40, four miles west of Woodstown, N.J. This year,

388-2700.

MONDAY, SEPT. 6

LINE DANCING 1 p.m. beginner class; and 2 p.m. advanced class every Monday at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info., 302-737-2336.

TUESDAY

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"MAKE A MASK" 6 - 9 p.m. Workshop is set for Tues.-Thurs. For this workshop, the mask-makers will need newspaper, construction paper, paper towels, and acrylic paints. Creations will be used by makers as part of the Procession of Fins & Feathers, held during Newark Community Day Sept. 19. The cost is \$25 for an individual or \$50 for a family of up to four via the Newark Arts Alliance. Info. 302-266-7266.

THURSDAY

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KEEP MOVING AND STAY FIT 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. A public forum free to individuals from New Castle County. The theme is The Time of Your Life health initiative. BankOne Center at the Riverfront, Wilmington. Info., 302-651-3460.

BEGINNER LINE DANCE 6 p.m. Beginner classes at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

LATINO MAGAZINE NIGHT 5 p.m.-1 a.m. Never a cover. Always a good time. Come experience sophisticated night life at The Red Room, 550 Madison St., Wilmington. Info., 302-571-8440.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 to 6 p.m. Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band Music at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info., 302-737-2336.

"Diversions" contributions are welcome but must arrive at our news office at least two weeks prior to publication. Mail to:

"Diversions," Newark Post, Suite 206, 168 Elkton Road, Newark, DE 19711, or facsimile 737-9019, or e-mail to newpost@dca.net.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 3

STRENGTH TRAINING 9 - 10 a.m. Mondays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tues. and Thurs.; 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Wed. and Fri. at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 4

CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION First Saturday of every month at Denny's on Rt. 13 at 8:30 a.m. Info., 302-838-6458.

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. every Saturday at Greater Grace Church, 30 Blue Hen Dr. \$5 donation goes to missions. Info., 302-738-1530.

KARAOKE 8 p.m. - midnight every Saturday at the American Legion of Elkton. No cover, all welcome. Info., 410-398-9720.

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

MONDAY, SEPT. 6

MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 9 p.m. Mondays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in

Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 302-765-9740.

SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE 10:15 a.m. Mondays, 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 a.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 302-737-2336.

CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE 7:30 p.m. Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogetown. All welcome. Info., 302-655-5193.

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

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children at Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark. Information and registration, 302-658-5177, ext. 260.

NCCo STROKE CLUB noon at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., call Nancy Traub at 302-324-4444.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info., 302-368-2318.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 7

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 7 p.m. first

MEETINGS

and third Tuesdays at Liberty Baptist Church, Red Lion Rd., Bear. Info., 302-838-2060.

MOMS CLUB/NEWARK 9:30 a.m. first Tuesday of month at New Ark Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., Eufemia Campagna 302-834-1505.

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

NEWARK LIONS 6:30 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month. Lions meeting with program at the Holiday Inn, Newark Rt. 273/I-95. Call Marvin Quinn at 302-731-1972.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. every Tuesday. For men who like to sing at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., call Will at 302-368-3052.

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support group meeting at Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd., Newark. Info., 302-737-7239.

SWEET ADELINES 7:30 - 10 p.m. every Tuesday. Singing group meets at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark.

Listeners and new members welcome. Info., 302-999-8310.

SCRAPBOOKING 7 - 9 p.m. Tuesdays at Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church, Summit Bridge Road, Glasgow. Nursery, \$2/child. Info., 302-834-GRPC.

MS SUPPORT 4 - 6 p.m. Tuesdays at MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Road, Wilmington. Info., 302-655-5610.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 8

SCHOOL MENTORING 6 to 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Big Brothers-Big Sisters Wilmington Office, 102 Middleboro Rd., next to Banning Park. Info., 302-998-3577.

SKI CLUB 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Hockessin Fire Hall. Week-long & day ski trips, sailing, biking, rafting and more planned. Persons of all ages welcome to join. Info., 302-792-7070.

EAST END CIVIC ASS'N 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Wesleyan Church, George Read Village. Info., 302-283-0571.

ANXIETY DISORDER 2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To maintain the privacy of members, support group locations not published. To register, call 302-765-9740.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT Noon, second Wednesday of the month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Free & open to public. Info., 302-737-2336.

BINGO 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Lunch available for \$2.25/platter at 11:45 a.m. Info., call 302-737-2336.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info., 302-737-5040.

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. Seminar and support group every week for those who have lost someone close to them. At Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 302-737-5040.

NEWARK DELTONES 7 - 10 p.m. at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 302-737-4544.

TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Wednesday or Monday; 11:15 a.m. Friday, at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., \$20/month. Info., 302-737-2336.

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-658-5177.

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 - 10 "Go, team!"
 - 13 Window parts
 - 18 German river
 - 19 "The Gong Show" guy
 - 21 Fit — fiddle
 - 22 Jergens or Astaire
 - 23 "The Shadow over Innsmouth" author
 - 25 "In a Free State" author
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 - 30 Ring official
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 - 39 "The Nibelungenlied," e.g.
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 - 43 Omit
 - 45 Wooden strip
 - 46 — Aviv
 - 47 Adventure stories
 - 49 — Dawn Chong
 - 51 Singer Vaughan
 - 54 "Perelandra" author
 - 56 "The Time Machine" author
 - 60 Writer Erich
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 - 63 Actress Alicia
 - 64 "Cara —" ('65 song)
 - 65 Hard to lift
 - 66 Lesage's "Gil —"
 - 69 Zhivago's love
 - 71 CT hours
 - 73 Charged atom
 - 74 "The Catcher in the Rye" author
 - 78 "Women in Love" author
 - 82 Southern constellation
 - 83 Cal. page
 - 84 Tibetan monk
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 - 87 Gymnastics event
 - 90 Scoundrel
 - 92 Columnist Smith
 - 93 Lamb and pork
 - 97 Shining
 - 98 "Charlotte's Web" author
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 - 102 Broadcast
 - 104 — Tome
 - 105 Jitterbug dance
 - 107 Mink's coat
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 - 129 "A Passage to India" author
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 - 136 Post or Bronte
 - 137 Zsa Zsa's sister
 - 138 Explanatory phrase
 - 139 Corporate VIP
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 - 142 Steakhouse order
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 - 2 Wine valley
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 - 5 Vigoda or Burrows
 - 6 Rock's Fleetwood
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 - 9 "100 —" ('69 film)
 - 10 Sitarist Shankar
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 - 32 Down, court sport
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 - 15 Anne of "The Daytrippers"
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 - 20 — shift
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 - 74 Part of Indonesia
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 - 76 — Sainte Marie, MI
 - 77 Up for — (available)
 - 79 Eye color
 - 80 Card game
 - 81 "... — saw Elba"
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 - 91 — "brillig ..."
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 - 95 Hardware item
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 - 100 From the top
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THURSDAY, SEPT. 9

- BRIGHT FUTURES** 1 p.m. Breast cancer support group meets second and fourth Thursdays at Christiana Hospital in the Medical Arts Pavilion 2. Info., 302-733-3900.
- DSI THUMBS UP** 7-8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thursdays. Stroke support group meeting offering educational topics, peer support and guests who are experts in rehabilitative services at the Newark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Sponsored by Delaware Stroke Initiative. Free. Info., 302-633-9313.
- TOASTMASTERS** 7 p.m. second and fourth Thursday. Greater Elkton chapter meets at Cecil County Department of Aging to develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Info.,

- 443-553-5358.
- NEWCOMERS WELCOME CLUB** 10 a.m. Second Thursday of the month meeting at the PAL Center in Hockessin for new residents in the area. Membership is open to all women who would like to meet new people with similar interests. PAL Center in Hockessin. Info., 302-449-0992 or 302-733-0834.
- NAMI-DE** 7:30 p.m. support group meeting for family members of persons living with mental illness the second Thursday of every month at St. James Episcopal Church on Kirkwood Hwy. Info., 302-427-0787.
- EVENING YOGA** 6:15 p.m. Class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.
- STORYTIME** 10:30 a.m. every Thursday. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit at Brandywine Zoo. Info., 302-571-7747.

- WOMEN'S DEPRESSION** 7 - 9 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 302-765-9740.
- DIVORCECARE** 7 - 8:30 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7 and up get to swim. Info., 610-869-2140.
- NEWARK MORNING ROTARY** 7 - 8:15 a.m. at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info., 302-737-1711 or 302-737-0724.
- BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM** 7:30 - 10 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument.
- REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
- PARENTING SEMINAR SERIES** Sept. 12.

6 - 7:30 p.m. A time for teaching and also a time for sharing will take place with an emphasis on helping parents solve the real problems they are facing. A children's program is offered so that the whole family

can attend. The cost is \$10 per family for this Sunday evening 13 week program. Newark First Church of the Nazarene, 357 Papermill Road., Newark. To register, call 302-737-1400.

New staffers join Newark firm

POLAND & Sullivan Insurance Inc. in Newark recently announced the addition of Wayne Sparks, Sr. and Marci Will to their marketing and service departments. Sparks will be responsible for Personal Lines Marketing, Sales, and Service. This encompasses Home, Auto, Umbrella and other related

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In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Schools, offices close

ALL schools and offices in the Christina School District will be closed Friday, Sept. 3 and Monday, Sept. 6 for the Labor Day Holiday. They will reopen for classes on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

Back to school

When shopping for school supplies, be environmentally conscious by reducing waste and save some money at the same time. U.S.

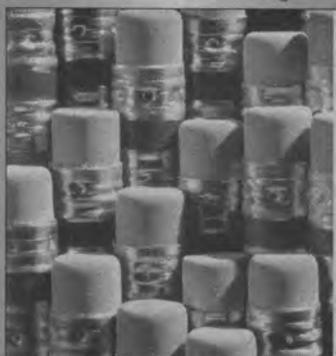
Environmental Protection Agency suggests choosing products, such as pencils, binders and pads of paper, made from recycled goods.

Many backpacks, notebooks, and folders from last year can be reused.

Use supplies wrapped with minimal packaging. Buy in bulk.

Share used books with friends, relatives, or younger schoolchildren. Cover textbooks with cut-up shopping bags to keep books in good condition.

Use nontoxic products, inks and art supplies.



Donate school supplies

When shopping for school supplies, buy an extra set of items and give them to your child's teacher, suggests Ruth Kelly, parent support specialist for the Christina School District. They can be donated to another child whose family might not be able to afford them.

Jones opens two days late

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"The energy is so positive in this district," Wise said. "I see some real instruction going on in some schools immediately."

Construction woes

Not everyone started back to school on Monday.

Students at Jones Elementary in Christiana got two extra days of vacation because of construction cleanup.

One of five schools in the Christina District currently under major renovations, Jones School needed a few days for construction crews and school maintenance staff to do a final cleanup and allow time for teachers and staff to be fully prepared for the start of the school year.

Parents were notified by letters and an information meeting was held last Sunday at Christiana High School to fully explain the situation. The district also made provisions for day care at the Boys and Girls Club for two days to accommodate any families that were inconvenienced.

According to Jeffrey Edmison, chief operations officer for the Christina District, the other four schools under going renovation - Brookside and West



NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY JOHN LLERA

Second graders in Mrs. Orlando's class at Downes Elementary reviewed classroom rules and made sure they knew the number of the bus that would get them home. They started learning immediately with a math question. "If we have 22 children in our class and two of them are not here today, how many students are in the room?" asked Mrs. Orlando.

Park elementaries, Pulaski Intermediate and Kirk Middle School - were right on target to open Monday.

Students might notice some

construction still going on throughout the year and have their classes in modular classrooms since many of the construction projects are being done

in phases.

Students returning to West Park School were amazed at the difference in appearance since they left in early June. Construction continued almost round the clock all summer for phase two of the \$6.9 million renovation of the building with all new plumbing, electrical, heating and air conditioning, doors, floors, ceilings and windows. All cabinets and closets were new. The kitchen was completely rebuilt.

"Wow," many students said as they walked into the brightly lit hallway.

New journey begins

For students in the Christina Schools, this will be a year of change - with a stronger than ever emphasis on achievement, according to administrators.

At a recent board meeting, results of the 2003-04 state test scores were reviewed by Dorothy Shelton, former director of assessment for the district, showing steady progress in reading, writing and math for grades three, five, eight and ten. All but one of the elementary schools was rated as superior or com-

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Kindergartener Brady Willnam got a full-family escort for his first day of school. Mom Tracey held his hand while dad, Scott, pushed the twins.

Eight schools aim to be models for others in Christina

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mendable. The districts three high schools and middle schools were under academic watch or improvement.

Laverne Terry, assistant superintendent of academics, said there will continue to be a push on students who are performing well.

Eight schools have been

selected to focus on being data-driven in creating their school plans and become models for other schools.

Assessments done by teachers, parents, students, administrators, staff and anyone else connected with the school will be combined with student achievement data in creating future school plans.

The schools selected are

Christiana High, Shue Middle, Bancroft Intermediate, Stubbs Intermediate, Leasure, Keene and Jones elementaries, and Sterck School for the Deaf.

In addition, there are new assessment tools to adjust strategies throughout the year, pacing [planning] guides, writing curriculum, new textbooks, a math intervention program for sixth graders, an integrated math pro-

gram for high schools, more staff development on instruction and revised and updated curriculum for all grades.

The high schools are phasing in small learning communities, starting with ninth graders, keeping smaller groups of classes together for all activities.

Special education and students with limited English proficiency will begin working in core cur-

riculum areas with additional support.

Wise said he fully supports all the changes in place for this year.

"I better not find pacing guides not being used or kids without textbooks," Wise said emphatically. "This is it. This is what we need to focus on."

CSD joins large urban districts

THE Board of Education of the Christina School District has been accepted as a member of the Council of the Great City Schools.

The Council is a coalition of 63 of the nation's largest urban public school systems.

Founded in 1956, it works to promote urban education through legislation, research, media relations, instruction, management, technology and other special projects designed to improve the quality of urban education. CSD will be one of the smallest members of the Council and the only one from Delaware to qualify.

Interim public info officer named

The Christina School District has appointed Deborah Rodenhouser, director of education options and project management, as interim public information officer for the district. Rodenhouser will serve as the spokesperson for the school district and oversee communications. She will continue her current responsibilities overseeing the district's choice program, student assignment and project management.

Superintendent Dr. Joseph Wise expects to name a permanent replacement for the PIO position by the end of the year. Rodenhouser replaces Lisa McVey who resigned as of Aug. 1.

Youth auditions scheduled in September

Wilmington Music School has scheduled auditions for young musicians.

Delaware Youth Orchestra (grades 4-9), Youth Symphony (grades 9-12) and Orchestra Prep for Strings (grades 3-6), will have auditions Sept. 8 and 15 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.; Sept. 11 and 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Sept. 14 from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

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Starting on the right foot

Health and safety fair greets students, parents at Gallaher

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

WHAT are the best shoes to wear to school? High heeled sandals, flip-flops or good fitting sneakers? What's better to drink? Milk,

soda or water?

Students at Gallaher Elementary School got tips on health and nutrition that will help them start the school year on the right foot - and in the right shoes - at the school's annual Health and Safety Fair Wednesday, Aug. 25.

More than 600 parents, students, teachers and staff put summer vacations behind them and started the school year off with displays and give aways on fire and bike safety, healthy snacks, lower fat foods, dental care and more.

School lunch prices and "buy



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Round and round she goes. Third grader Rachel Grubb tries out the fire safety wheel at Gallaher Elementary School's Health and Safety Fair. What do you do if you are too close to a fire? Grubb answered correctly, "Drop, stop, and roll."

10 get one free" notices were posted, with representatives from the district's food service available to answer questions and provide advice on what to pack in lunch boxes.

Teachers, wearing balloons marked with their room numbers, were stationed outside the school waiting to meet and greet their new students and families.

Fourth grader Maria Romero was excited to meet her teacher.

"He's funny. Mr. B is interesting to learn about," Romero said.

She was excited to start school. Gallaher has been holding the fair the week before school starts for more than five years.

"We like to start the school year on a positive note and give the teachers and parents a chance to get acquainted ahead of time," Principal Pam Waun said. "We incorporate health and safety so parents and students have a good idea of how to start the year with good practices and nutrition, health and safety."

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Harris one of Miami's best defenders

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Kwame Harris and Orien Harris played a lot of football together growing up — in their house, in youth leagues and at Newark High. Now, there's not much doubt they'll be playing football in the same league for a long time.

Kwame is an offensive tackle for the San Francisco 49ers. He was a first-round pick in last year's NFL draft and appears headed for greatness. Orien is in his junior year at the University of Miami and appears to be on a collision course with the NFL as well.

The Hurricanes coaching staff is touting Orien as one of the best players on the team's best unit — the defensive line.

He's already had a feature story written about him in the Miami Herald. I've seen stories in several papers about him. The 6-4, 300-pounder is destined, by all accounts, to have a stellar season.

Orien and the rest of his Miami teammates are supposed to be on national television Monday night in a titanic clash with in-state and now-ACC rival Florida State (Hurricane Frances will have the final say on whether that happens on Monday). He'll surely be featured frequently on the ABC telecast.

Although only a junior, Harris is already being projected as a first round NFL selection.

He'll have plenty of opportunities this year to

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Valania

Glasgow soccer looks to rebuild

Dragons lose six all-state players

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Many new names and faces will be included on the Glasgow boys soccer team this season. After winning the Flight A Conference title for the last four years in a row, it's time for the Dragons to start over again.

"It's been a great run," said

Bob Bussiere, now entering his 13th season as head coach of the Dragons. "But this is definitely going to be a major rebuilding year for this team, since we lost 14 players through graduation," he said.

The 2003 Delaware State Player of the Year, Tolu Olowalafe, is now attending the University of Michigan. Olowalafe and five other teammates were named to the All State team last year.

The Dragons will have only three varsity players from last year's squad. Junior Mike Lewis

will return to patrol midfield, Junior Matt Sturdivant will be the number one keeper, and senior Steve Cummings will play back on defense.

"This year's team is definitely a work in progress," said Bussiere. "The team has a lot of first time players, but we will be well organized and well disciplined," he said.

Bussiere said individuals have a lot of athletic ability, but they face a huge learning curve to understand the nuances of the game.

Bussiere said this team needs

to learn confidence in themselves and together as a team.

"In previous years, the team had a great deal of confidence whenever they stepped out on the field, regardless of the competition," he said.

Bussiere said he and his coaching staff look forward to the challenge of rebuilding this year.

"One of our goals is to be good teachers on the field this year, to help overcome our inexperience," he said.

The Dragons open the season at home, Saturday, September 11th at 7 p.m. against Red Lion.

Blue Hens kick off season



The University of Delaware football team opened its season Thursday night against the University of New Hampshire in an important Atlantic-10 conference game.

The Blue Hens won the Atlantic-10 championship and the national championship last season and are seeking another good season.

"I would be disappointed if we didn't have a good season," said Delaware coach K.C. Keeler earlier this week. "This is a very tough conference but we feel we can be fighting it out again."

Last year's national championship has put enthusiasm for the team at an all-time high. Season ticket sales have surpassed the 10,000 mark for the first time. Delaware fans have also spurred the Naval Academy to sell out its 30,000 seat stadium for the Oct. 30 game in Annapolis.

"Opposing teams can react in two different ways when they come here," Keeler said of the big crowds at Delaware Stadium. "One, they can be intimidated or, two, they can rise to the occasion and feed off the energy from the crowd. A lot of teams like to do that."

PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Newark golfer to compete in national tourney

Myrtle Beach, S.C. — Robert Meeks of Newark, DE, will participate in the 21st annual DuPont World Amateur Handicap Championship August 29 through September 3, 2004, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

The DuPont World Amateur Handicap Championship, the world's largest single-site golf tournament, attracts over 3,800 golfers from all 50 states and 23 foreign countries. The tournament is played on 75 Grand Strand courses and is open to any amateur golfer with a verified United States Golf Association handicap or the foreign equivalent for international players. Players are flighted according to their handicap.

Nearly 100 golfers play in each of the tournaments 45 flights, with the flight winners advancing to compete in the

Friday, September 3rd 18-hole championship playoff at the renowned Dunes Golf & Beach Club. The winner of the championship playoff will be crowned as the "World's Amateur Golf Champion."

We are thrilled that Robert Meeks will join us for the 21st anniversary DuPont World Amateur Handicap Championship, said tournament director Steve Mays. This is the world's greatest and most inclusive amateur golf tournament, and we are proud to host it here in Myrtle Beach, the Golf Capital of the World.

The entry fee of \$505 (\$465 before July 6th) for the 72-hole tournament included four rounds of golf, a gift bag with more than \$150 worth of merchandise, and access to the World's Largest 19th Hole, the tournament's

nightly party that features an extensive dinner buffet, an open bar, live entertainment and a golf equipment exposition. Participants have a chance to win some of the more than \$500,000 in prizes given away at the tournament.

This year, Centex Homes will give away a brand-new \$125,000 golf villa at Barefoot Resort & Golf to the golfer who wins the Centex Homes Barefoot Villa Quest competition. All golfers are eligible to win the villa and the event begins Tuesday with a closest-to-the pin contest in each flight. The closest-to-the-pin winners advance to the semi-finals at the 19th Hole on Wednesday night where they will attempt a 25-foot putt for the right to compete in the finals. On Thursday night, the finalists will engage in a putting contest from

10 feet and the winner walking away as the owner of a new Centex Homes golf villa.

In addition, the five contestants from the Golf Channel's Natural Golf Makeover Challenge, a reality show that takes place on the golf course, will take their "final exam" at the 2004 World Am. Over the last two months, the five golfers from around the country were selected for playing lessons, fitness makeovers, motivational training and fashion tips by a Golf Digest guru.

The championship is sponsored by DuPont and is backed by a strong line-up of big name presenting sponsors including La Mode, Datrek Golf Bags, Golf Dimensions, Golf Magazine, Brown-Forman Beverages Worldwide, Centex Homes and the City of Myrtle Beach.

DuPont became involved with the event in 1986 and has played a vital role in the tournaments emergence as the most inclusive and popular amateur golf event in the world. The DuPont World Amateur Handicap Championship, which started with fewer than 700 golfers in 1984, annually attracts more than 4,000 golfers from all 50 states and numerous foreign countries to the Myrtle Beach area. The economic impact of the World Am is estimated at over \$10 million for the Grand Strand with more than one million dollars in taxes generated.

Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday is a non-profit marketing association of 76 accommodations and 97 championship golf courses in the Myrtle Beach, South Carolina area.

State championship horseshoe tournament Saturday

The First State Horseshoe Club, Delaware's charter of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, has increased its membership 420% over last year. Of its 105 members, 62 have entered the "Delaware Only" Championship Tournament.

This Saturday, at the Putt-A-Rosa Sports Complex on Business Rte. 1 in

Milford, starting at 8AM and running on until dusk, the competition includes the following categories: 5 ladies going for the Women's State Champ., 6 men old-timers (age 70 or more) going for Elder's State Champ, and all the rest are in the Men's 40' Division to crown 8 State Class Champs plus the BIGGIE: Tournament Champion/State Champion. In all, 33 tro-

phies will be awarded!

Of the six men with ringer percentages high enough to earn them a shot at the "Crown", two are prior State Champs. Bob Burris of Camden was Champ in 2000, and Dan Carter of New Castle has won it the last two years.

Delaware-Navy trip scheduled

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The game is also Navy's homecoming. For more information, please call 368-3698 or email fantasysportstours@hotmail.com

Harris set for big junior season

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prove it. The Hurricanes, as per usual, are ranked in the top 10 and will have several chances to improve on that ranking, starting with the game against Florida State.

Orien's size, speed, tenaciousness and attitude are all things the pro scouts — like the college scouts and Newark High coaching staff before them — like. Now Harris will have a bigger college stage than his brother to play on. It should lead him back to his brother at some point — whether it be next year or the year after.

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the city planning department.

By living closer to work, commute times will decrease for some, which translates into less traffic congestion and a reduction in air pollution, Fortner said. "The program encourages people to use alternative means of transportation such as walking or riding a bike to work," Fortner said.

Fortner said the program also sets out to increase the number of owned homes as opposed to rental property in Newark by aiding people in meeting financial obligations associated with owning a home.

"We want people to come live in Newark and buy a home," Fortner said, "This could have a big impact on the sense of community in Newark because people can live, work and shop in the same area."

The LNYW program is based on a model already used by many other states, Fortner said, and involves an agreement between the state of Delaware, the city of Newark, and the participating

employer to provide at least \$3,000 in grants to an eligible employee.

Employees that work for businesses that sign up for the program are eligible. The employee must live within the designated boundaries, bordered roughly by Cleveland Ave. to the north, College Square Shopping Center to the east, the railroad tracks by DaimlerChrysler Corp. to the south, and the communities of Devon and College park to the west.

Also, the employee must be part of a one to two family household and make no more than \$85,000 (\$90,000 for a three or more family household) to be eligible.

The city of Newark is officially involved in the program and is hoping to add the University of Delaware and many other businesses to the list of participants, Fortner said.

The grants will go to the employee's down payment and settlement costs of the house they intend to buy, Fortner said, as long as the house is within the agreed upon boundaries.

The homeowner must also complete a home ownership counseling course.

The program is slated to start on Jan. 1, 2005 and it is expected that four to five employees will be able to benefit from the grants during the first year, Fortner said.

The LNYW program benefits businesses by adding to their benefits packages and it attracts employees because it offers them an incentive to live closer to their work, Fortner said.

More information regarding the LNYW program can be accessed at <http://newark.de.us> or by calling the Newark Planning Department at 302-366-7030.

■ Benefits

■ LNYW complements existing City programs that encourage home ownership in neighborhoods that have a high percentage of rentals. For example, the University of Delaware is a good partner because the employer is surrounded by residential neigh-

borhoods with a high number of rental units.

■ LNYW makes home ownership more affordable by providing financial assistance only to buyers who will use the property as their primary residence.

Because of the competition from individuals purchasing properties for investment purposes, homeownership in Newark is expensive.

According to Census 2000, the median mortgage payment in Newark is \$40 higher per month than in New Castle County.

The program targets its financial assistance to be used for down payment and settlement costs, often the biggest barrier to home ownership.

■ LNYW would impact "Quality of Life" issues such as traffic congestion, air pollution, and wear and tear on City streets, because the participant's commute time would be reduced.

Source: city of Newark.

Delaware Division of the Arts announces grant awards

The Delaware Division of the Arts has announced its first round of grant awards for Fiscal Year 2004.

Organizations from the Newark area that received grants are: **Chapel Street Players** - General Operating Support, \$3,998; **Mid-Atlantic Ballet** - General Operating Support, \$3,885; **Newark Arts Alliance** - General Operating Support, \$15,892 and for Technical Assistance-Annual Giving Campaign, \$2,500; **Newark Department of Parks and Recreation** - Project Support - Newark Nite, \$1,000, and Project Support - Spring Concert Series, \$1,153; **Newark Symphony Orchestra** - General Operating Support, \$5,982; **Playful Productions** - General Operating Support, \$3,664; and the **University of Delaware** - Project Support - Performing Arts Series, \$1,660, Project Support - University Gallery, \$2,698; and Project Support - Latin American Studies Exhibit - \$4,683.

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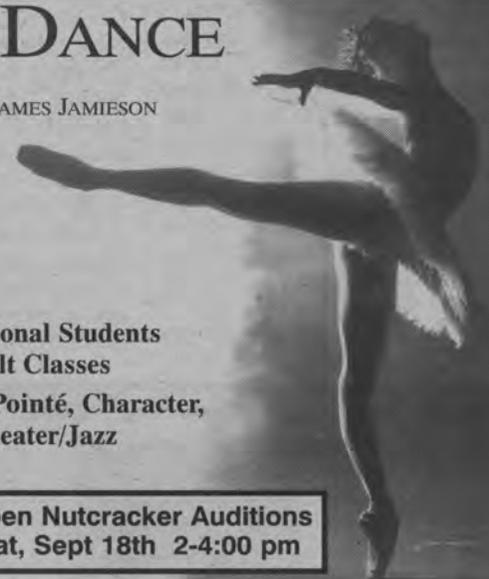
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among two running.

Registered Democratic voters, however, have many more choices to make, including for state Insurance Commissioner, New Castle County Executive, and County Council President. Also, Democratic voters in County Council Districts 7 (New Castle area to Bear) and 11 (Bear, Glasgow, Christiana and Ogletown) will select finalists to represent their party.

The deadline to register to vote in the primary was Aug. 21. The primary winners will face off against opposing party winners/nominees in the Nov. 2 general election.

Democratic ticket

POSSIBLY the most discussed race countywide is the New Castle County Executive contest between Democrats Chris Coons, Sherry Freebery and Richard Korn.

The contest has been marred by mudslinging based on the facts of a federal indictment against Freebery, the current appointed County Chief Administrative Officer, and other county officials. In particular, Coons, as the New Castle County Council President, has frequently taken on Freebery.

Not to be outdone, Richard Korn, said he is running because current county leadership has failed in their duties.

■ Coons, a corporate lawyer

for W.L. Gore & Assoc., was first elected as Council President in 2000. To learn more about him, go to his Web site at www.chriscoons2004.org or call 427-8330.

■ Freebery was the county's first woman chief of police in 1996, then was promoted to CAO in 1997. For more, call 302-998-2630.

■ Korn describes himself as a person with experience in building companies and running companies, and understands what it takes to lead. For more, go to www.electkorn.com, or call 302-235-0484.

The Democratic contest for County Council President has three contenders, including Paul Clark, a manager at Boscov's, Penrose Hollins, a 13-year County Councilman, and Dianne Kempfski, a former two-term County Register in Chancery.

The position pays \$37,189 a year.

■ Clark, a University of Delaware graduate, has been involved in a variety of community organizations over the years, and in 2002 lost a narrow race for County Council. He has also been chairman of the county planning board. To learn more about Clark go to www.clarkforcouncil.com/, call 235-1897 or e-mail clark.for.council@comcast.net.

■ Hollins, prior to his time on County Council, served on the Wilmington City Council, and is a recent DuPont retiree. For more go to www.deldems.org/candidates/hollins.htm or call 764-



9474.

■ Kempfski no longer serves as register in chancery after a 2002 state law eliminated the position. She earned her first election victory in 1996, then a second term in 2000. She ran into controversy recently, however, when it was revealed that she's still collecting (allowed under the state law) more than \$70,000 a year for the position that no longer exists. For more go to www.deldems.org/candidates/kempfski.htm.

State legislation expanded New Castle County Council from seven to 13 members, and it's why there is a slew of contests for newly-created county districts.

One of those races is for the Democratic nomination for New

Castle County Council District 7 (from New Castle to Bear, including Rt. 40 from near Rt. 141 to Walther Road) between George Smiley and Marlene Murphy White.

■ Smiley, a Teamsters union organizer, is vice president of Swanwyck Estates Civic Association. For more go to www.deldems.org/candidate/smileyley.htm, call 658-3790 or e-mail GSmiley326@verizon.net.

■ White, who announced her candidacy near the deadline to file at the end of July, has spent more than 10 years as president of the Jefferson Farms civic association. She is running to provide a voice to neighborhoods in the district.

In the Democratic contest for the new District 11 (from Bear, Glasgow, Christiana and Ogletown) seat, both Rick Seefried and Dave Tackett want to provide a greater voice for residents regarding traffic, development and services.

■ Seefried, a volunteer for a variety of charities, has worked in broadcast communications and served in the U.S. Air Force as an officer. More information about Seefried can be accessed at www.deldems.org/template/news/062304.htm, calling 373-6875 or e-mailing at Rseef@comcast.net.

■ Tackett grew up in the Bear area and has been an Amtrak employee for 13 years. He has been involved in community endeavors since 1993, when he moved to the neighborhood of Varlano. For more go to www.deldems.org/candidates/tackett/htm, call 709-3025 or e-mail DaveTackett2004@aol.com.

For state insurance commissioner, Matt Denn takes on Karen Weldin Stewart. For more on Denn go to www.matt denn.com and for Stewart go to [\[weldinstewart.com\]\(http://weldinstewart.com\).](http://www.karen-</p>
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Republican ticket

H EADLINING the ticket for Republicans in the Primary Election is the choice to represent the party in the race for governor against incumbent Gov. Ruth Ann Minner, a Democrat.

Fighting it out for the GOP nod is former judge William Swain Lee, airline pilot Michael Protack and newcomer David Charles Graham.

For County Council President, Republicans must choose either Ernie Lopez, associate director of admissions and coordinator of multicultural recruitment at the University of Delaware, or Gary Bowman, a salesman for D&M Electronics in Wilmington.

Lopez, of Newark, is a relative newcomer to politics but volunteers with a variety of organizations. His Web site is www.ernielopez.com.

Bowman is seeking council office for the fourth time.

In new Council District 9 (from Lancaster Pike to Prices Corner and north of Kirkwood Highway), John Beidelman, an accountant and information systems analyst, takes on Cheryl Corn of Mill Creek, although both are new to running for elected office.

For more about Corn call 234-7738 or e-mail CherylCorn@aol.com.

To get more information about Beidelman go to www.beidelman.com or call 731-1862.

■ Larry Nagengast of *The Business Ledger* contributed to this article.



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Dolan completes basic training

Marine Corps Pfc. **Michael S. Dolan**, son of Robin B. Dolan of Bear, Del., recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

McCracken deployed

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class **Chad T. McCracken**, a 1998 graduate of Newark High School, recently departed on a routine, scheduled deployment while assigned to the amphibious assault ship USS Boxer, homeported in San Diego.

McCracken is one of 991 Sailors aboard USS Boxer rejoining the war on terrorism only six months after the ship returned from its deployment.

McCracken's ship is an amphibious assault ship whose primary mission is to embark, deploy and land elements of a Marine landing force by helicopter, landing craft air cushion or amphibious assault vehicle.

Tyler Streit begins second year at USAFA

Tyler C. Streit, son of Linda and Jim Streit of Newark, has begun his second year at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs as a "three degree" or sophomore cadet.

Classes began Aug. 11. During the summer, he underwent advanced military training including a survival operation in the Colorado mountains.

Streit, who tallied a 3.82 GPA in his first year in Colorado Springs that earned him status on the Superintendent's List, is a human factors engineering major.

He is a 2003 graduate of Newark High School.

Reid graduates from basic training

Newark area resident Army National Guard Pvt. **Mark W. Reid** has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. Reid is the son of Robin Reid of S. Bridge Road, Bear. He is a 2002 graduate of Howard High School of Technology, Wilmington.

Coley graduates from Army training

Newark resident Army Reserve Pvt. **Tiffany C. Coley** has graduated from the unit supply specialist advanced individual training course at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Va.

Coley was trained to receive, inspect, segregate, store, inventory, issue, deliver and turn-in organizational and installation supplies and equipment; maintain automated supply systems for accountability with use of unit computers; issue and receipt of

small arms, and secure and control weapons and ammunition supplies. Coley is the daughter of Linda L. Njobati of E. Main Street, Newark.

Compton back from deployment

Navy Petty Officer First Class **Lateef N. Compton**, son of Etta R. Bell of Bloomfield, Conn. and

Neal T. Compton of New Castle, Del., recently returned from a routine, scheduled deployment aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise while assigned to the Strike Fighter Squadron 82 Marauders, home based at Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, S.C.

The primary mission of Compton's unit was to provide safe, full mission capable aircraft

and highly trained pilots to deliver weapons on target and on time, as directed by the president. The squadron operates F/A-18C aircraft to complete their objectives.

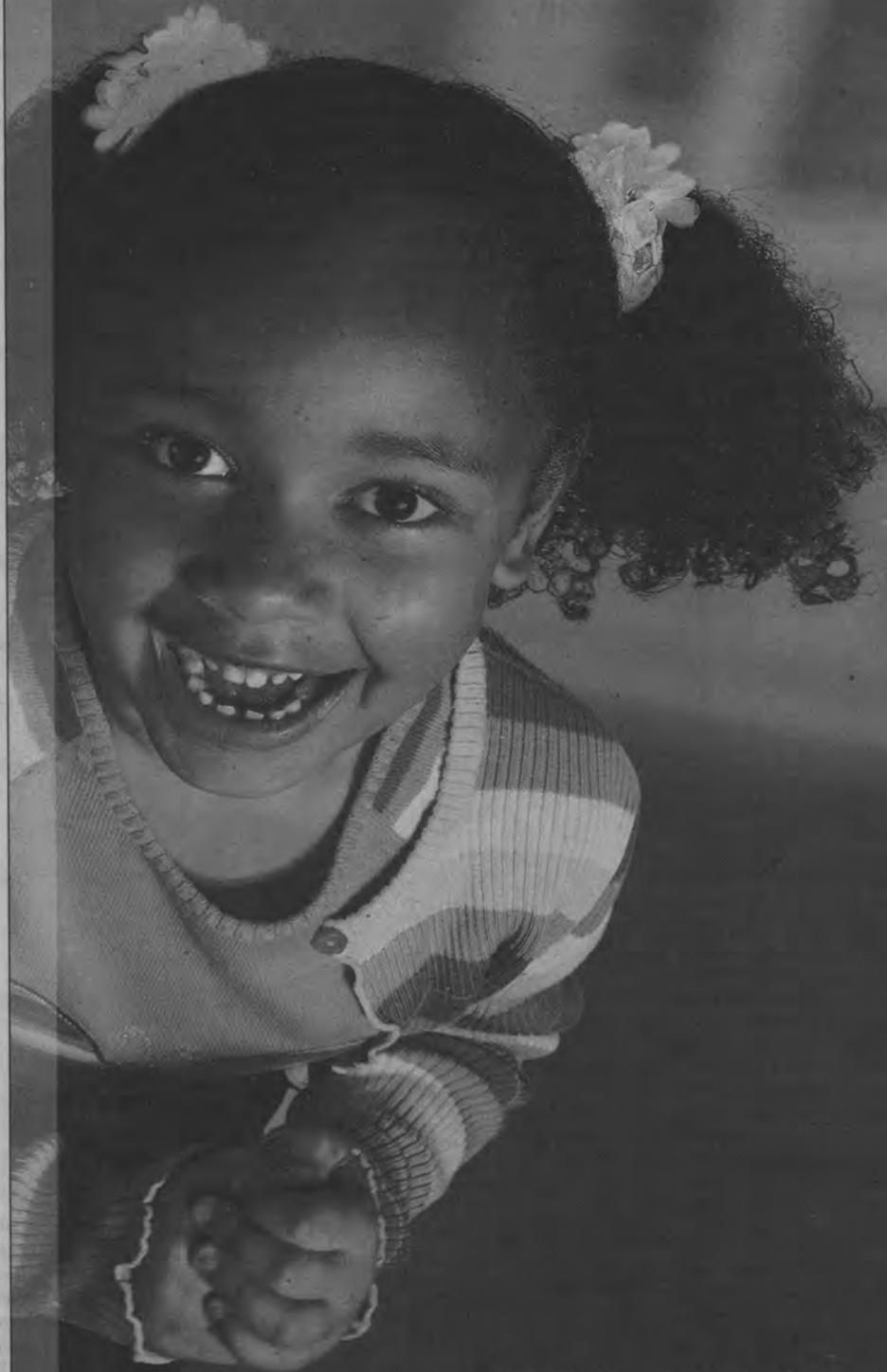
Compton joined the navy in Feb. 1994.

Brown returns from deployment

Navy Petty Officer First Class

Jody Brown, son of Pearl Barrett of Bear, Del. and Joe Brown of Montgomery, Ala., recently returned from a routine, scheduled deployment while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise, homeported in Norfolk, Va. Carriers like Enterprise are deployed throughout the world to maintain U.S. presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis.

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Nothing missing

A resident of the 800 block North Country Club Drive told Newark police on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 2:51 p.m. that he arrived home to discover a strange man and vehicle in his driveway.

The victim told police the man asked for directions and then drove away. The victim said he later discovered that tools inside his garage had been moved.

Police come upon fights

A Newark police officer reported he was patrolling the Main and Chapel streets area on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 1:50 a.m. when he saw two men fighting, rolling around on the sidewalk.

Police stopped the fight, which reportedly started when a passer-by grabbed a woman.

Charged with disorderly conduct were Craig H. Dadika, 21, of Elmwood Park, N.J., and Ryan Dineen Jr., 24, of Newark. Both were released pending court appearances.

Neither man was seriously injured, police said.

In a separate incident, on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 12:18 a.m., a Newark officer on patrol saw two men fighting outside the 7-Eleven, 235 E. Delaware Ave.

Police were told the altercation stemmed from an earlier traffic dispute.

Justen D. Coulson, 20, of North East, Md., and Daniel L. Odom, 23, of Wilmington, were charged with disorderly conduct. Coulson also was cited for underage consumption of alcohol. Both men were released pending court appearances, police said.

Disorderly conduct

Newark police reported that Sean M. Harrison, 22, of Newark, was charged with disorderly conduct on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 12:41 a.m.

Police said a man was yelling obscenities at police officers making an alcohol law arrest near a crowd of 50 to 75 persons outside the Ivy Hall apartments, 400 Wollaston Ave.

Harrison was released pending a court appearance.

Home burglarized

Newark police are looking for persons who broke into a home in the unit block Nathan Hale Court while the owner was at work on Friday, Aug. 27.

Police were called at 6:08 p.m. and told an upstairs office and others areas had been ransacked. The intruders may have entered through a rear door.

Missing items, totalling more than \$3,400 in value, included cash, a digital camera and Apple computer, police said.

Personal items gone

Jewelry, perfume and underwear were reported missing to Newark police on Friday, Aug. 27, at 10 a.m. by a resident of the unit block Dunsmore Road.

Investigation is continuing, police said.

Many charges levied

A 26-year-old Newark man was hit with a variety of charges after an incident on Thursday, Aug. 26, at 8:34 p.m.

Newark plainclothes officer approached a 1992 Chevrolet they had been following after the vehicle ran a red signal and pulled onto the Shell station lot at Marrows and

Ogletown roads.

Police reported the car backed away, driving backwards along Marrows Road in the opposite travel lane. Eventually, the vehicle turned forward and fled. A short time later, the suspect car was stopped in the College Square shopping center by police.

Officers said Jesse M. Sandow, 26, was charged with reckless endangering, possession of a deadly weapon by a person prohibited to do so, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, resisting arrest, possession of drug paraphernalia, reckless driving, failure to stop for a red signal, and failure to show proof of insurance. He was transferred to Gander Hill Prison in lieu of \$9,000 secured bond.

Senior victim of theft

Newark police are investigating the theft of \$4,964 from an 85-year-old local resident.

Police were alerted on Tuesday, Aug. 24, that the thieves used the Harbour Park woman's credit card to withdraw cash from ATMs in the area between June 29 and Aug. 11.

Investigation is continuing, police said.

Vehicles hit

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

45 N. Fawn Dr., on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 3:51 p.m., window of 1995 Chevrolet shattered;

Elkton Road and Amstel Avenue, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 7:26 p.m., suspects from another vehicle kicked and damaged a car while both vehicles were stopped at a red signal;

122 Sandy Dr., on Friday, Aug. 27, at 3:42 p.m., four tires valued at \$800 on Dodge pick-up truck slashed;

2 Washington St., on Friday, Aug. 27, at 11:43 a.m., tires on two vehicles cut;

108 Casho Mill Road, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 8:28 a.m., window of Honda Civic shattered and \$480 in

compact discs removed;

60 Welsh Tract Road, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 8:05 a.m., license tag removed from Jeep;

56 Welsh Tract Road, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 5:51 a.m., driver window shattered items valued at \$923 removed;

11 Sue Lane, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 4:27 a.m., driver window smashed;

Burger King lot, 30 S. Chapel St., on Thursday, Aug. 26, at 11:54 p.m., tail light of Camaro broken with baseball bat;

400 Stamford Dr., Fairfield apartments, on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 2:35 p.m., window of BMW shattered;

2 Hagley Lane, on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 10:18 a.m., purse, cell phone and personal items taken from 2000 Envoy;

321 Stamford Dr., Fairfield apartments, on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 9:09 a.m., vent window smashed and stereo unit taken;

1400A Interchange Blvd., on Wednesday, Aug. 25, seven boxes of snack foods valued at \$400 taken from trucks;

603 N. Country Club Dr., on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 8:03 a.m., rear window broken and purse removed from 2004 Chevrolet;

100 Suburban Plaza, on Thursday, Aug. 26, at 1:05 a.m., window of Neon shattered and radar detector cord, gauges and stereo removed;

101 Kershaw St., on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 3:07 p.m., mirror, turn signal and steering wheel of Jeep damaged;

27 Westfield Dr., on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 11:24 a.m., wallet and change stolen from car; and

92 Kershaw St., on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 9:04 a.m., window of 1996 Toyota broken.

Alcohol, noise law violations listed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws during the first week of

the University of Delaware fall semester.

Marked units and special plainclothes details operated here during what police describe as "peak party periods." Officers in street clothes also conducted "Cops In Shops" operations inside local liquor outlets, where it is illegal for any person under age 21 to enter a package store.

Some of the recent arrests include:

Kristin E. Blauvelt, 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol, and **Earl Austin Sneeringer**, 18, of Columbia, Md., underage consumption of alcohol, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, on Sunday, Aug. 29, at 8:14 p.m., under the bridge at 417 S. College Ave.;

Melissa Elizabeth Weber, 21, of Newark, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Sunday, Aug. 29, at 1:28 a.m., at 133 Lovett Ave.;

Michael Adam Garruto, 20, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 1:29 a.m., at 329 E. Main St.;

Jordan Windsor Seemans, 18, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 12:30 a.m., in parking lot at Casho Mill and Barksdale roads;

Michel R. Manuel, 23, of Wilmington, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 11:42 p.m., on East Park Place at Manuel Street;

Adam G. Wilke, 20, of Newark, noise violation, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 2:50 a.m., at 3103 Scholar Dr., University Courtyard apartments;

Allen Thomas Machi, 19, of Newark, underage possession of alcohol, on Friday, Aug. 27, at 1:26 a.m. at 223 E. Main St.;

Lauren Jean Euston, 18, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and littering from a motor vehicle, on Thursday, Aug. 26, at 10:21 p.m., on East Main Street near South College Avenue;

Ryan Schloer Jr., 20, of Fairview Village, Pa., underage entry into a liquor store, on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 7:37 p.m., at Peddler Liquors, 110 College Square; and

Patrick Matic, 43, of Wilmington, sale of alcohol to a minor, on Friday, Aug. 20, at 9:08 p.m., at Adria Café, 230 E. Main St.

Police said all were released pending court appearances.

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Reality show features local woman

ASHLEY James, a Bear area resident and sophomore at the University of Delaware, will be featured on ABC Family Channel's reality show "Switched!" on Monday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m.

James, 18, is the former Miss Delaware Teen USA 2003.

Each episode of "Switched!" features two participants from different parts of the U.S. Complete strangers trade personal spaces and familiar faces to inhabit each other's daily routine. The show begins with the pair receiving text messages to reveal the life and location of their switch.

During the adventure, each participant receives a dare or challenge issued by their "Switched!" counterpart. Over the course of four days, camera crews follow them as they adjust to each other's "new" life and lifestyle. Attending school, par-



James

ticipating in after-school activities or part-time jobs, hanging out with friends and even living with the other's family.

"Switched!" captures their adventures as well as the reactions of their new families and friends.

James was chosen from thousands of entries, and is the first

Delawarean to have appeared on the reality series.

In the episode, James is switched with a 17-year-old kayak and river guide from Williams, Ore. "I hated it at first," said James. "I had to sleep in the wilderness in a tent... no makeup, no hair supplies. It was not my type of place," she

laughed. But, in the end, James says she feels great about her reality TV experience.

"It turned out to be amazing. I went white water rafting, kayaking, and cliff jumping."

For more about "Switched!" go to www.abcfamily.com/daytime/switched/.

Stewart named finalist

Local educational entrepreneur Beverly Stewart M.Ed. was recently named one of three finalists for the James P. Boyle Award sponsored by the Education Industry Association (EIA).

Nominees were judged on significant contributions to their profession, professional and community service activities, and other achievements.

Stewart is the founder of Back to Basics Learning Dynamics Inc. and has over 18 years of hands-on business experience.

She is the winner of the Delaware Entrepreneurial Woman of the Year Award 1998, the She Knows Where She's Going Award 2001, the

University of Delaware College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy Outstanding Alumni Award 2002, and the Debnam House Mentor Award 2002.

Enochs appointed vice president for Weichert firm

Weichert New Homes and Land Co. has named Kenneth G. Enoch, Jr. as vice president of the Delaware Valley Region. In his new role, Enoch will oversee the daily operations of the region's new homes division while focusing on the growth and development of new business.

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New 4-H educator hired

KATHRYN E. Daly is the newest educator for 4-H and youth development in New Castle County. She is a 2003 graduate of East Carolina University with a bachelor's degree in family and community services.

No stranger to Delaware 4-H, Daly was a member of the Fantastics 4-H Club for seven years. During her early 4-H career, this Newark native served as a camp counselor for New Castle County summer camps, attended national 4-H Conference, volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, and received leadership and citizenship awards.

In her new position Daly will focus on creating positive youth development experiences for after-school programs. She also will develop programs for 4-H clubs in the county related to community service, leadership and other life skills. She will work closely with New Castle County's other 4-H educator, Doris Behnke.

Daly is the daughter of Dan and Pat Daly of Newark and a

graduate of St. Mark's High School.

Ditzler named to list

Newark resident **Daniel Thomas Ditzler** has been named to the spring 2004 dean's list at Keene State College.

Eight hundred ninety students have been named to the dean's list this semester.

Kruelle retires from full time ministry

Pastor **Carl H. Kruelle Jr.** is retiring from full time ministry after 41 years in three states. The Farewell Service was scheduled at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Chestnut Hill Estates, with a picnic following the service.

Kruelle served as pastor of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church for more than 25 years. He served 12 years on the board of Bethesda Lutheran Home, and 15 years on the board of Martin Luther homes.

Also the congregation of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church has conferred on Pastor Kruelle the title of "Pastor Emeritus".

Pastor Kruelle and his wife Mary have three sons, Carl and family of Newark, John and family of Arizona and Charles and family of Downingtown, Pa.

Area residents named to Bucknell dean's list

Kieren J. Detweiler, daughter of Donald Detweiler, Newark; **Angie L. Hall**, daughter of Ronald

and Rhonda Hall, Elkton, Md.; and **Alison W. Hoover**, daughter of Dallas Hoover and **Patricia Walsh**, Newark were named to Bucknell University dean's list during the spring semester of the 2003-04 academic year.

Courtright and Jones receive degrees

Newark residents **Abby Courtright** and **Thomas Jones** enrolled in The College of Arts at Syracuse University were among the academic degree candidates honored at the University's 150th commencement.

Courtright received a bachelor's degree in psychology and history. Jones received a bachelor's degree in anthropology.

Vicente named

Newark resident **Diego Vicente** was recently named to the dean's list at the College of William and Mary for the spring 2004 semester.

In order to achieve dean's list status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student in The School of Arts and Sciences must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester.

Schlonecker graduates

Newark resident **Andrea Leigh Schlonecker** received the Bachelor of Science in Bible degree and the Associate of Science in Bible degree. She was among the 133 graduates of Lancaster Bible College who received degrees or certificates.

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Moses and Budzik graduate from BU

Boston University awarded academic degrees to 5,358 students this spring.

Receiving degrees were Newark residents **Carol L. Budzik, M.D.** in Medicine, cum laude; and **Erica B. Moses, B.A.** in Psychology, cum laude.

Cash graduates from Mary Baldwin College

Jessica Anne Cash of Newark graduated from Mary Baldwin College on Sunday, May 16, 2004. The College's President Pamela Fox conferred 274 bachelor degrees, 39 Master of Arts in Teaching degrees, nine Master of Letters in Shakespeare and Renaissance Literature in Performance degrees, and three Master of Fine Arts in Shakespeare and Renaissance in

Performance degrees.

Cash graduated with a major in Distinction in Business Administration, summa cum laude. She is the daughter of Ms. Suzanne Cash of Newark.

Meyer, Riesenberger named to dean's list

Newark residents **Molly E. Meyer** and **Daniel W. Riesenberger** achieved the dean's list at James Madison University for the spring semester 2004. Students on the dean's list are required to have a grade-point average of 3.5 to 3.89 with a course load of at least 14 hours.

3M makes donation in recognition of Boyd's outstanding service

The 3M Foundation has donated \$200 to the New Castle

County Cooperative Extension in recognition of **Anne F. Boyd's** commitment to the community for her outstanding service.

Boyd has donated more than 500 hours to the New Castle County Master Gardeners. As a volunteer, she has been instrumental in establishing a teaching garden that features drought resistant native plants suitable for use in home landscapes.

As part of the 3M Volunteer Match program, the 3M Foundation will donate \$200 to eligible non-profit organizations for which a 3M employee and retiree volunteers 25 hours or more per calendar year. For more information on this program, please contact 3M Community Affairs at 651-733-0144.

Young Newark volunteer recognized

Charlotte Strazdus, 12, of

Newark was one of thousands of young people across the country honored as an outstanding volunteer by Kohl's Department Stores. In its Kohl's Kids Who Care volunteer recognition program, each youth received a \$50 Kohl's gift card and was eligible for additional recognition, including \$1,000 and \$5,000 scholarships for their post-secondary education.

Strazdus was recognized for preparing and delivering meals for Meals on Wheels.

Cannon awarded woodwind award

Catie Cannon of Newark, a student at Cab Calloway School of the Arts, received the 2003-04 Distinctive Achievement Award in Woodwind Performance in recognition of her being the top woodwind player in CCSA's 7th grade.

Cannon started playing clarinet, her second instrument after piano, in 4th grade when she sought to join Wilmington Friends School's lower school band, then under the direction of John Spangenberg. She transferred to Cab Calloway last year to further her artistic interests. At CCSA, Caite is a instrumental major with a vocal minor and has been an academic honor student each marking period.

Puno Indian (Inca) by heritage, Catie was born in La Molina, on the outskirts of Lima, Peru, and was adopted at the age

of seven weeks. She lives with her adoptive mother, father and brother in Pike Creek. Her 17-year-old brother was adopted from Korea and plays bass clarinet as an 11th grader at Wilmington Friends School.

Local student explores U.S. Government with Presidential Classroom

Kingsley Watkins, a student at Newark High School in Newark, took part in the spring Presidential Classroom Flagship PC Scholars Program in Washington, D.C.

Kingsley and more than 170 other high school juniors and seniors from 32 states, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Canada, and Germany explored the federal government at work. They spent a week discussing key political issues and observing the American political process on Capitol Hill.

The week also featured seminars by Michael Barone, senior writer with U.S. News & World Report, Ambassador Maura Harty, assistant secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, U.S. State Department, and Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America.

Other activities for the week included visits with government representatives on Capitol Hill, small discussion sessions and touring historic sites around Washington.

Nine sets of twins among freshmen

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United States and from eight foreign countries with 1,252 freshmen from Delaware, followed by New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York and Maryland.

There also are 341 students enrolled in the Associate in Arts Program in Wilmington, Dover and Georgetown.

From an ethnic viewpoint, 121 are Asian Americans, 204 are African Americans, 164 are Hispanic/Latino Americans, 10 are Native Americans/Alaskan Natives and eight are Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Americans.

The class includes 34 valedictorians, 32 salutatorians and 435 freshmen with a 4.0 grade point. The average SAT score is 1189, and 443 freshmen are enrolled in the Honors Program.

Most Delaware freshmen are graduates of St. Mark's High School (98), Charter School of Wilmington (91), Newark (81), Salesianum (62), Middletown (61), Thomas McKean (60), Brandywine (57), Alexis I. du Pont (53), Caesar Rodney (48) and William Penn (45) high schools.

There also are 412 legacies, or sons and daughters of alumni, including 120 children of Double Dels (with both parents being UD alumni).

The majority of freshmen (1,306) are enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences, followed by the Lerner College of Business and Economics (445), the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy (359), the College of Engineering (345), the College of Health and Nursing Sciences (319) and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (123).

University Studies students, those who have not declared a

major, number 572. Popular majors include business administration, biological sciences, elementary teacher education, psychology, nursing, mechanical engineering, communication, English and political science.

Extracurricular activities that most interest freshmen are sports (57 percent), volunteer work/community service (53 percent), social clubs (36 percent), academic clubs (27 percent), student government (18 percent), music (18 percent), newspaper/yearbook (17 percent) and theatre (11 percent).

Nine sets of twins are among

the freshmen. The youngest freshman was born in 1988; the oldest in 1935, and the average age of the Class of 2008, as of Aug. 30, is 18 years, 4 months and 20 days.

Matthew and Michael (81 each) tie for first place as the most popular men's names, while Lauren (69) and Jessica (60) are the most popular women's names.

Statistics about incoming students are subject to slight changes as the academic year gets under way. Official enrollment figures will be available in October.

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Charles M. Callanan Jr., 59, once owned Malt Shoppe here

Newark resident Charles M. "Chuck" Callanan Jr. died on

Thursday, Aug. 19, 2004, at his home.

Mr. Callanan, 59, moved with his family to Baltimore, Md., where he attended parochial school and graduated from Loyola High School.

He received his degree from Frostburg (Md.) State University and served his country as a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War.

He was the head of the Kitchen Design Department at Lowes in Middletown, where he had been employed for over 11 years.

Last year, he was named Lowes' "Million Dollar Man." Previously, he had been the manager of the Stone Balloon and the co-owner of the for-

mer Malt Shoppe, both on Main Street in Newark.

He was a member of Holy Spirit Parish in New Castle.

He is survived by his wife, Stella M. Callanan; step-daughter, Bianca Martin of New Castle; most cherished and beloved grandson, Zachary "Zachman" of New Castle; parents, Elizabeth (Dalton) and Charles M. Callanan Sr. of St. Augustine, Fla.; brother, David Callanan of Baltimore, Md.; sister, Kathy Sharpless of Chapel Hill, N.C.; father-in-law, Francis X. Garneski Sr. of Long Neck; nephews, David and Christopher Callanan, Ched, Christopher Jr. and Darren Sharpless;

brothers- and sisters-in-law, Threase, Sarah, Linda, Francis X. Jr. and his wife Karen, and Philip.

A service was scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 25 at Holy Spirit R.C. Church, 12 Winder Road, Garfield Park, New Castle.

Burial is in Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Compassionate Care Hospice, 5610 Kirkwood Highway, Ste. 5610-5612, Wilmington, DE 19808.

Harry Ray Cox, 78, worked at DuPont for 36 years

Newark resident Harry Ray Cox died on Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004, at Manorcare Health Services of Pike Creek.

Mr. Cox, 78, a mechanic by profession, he worked for the DuPont Company for 36 years, retiring in 1984 from the Edgemoor site. Mr. Cox was proud to have served his country in the U.S. Navy during World War II and the Korean Conflict and remained committed to veterans organizations throughout his life.

He was a member and past commander of Joseph B. Stahl Post 30, American Legion in New Castle and had served as the district commander of New Castle County. He was a member of the Delaware Forty-and-Eight and had been commander of VFW Post 7031 in North Carolina. Mr. Cox was also a member of Moose Lodge 1805 in North Carolina.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Barbara Alice (Jackson) Cox; six children, Barbara Spilka of Bear; Connie Hicks and her husband, Arthur, of New Castle; Debra Tarker and her husband, Thomas of Newark; Harold Cox and his wife, Kathleen, of Bear; Ladeshia Smiga of Middletown; and John Cox and his wife, Francine Young, of Newark; two brothers, John A. Cox Jr. of Greensboro, N.C.; and William W. Cox of McSherrytown, Pa.; a sister, Marilyn Jackson of New Castle; and six grandchildren, Stacey and Hillary Hicks, Robert, Mark and Brian Cox, and Gregory Smiga.

A service was scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 26 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, New Castle.

Burial is in Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Paul James Simperts, 80, truck driver, paratrooper in WWII

Newark resident Paul James Simperts died Thursday Aug. 26, 2004 at the Elsmere VA Medical Center.

Mr. Simperts, 80, worked as a truck driver for 20 years with Anchor Motor Freight retiring in 1989. He served in World War II as a paratrooper in the 101st airborne U.S. Army.

He was also a member of the VFW Post 475, Newark.

He is survived by a brother, Richard W. Simperts of Naples, Fla.; sisters, Alice M. Rimel of Newark, Margaret A. Perkins of Greenville, Ill. and Betty J. Alumbaugh of Newark; and several nieces and nephews.

A service was scheduled for Tuesday Aug. 31 at R. T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home.

Burial is in Gracelawn Memorial Park.

John R. Crockett, 65

Newark resident John (Buddy) R. Crockett died Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004.

Mr. Crockett, 65, worked as a general contractor and spent many years employed by the Schaubert family and finally retired from Delaware Brick Company.

He is survived by his wife and friend of 40 years, Linda M. Crockett; sons, David P. Crockett and his wife, Sharon of Elkton, Md., Daniel E. Crockett and his wife, Dawn of West Grove Pa., James J. Crockett and his wife, Emie of Wilmington; daughter, Jody A. McClure and her husband, Doug, of Hartly; sisters, Catherine Lewis of W.V., Anna Platt of New Castle, Jean Westfall of Pa., Ethel Ruszkowski of Texas, Pearl Sweetman of Newark and Barbara Pileggi of New Castle; and nine grandchildren.

A service was scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 25 at R.T. Foard Funeral Home, Rising Sun, Md.

Burial is private at the convenience of the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cecil County Farm Museum, P. O. Box 787, Rising Sun, MD 21911.

Sharon Bailey Parker

Newark resident Sharon E. Bailey Parker died on Monday, Aug. 23, 2004 at her home surrounded by her family.

Ms. Parker, 46, served in the U.S. Air Force at the Dover Air Base. She worked for 10 years for the AAA insurance department in Newark and most recently was a certified nursing assistant for Home Health Services by TLC.

She is survived by her daughter, Melanie Thompson of Middletown; her son, John Michael Thompson Jr. of Newark; her parents, Betty J. (Boughton) and James W. Bailey of Warren, Pa.; her sister, Bonnie Dinger and her husband, Bob of Warren, Pa.; her granddaughter, Alayna Rivera; her best friend and companion, Nate Derry of Wilmington, and friend Suzanne Farrall.

A service was scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 26 at St. John the Beloved Church.

Burial is in Warren, Pa.

Contributions may be sent to Home Health Services by TLC, PO Box 12243, Wilmington, DE 19850. Arrangements by Mealey Funeral Homes.

Richard G. Piunti, 74

Newark resident Richard G. Piunti died Sunday, Aug. 22, 2004 in

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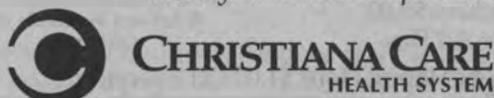
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the presence of his family.

Mr. Piunti, 74, worked at Boeing Vertol for 33 years in quality control and as an FAA inspector.

He served in the Army in Germany from 1951 to 1953 and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 472.

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Barbara Ann; sons, Richard Jr., of New Castle; Christopher of Wilmington; Jonathan of Elkton, Md., and his friend, Lisa Kreske of New Castle; Michael and his wife, Pam of Aston, Pa.; a daughter, Kasi Piunti of Newark; stepson, Brian LaClair of Bear; stepdaughters, Sandy Mergenthaler and her husband, John of Ambler, Pa.; Cindy Groux and her husband, Bobby, of Newark; Lori Hurst of Newark; a sister, Madalyn P. Humphery and her husband, Fritz of Wilmington; daughter-in-law, Robin Piunti of Lewes; 15 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

A service was scheduled for Aug. 25 at Nichols-Gilmore Funeral Home, Newport.

Burial is in Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests contributions in Richard's memory to the Helen F. Graham Cancer Center, 4701 Ogletown-Stanton Rd., Newark, DE 19713.

Elizabeth C. Downey

Newark resident Elizabeth C. "Libby" Downey died Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2004, at Christiana Hospital.

Mrs. Downey, 78, a professional administrative assistant, had been employed with the University of Delaware, the Christina School

District and the law office of Piet H. vanOgtrop, Esq.

She is survived by two sons, J. Michael Downey and his wife, Pamela, and C. Jeffrey Downey; two sisters, Edna Dick and Mary Uniatowski; and two grandchildren, Ryan Michael Downey and Melonie Rangel, all of Newark.

A service was scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 28 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, Newark.

Burial is private.

Contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Disease Association, 6700 Eastwood Street, Philadelphia, PA 19149; or to the American Heart Association, 1096 Old Churchmans Road, Newark, DE 19713.

Daniel R. Roarty, 43, manager for Scott

Newark resident Daniel R. Roarty died suddenly on Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004 from injuries sustained in an auto accident.

Mr. Roarty, 43, was the senior product manager at Scott Instruments in Exton, Pa.

Born and raised in Pleasant Hills, Pa., he received his engineering degree from Villanova University. He was a member of the ISA.

He is survived by his wife of 19 years, Kelly (Ziegler) Roarty; his children, Joshua, Jessica, Matthew and Keenan; his father, Joseph D. Roarty of Churchill, Pa.; brothers, Joseph M. of Chicago, Ill., David H. of Murrsville, Pa., John C. of Houston, Texas and James C. of Virginia Beach, Va.; his sister, Kate Delaney of Lunenburg, Mass., and his aunt, Sarah Roarty of Broomall, Pa.

A service was scheduled for Monday, September 6 in Resurrection Parish, Skyline Ridge,

Winnie Schechinger Cummings, wrote 'Psychic Mailbox' column

NEWARK resident Winnie Schechinger Cummings died Monday, Aug. 23, 2004 at Sunrise Assisted Living.

Ms. Cummings was a mother, homemaker and a clairvoyant counselor who wrote the *Psychic Mailbox*, a newspaper column.

Over the course of 30 years, she assisted many people in their personal and professional endeavors. She had articles published about her in *Delaware Today*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, the *Newark Post* and the *News Journal*.

In addition to her family, Winnie enjoyed painting, music, helping others, and the Philadelphia Eagles.

She is survived by her sons, Michael Urban, Kenneth Urban, Paul Schechinger and Chris Schechinger; daughters, Anita Simpkins, Kathleen Urban, Lisa Urban and Theresa Santoro; brothers, Ed Cummings, Sr. and Jim Cummings; sister, Mary Jane Anker, and 13 grandchildren.

A service was scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 28 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Wilmington.

Burial is in Gracelawn Memorial Park.

The family suggests contributions in Winnie's memory to the American Diabetes Association, 100 West 10th St., Suite 1002, Wilmington, DE 19801.

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Burial will be private.

Contributions can go to the Daniel R. Roarty Memorial Fund, c/o WSFS, PO Box 1889, Wilmington, DE 19899-9713. All donations will remain anonymous.

Ronald J. Wolf, 42, active in Glasgow Presbyterian church

Newark resident Ronald J. Wolf died Aug. 23, 2004 due to injuries sustained in a jet ski accident.

Mr. Wolf, 42, worked as a multi-craft mechanic at Christiana Hospital for many years.

He was a graduate of Claymont

High School and New Castle County Vo-Tech School.

He was an active member of the Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church, where along with his wife, Sheryl, he taught the pre-school class in Sunday School.

He and his son, Josh, were members of the stage crew for musicals performed at the church.

Mr. Wolf was an avid runner and biker, and participated in triathlons and bike-to-the-shore events.

He was also a member of the "Anything But Last Race Club".

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Sheryl A. Wolf; a son, Joshua C. Wolf; two daughters, Kelly A. Knight and her husband, Matthew, of Wilmington and Christine M. Wolf;

his parents, S. Allen and Joan M. Wolf of Claymont; two brothers, Stephen A. Wolf of Scottsdale, Ariz. and David M. Wolf of Newark; mother-in-law, Anne Brogdon of Fla.; brother-in-law, James Brogdon; and nephew, Adrian S. Wolf.

A service was scheduled on Saturday, Aug. 28, 2004, at the Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church. Burial is private at Hickory Grove Cemetery.

Contributions in Ron's memory may be sent to the Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church.

■ Obituaries are printed free of charge as space permits.

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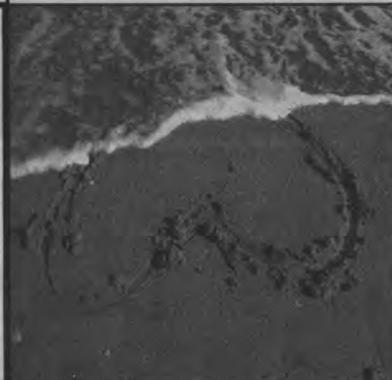


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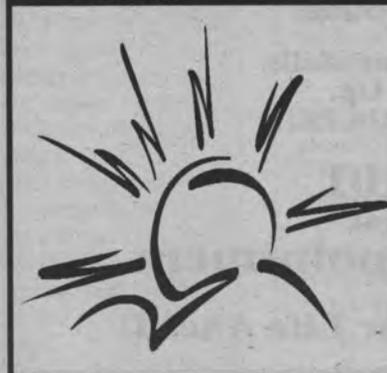
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