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UP FRONT

A pro to the bitter end

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

HERE was little notice last week when the baton was passed on Main Street at the headquarters of the Christina School District. Nick Fischer was out Monday and Joe Wise was in the superintendent's seat the next day.

If you are one of the tens of people who follow this column regularly, you know that I strongly disagreed with the Christina



School Board's Streit decision to terminate Dr. Fischer's contract. As I saw it, he did what the board asked and with their full knowledge, then became the fall guy when teachers and parents did not like the changes

All that said, I'm over the board's casting aside of Fischer, Terry Schooley's decision to leave the board, and the public's vote that ended Bud Mullin's term.

I'm optimistic about the

My first interactions from new Christina superintendent Wise have left me with favorable impressions. The board who hired him gave him high marks and newspaper contacts I have in Maryland said he was impressive during his short tenure in Anne Arundel

While I preferred the insti-See UP FRONT, 7



HOT, HUMID, HOWE

Thousands of Newarkers who stayed home braved high temperatures and sticky humidity to enjoy the city's annual Liberty Day fes-

For the first time this year, entertainment and activities for families were held at the University of Delaware athletic fields, where pyrotechnics flew at dusk.

Bands played, children enjoyed a variety of games and treats as families gathered for the fireworks presentation.















attacks \$\$\$ issue New Christina schools leader unveils his attack on surprise financial crisis By ROBIN BROOMALL NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Wise

IS PLAN for the first 45 days is aggressive, but Dr. Joseph Wise is not scared off by the challenges facing him.

In his first report to the Christina School District Board of Education, Tuesday, the new superintendent laid out his plans. He said he will acclimate himself to the superintendent's position by having a "deep immergence into the schools and local community, having a

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NHS grad arrested for murders

Classmates stunned as news spreads about capture of 2002 graduate

S word spread among classmates and friends here this week that a Class of 2002 Newark High School graduate had been arrested in connection with a triple homicide in Wisconsin, reactions were similar -

Meng-Ju Wu, 19, known to his fellow NHS students as Mark Wu, is accused of shooting three Verona, Wisc. men last month. All three died from gunshot wounds, officials in Wisconsin said this

Authorities from the FBI, New York Port Authority Police and New York Police Department arrested University of Wisconsin freshman Sunday in New York City. Wu was charged with three counts of

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Many charges levied against intruder

N Independence Day, Friday, July 4, the Newark Police Department officers responded to a 911 call reporting that a subject breaking into the rear door of a house on E. Shetland Court Abbotsford.

Police reported that they arrested Christian L. Caldwell, 26, of Bear.

Police said the caller reported that the intruder was a former boyfriend that had been stalking the victim and was now breaking into the residence. Police said the defendant broke

Police said the defendant broke into the house by smashing the kitchen window and then kicked in the bedroom door.

Police officers arrived and found Caldwell in the bedroom assaulting the 911 caller's current boyfriend.

Police said they learned that Caldwell had violated a valid no contact order on two separate occasions on the same date.

Two Newark officers were assaulted during the arrest. Caldwell was charged with stalking, burglary in the first degree, menacing, three counts of assault, two counts of violating a "no contact" order, and trespassing with intent to peep. He was transfered to prison in default of \$16,000 bond leveied at Justice of the Peace Court 11, police said,

Kidnapping leads to arrest of 3 in family

On Tuesday, July 8, New Castle County Police arrested Michael Devonshire, his mother Bernadette Matusky and his sister Jessica Matusky, in connection with the kidnapping of Devonshire's ex-girl-friend from a North Wilmington home.

Police reported Devonshire, a resident of Banyan Drive in Newark, went to a home in the community of South Graylyn Crest with his mother and sister to talk with his ex-girl-friend

At the residence, police said Devonshire, 19, used a knife to enter a screened-in porch and then entered the residence. Officers said he threatened his ex-girlfriend with the knife and forced her into a vehicle driven by his mother, Bernadette Matusky, 45, also of the Banyan Drive address. Residents of the South Graylyn

Residents of the South Graylyn Crest home called 9-1-1 and gave a description of Devonshire's vehicle to dispatchers. County police patrol officers located the vehicle at Harmony and Ogletown roads and Arrest made in 2002 rape

EW Castle County Police have arrested Moises Torres-Paddilla, a 23-year-old male who resides in the unit block of North Market Street in Wilmington, for attempting to rape a 19-year-old female while she was walking on a busy roadway. Investigators later linked him to an unsolved rape that occurred on July 28, 2002, in Newark.

On Sunday, July 6, at 9:40 a.m., county police responded to the area of Faulkland Road near the community of Colonial Heights for a reported attempted rape. The investigation revealed the victim was walking to work from her home in the City of Wilmington when she noticed a male subject following her through the neighborhood of Colonial Heights.

As she reached Faulkland Road, the subject grabbed her from behind and wrestled her to the ground where he attempted to rape her in the daylight.

Police said the victim struggled with the assailant and was able to free herself after scratching the suspect on the face, neck, and arms. The suspect fled

Weekly crime report

INVESTIGATIONS

TO DATE TO DATE WEEK

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THIS WEEK 2002 2002 TO DATE THIS WEEK 2003 2003 TO DATE

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the scene as the victim called 911.

Police said the victim described the suspect as a Hispanic male wearing a blue shirt and khaki shorts.

Approximately two hours later, a
New Castle County Police Officer
located Paddilla walking on Lancaster
Avenue, a short distance from the
crime scene. He was arrested without
incident and clearly showed scratches
to his arms and neck, police said.
Investigators were able to link

Investigators were able to link
Paddilla to the Sunday morning crime
and, through further investigation,
linked him to an unsolved rape that
occurred last July in Newark.

In the July 2002, case, a 19-year-old female was sexually assaulted while jogging in her neighborhood, Greenfield Manor.

Paddilla has been charged with attempted rape in the first degree, rape in the second degree, and two counts of kidnapping in the first degree. He has been arraigned and committed to the Gander Hill Prison after failing to post \$50,000 secured bail.

stopped the vehicle. Devonshire's exgirlfriend ran from the car after it was stopped, police reported. She was unharmed.

Devonshire, his mother and his sister, Jessica Matusky, 18, were all arrested at the scene without incident.

The investigation is continuing and police said all three defendants will be arraigned at a later time on charges of burglary, aggravated menacing, kidnapping, conspiracy and possession of a deadly weapon dur-

PART I OFFENSES

Attempted murder

Kidnap

Rape

Robbery

Burglary

Auto theft

TOTAL PART I

Other assaults

PART II OFFENSES

Other sex offenses

Disorderly conduct

TOTAL PART II

MISCELLANEOUS

Recovered property

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS

Animal control

TOTAL CALLS

Service

Alcohol

Drugs

Trespass

Receiving stolen property

Noise/disorderly premise

Murder/manslaughter

Unlawful sexual contact

Aggravated assault

ing the commission of a felony.

Arrest follows July 4th stabbing

A 20-year-old Middletown man was arrested and charged with firstdegree assault after a stabbing at an Independence Day party in the 200 East Park Place.

Newark police said a 21-year-old Wilmington man was stabbed in the arm during an altercation at the gathering at 8:30 p.m.

2002

119

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CRIMINAL CHARGES

TO DATE TO DATE WEEK

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2003 THIS

The victim was taken to Christiana Hospital in an ambulance from the Aetna Hose, Hook, and Ladder Co. and underwent emergency surgery, police said.

The attacker fled the area before

The attacker fled the area before police arrived, however, Michael A. Colella, Jr. was later arrested in connection with the assault. He also was charged with possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony, police said. Colella was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court 20 on July 6 and released on bond.

At press time, the victim remained in the intensive care unit at Christiana hospital, police said.

One Newark officer, who inspected the interior of a car initialy used by the victim's friends to transport the him to aid, said the interior of the vehicle was "the bloodiest" he had seen in his law enforcement career. After police were alerted, the bleeding man was transfered to the ambulance and treated at the scene before heading to the hospital.

Loud party on Kershaw

A University of Delaware student was charged with maintaining a disorderly premise after Newark police were alerted of a loud party in the first block Kershaw Street.

Officers said they went to the residence at 12:13 a.m. on Saturday, July 5, and noticed a crowd of 20 to 30 persons, remains of fireworks that had been ignited on the road and sidewalk, and a "beer pong" table.

Police said the crowd was dis-

persed. Lisa B. Gottesman, 20, of East Windsor, N.J., was summonsed and released pending a court appearance.

Cars damaged

Vandals broke the windows or damaged at least seven vehicles parked in the 500 block Creek View Road.

Newark police were alerted at 12:13 a.m. on Friday, July 4, that disorderly persons were smashing out car windows however they were gone moments later when officers arrived and discovered the damage.

Police have a security videotape and investigation is continuing.

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PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY NIGHT

Council revisits alcohol-related fees

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

CTION. Reaction. And now a plan to move forward.

An ordinance that amends the license fees paid by businesses which sell alcoholic beverages will be on the agenda for the Newark City Council meeting

The public session will be July 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building on Elkton

Regulations were passed last year that raised the fees for alcoholic venders from an average of \$700 to over \$3,000. However, because of public response, the council decided not to enforce the new structure, but instead held a

workshop with license holders in February to suggest alternatives.

Part of the increased fees collected would fund three new police officers whose focus would be on alcohol-related offenses.

Originally, a one-cent increase in tax was proposed, but council did not approve this and asked city manager Carl Luft to come back with a fee structure that would not include a residency tax increase.

The ordinance before council next week will be a flat-rate fee based on occupancy and type of business rather than on consumption. The average rates will be lower than first proposed, howev-er, they will still be increased over the current rates. Caterers and private clubs would also be included in the fee structure.

According to George Sarris, finance director for the city, the rate will go from an average of \$670 to \$1,700.

Ryan German, owner of Caffé Gelato, has spoken against the rate increase for restaurants on Main Street which he feels do not contribute to the alcohol problem in the city. He expects to be present at the meeting Monday.

Under the new structure, he said his license fees will increase from approximately \$500 to \$1,000.

"I'm disappointed they are not considering the one-cent property tax increase," German said, "It's important that the new police officers be able to fight any violent crime."

German also feels the four restaurants in Newark selling alcoholic beverages but do not have bars should be omitted from the fee structure.

We should be encouraging good restaurants in Newark, not watering holes," German said. "The violence is a city-wide problem and cannot be addressed by business owners on Main Street.

Also on council's agenda for public input are two ordinances, one requiring rental permits for fraternities and sororities and setting the fees based on maximum occupancy, and another to change the zoning of a property located at 134 E. Cleveland Ave.

Frat houses and sororities would be required to pay rental fees, however, the fee would be reduced by one-third if the written lease or recorded deed for the property prohibits the use of alco-

hol by the tenants or occupants of the frat or sorority.

A minor subdivision at 134 E. Cleveland Ave. is proposed in order to convert an existing small contractor's office-warehouse garage into a two-story building with two first-floor offices and one second-floor apartment unit.

The zoning would be changed from BC (general business) to BLR (business limited residential)

city's Planning Commission has already recommended approval of the request at its June 4 meeting.

Council will also consider an amendment to an ordinance that would increase the annual rental fee for multifamily dwellings from \$55 to \$70 per year.

New superintendent forms financial task force

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smooth opening and start of the school year, and facing the financial challenge by bringing a bal-anced draft budget to the school

board by the Aug. 12 meeting."
An accounting error left the district more than \$1,050,000 in the red for the fiscal year that ended on June 30. It was announced at the June 24 board

Wise said he has already taken steps to assure fiscal responsibility of the district and that the upcoming school year will be impacted as little as possible.

"We're pretty far along in crafting a solution," Wise said.

First, he has established a financial navigation task force of himself, financial specialist Theresa Giles, key members of the administration, and two community members who previously served on the finance committee

Second, he has asked the state to do an all-funds audit and an audit of the unit count (employee count).

Third, the task force will look at only non-personnel areas for cutbacks.

"We want to have triple assurance we've fixed the problem," Wise said, so that they will be able to manage the revised budget through the year, then have a plan in place for the fiscal 2004-2005 year.

Wise says there will be a "tightening of the belt" in all areas and a spending slowdown to disallow any shortfall, but he felt confident this could be solved with non-personnel areas.

There is no need for a line of credit to be opened with a bank, even though the application process had been started. Also, Wise assures there will be no new referendum.

"We're releasing preliminary

figures this week so the schools can order supplies," Wise said. "We're keeping this as far away from the students as possible.'

As far as filling the vacancy of Tim Yetter, the former chief financial officer who resigned the day after the deficit was announced, Wise would like to have a recommendation for the Board at the August or September meetings. He is looking for "the right fit talent for this role." The position will become a Director of Finance, rather than CFO, so that Wise and the assistant superintendents will have more of a decision-making role in the district's finances, he said.

The district is looking for someone who has Delaware financial experience because the Delaware school formulas are the most complex and the Christina District is the most complex in the state, Wise added.

Wise has already visited sev-

eral schools and noted the enthusiastic attitude of the building staffs for starting the new year.

He has observed the organizational structure of the administration housed at Main Street is not well aligned with the strategic plan and what's going on in the

"We will be streamlining the process," Wise said. "We will not go down in numbers because we are already pretty slim."

Wise met with Governor Ruth Ann Minner and suggested that she needs to visit our schools more often.

"We have great potential to do great things for the students here in Christina and I thank you for the opportunity," Wise said.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

The camera was rolling at Simon Eye Associates in Fox Run Shopping Center on Monday as some of the staff members became actors and actresses for a day. The team of Film Brothers Productions, with Gordon DelGorno, of Wilmington, and light brother actions of the production and the staff being their fifth production and the staff being the Greg, of Newark, were filming their fifth production called "Serial Seniors," a movie about senior citizens who don't like how they're being treated by society. Eventually they kill off their doctors and eyeballs go rolling on the floor. Both DelGiorno brothers, along with Patty Blanchfield, cranked out the script in one month. "It's edgy stuff, in your face humor," Gordon DelGiorno said between takes. 'We think it's different because it's bizarre humor." The movie should be completed in January and premier at the Newark Cinema Center, then go straight to DVD and video, according to Gordon

We're rolling. Action.

School board sets tax rate

By ROBIN BROOMALL

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T the first school board meeting of the fiscal year, Lthe Christiana Board of Education set the tax rates for the upcoming year.

The Board approved the total tax rate of \$1.286 on each \$100 of assessed value on real property for the fiscal year 2004. This is an increase from 98.6 cents for

In calculating the tax rate, which is done every July, the Board takes into consideration the operating expense, debt, capital improvements, and tuition rate.

An average home of \$60,000 assessed value would expect this year's school tax bill to be \$771.60, an increase of \$180.

In other actions:

Oaths of office were held for the newest members to the Board, John Mackenzie and James Durr.

Reed

The Board Christopher Reed as president and Cecilia Scherer as vice president for the 2003-2004 year.

■ Schematic design plans for the renovation of West Park School were approved. A preliminary design will be brought back to be shared with the public.

Expansion plans for the Delaware Autism School were also approved, which will more than double the existing facility attached to Jennie Smith School.

■ The strategic plan for the Board of Education for 2001-2006 was adopted.

Pamela Waun, assistant principal at Jennie Smith School, was appointed new principal of Gallagher School.

On Campus News For Newark From The University Of Delaware

OF NOTE

UD's mineral museum features world-class specimens

THE mineral collection at the University of Delaware includes more than 5,000 specimens, 600 of which are on display in the Irénée du Pont Mineral Room in Penny Hall.

Except for federal holidays, the Mineralogical Museum is open to the public from noon-4 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday and from 1-4 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays. (The museum will be closed from Aug. 15 until fall semester classes begin Sept. 3.) Admission is free.

The museum collection features native elements, minerals found in pure form from the periodic table of elements, sulfides and sulfosalts, oxides and hydroxides, carbonates, sulfates and phosphates from all over the world.

An exhibit on the history of Delaware blue and gold, the University's colors adopted by faculty in 1889, also is on display. It also includes a brief history of the state bird, the blue hen.

In addition, there is a selection of carved mineral animals, such as the Chinese lion, a duck, an eagle, and, of course, a blue hen.

To schedule a group tour of the Mineralogical Museum, call the museum office at 831-8242 or e-mail your request to bchapp@udel.edu.

For more information, visit www.museums.udel.edu/mineral/index.html.

Summer skating hours

Ice skating at UD's Fred Rust Ice Arena, located on Route 896 in Newark, is the cool way to beat the heat this summer.

Summer public skating sessions are set for 8-10 p.m., Sunday and Thursday nights through Aug. 28, with the exception of Thursday, July 31. Fall public sessions begin Sept. 5

Admission is \$5, and skate rentals are \$3. Call 831-2868.

Ugh! UD tuition jump \$580

ANNUAL tuition for fulltime University of Delaware undergraduate to att and graduate students will increase by \$580 this fall.

The new annual rates are \$5,890 for Delawareans and \$15,420 for nonresident students.

"The University of Delaware remains a top value in higher education," President David P. Roselle said. "In fact, UD has won national recognition for providing high quality at a surprisingly low cost.
"Coupled with the availability

"Coupled with the availability of financial aid, UD is particularly a bargain for Delaware residents who pay significantly less

than out-ofstate students to attend one of the hottest schools in the region," he said.

"Despite difficult economic times, the eUniversity's solid management and resourcefulness

resourcefulness have enabled us to hold this year's tuition increase to a reasonable amount at a time when many of our peer institutions have made dramatic adjust-



Roselle

ments in their fee structures," Roselle said.

Tuition and fee hikes for the 2003-04 academic year reflect several factors, including salary increases, increases in employee health insurance fees and water and energy costs, he said.

Full-time graduate tuition is the same as that for undergraduates, with the exception of those in-state students pursuing the master of business administration (MBA) degree.

The new tuition rate for full-time Delaware resident MBA students also will increase by \$580 to \$7,220.

The 2003 edition of Kaplan's

"The Unofficial, Unbiased Insider's Guide to the 320 Most Interesting Colleges" rates UD a "best value" university as providing the best quality of education for the tuition dollar, based on a national survey of guidance counselors.

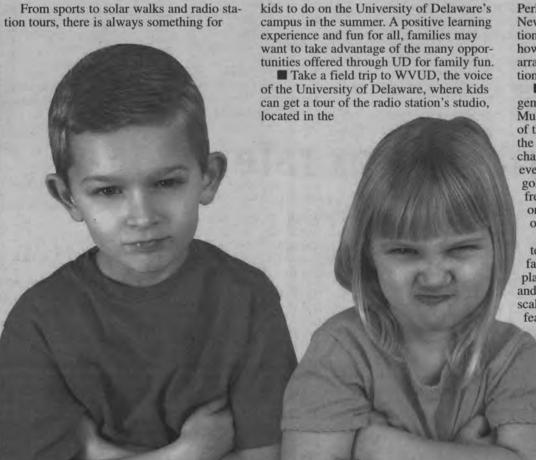
The publication also noted UD's focus on undergraduate research, study abroad and technology

nology.

A 2002 listing of "Cool Schools" in Careers and Colleges Magazine called UD "a public university that is affordable, medium-size and academically rigorous."

GRUMPY KIDS?

Are your children bored? Plan a summer visit to the UD campus



Perkins Student Center, Academy Street, Newark. Flip through the station's collection of records, CDs and tapes, and learn how a radio station operates. Call ahead to arrange a tour, at 831-3593 or visit the station's web site at www.wvud.org.

tion's web site at www.wvud.org.

Check out the vast array of dazzling gems at UD's Irénée du Pont Mineral Museum on Academy Street, Newark. One of the top mineral exhibits in the country, the museum's gem room offers kids the chance to view rare specimens close-up and even learn the difference between fool's gold and the real thing. The exhibit is free but may be viewed by appointment only. For days and times, call 831-2926 or visit the web site at museums.udel.edu.

To learn more about the solar system and how far apart the planets are, families can walk to replicas of all nine planets and the sun, starting at Old College and continuing throughout campus. In this scale model of the solar system, planets are featured outside various campus buildings.

To jump from Mars to Jupiter and

Neptune to Pluto, call 831-8242.

Gain a little exercise with the kids on the ice at one of the Delaware Ice Arenas, Route 896, Newark, and if you or your child need a few skating tips, call the rink at 831-2788 for information about lessons and public skating hours.

'02 NHS graduate charged in Wisc.

► ARREST, from 1

first-degree intentional homicide in an 11-page criminal complaint filed Monday in Dane County, Wisc., Circuit Court, and was awaiting extradition to Wisconsin at press time.

Nick Tuke, Jr., 18, another 2002 NHS graduate who said Wednesday that Wu "is still one of my best friends," was surprised when three FBI agents appeared at his door recently and began asking questions about his friend.

"They didn't tell me he was involved (in anything)," Tuke recalled but believed their questions were related to contact he had with his friend about two months ago. "He told me he was involved in high-stakes gambling," Tuke said, and had been "counting cards" at blackjack tables in a local casino.

"I figured this is what the FBI was asking about," Tuke said. The investigators also asked if Wu had ever expressed any interest in firearms or was violent.

The next morning the FBI agents returned to Tuke's Pheasant Run home to re-question Wu's friend. "They then informed me he was involved in a triple murder," Tuke said, "I was extremely surprised."

Shortly after Wu's arrest in Queens, N.Y., the prisoner called his friend in Newark. "Mr. Wu was having trouble contacting his lawyer and asked me to help" locate his Wisconsin attorney.

"He told me he was innocent," Tuke said. Wu told his friend that the arrest was a "misunderstanding" growing out of Wu's relationship with the three victims.

Wu made "two or three calls" to Tuke about the lawyer but there has been no recent contact, Tuke said.

Even after Wu went to school in Wisconsin, the two friends would get together when Wu returned to Newark this past school year. "When we were in high school, we were definitely best friends," Tuke said.

"The circumstantial evidence I've read seems pretty damning," Tuke said, but "I don't want to believe this."

"I don't think he could have killed anyone in cold blood," Tuke said, "If he did it, he didn't intend to kill anyone." But he added, "I don't know whether he did it or not."

"Unbelievable" exclaimed Duncan Goode, 19, "that he is capable of doing something like that"

Goode, also a '02 Newark graduate, said "I talked with him almost every day" while the two worked on the high school's web page. "I hung out with him a few times...and played cards with him in his apartment," he recalled Tuesday, "he liked to bet on poker but never talked about sports betting."

Newark High's Class of 2002 valedictorian, Greg Moore, said he did not know Wu well but often had conversations with him in class. "He was in my English and physics classes," Moore said, "he always seemed so nice and laid back."

Moore said he remembers Wu "always laughing and joking around" and that "I'll never believe he'd be associated with something like this." Moore does not recall Wu discussing any sports gambling during their talks.

Another of Wu's classmates, Amy Mayle, reacted to the news of his arrest with "That is bizarre." The two were in a chemistry class together at NHS.

Jim Doody, who taught Wu in an 11th grade honors social studies class at NHS, said, "I remember him clear as a bell."

"He left my class every day and went to web page design,"



Wu is pictured in the 2002 NHS vearbook.

Doody said, describing his reaction to the news of the arrest as "stunned."

"That's completely out of character for the kid that I knew,"

Doody said.

In the 2002 edition of "Krawen," the Newark High yearbook, Wu is pictured as a member of the school's National Honor Society chapter, a singer in the chorale, a designer on the website team, a player for the drama club, a member of the NHS Business Professionals of America, and a counselor on the school's conflict mediators team.

Below his senior picture, Wu's ambition is listed as "become what I want to be."

The Wisconsin State Journal reported that the arrest Sunday of Wu, a resident alien from Taiwan, came 10 days after the victims were found in their first-floor apartment in downtown Verona.

A motive in the shooting deaths of Jason McGuigan, 28, Dustin Wilson, 17, and Daniel Swanson, 25, has not been spelled out by police, the newspaper reported. But the criminal

complaint filed Monday is filled with gambling references.

According to the complaint, Wu had been helped by McGuigan, whom he met about two months before the shootings, with placing sports bets with an off-shore gambling company in the Bahamas. Wu told police he had lost \$15,000 on gambling between April and June.

However, the newspaper reported that witnesses also said that Wu had won \$17,000 on June 21 on a tip from McGuigan. Money is likely at the center of the motive, police said.

Wu also had withdrawn \$72,000 from his bank account between December and June, according to the complaint.

Wu attended UW-Madison half time during the fall 2002 semester and full time this spring, studying Chinese, the *State Journal* reported.

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A smart first step

Tappears as though Christina School District's new superintendent is off on the right foot.

Joseph A. Wise arrived at the district's Main Street headquarters last week and was greeted by a financial mess. A million-dollar budget deficit was plopped on his plate just as the schools' CFO resigned.

At his first school board meeting Tuesday, Wise did the right thing when he called for a state audit of the district's books. Being certain of both what happened and how the costly mistake occurred, as determined by an independent agency, is critical to devising a plan that willl lead Christina schools out of this mess.

The independent audit is only part of Wise's attack on this problem. Early hopes are that the shortfall can be covered in non-personnel areas. Equally important as the audit is Wise's appointment of a financial review panel that includes community representatives, hopefully businespeople.

Developing a plan quickly is critical. Already, rumors are flying among school personnel that the "real" deficit is \$5 or 6 million. Paranoia about giant budget cuts is surfacing. This only makes a bad situation worse.

Wise appears to be on top of things as much as any leader of the largest school district in the state can be after only one week.

AMUSED, BEMUSED, CONFUSED

Bill should never have said it

By MARVIN HUMMEL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

HEN people quote Shakespeare as saying, "What's in a name?", they fail to add, "That dubious notion was written by BILL Shakespeare." But they should add that. No Marvin Shakespeare, for instance, could have ever been so far removed from the vagaries of being given an odd first name that he would write such a line.

It was not so much that I was the only Marvin in my grade school that was the trouble; nor was it that there was only one Marvin (me) in my entire high school of 2,500 males; not even that I never met a Marvin in college or the graduate schools I attended: it's just that people do not like the name of Marvin. Neither they nor I are quite sure why. But I don't like the name because they don't.

Marvin was listed among the 10 names on boys' public school papers that will cost them an automatic 10 points. Thousands of papers had been double-submitted with

■ A retired clergyman and a teacher since 1972, Hummel has contributed to the Newark Post for more than two decades. He has lived in Delaware since 1959.

...not even under torture most vile, will we ever disclose them"

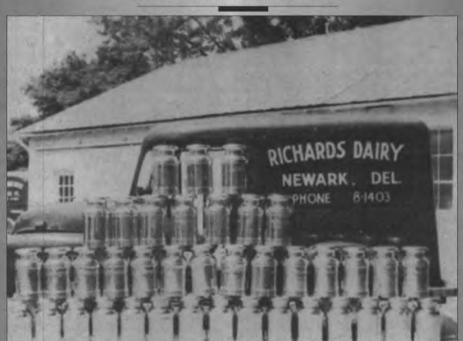
different male names on them to hundreds of teachers across the country, and there it was: Mike's paper, identical to Marvin's, was given a 100; and Marvin's, identical to Mike's, received a 90. Michael—John—Bill—Hank—Joe—Pete—those were high on the list of best 10 points-plus names and Marvin, Beverly, Shirley, and Evelyn were among the leaders in the 10 points-minus entries.

Beverly, Shirley, and Evelyn, at least, are good English names for men, and the name Beverly used to, at least, carry great weight and influence among the aristocracy of Virginia. But, I would imagine, Beverly-the-guy would not want to venture too far north or south—surely not west.

Beverly, Shirley, and Evelyn, I believe, are regarded as "feminine" names. But

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, "Out of the Attic" features a photograph of what was described in the Newark Special School District's "Progress Report 1958" as "one day's milk needs for Newark's schools." The booklet reported that during the 1956-57 school year 550,000 half-pints of milk from Richards Dairy were served. The booklet is part of the James Owen historical collection at Newark Free Library. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's history, recent and long ago. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. 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

■ July 11, 1928 Aetna Company will open its greatest carnival July 27

On Friday, July 27, the Aetna Hose Hook & Ladder Company, of Newark, will open its annual Firemen's Carnival, which has become famous throughout Delaware and adjoining portions of Pennsylvania and Maryland as the greatest and most novel attraction of its kind in this part of the country.

Chief Ellison, chairman

Chief Ellison, chairman of this year's Carnival Committee, promises more new and novel attractions, and finer prizes than have ever been offered before.

Delaware children to have teeth examined

Every child in Delaware who has a perfect set of

teeth and who visits the booth of the Delaware Anti-Tuberculosis Society at the Kent and Sussex Fair, at Harrington, will receive a cash prize of 50

Last year during the four days of the Fair the teeth of 150 children were

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Lights appear

Saturday night, for the first time in several years, the Aurora Borealis or Northern Lights were observed over this vicinity, at times showing some of their most impressive forms and colors.

The lights, a phenomenon of the atmosphere, probably due to electrical discharges, are usually visible only high latitudes, and a glimpse of them in this part of country is fairly rare.

■ July 10, 1998 Newark Lumber plan going to council

Newark's City Planning commission spent more than two hours dissecting

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'He never complained, gave his best up to the bitter end'

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tutional memory of veteran board members, the addition of new blood in the persons of John Mackenzie and Jim Durr can be good. Both wanted to be on the school board and I wish them well as they acclimate themselves.

Having Chris Reed and Cecilia Scherer in the president and VP board slots also is good. Reed now has a few rough miles under his belt and is certainly enthusiastic and a bit calmer. He should provide fresh leadership for the board to complement the work of the new super.

I came back from two weeks in Colorado to learn of the district's accounting nightmare. The schools' chief financial officer resigned quickly as Fischer, then Wise and the new board scrambled to cover a huge, unexpected operating funds deficit.

For the record, I tell you that I don't know the facts about this financial fiasco beyond what's appeared in the media. In my past, I have had experience directing a business through shark-infested financial waters, only to discover to my horror that my difficult decisions – ones that affected people's jobs – were based on faulty info gathered by people I trusted.

If such is the case of Dr. Fischer, this end of his reign should not overshadow his accomplishments in Christina.

Not everybody hated Dr. Fischer. In fact, throughout his time in Christina his supporters grew exponentially in number and volume. In his final months, he was praised repeatedly by many, including the board that did not renew his contract. The Christina Educational Enrichment Fund, with which I served for many years, held a dinner in Fischer's honor for his role in bringing full district support behind the struggling volunteer group.

But what I'll most remember Nick Fischer for was the professionalism, vigor and enthusiasm he displayed in his final six months on the job.

After being essentially fired by the Christina board, he worked at full throttle to get the spring referendum passed and to prepare the district for a new superintendent. He worked out funding schemes that, if the referendum passed as it did, would return programs such as those for gifted and talented kids, the slicing of which he took a bullet for.

To my best of my knowledge, from November through last week, he never complained. He never comprised his integrity. He never softened his job performance, which most would agree is typical of "short timers" working their final days.

The debate can continue whether Dr. Fischer should have been retained or not and even whether fault for the current financial woes lay at his feet.

But, in my mind, he'll always be remembered as a pro, an educator who gave his best up to the bitter end.

As he begins his new role in Fairfax County, Virginia, I wish Nick and his wife, Karen, and their family Godspeed.

The writer is publisher of this and two other Delaware newspapers headquartered in Newark. He and his family live in the Cherry Hill neighborhood of

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for coverage

To: The editor

From: Denise Schwartz, Assistant Principal Downes Elementary School

wanted to tell you how much we appreciate all the news about Downes School in your newspaper.

Having a hometown newspaper is so wonderful and working with you and your staff has been an absolute pleasure.

Mr. Llera has been to our school on so many occasions that he is like part of our family.

Your paper, the Newark Post, has drawn us together in meetings and conversations that highlight and showcase what's been happening at our school this past year.

We are so grateful to you and others for taking the time

to report about the activities and special events taking place throughout the year.

Without your support, the community would not know all of the wonderful things that take place at Downes.

Thank you from all of us at Downes Elementary, and don't forget, school reopens on Monday, Aug. 25.

■ Keep those cards and letters coming. The Opinion Page is yours and we want you to use it. Letters should be thought provoking and concise; letters deemed libelous will not be printed; we reserve the right to edit for clarity; and writers must include a telephone number so that letters can be verified prior to publication. Mail to: The Newark Post, 153 E. Chestnut Hill Rd., Newark, DE 19713; or fax 737-9019.

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Smaller classes?

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and revising the rezoning, subdivision plan and parking waiver for the old Newark Lumber site. In the end, they managed to agree on enough of the plans to recommend they go forward to city council with several amendments.

Planner Richard Dayton made a plea for preservation of the "Queen Anne-style" house built around the turn of the century. "It's really not in 'bad' shape and could be used for something," he noted. "There will soon be nothing with any historical interest left on Main Street."

Class sizes decreasing?

As a result of two pieces of legislation passed in the last days of the state's 139th General Assembly session, Delaware schools will be eligible to hire 130 new teachers by next fall.

The prime beneficiary of this act based on last year's enrollment figures is the Christina School District which qualifies to "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.

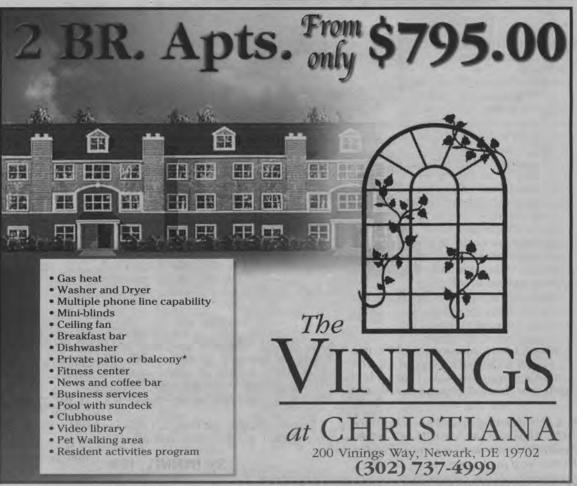
hire 29 more new teachers.

"The reduction in class sizes means that students will have more one-on-one attention", said Rep. Richard DiLiberto.

Newark graduate excels in international studies

The words "White House interns" have recently been synonymous with controversy. But for 1996 Newark High graduate Robert Anderson Jr. those words mean opportunity.

Anderson will be interning at the White House starting in the fall. His first choice of assignment is the press office or the cabinet office but he doesn't know where they will place him.



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OUTLOOK

Being courteous to gift givers

By MARIA PIPPIDIS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Γ is the season of graduations, birthday parties and weddings. We have all received gifts on these special occasions and have thanked the givers to ensure our appreciation for their gifts. Showing kindness to loved ones and friends should involve both a courteous verbal thank-you and a handwritten note

Many parents consider writing thank-you notes an example of responsible and courteous behavior they want to teach their children. Most peo-

ple like to receive mail, and teaching young people to write thank-you notes can be a part of helping them learn good social skills.



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Young children can write thank-you notes to grandparents, aunts, uncles, and other family members to acknowledge appreciation for gifts and kindnesses. Writing a thank-you note to family members who live far away may be an important part of showing them how important and loved they are. Parents also may want to encourage their children to write thank-you notes to local community organizations and corporate sponsors who lend support to their activities.

There are no specific rules to follow; make the handwritten note a special message from the heart to the giver. A purchased thank-you note can be used if it also includes a personal message of thanks. Include a photograph showing use of the item that was given.

The following suggestions may be helpful to parents who want to help their young chil-

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For a week or weekend...

Cape May's a hot spot!

ome hot spots of activities, history and fun are great for a weekend getaway or a day trip — Cape May, N.J. is one of them.

The historic town offers a variety of special events, tours, concerts and places to visit for fun and education.

An afternoon of elegance, tradition and fine dining awaits visitors at the Twinings Tearoom. The tearoom has expanded its menu and programming in 2003 and it is now open daily serving Tea Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. and Elegant Afternoon Tea at 2

This year, Chef Michael Patchen, brings a variety of delicious new menu items to the Tearoom, such as deviled ham and cheddar cheese sandwiches and slow roasted top round of beef with crumbled bleu cheese spread sandwiches. Traditional pastries, scones, pistachio and blueberry tea breads, finger sandwiches, salads and flavorful Twinings Tea remain amongst the signature delicacies at the Tearoom.

Patchen plans to continue to serve the Tearoom's most popular sandwiches such as smoked turkey breast with roasted asparagus and truffle mayonnaise, cucumber with Twinings herbal mint tea butter, imported goat cheese, lavender honey and

smoked black pepper bacon, and grilled Portobello mushroom

Twinings Tearoom will host a variety of special events.

The Teddy Bear Tea Party will be a great way to treat a favorite youngster to tea at the Twinings Tearoom. Teddy Bear Tea Parties feature kid-friendly menus,

FOR INFO...

- · For details of MAC's year-round schedule of tours, festivals and special events, call 609-884-5404 or 800-275-4278, or visit MAC's website at www.capemaymac.org.
- For information about restaurants, accommodations and shopping, call the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Cape May at 609-884-5508.

teddy bear music and a special treat for children. Teddy Bear Teas are B.Y.O.B.-Bring your own bear (or dolly). The parties are at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, July 19, Aug. 2 and 16 and Wednesday, Aug. 6. The cost is \$15 for adults; \$7.50 for children ages 3 to

Carriage House on the grounds of the Emlen Physick Estate at 1048 Washington St.The hours are at 11:30 a.m. Tea Luncheons are \$16.50 and Elegant Afternoon Teas are \$14.50. Reservations are strongly recommended. To make a reservation, call 609-884-5404 ext 138.

Cape May's Victorian architecture has made this quaint seashore town into the charming destination it is today. For those who want to learn more and experience the area's history and gingerbread architecture up close, MAC offers the following tours a number of tours

Visitors can hop on the Cape May's Welcome Inn Tour and see the interiors of four of Cape May's famous Victorian bed and breakfast inns and guesthouses. The tours are from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children ages 3 to 12. The tour begins at the Washington Street Mall Information Booth at Ocean Street where visitors can get tick-

Those looking for a tour and food can take a Gourmet Brunch Walk. A walking tour of Cape May's Historic District is fol-

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Take trip back in time at B&W photo show

ITH most of the war news these days emanating from the Middle East, it is easy for us to forget some of the former geographic news sites such as Cambodia, Laos, Burma (now Myanmar) and Vietnam. It really wasn't that long ago those nations were on everyone's mind.

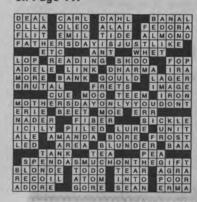
Photographer Andrea Baldeck is helping us focus on this area of the world again in an outstanding exhibition of black and white photos entitled "Touching the Mekong: A Southeast Asian Sojourn." It is open now through Aug. 30 at the University of Pennsylvania Museum at 33rd and Spruce Streets in Philadelphia.

The exhibit is all black and white photography because that is the exclusive medium of Ms. Baldeck. She does all of her own darkroom processing and printing to keep complete control of the final prints. She makes extremely good use of light and shadow as well as contrast and composition. In her book, which you may purchase at the Museum Shops, she calls these photographs "... a personal account of textured, nuanced, enigmatic moments in a fascinating world."

Baldeck's work centers around the never ending influence of the ancient philosophies and religions in this corner of the world, Buddhism, Hinduism and Confucianism. She relates these to the currents of change constantly reworking the people and cultures of the Mekong Delta. There are photographs of the people, the landscape and the various culture which make up this land which was once, about a quarter century ago, so much in the headlines.

A few Vietnam veterans I spoke to about the show wondered why anyone would want to go there unless they were under orders and had plenty of weaponry. Some gold-star families fell the same way. Baldeck's thoughts were "To travel to Southeast Asia is to be humbled by its layers of history and humanity and by a realization that in a lifetime one could barely scratch the surface of understanding. But, what a rich and tantalizing surface."

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political feelings are, this is an exhibit not to be missed.

Andrea Baldeck is as interest-

Andrea Baldeck is as interesting as her exhibit. Her careers have spanned music where she performed on both the French horn and the flute — talk about two ends of the musical spectrum! Then came a career in medicine when she served as an internist and anesthesiologist in Philadelphia-area hospitals. But in the early 1990s she returned to her first love, photography. I am glad she did.

Her work has been exhibited throughout the region in such venues as the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Polk Museum of Art in Florida, at colleges and in Venice, Italy. Her first book, "The Heart of Haiti," was published in 1996, the came



Buddha seems very happy to be cleaned by some children in Bagan, Myanmar, formerly Burma. It is one of many photos in the current exhibition at the U. Pa. Museum.

"Talismanic" in 1998 and "Venice A Personal View" in 1999. If you enjoy this exhibit, I suggest you consider purchasing her latest tome, "Touching The Mekong: A Southeast Asia Sojourn," which I mentioned earlier. It has 153 photos and an essay by Ms. Baldeck.

I must now confess to a prejudice. I strongly feel photography is an art form. Many of my friends in the fine arts do not agree. They refer to it simply as a mechanical skill. I feel that when any art form joins with another discipline or disciplines, in this case history and anthropology, all benefit and the total becomes greater than the sum of its parts. This exhibit at the University of Pennsylvania Museum proves my point.

I think we are very fortunate to have this world-class museum so easily available to us in the greater Newark area. You may drive up 1-95 to 1-76, get off at the South Street exit and turn left. You are about a block and a half from the front door. There are

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Diversions

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FRIDAY

SOWETO FESTIVAL Through August 15. Art exhibit at Grace United Methodist Church, 900 N. Washington St., Wilmington. Info., 656-2721. "GROOVIN DOWN THE RIVER" Through tomorrow. Music, canoe and kayak races, fishing tournament, duck dash, Little Miss Riverfest Pageant, art contest, car show and more at the Nanticoke Riverfest in downtown Seaford. High street will be closed to traffic all day Saturday. For

more information, call 302-629-8740.

MUSIC ON MAIN Fridays through Sept. 12. 5 to 7 p.m. music and entertainment at the corner of North & Main Streets in Elkton, Md.

STAIRWAY TO THE STARS Throughout the spring and summer. See Cape May's clear night sky ablaze with stars as you climb the Cape May Lighthouse during the tour. \$12 per person. Info and directions, 800-275-

ANTIQUE SMOKING PIPES Through July 27. Special exhibition of 80 smoking pipes made of clay, porcelain, wood and meerschaum at Brandywine River Museum. Info., 610-388-2700.

STONE SOUP Through July 26. Artwork by our many local artists at the Elkton Arts Center at 135 E. Main St. For more information, call 410-392-

FESTIVAL OF FOUNTAINS Through Aug. 30. Enjoy flowers, fountains, and music during the summer-long festival at Longwood Gardens. For information, call 610-388-1000.

THE FELLOWS Through Dec. 31. Exhibit showcasing contemporary glass works by past and current CGCA fellowship recipients at Wheaton Village in New Jersey. Info., 856-825-6800.

PAUL BRILN 6 p.m. Reggae at Home Grown Cafe & Gourmet to Go, 126

East Main Street, no cover. 266-6993.

SATURDAY

STREAMSIDE BIRDING 8:30 a.m. stroll along the White Clay Creek in search of herons, egrets, kingfishers, and other wildlife. Meet at the Park Nature Center, Park fees in effect, Info., 368-6900. TIP A CANOE AND BARBECUE TOO! Noon fun-filled family afternoon of canoe riding down the Brandywine River ending with a barbecue and live music. Canoes are provided. \$60 per person. To register, call 610-388-8315.

ROY CARRIER AND THE NIGHT ROCKERS 7-10 p.m. zydeco music in Anson B. Nixon Park in Kennett Square. Tickets are \$8, children free. Info., 886-887-8533.

FLY-IN 8 a.m.-noon fly-in featuring many various types of aircraft that fly-in to display them in a close-up manner for the public at Toughkenamon, Pa., Free admission. 610-268-2048.

RIVER CITY BRASS BAND 7 p.m. 28-piece ensemble making its debut performance in the Open Air Theatre at Longwood Gardens. Tickets and times, 610-388-1000.



AT LONGWOOD

The 28-piece ensemble, River City Band, performs at Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square on Saturday, July 12, at 7 p.m. Often call "Boston Pops - In Brass," under the direction of Drew Fennell, the band will present a two-hour concert on the Open Air Theater stage. For tickets and more info., call 610-388-1000 ext. 100.

ICE CREAM FESTIVAL Through tomorrow. Two days of fun, food, entertainment, demonstrations, crafters, antique cars and ice cream at Rockwood Mansion Park. Fireworks on Sunday evening will mark the end of the festival. For info. and directions, call 395-5659.

LUNCHBOXX o p.m. Down Home Back Porch Blues at Home Grown Cafe & Gourmet to Go, 126 East Main Street, no cover. 266-6993.

GLASS WEEKEND Through tomorrow. Weekend of exhibitions, lectures,

hands-on glassmaking, demonstrations at Wheaton Village in Millville N.J. Info. and directions, 856-825-6800.

10-MINUTE PLAY FESTIVAL Through Aug. 1. Beginning at 8 p.m. each night, 25 original ten-minute plays, five different plays each evening will be performed at the City Theater Company, 818 Market St., Wilmington. \$10 at the door.658-7897, ext. 3850.

OUR WEAKENING WEB: THE STORY OF EXTINCTION Through

Sept. 7. Hands-on traveling exhibit explores the ecological relationships that bind all life forms at the Delaware Museum of Natural History on Kennett Pike. Info., 658-9111.

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SATURDAY TOURS 10 and 11 a.m. Tours on varying exhibits at Delaware Art Museum, 800 S. Madison St., Wilmington. Free. Info, 571-0220.

SUMMERS IN MAINE Through Sept. 1. Exhibition of paintings inspired by N.C. Wyeth's annual trips to Port Clyde, Maine at the Brandywine River Museum in Chadds Ford. \$6 adults; \$3 senior citizens and students. Info., 610, 328, 2700. 610-388-2700.

A MOMENT IN TIME Through Sept. 7. Photographic exhibit of early 20th century pictures at Winterthur. Info., 800-448-3883.

SUNDAY

F & P CHEER 6 p.m. concert and comedy on the lawn at Kingswood Methodist Church on Marrows Road. Rain or shine. Bring your own lawn chair. For more information, call 738-4446.

MASON DIXON STONE TOUR 2 p.m. Two 1/2

mile hikes to the "Post Marked West", and travel by van to the "Arc Stone" at the southwest end of the curving state boarder. Meet at the Possum Hill Parking area. Be prepared for muddy conditions. Space limited. \$2 per person. To register, call 368-

6900.

SUMMERMUSIC IN THE PARK Sundays in July and August. 6-8 p.m. concert in the canal-front Pell Gardens at the foot of Bohemia Ave. in south Chesapeake City. Free and open to the public.

JOHN REDA Sinatra Sunday 11 a.m. Local Jazz Phenomenon at Home Grown Cafe & Gourmet to Go, 126 East Main Street, no cover. 266-6993. FREE SUNDAY MORNINGS 9:30 a.m. noon complimentary admission,

exhibitions, children's Discovery Game, and more at the Brandywine River Museum. For more info., call 610-388-2700.

SOMETHING EVERY SUNDAY Planned family activities geared toward

fostering enriching and exciting experiences at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Info., 215-235-7469.

MT. CUBA EXPRESS 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. ride the Wilmington & Western Railroad's restored railcar to Mt. Cuba and take a relaxing walk or picnic before your return trip, no reservations necessary. For more information, call

MONDAY

SILLY JOE SINGS 7 p.m. program full of songs and jokes with dancing and clapping at the New Castle Public Library. Info., 328-1995.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. Mondays at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue, Newark. For information, call 368-2318. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. beginner class; and 2 p.m. advanced class every Monday at Newark Senior Center, 737-2336.

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FRIDAY, JULY 11

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

LIVING HISTORY Fridays and selected Saturdays through August. Participate in the daily activities of the men, women, and children who lived and worked at Greenbank. The site includes a gristmill and wooden factory, the mill water system, including the millrace and water-wheel, the miller's house, and a flock of heritage sheep. Admission \$5 adults; \$3 seniors and children; and \$1 Greenbank members. Open every Friday and selected Saturdays June through August. Info.,

CRAFTY KIDS Tuesdays and Fridays during the month of July. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. weekly multi-craft classes for children of all ages at the New Castle Public Library on the corner of 5th and Delaware Ave. in Historic New Castle. 328-1995.

UD MARINE TOURS Friday mornings until August. 10:30 a.m. free tour of the college's facilities including a 20-minute introductory video, a visit to laboratories where genetic research on marine organisms is performed and greenhouses where new uses for salt-marsh plants are being investigated at the Hugh R. Sharp Campus in Lewes Info. and directions 831-8083.

STRENGTH TRAINING Fridays and Mondays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

■ SATURDAY, JULY 12

BOATING SAFETY 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. classroom complies with state law which room complies with state law which requires any person born after Jan. 1, 1978, to complete a boating safety course before operating a motor boat on Delaware waters. The course is \$30 and will be held at the Delaware Safety Council Office, 3 Old Barley Mill Rd. Willim. To register, call 654-7786.

PRAYER WARRIORS 9 a.m. - noon clothes give away at Dale Memorial

clothes give-away at Dale Memorial
United Methodist Church in Middletown. For more information, call 378-9744.

WARBIRDS Delaware's biggest radio controlled aircraft event of the year sponsored by the Delaware R/C Club at The Lums Pond Radio/Controlled Flying Field two miles south of Glasgow on Route 71, one mile East of the Route 896/Route 71 intersection. For more information, call 731-2831.

MEETINGS

FRESH WATER FISHES OF DELAWARE 8 a.m. - noon outdoor stream ecology class at the Delaware Museum of Natural History on Kennett

Pike, five miles north of Wilmington. \$5 adults; \$4 seniors; and \$3 ages 3-17. For more information, call 658-9111.

WATER GARDENS AND GARDENING 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. self=-guided tour of the best water gardens in the area. Share questions and experiences at the Garden Center in Hockessin. Reservations required. 239-2334.

DIVORCECARE Saturdays and Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info, 737-5040.

LYME SUPPORT GROUP 10:30 a.m. second Saturday of each month at the Kirkwood Highway Library. Info., 996-9065 or e-mail TLizzy@snip.net.

RECYCLE ALUMINUM 9 a.m. to noon second Saturday each month at Center for Creative Arts, off Route 82, Yorklyn. Anything except foil. Remove non-metal portions like glass or chair webbing. Call

for house siding and large pickups at 239-2690 or 239-2434.

■ MONDAY, JULY 14

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS 7:30 p.m. orientation meeting the second
 Monday of the month at the Bear Library, Governor's Square. Info., 998-3115,

NEW DIRECTIONS 7:15 meeting for persons with depression or bipolar disorder and their families and friends at Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Info., 286-1161.

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

ESL Afternoon and evening classes for English Conversation held every Monday at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street. Registration required. Info., 368-8774.

SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive Info., 737-2336.

CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE 7:30 p.m.

every Monday. Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogletown. All are me, 655-SING.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6-8 p.m.

Mondays. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children at Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark. For information or to register, call 658-5177, ext. 260.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. Mondays at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue, Newark. For information, call 368-2318.

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

NCCo STROKE CLUB noon on Mondays at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. For information, call Nancy Traub at 324-4444.

■ TUESDAY, JULY 15

PLANNING FOR YOUR CHILD'S

FUTURE 6-8 p.m. workshop for families of children with disabilities who want to know the facts about guardianship and financial planning at New Castle Chamber of Commerce, 630 Churchman's Rd. Presented by the Parent

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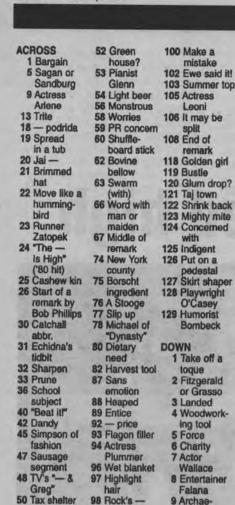
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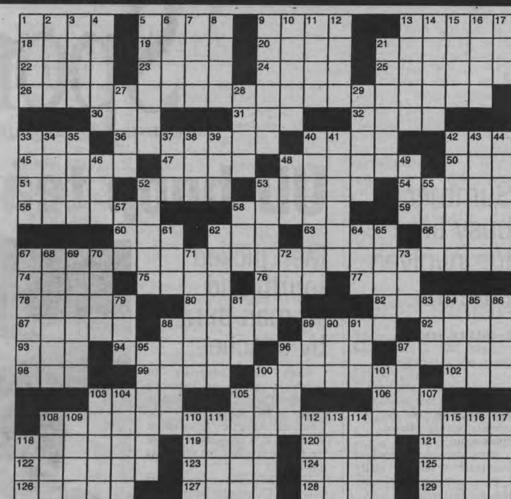
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DINNER TRAIN 6:30 p.m. Ride a restored 1929 Pennsylvania Railcar on Wilmington & Western Railroad to restaurant in Red Clay Valley. \$39 per person. Reservations

SUMMER KIDS PROGRAM Tuesdays and Fridays through August 29. Garden Explorations offering young visitors ways to learn and have fun at Longwood Gardens. Participation in activities included with admission. Info., 610-388-1000.

CREEK KIDS Through July 29. Games, music, tasty treats, and hands-on activities at Hagley Museum from 12:30-4 p.m. All activities included with museum admision. Info., 658-2400.

EXPRESSIONS IN CLAY Through July 27. Art exhibit featuring the art of Andrew Snyder and Yvette Jianniney at Cecil Community College. Info., 410-287-1023.

WEDNESDAY

SUMMER CON-**CERT SERIES 7**

p.m. Libby McDowell Jazz Band performing jazz, blues & ballads at White Clay Creek State Park. 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info., 368-6900.

TRAVELING ZOO 2:30 p.m. program full of animal fun to share with the whole family at The New Castle Public Library. Info.,

SUMMERTIME PICNIC AND NATURE PROGRAMS 6:30 picnicking, 7 p.m. Rocks as Clocks program. Learn about Northern Delaware rock formations while having fun in the Brandywine Creek Nature. \$2 per person with a maximum of \$10 per immediate family. Info., 655-5740. BINGO 12:45 p.m Wednesdays at Newark

Senior Center. Lunch available for \$2.25/platter at 11:45 a.m. 737-2336. BRUCE ANTHONY 6 p.m. Local Jazz Phenomenon at Home Grown Cafe & Gourmet to Go, 126 East Main Street, no

THURSDAY

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Museum. Info., 610-388-2700.

TREASURE HUNT Through Aug. 18.
Family friendly activities at the Cape May Convention Hall. Two shows each day 10

a.m. and 7 p.m. Info., 609-884-5404.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 to 6 p.m.

Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band Music at Newark Senior Center. info, call 737-2336.

BEGINNER LINE DANCE 6 p.m. beginner classes at the Newark Senior Center. Info.,

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

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

new members welcome. Info, 999-8310.

OPEN MIKE/SLAM 8-10 p.m. Poetry reading/competition at Art House, 132 E.

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

Info, call 834-GRPC.

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

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month at Newark Senior Center. 737-2336.

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

CAREGIVER SUPPORT 7 to 9 p.m. third Tuesdays at Newark Senior Center, White Chapel Road, Newark, Free & open to public. Info, call 737-2336.

■ WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

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

BEGINNER'S YOGA AND MEDITATION 6:30-8:30 p.m. workshop with the young breast cancer survivors 40ish and younger at The Wellness Community-Delaware, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilm. Info., 778-

WILLIAM RIVERS PITT 7:30 p.m. public lecture by a political analyst and author in Grace Hall at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1506 W. Thirteenth St., Wilm. Info.1656-2721

DAVE BROWN 7:30-9:30 folk dancing at Arden Gild Hall, 2406 Granby Rd., Wilm. \$4, 478-7257.

AT HOME MOTHERS CONNECTION 7:30 p.m. First and third Wednesdays Meeting for moms only at St. Barnabas Church, Duncan Road. For more information tion, call Darlene Regan at 610-274-2165.

BGCCCO MEETING 7 p.m. Third Wednesdays. Bear Glasgow Council of Civic Organizations meets at Pencader Grange Hall, Glasgow Avenue/Old Route 896, 832-0793

DIAMOND STATE CROCHETERS 6 p.m. third Wednesdays in the Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limeston Road. For information, call Ann at 324-

DIVORCECARE 7 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 737-3544.

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., 737-5040.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:20-10 p.m. at Newark United Church of Christ, Main Street. For information, call 737-4544.

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

■ THURSDAY, JULY 17

HOLISTIC HEALTH 7 p.m. Third Thursdays. Workshop by certified natural health professional at Rainbow Books, Main Street, Newark. Free, but preregister at 368-7738.

ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. third Thursdays at the Newark Senior Center 737-2336

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

PAINTING FOR THE SUMMER

Thursdays through August 14. 9:30-11:30 a.m. class for beginners and intermediate painters at Newark Senior Center. For more information, call 737-2336.

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

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

EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, bal-ance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month at Newark Senior Center. Info., 737-2336.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7-8:15 a.m. every Thursday at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. For information, call 737-1711 or 737-0724.

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

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Pencader Heritage Group to meet

The history and accomplishments of the Cooch's family, from their arrival in Delaware in 1746, will be the topic of the Pencader Heritage Group's meeting on Wednesday, July 16, at 9 a.m., at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive.

Guest speaker will be Edward L. (Ned) Cooch Jr.

The group will also present an update on their projects, including the new museum at Iron Hill and the Iron Hill Park.

Info sessions at Del Tech

General information sessions are planned to inform potential students of the degree, diploma and certificate programs available at the Stanton/Wilmington Campus of Delaware Technical & Community College.

The information session will explain admission procedures and provide financial aid and scholarship applications.

Sessions are scheduled at 6 p.m. on Aug. 5 at Stanton. Call 888-5288 for reserva-

tions and information.

The college offers nearly 100 programs in areas including Automotive, Culinary Arts and Engineering Technology.



Summer a busy time for involved parents

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

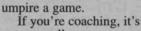
If you thought you were going to get a rest because school was over and the relaxing summer started, guess again.

Sure, the end of the school year is a busy one. But really, is there anything more hectic than the first month of summer?

Baseball and softball allstar season get underway. The summer swim leagues are in full swing. Soccer leagues are playing and there is a camp for just about any sport you can think of.

This can be a lot of fun for the kids. It can also be crazy for parents.

Drive to practice, drive to games, drive to camp. Juggle all of those schedules and still manage to find time to work in a concession stand or



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nuts as well.

Thankfully, there are enough parents out there that

put themselves through these dilemmas that many kids get to have a great experience. Sure, most of them take well manicured fields or well-

stocked concession stand for granted now, but, hopefully, they will learn the value of being involved in the community.

nity.

If it weren't for volunteers a lot of these events and leagues would never take place.

While everybody is stressed out with regular duties of work and home, it's amazing that the Newark area is continually blessed with people that understand what helping out means to the children and the community as a whole.

Don't worry, it'll be fall

UD hoop teams picked high

Men picked fourth and women third by coaches

Both the University of Delaware men's and women's basketball teams were picked to finish in the upper half of the Colonial Athletic Association standings in a pre-season poll of the league coaches, the CAA has announced.

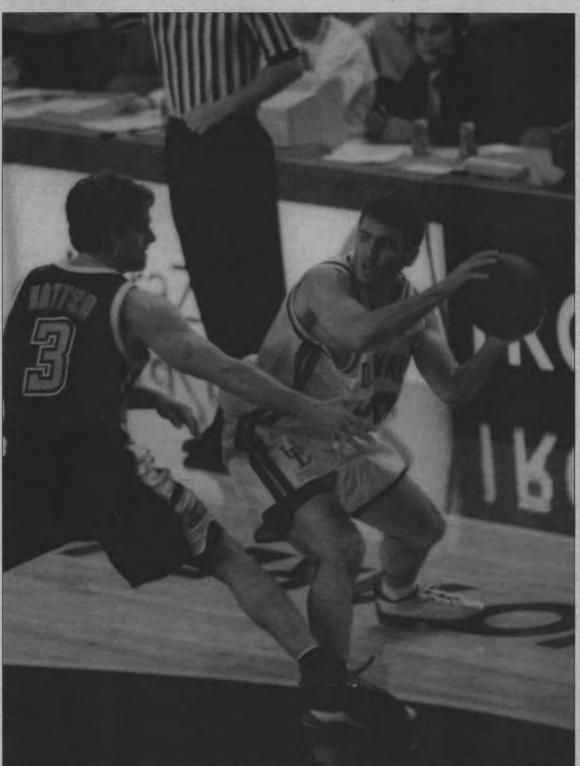
The Delaware women, last year's CAA regular season cochampions when the

Hens posted a record of 22-9 (15-3 CAA) for head coach Tina Martin, were picked to finish third while the Blue Hen men, who went 15-14 and placed fifth in the league standings with a 9-9 mark under head coach David Henderson, were picked to finish tied for fourth with rival Drexel.

Individually, three Blue Hen players were selected to the preseason All-CAA team. Tiara Malcom, a junior forward for the UD women, was a first team selection while guards Mike Ames and Mike Slattery were named to the men's second team.

The Old Dominion women, who captured their 12th straight league title a year ago when they defeated Delaware in the championship game, earned nine first place votes and collected 81 points overall and were the overwhelming favorites to lead the league once again this winter. Wilmington was second with 67 points followed by Delaware (64), George Mason, Madison, Virginia James Commonwealth, William & Mary, Drexel, and

On the men's side, George Mason, which finished fourth a year ago before falling to Delaware in the CAA quarterfinals, picked up seven first place votes for 79 points and was the pre-season favorite to capture the championship, edging two-time defending league champion UNC Wilmington, which received two first place votes and 67 points. Virginia Commonwealth was a close third with one first place vote and 65 points. Delaware and Drexel tied for fourth with 51 followed by Old on, Hofstra, James Old Dominion, Hofstra, James Madison, William & Mary, and



Delaware's Mike Ames was named to the pre-season All-CAA second team. He joins teammate Mike Slattery.

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Malcom was joined on the women's first team by Old Dominion's Monique Coker and Corrina Turner and by Cherie Lea of UNC Wilmington and Jen Derevjanik of George Mason. Malcom averaged 13.1 points and 7.6 rebounds

per game a year ago when she earned second team All-CAA honors. The men's first team consisted of Domonic Jones and Troy Godwin of VCU, Mark Davis of George Mason, Adam Hess of William & Mary, and Kenny Adeleke of Hofstra. Slattery and Ames were joined on the second team by

team by
Nick George of VCU, Alex
Loughton of Old Dominion, and
Anthony Terrell of UNC
Wilmington.

Ames was Delaware's leading scorer as a junior in 2002-03 when he averaged 14.0 points per game and hit a team-high 73 three-pointers.

Slattery, a Verizon Academic All-American nominee, ranked third on the team with 10.9 points per game a year ago and led the CAA with 6.2 assists per game, a mark that ranked him 18th in NCAA Division I.

Wedgewood Wedgewood 318, Valleybrook 256 – Quadruple winners (W): Drew Adami; (VB): K. Greenbaum; Triple winners (W): Lexi Bradley, Jamie Moody, Tyler Bradley, Sean Baker, Robert Valentine; (VB): B. Miller, K. George, M. Cross; Double winners (W): Lakysha Hyman, Kim Purcell, Mary Ellen Jerram. Ashley Mary Ellen Jerram, Ashley Louth, Caitlin Sparco, Taylor Lewis, Kelly Randle, Hailey Cockerham, Chris Millison, Kenny Fitzeimens, Jerdan Kenny Fitzsimons, Jordan Edgerton, KiFung Chen, Griff Randle, Andrew Welch, Keith Millison; (VB): T. Parker, J. Judefind, C. Crouch, C. Judefind, C. Crouch, C. Ostafy, J. Tussey, J. Minus, M. Watson, J. Minka, L. Minka, M. Brenner, P. Crane.

Nottingham Green 319, Drummond Hill 308 - Triple winners (NG): Kelly French, Lee Ann Hollenbeck, Amber Walker, Katie Steeves, Madison Morrison, D.J Wilson, Joe Hendler, Grant Otto, Travis Perez; (DH): Christy Williams, Amelia Kruse, Dave Faccenda, Zach Lee, Brian Batson; Double

9 Year Old All-Stars

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winners (NG): S. Green, E. Garner, Caitlin Wilson, Megan Steeves, Ian Moyer, Benjamin Goss, D.J. French, R. Newman, Donald Ostmann, M. Brophy, Balin Morrison; (DH): Meghan Batson, Abby Hosle, Kirstin Sowers, Anna Gonye, Greg Scheiffer, Mike

Three Little Bakers 326. Maple Valley 292 – Triple winners (TLB): K. Cyr, K. Lafferty, T. Kurz, J. Rott, V. DiMauro, S. Richmond, L. Breylinger; (MV): K. Jones, R. Lehman, C. McCarthy, Ca. Nicastro, C. C. McCarthy, Ca. Nicastro, C. Simendinger, G. Arant; Double winners (TLB): D. Fox, J. Rybaltowski, S. Kurz, C. Dalphon, M. Lafferty, S. Burbage, C. Hughto, A. Pietrobono, J. Trexler, D. Lorenz; (MV): Ca. Williams, M. Holliday, T. Berry, C. Drew, E. Witkowski.

Maple Valley 343, Yorklyn 274 - Triple winners (MV): K.

Lehman, Jones. Holliday, C. Dietrick, Fegley, Debski, McCarthy, Debski, D. Rowland, P. McCarthy, C. Simendinger; (Y): C. Hankinson, R. Hartley. Double winners (MV): Ca. Williams, A. Bowers, K. Holliday, A. Seeman, J. Simendinger, B. Berry, R. Orendorf, J. Tibbels, Co. Williams, C. Kubizne, E. Simendinger, B. Berry, A. Orendorf, J. Tibbels, Co. Williams, C. Kubizne, E. Fegley, Co. Nicastro, A. Osgood, S. Williams, G. Arant, C. Drew, B. Matsumoto; (Y): S. Foreman, A. Hankinson, S. Hilk, G. Hilk, P. Jornlin, J. Rotsch, M. Shorey, D. Shorey.

Crestmoor 194, Meeting House Hill 132 - Quadruple winners (MHH): Katie Mazur, winners (MHH): Katle Mazur, Cecily Connell, Daniel Mazur, (C) J. Cherico, C. Carney, J. Cunningham, S. Castagna; Triple winners (MHH): Olivia Connell, Nick Perry; (C) M. Kern, E. Redden, Ji. Cherico, Orth, L.J. Weiss, J. Moran, Pedicone, J. Riley, R.

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Kennett YMCA 247, Glasgow Pines 86 - Triple winners (K): B. LaChance; (GP): Brandon Townsend; Double winners (K): B. Austin, Townsend; Double winners (K): B. Austin, R. Jaros, Rebecca Lynn, M. Cassil, M. Jaros, B. Bystrom, L. Rozsits, C. Bystrom, M. Antonycci, C. Michel, C. Hughes, B. Mullen, Ken McQuiston.

Three Little Bakers 350, Delaware Bluefish 226 – Triple winners (TLB): Laurel Hutchinson, Matt Lafferty, Kelsey Lafferty, Kaitlyn Cyr, Tanner Kurz, Jack Reardon, Christine Sewell, Lauren

Senior Division All-Stars

Funk, David Lorenz; (UD): Dan Abbott; Double winners (TLB): Matt Lafferty, Kaitlyn Cyr, Somer Emmi, Kelsey Rott, Seth Kurz, Meghan Lafferty, Ryan Breyliner, Lafferty, Ryan Breyliner, Allison Lorenz, TJ Barnett, Stephen Pietrobono, Brett Jillian Saunders. Vandepoele, Linusay Vandepoele, Linusay Breylinger, Amanda Hurley, Laura Sewell; (UD): Mark Osman Matt Hitchcock, Andrew Hitchcock, Chris Greenamoyer, Andrew Keith Libert, R. Sparks, Keith Binder-McLeod, Osman, Emilee Witman.

Local Major teams drop openers

The two local Major Division All-Star teams Newark American and Newark National both lost their opening round

Newark American fell 4-2 to Canal. American's Stephen Quindlen gave his team a 2-1 lead with a long two-run home run to left-center field.

Canal, though, rallied to tie the game 2-2 on a controversial infield ground out play. A Canal runner scored from third while Newark American tried to get a Canal runner out at first base. Canal then scored twice in its last at-bat to secure the victory.

National fell 6-1 to Naamans in its opener.

Both teams play this week in the consolation bracket.

THE LOCAL CHOICE...

NEWARK AMERICAN ALL-STARS

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Brandywine Invitational

Justin Angelo Alex Bednash Scott Clower

Casey Johnson Daniel Keely Robert Mooney Kellen Raison Matt Talmo Jason Thompson Michael Vacca Brian Warren

Major Division All-Stars

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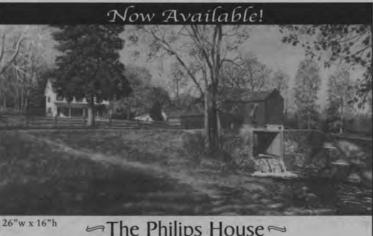
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Newsboys strike on Apple Road

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Newspaper boys go on strike.

But the strike wasn't in New York City, and the year was not 1899. It was Newark and the year was 2003.

On a recent Sunday evening more than 160 family members, friends and neighbors gathered in the backyard of the Barker-Wisniewski house on Apple Road to view the musical "Newsies", an adaption of the Disney musical about the newsboy strike of 1899. The Stratford On Apple players were fortunate to have the rain hold off until the performance was over.

"Little more than mud was left where the lawn used to be," Karen Barker, director and hostess of the production, said.

This was the eleventh year Barker, a science teacher at Tatnall School, has directed a backyard musical featuring local talent. The group of youngsters has been performing every summer, usually the first week school is out. The cast members practice lines, sing songs, rehearse the dances, build the set, design costumes, and prepare the program. This year there were 27 participants.

This year's musical is based on a real story of the newsboys in New York City who went on strike against Pulitzer and won. The video has been a favorite of children for many years.

On the day of performance, with all scenery and props in place, the cast members are sent home early to rest. The piano gets carried out of the house and about 5:30 in the evening, tables are set up in the front yard, lawn chairs appear out of nowhere and people come from all corners of the yard with covered dishes, drinks and desserts. There is hardly a parking spot left on all of Apple Road. It is truly a neighborhood experience.

Promptly at 6 p.m. the performance begins. They must end by dusk because there are no lights.

"The show was fabulous, the rain held off, and the lines were remembered," Barker said.

When the final bows are taken and the curtain falls, Barker says it is not the end.

"It's the beginning of amazing potential, reaffirmed in each child's acting and each member of the audience's enjoyment."

- Robin Broomall

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The newboys strategizing their strike are from left: Emma Wisnewski-Barker (Jack Kelly), Sylvie Smith (Racetrack), and Mario Salaris (Les). Stratford on Apple Productions held their 11th annual production



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lowed by a gourmet brunch at the world-famous Mad Batter Restaurant at 10 a.m. on Sundays. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 3 to 12. Tickets are available and tour begins at the Washington Street Mall Information Booth at Ocean Street as well.

The Combination Trolley and Physick Estate Tour features a guided trolley tour of Cape May's Historic District, followed by a guided tour of Cape May's only Victorian House Museum, the Emlen Physick Estate at 1048 Washington St. The tours are offered daily with times varying. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children ages 3 to 12. Tickets available and tour begins at the Washington Street Mall Information Booth at Ocean Street.

If visitors prefer, they can do just the guided tour of the Emlen Physick Estate. It is an entertaining and educational guided tour of Cape May's only Victorian House Museum, the 1879 Emlen Physick Estate which is on 1048 Washington St. The tours are offered daily and times vary. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 3 to 12.

Visitors can get acquainted with Cape May on a trolley tour as knowledgeable guides present entertaining and educational stories about the nation's oldest seashore resort. The trolley tours are offered daily at varying times.

The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 12. Tours begin and tickets are available at the Washington Street Mall Information Booth.

The Historic District Walking Tour is designed for those who like history up-close and in detail. Knowledgeable guides lead a stroll down the streets of Cape May's Historic District. The days and times of the tour vary. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3 to 12. Tour begins and tickets are available at the Washington Street Mall Information Booth.

Visitors can discover the Historic District of Victorian Cape May at their own pace with Acoustiguide Inform hand-held units on the self-guided audio tour of Cape May. The tour comes complete with a map and index for 96 historic buildings on 69 sites. The audio units are available daily at the Emlen Physick Estate for \$6 for two hours and \$2 for each additional hour.

The Cape May Lighthouse, Oil House and Museum Shop are popular spots to visit as well. The lighthouse is a 1859 structure with 199 steps to watch gallery for a panoramic view of the Jersey Cape and Atlantic Ocean. The Museum Shop carries souvenirs, books, videos and other maritime items. The spot is located at Cape May Point State Park in the Lower Township. Admission to the Visitors' Orientation Center and the ground floor of the Lighthouse is

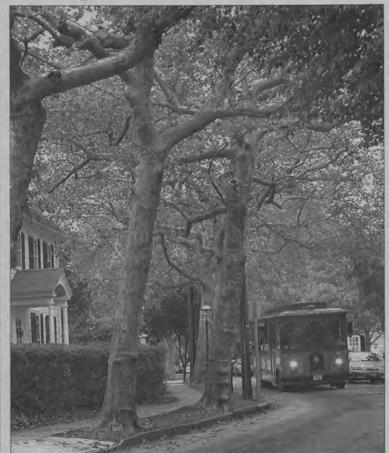
free. Tower admission is \$5 for adults and \$1 for children ages 3 to 12.

The Jersey Cape is considered one of the top ten birding "hot spots" in the country with more than 400 species of birds spotted. Mild winters and warm summers allow for hundreds of species of annuals, perennials and semitropical vegetation to thrive, including several species of orchids. As the southernmost tip of New Jersey, Cape May also boasts natural wetlands and miles of clean beaches.

MAC offers some tours for the nature enthusiast, such as the Fisherman's Wharf Tour. It is a guided tour of the Fisherman's Wharf at the Lobster House. Visitors can learn how seafood gets from the sea to the table and discover how Cape May has become the second largest commercial fishing port on the East Coast. Dates and times of the tour vary. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 12.

Harbor Safari is a tour led by a marine biologist and goes through Cape May's beach and marsh habitats to view and learn about the beauty and wonders of plants and animals in South Jersey. Dates and times of the tour vary. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 3 to 12.

Visitors can take a journey through the Cape and see its hidden treasures on the Natural Habitats Trolley tour. They will see the wildlife habitats that have made Cape May a "must" for nature lovers. Dates and times of the tour vary. The cost is \$15 for



The trolley is a popular way to tour Cape May.

adults and \$7.50 for children ages 3 to 12.

The Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts (MAC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of Cape May's Victorian heritage. MAC also fosters the performing arts. MAC membership is open to all. For information about MAC's year-round schedule of tours, festivals and special events, call 609-884-5404 or 800-275-4278, or visit MAC's website at www.capemaymac.org. For information about restaurants, accommodations and shopping, call the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Cape May at 609-884-5508.



The Twinings Tearoom has expanded its menu and programming and is now open daily serving Tea Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. and Elegant Afternoon Tea at 2 p.m.





Many of the 'Best' here in Newark

By SHANNON CANTON

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

ESTAURANTS in the City of Newark dominated 27 categories in Delaware Today's annual Best of Delaware awards, which were published in the July issue of the magazine.

Winners are selected based on the results of the Readers Poll ballots printed in the February and March issues of the maga-

Delaware Today's Dining Out Advisory Board selects the Critics Choice awards.

With various categories such as food and dining, retail and services, there were more than 400 winners throughout the state this year. Newark restaurants brought home a good share of the dining awards.

Iron Hill won one of the most coveted awards, Delaware's Best Restaurant, as well as best brew pub and best homemade soups. The restaurant's owners are now working to open its fourth location on Wilmington's Riverfront.

Caffé Gelato won Best

Restaurant in Newark, Best Mediterranean cuisine and Best Homemade Ice Cream for its smooth, creamy gelato.

Owner Ryan German said he was excited to win the awards, especially Best Restaurant in Newark. "I also think its good that so many other restaurants got awards in Newark," he said. "It shows that Newark is finally being recognized by diners with discerning palates.

Eric Aber, owner of Home Grown Café, also appreciates the statewide recognition for restaurants in the city of Newark. "I think it says that we are the new hot spot in some ways," he said. The city is straying from the typical college food such as hot wings and pizza. "Now Newark is getting a reputation for finedining restaurants," Aber said, and the awards demonstrate that Newark has more to offer than people think. Home Grown Café won Best Healthy Fare and Best Vegetarian Selection.

While Newark does have its share of up and coming restaurants, Delawareans who voted for the Best of Delaware awards also recognized long-time Newark favorites such as Klondike Kate's, which won Best Nachos and Best Bar Menu. Manager Peter Shade said the restaurant's nachos continually win awards because they use fresh, shredded cheddar cheese. The bar menu is popular because it delivers the perfect mix of quality and diversity customers crave, he says. "You can get anything from a crab meat martini to our awardwinning nachos to sandwiches and grilled steaks," Shade says.

The Best of Delaware winners celebrate their awards at the Best of Delaware Party Thursday, July 17 at the Bank One Center on the Riverfront, formerly the First USA Riverfront Arts Center in Wilmington.

From 5 to 8:30 p.m., partygoers sample culinary delights in various categories such as sushi, pizza, desserts, appetizers, crab cakes, prime rib, ice cream, martinis and more. It's a chance to taste what Delaware's best restaurants have to offer.

German said Caffé Gelato will participate in the party for its third year. "Of all the parties that go on in Delaware, the balls and parties for charity, I think the Best of Delaware Party is the most fun and it is by far the most attended," he said.

what's wrong with the name

Marvin that it gets you bonked on

the head in the schoolyard-and

knocked down 10 points by your

teachers on every test?

And—when I enlisted in the Navy, the Chief Petty Officer

yelled loudly at a room full of us enlistees, "Which one of you bleeps is Marvin?" And then he

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asked again.



Restauranteur Ryan German, second from left, and his staff at Caffé Gelato celebrate their honors in the Best Of Delaware contest.

Aber sees the party as a chance to gain exposure to potential customers in Wilmington. It gives people who live outside Newark the sense that Newark is a dining destination, he said.

Tickets for the Best of Delaware party are available for \$45 at www.delawaretoday.com. Advance purchase ends Monday, July 14. Call 656-1809, extension 256, for tickets or more informa-

Tickets may also be purchased at the door for \$55.

Proceeds benefit Wilmington Flower Market, a local organization that raises money to distribute to children's charities throughout the state.

■ The author is assistant editor of Delaware Today.

Newark's Best of Delaware award winners

Ali Baba Critics Choice Best Group Dining

Bing's Bakery Readers choice Best Pies, Readers Choice Best Bakery

Brew HaHa

Brewed Awakenings

aders Choice Best Homemade Ice Cream, Readers Choice Best Restaurant in Newark, Readers Choice Best Mediterranean Cuisine

Capriotti's

ice Best Turkey Subs

Deer Park

ice Best Bloody Mary

Friendly's Restaurant

Grotto's Blue Hen Sports Den

Home Grown Café

Iron Hill Brewery

eaders Choice Best Homemade Soups, Readers Choice Best Brew Pub, Readers Choice Best Overall

Jake's Hamburgers Readers Choice Best Old-fashioned Hamburgers

Klondike Kate's

Readers Choice Best Bar menu, Readers Choice Best Nachos

La Tolteca

aders Choice Best Salsa, Readers Choice Best Tacos, Readers Choice Best Mexican Restaurant

Lettuce Feed You

TGI Fridays

e Best Frozen Drinks

Timothy's Readers Choice Best Happy Hour

Wings to Go Readers Choice Best Hot Wings

Before he could growl it out a third and threatening time, everyone—including me—heard this high-pitched bleat cry out, "I am, Sir." That bleat was my bleat. I was that Marvin, the lone navy recruit in that Pittsburgh recruiting office with that name. (To this day, I have no idea why the CPO thought he had to ask.) But I was very aware of all the Erics, the Bills, the Jims, the Mikes, the Jakes, the Gusses, the Joes, the Jacks, and the Petes-they were all quite comfortably seated around me and in great shape, namewise; and even the Salvatores, the Casimirs, the Teveys and Solomons were OK.

What morons used to call "foreign" names are always good because they have a venue, a history, a family, roots traceable to some good country overseas. I'll bet every Salvatore has 10 uncles and 30 cousins with the same

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name! And Fritz and Karl connote the kinds of guys you don't want to mess with. And even if you meet a little guy with a name like

Columnist writes 'We are tough dudes'

Fritz or Karl, Hummel you're a little

wary-he's probably "packing heat" so he can live up to his

hairy-chested name.

When the doctor tells you that the baby will be a boy, please consider:

1) The Shakespeare who wrote, "What's in a name?" was a guy named Bill;

2) What name for your son will be schoolyard-friendly?

If some other kid pops your son, you want it to be because your pride-and-joy beat the other kid in a footrace or took the other guy's best pitch and socked it over the schoolyard fence while the little girls giggled and thought they were getting a crush on your son Jake because he was so "cool";

3) What name for your son will be teacher-friendly and give him an academic head start?

The kind of name that makes parent-teacher conferences a delight. "Mr. and Mrs. Ruff, Eric is a joy in class! Not only is he very bright, but he's all boy! I just love that in a boy!!! Such a

joy is your Eric!"; and 4) When your son enlists or applies for a job, will his name remind the interviewer of somebody in the company or in his family or in the NFL, or even, on

Death Row? A name that resonates, that evokes family or friends or lifeforce, or even plain old testos-

terone? Before you put a permanent brand on a boy, check on whether there are updated lists of Names That Make It and Names That Break It. (If Marvin isn't on the "Break It" list, check the name of the compiler. I'll bet it was a Marvin who, out of sympathy for the few other Marvins, removed it and put in Bruce or Liam. That's the only way he'd get us off the Break It roster!)

Why, you might suggest with a little annoyance, don't Marvins and Beverlys and Shirleys and Evelyns simply use their middle names and quit complaining? The answer is as simple as you are: Our middle names are even worse! And, no, not even under torture most vile, will we ever disclose them.

Occasionally, a Melvin will cave and disclose his middle name-but not us Marvins or Beverlys or Shirleys or Evelyns. (It's not widely known, but we are tough dudes!)



Newark's Iron Hill Brewery will serve up specialities at the Best Of Delaware party next week.

Open house next week at Arts Alliance's new home

AKE a look at the "before" and be a part of the "after" as the Newark Arts Alliance gives the community a first look at its new space. The open house will be held Friday, July 18, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at its new location at the Grainery Station, 100 Elkton Road.

Visitors can check out the plans for the new space, sign up for committees, and register for the first tile workshop, which will be held Sunday, July 27, at 1:30 p.m. at the Art House. This combination fund raiser and community mural will be part of the NAA's new space.

The tile workshops will be led by Carole Fox and Marsha Neal. Participants can either decorate their own tiles or turn them over to an artist. Each four-inch square ceramic tile costs \$75, with "blocks" of four, six, eight or more tiles available. The tiles will be decorated with colored clay, fired and mounted on a wall in the building, probably in the classroom. Workshop participants should bring a rolling pin.

Cash contributions to the renovation project are also welcome. Those donating \$500 or more will have their names etched on a stained glass artwork that will be on permanent display at the NAA building.

To register, call 266-7266.

Enjoy a trip back in time at UP museum show

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many patrolled parking lots nearby. By train, take SEPTA from Newark and get off at the University of Pennsylvania Station. You have about a block to walk.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for students and senior citizens. It is open Tuesday through

Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:3 0 p.m. and Sunday I to 5 p.m. It would make a great summertime trip and don't miss the other galleries all available to you for the one admission price.

Enjoy!

■ The writer has authored this column for the Newark Post for more than four decades.

Say 'thank you' the right way

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dren learn to write thank-you notes:

Take a positive approach. Briefly explain to your children that it will make the gift-giver feel good to know that they appreciate the present. Tell them that you like to let others know you appreciate the things they do for you. The way you talk about thank-you notes will influence whether your children think of writing them as a chore or as something thoughtful they can do for someone who has done something thoughtful for them.

Giving your children choices. Provide an array of paper and writing utensils, for example, and let them select the ones they will use. Open-ended choices can be overwhelming for young children; instead of asking them, for example, when they want to do the thank-you note, ask them if they would like to do it right after dinner or before bedtime.

Pick a good time to do the thank-you notes. Do not begin them when your children are tired or hungry. Do not ask them to stop in the middle of a game. Pick a time when you can work together without feeling rushed.

Keep any instructions you give your children short and simple. Ask your children what they would like to say to the gift giver. It may help to suggest a phrase to start the note: "The teddy bear you sent me has a special place in my room." Or, "I wore my new shoes to school and my friends really liked them." The child could add a statement about where else he or she would wear the new shoes.

Keep your expectations in line with the child's developmental level. Children who are just learning to write, for example, will misspell words and form their letters imperfectly. Young children who cannot yet write for themselves will probably express their thoughts in brief and simple ways, such as, "I like the teddy." Focus on helping your children understand the idea of thanking

others and on the effort they put into doing a thank-you note. Do not worry about having a long or perfect-looking final product.

Teens and young adults need

to send thank-you notes

that are more formal.

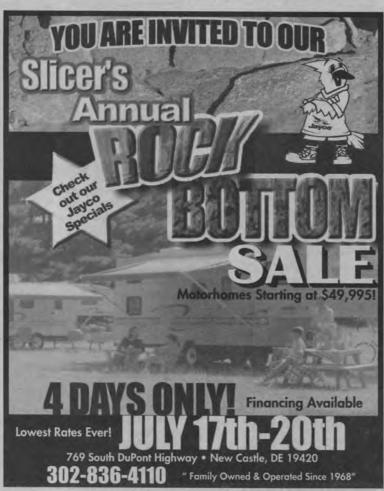
Include a date and send the thank-you note as note as note as note as note as possible after receiving the gift. Begin the note with an appropriate salutation, such as "Dear," or a more casual greeting, such as "Hi, Sue," or "Thanks, George."

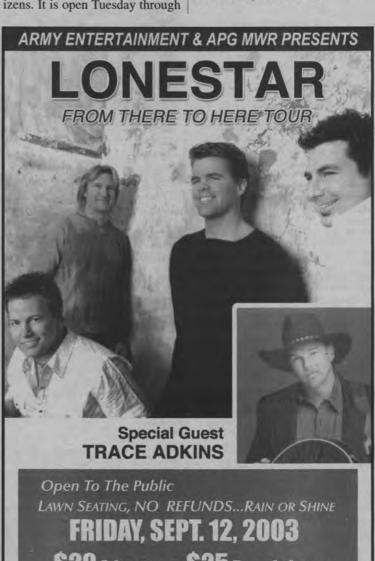
Express your thanks sincerely. Use your own words to make your note sound warm and

friendly. Always acknowledge the specific gift and how or where you plan to use it. Sometimes a gift will not be useful; remember, "It's the thought that counts." Express thanks to the giver for their thoughtfulness, energy, and time spent in choosing the gift. End with an appropriate closing, such as, "Thoughtfully," "Thanks again," "Fondly," "Love," or "Best Regards." Sign your name.

Sending a note is a simple way of telling others you care about and appreciate them. Sending Email may be easier but who wouldn't want to receive a little note in the mail?

Dutlook is a regular feature, prepared for the Newark Post by staff members of the Cooperative Extension Office in Newark. Visit their website at http://bluehen.ags.udel.edu/ncc.









■ Obituaries are printed free of charge as space permits. Information usually is supplied to the newspaper by the funeral director. For more information, call 737-0724.

Leland Craig Wilson, P-48 pilot, retired professor of UD

ORMER Newark resident Leland Craig Wilson died on Sunday, June 29, 2003.

Wilson, 78 Gastonia, N.C. 78, was a native of

He was a former resident of Newark for 40 years. He had lived in Johnson City,

nn., since 2002. Wilson earned his bachelor's degree from East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tenn.; a master's degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tenn.; and his doctorate degree from George Peabody University in Nashville, Tenn.

He was a retired professor, having taught at the University of Delaware, he served in school administration, and he was a former director of the State Department of Research Development in Education Charleston, W. Va.

Wilson was also the author of several books on school administration.

He served as a P-48 pilot in the U.S. Army Air Force. Wilson was a Methodist.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Theresa Wilson; daughter, Karen Theresa Sietz of Johnson City, Tenn.; brother, Dr. Clement Wilson of Knoxville, Tenn.; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Service and burial were held at

Vista Burial Park Mausoleum Chapel.

Sylvia Nerzig, 90, die-hard Yankees fan

Newark resident Sylvia Nerzig died on Thursday, June 19, 2003. Nerzig, 90, was a resident at Churchman Village in Newark. She

Albert A. Castner Sr., retired master sergeant in U.S. Air Force, served two Vietnam tours

EWARK resident Albert A. Castner Sr. died on Thursday, June 26, 2003. Castner, 72, was retired U.S. Air Force.

He was born and raised in Steubenville, Ohio.

After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he made Newark his home for the past 35 years

He entered the Air Force at age 17 and served proudly for 21 years before retiring as a master sergeant. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam, one tour of duty in Korea, and was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart,

was born in the Bronx, N.Y., and was a

die-hard Yankees baseball fan her

in the garment district until she retired

to Melbourne, Fla. She moved to Newark in 1980 to be

She is survived by her niece, Marilyn Helton of Bear; and her nephews Dr. Warren Ceurvels of Vernon, N.J., and Dr. Ronald Ceurvels

William Curik, retired

Newark resident William Basil

He was born in Yonkers, N.Y. He

Curik died on Saturday, June 21, 2003.

Curik, 88, was known as "Bill" by his family and friends.

had worked as a salesman for the Sears

& Roebuck Company at Prices Corner

for 23 years, retiring in 1979. Curik served in the U.S. Army dur-ing World War II, and was a member of

the J. Allison O' Daniel VFW Post 475

Curik was a member of Holy

salesman for Sears

She managed her father's business

entire life.

near her family.

of Ft. Myers, Fla.

in Newark.

Services were private.

among other decorations.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Newark Post 475, and the American Legion.

Castner loved all types of gardening and had a very special love for animals. He even brought home a pigeon, nursed it back to health and named it "Air Force One." He will be missed by his special dog, "Dallas."

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Irene Castner; children, Albert A. Castner Jr. of Newark, Darlene F. Castner of Newark, Gail E. Reeves of Elkton, Md., and Lisa M. Phelps and Dianne L

Family Parish where he served as an

An avid sports fan, he enjoyed bowling and golfing, and was especial-ly loyal to the St. Louis Cardinals base-

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Genevieve C. "Goodman" Curik; daughter, Marge E. Tarpine and her husband Adam of Wilmington;

four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Newark.

Newark resident Harry A. Minker Jr. died on Sunday, June 22, 2003. Minker, 77, was born in Elkton,

He served in the U.S. Army during

He retired from General Motors in 1978 after 25 years of service. He was an avid boater and took

great pride in antique Chris Craft vessels. He was a member of the ACBS

Chesapeake Bay Chapter of Antique

Harry A. Minker Jr.,

77, retired from GM

Interment was private.

the Korean War.

ball team.

Cebula, both of Bear; six grandchildren; two great- granddaugh-ters; brothers, Joseph Castner and Calvin Castner, both of Steubenville, Ohio, Donald Castner and Herman Castner, both of Winnersville, Ohio, and Kenneth Castner of Akron, Ohio; and his sister, Katie Allen of Weirton, W. Va.

Services were held at the Beeson Memorial Services of Newark in Fox Run. Committal, with full military honors, was in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Interment was private.

Sara Edna McElduff, worked at hospital

Newark resident Sara Edna McElduff died on Monday, June 23,

McElduff, 91, was born in Richardson Park.

During World War II, she worked at the former Triumph Powder Plant in

Later, she was employed at Delaware State Hospital, retiring in 1976 after 23 years of service.

McElduff enjoyed long walks and Sunday drives.

Sunday drives.

She is survived by her children,
Emile J. "Sonny" Walther of Bear,
Florence Mary "Sissy" Smith of
Newark, and Nancy Linda White of
Bear; five step-children, Bobby
McElduff, Tommy McElduff, Pansy
Donohoe, Judy, and Billy McElduff;
sister, Rebecca Faucett of Newark;
eight grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and nine great-great-grandchildren.

children. Services were held at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in New Castle Interment was in the Silverbrook Cemetery in Wilmington.

Mary E. McNeely, 78

Newark resident Mary E. McNeely

died on Monday, June 23, 2003. McNeely, 78, was a homemaker and had been a hostess at Wing Wah Restaurant for 10 years.

She was a very active member of Elkton Christian Fellowship Church.
She is survived by her children, Howard S. McNeely of Middletown, and Terri L. Manley of Newark; brother, Leslie Sturges of California; six grand-bildren; and two great grand-bildren; and two great grandgrandchildren; and two great-grand-daughters.

Services were held at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in Newark. Interment was in Gracelawn Memorial Park in New Castle.

Marleah A. Green. worked as a licensed practical nurse

Newark resident Marleah A. Green died on Monday, June 23, 2003. Green, 86, was born in Lehighton,

She earned her nursing diploma from Carbon County Vo-Tech in Pennsylvania in the early 1970s and worked as a licensed practical nurse

for many years.

After moving to Delaware, she became a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Newark.

In her leisure time, she enjoyed fishing, golf and travel, and was avid Phillies fan.

Green was a former resident of Allentown, Pa.

She is survived by her children, Sara Ann Wilson of Newark, and David R. Green of Pennsylvania; and four grandchildren.

Service and burial was held at the Sky-View Memorial Park in Hometown (Tamaqua), Pa.

Ania Lynn Moss, 23, senior at UD

Newark area resident Ania Lynn Moss died on Monday, June 23, 2003. Moss, 23, graduated from John Dickinson High School in 1998.

She was a senior at the University of Delaware, where she was pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in mass communications

She participated in the University of Delaware Gospel Choir and was an MBNA Excellence in Education

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G. Gee Funeral Home in Elkton, Md.

and Classic boats. The "Bettie K" won numerous awards, including the "Most Original" in special recognition for preserving and maintaining Antique and Classic Boats in their original

form.

Minker was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, the Newark VFW and UAW Local 435.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Bettie Kilby Minker; son, Allan P. Minker and his wife Kimberly of Media, Pa.; two nieces; four nephews; sister, Pearl Park of Cape Coral, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

Services were held at Beeson Memorial Services of Newark in Fox Run. Interment, with military honors, was in the Delaware Veteran Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Margaret Barnes, VP and GM of O.G. Norton

Newark resident Margaret Devlin Barnes died on Sunday, June 22, 2003, two days before her 100th birthday. Barnes, 99, was known as "Sadie"

by her family and friends. She was for-merly of New York. She was a present resident of Jeanne Jugan Residence. She retired in 1973 as the general man-ager and vice president of O.G. Norton Inc. in New York, where she worked

for 49 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathleen and her husband Art VanBergen of Wilmington; eight grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in Newark. Interment was in the All Saints Cemetery in Wilmington.

Phyllis Ann Moore, 65

Newark area resident Phyllis Ann "Workman" Moore died on Sunday, June 22, 2003.

Moore, 65, was born in Huttonsville, W. Va. A resident of Cecil County, Moore

retired as an administrative assistant from the Christiana Care in Newark, after 38 years of service.

Moore enjoyed fishing, bowling,

painting and especially her cats.

She is survived by her husband of
21 years, William C. Moore; sons, Larry Farrow of Norfolk, Va., and William Farrow of Seattle, Wash.; brothers, Thomas W. Workman of Thomasville, Ga., Edwin Workman of Virginia Beach, Va., James Workman of Newport News, Va., Gerald Workman of Grafton, Va., and Charles Workman of Charleston, W.Va.; sisters, Hilda Jennings of Portsmouth, Va., and Nancy Collins of Wilmington; and four grandchildren.

Services were held at the Andrew



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Moss took great pride in her academic achievement and was an active member of Union Baptist Church.

She is survived by her parents, Carlton "Skip" and Linda Moss; broth-er, Carlton Moss Jr. and his wife Maria Posey-Moss of Aberdeen, Md.; sister, Tishena Moss; paternal grandmother, Ethel Moss; maternal grandmother, Roberta Porter, all of Wilmington; one uncle; one aunt; several cousins, and several great-aunts and great-uncles.

Services were held at Union Baptist Church in Wilmington. Burial was in Gracelawn Memorial Cemetery in

920 S. Madison St., Wilmington, DE 19801

cross from the Christina River. Minutes off Route I- 95, exit 6

Samuel Steward, 54, Vietnam veteran

Former Newark resident Samuel Steward died on Monday, June 23, 2003.

Steward, 54, was known as "Alex" by his family and friends. He was born in West Virginia.

Steward retired from Lawn Doctor in Wilmington, after 20 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran of

Vietnam and a member of the American Legion Mason-Dixon Post 194 in Rising Sun, Md., and the VFW Post 6027 in North East, Md.

He was an avid hunter and NASCAR fan. Steward was a present resident of Benton, Pa.

He is survived by his parents, Samuel E. and Savannah M. Stanley Steward; sisters, Alexis Rivera of Lewisville, Pa., and Peggy Montgomery of Elkton, Md.; devoted companion, Barbara Wyatt of Newark; children, Teresa Worley and Michael Wyatt; and two grandchildren.

Services were held at Hicks Home for Funerals in Elkton, Md. Interment, with military honors provided by the American Legion Mason-Dixon Post 194 of Rising Sun, Md., was in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Darrell W. Gilbert

Newark area resident Darrell W. Gilbert died on Sunday, June 29, 2003. Gilbert, 61, resided in the Glasgow

Services were held at the Hicks Home For Funerals in Elkton, Md.

Felicia G. Brader, chemical engineer

Newark resident Felicia G. Brader

died on Monday, June 23, 2003.

Brader, 63, retired in 1979 from International Paper in New York, where she worked as a chemical engi-

neer.
She was previously employed at FMC in Marcus Hook, Pa.

She enjoyed gardening and cooking.

She is survived by her husband, Wilbur T. Brader Jr.; one nephew; and many other family members living in the Philippines.

Services were held at the Doherty Funeral Home in Pike Creek Interment was private.

E. Jeanne Bowen, 57

Newark resident E. Jeanne Bowen died on Monday, June 23, 2003.

Bowen, 57, was a homemaker who was known for her giving nature.

She is survived by her children, Michelle Maloney of Palmyra, Pa., Jerry Bowen Jr. of Newark, and Scott Bowen of Maryland; mother, Eleanor Bowen, three sisters; and one grand Bowen; three sisters; and one grandson. Services were held at the Gracelawn Memorial Park Chapel in New Castle. Burial was in the adjoining park.

Joseph Wallace Grant, musician, recording engineer and producer

Newark resident Joseph Wallace Grant died on Tuesday, June 24, 2003. Grant, 48, was an intelligent and

enthusiastic musician, entertainer, recording engineer and producer, family members said.

He is survived by his wife, Susan M. Grant; mother, Norma Violet Grant; brother, Jeff Grant; and a sister, Victoria M. Smith, all of Newark.

Services were held at the Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home in Newark. Burial was in the Head of Christiana Cemetery in Newark.

Annette Hernson, 79

Newark resident Annette Warren Hernson died on Tuesday, June 24, 2003.

Hernson, 79, was born in Richmond, Va. She had lived in 79.

Delaware for more than 50 years.

She is survived by her brother,
Hugh Warren and his wife Sharon of
Covington, La.; sons, Terry Hernson and his wife Joanne of Staten Island, N.Y., and Roger Hernson and his wife Jacqueline of Wilmington; four grandchildren; and several other relatives

Service and burial was in the Delaware Veterans Cemetery in Bear.

Paul C. Adorno, 90, chemist, developer of new products

Newark resident Paul C. Adomo died on Wednesday, June 25, 2003. Adorno, 90, was born in New York

City, N.Y. He attended Manhattan College

and Columbia University before work ing for 27 years as a chemist, food technologist and developer of new products for Federal Sweets and Biscuit Company of Cligton, N.J.

Throughout his lifetime, he

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believed in hard work and gave gener-

ously to others. He never lost hope dur-ing the illness of his final years.

He is survived by his son, Paul Adorno and his wife Phyllis; daughter, Beatrice Mercatante and her husband Al; seven grandchildren; and his sister, Mary Ezzo.

Services were held at the Resurrection Parish and burial was in All Saints Cemetery, both located in

Charles Edward Joseph Jr., worked for ShopRite in Newark

Newark resident Charles Edward Joseph Jr. died on Thursday, June 26, 2003.

Joseph, 73, was born in Bridgeville.

He was employed by the Baltze School in Elsmere, as head custodian and then worked at the ShopRite store in Newark.

in Newark.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Eveline Haines Joseph; daughter, Elva Hash of Wilmington; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a brother, Layton Joseph of Lincoln. Services were held at the Wilde Funeral Home in Parkesburg, Pa. Interment was in the Fairview Cemetery in Coatesville, Pa.

Anthony R. DiSabatino

Newark resident Anthony R. DiSabatino died on Friday, June 27,

DiSabatino, 74, was known as 'Tony" by his family and friends.

Born in Canton, Ohio, he moved to

Wilmington at an early age and resided in the "Little Italy" section of Wilmington the majority of his life.

DiSabatino was an honored soldier serving in the United States Army and Army Reserves.

He was a retired teamster and a

maintenance supervisor for the Colonial School District.

Colonial School District.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Jane A. DiSabatino; children, Edward of Newark, and Dawn McCloskey of Lincoln University, Pa.; brother, John and sister, Francis, both of Wilmington; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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Lynn Hope Lowery

Newark resident Lynn Hope Lowery died on Saturday, June 28, 2003, due to an automobile accident.

Lowery, was a supervisor at Comcast and a retired Army veteran.

She enjoyed sewing, photography, reading and flea market shopping.

She is survived by her parents, Walter and Mary Sue Lowery; sister, Melanie Lower, all of Harrisburg; and Melanie Lo brothers, William Lowery of California, and John Lowery of Middletown.

Services were held at the Hooper Memorial Home Inc. in Harrisburg, Pa.

lania Nicole Hollis

Newark infant Iania Nicole Hollis died on Saturday, June 28, 2003. Hollis was 6 months old. She was a

rolls was 6 months old. She was a very happy and joyous baby, always laughing and smiling.

She is survived by her mother, June M. Hollis; father, Mereald Archie Jr.; sisters, Lataisha, Jalyia and Shardeja; brothers, Daymier, Quameer and Andrel; grandparents, Patricia Hill, Jacqueline Whittaker, James Hollis, Sr., Mereald Wanamaker St., uncles; godparents; and numerous

Services were held at the House of Wright Mortuary and interment was in Silverbrook Cemetery, both located in Wilmington.



NEWARK POST * POLICE BLOTTER

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Alcohol arrests

The Newark Police Department continued its stepped-up enforce-ment of alcohol-related laws.

Some of the recent arrests

■ Margaret Lucy, 20, of Silver Spring, Md., and Eric Held Schmitz, 20, of Newark were charged with underage consumption of alcohol after they were questioned by Newark police at 2:15 a.m. Saturday, July 5, outside Timothy's restaurant, 100 Creek View Road.

Officers had been called to the area after receiving a report that two persons were using a wrench to remove a "stop" sign nearby at Margaret Street and Creek View

■ Kellen P. Phelan, 20, of Newark, was arrested for underage consumption of alcohol after a Newark officer on routine patrol saw him carrying a can of beer across the Newark Shopping Center parking lot at 11:19 p.m. on Thursday, July 3.

Rena A. Dickerson, 20, of Wilmington, was charged with

underage consumption of alcohol on Thursday, July 3, at 10:33 p.m. by Newark police.

Police said all were summonsed and released pending court appear-

18-year-old charged with burglary here

On July 1, New Castle County Police arrested Donovan Downs, a 18-year-old male who resides on North Barrington Drive in Newark He was charged with burglary in the second degree and theft.

Police reported that on Tuesday morning, county police responded to a residence in the unit block of Clipper Court in the community of Four Seasons for a report of a burglary in progress.

Officers found the rear door ajar. The officers discovered the intruder inside the kitchen area and arrested him without incident.

Investigation revealed the suspect was in possession of two necklaces that belonged to the victim. Police identified the suspect and discovered he was wanted for an additional burglary that occurred several days ago in the community of Wrangle Hill in Bear. Investigators linked him to the second burglary through a fingerprint comparison

Man targets wrong sales prospects

On Thursday, July 3, New Castle County Police arrested 19-year-old Thomas Kinsler, a resident of the unit block of Marlboro Drive in Brookside Park, with possession of fireworks after he attempted to sell fireworks to two undercover police

Police reported that at 10:30 p.m., two undercover officers were taking part in an assignment known as "Cops in Shops."

The officers were dressed in plain clothes and were operating an unmarked police car.

The officers were approached by an unsuspecting dark colored vehicle occupied by a male, who asked the officers if they wanted to purchase fireworks. The officers advised they were interested and agreed to follow the suspect to the rear of an area parking lot.

car, opened the trunk and displayed a collection of bottle rockets and Roman candles. The officers then identified themselves and arrested the suspect without resistance.

Arrests made in Bear bank robbery case

The Delaware State Police reported that the Tinicum Township Office in Delaware County, Pa. arrested Clauzell L. Jones, 29, and Candiace N. Evertt, 23, in connection with a string of bank robberies that occurred in New Castle County.

Among four robberies in Delaware, area banks robbed were the First Union in Meadow Wood Shopping Center on Route 2 on June 6, and Wilmington Trust Bank, Fox Run, Route 40, Bear on June 17, police reported.

Jones was also linked to a robbery of a 70-year-old woman, which took place on May 25 in the parking lot of a pharmacy on Route 9 in New Castle, police said.

They are currently being held in the Delaware County Prison awaiting an extradition hearing, police said.

Checkpoint nets 6 DUI charges

Newark police joined with other police agencies around the state this past holiday weekend to conduct

sobriety checkpoints.

On Saturday, July 5, from 11:30 p.m. until 2:30 a.m. Sunday morning, 354 vehicles passed through a NPD roadblock on New London Road at Scotch Pine Road.

Lt. Tom LeMin, head of Newark's traffic unit, said 31 of the drivers were given field sobriety tests.

Six DUI arrests were made. Two drivers were cited for not wearing seatbelts. Six other traffic charges and one criminal impersonation summons were issued, LeMin said.

The checkpoint was the latest in a series of such roadblocks conducted by Newark officers as part of the state Office of Highway Safety's "Checkpoint Strikeforce" anti-DUI

Fireworks arrests

An officer on patrol reported he saw the explosion at 1:17 a.m. on Sunday, July 6. After investigating, Daniel Ronald Criel was charged and released pending a court appearance.

After a Newark police officer on patrol saw a man light a firework in the unit block Prospect Avenue at 11:53 p.m. on Friday, July 4, Edward C. Ruggerio, of Wallingford, Pa., a University of Delaware student, was charged with possession of fireworks, police reported.

Ruggerio was released pending a court appearance. Other fireworks in back pack were confiscated by

Warrant pending

Newark police said a warrant for endangering the welfare of a child is pending following an incident in the unit block Blue Hen Ridge.

Officers reported they were called to the home at 12:54 a.m. on Saturday, July 5, after a man, who had reportedly consumed a large amount of alcohol earlier at a July 4th picnic, was threatening suicide in the basement of the home. Police were told he was holding a handgun. Two children, ages 13 and 16, and other adults were in the home at the

Police arrived and took a 40-yearold man into custody. No shots were fired and there were no injuries. The man was checked at the Christiana Hospital emergency room and later transferred to the Rockford Center.

'Drivers, stop your engines' nets arrests

In a continuation of last summer's successful "Drivers, stop your engines" campaign, the Newark Police Department again began conducting supplemental enforcement patrols throughout the city in an

effort to combat illegal street racing.

The campaign is supported through a grant from the State of Delaware's Office of Highway

As a result of these patrols, the following arrests were made in June:

Twenty-one drivers were

charged with speeding;

Three drivers were charged with DUI;

■ Three drivers were charged with failure to wear their seatbelts;

■ Two drivers were charged with possession of marijuana;

■ Two drivers were charged with underage consumption of alcohol;

One driver was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia;

■ One driver was charged with

unsafe lane change;

One driver was charged with disregarding a stop sign; and

■ Eleven drivers were charged with other miscellaneous offenses.

■ Police Blotter is compiled each week from the files of the Newark Police Department, New Castle County Police and the Delaware State Police by the newspaper staff.



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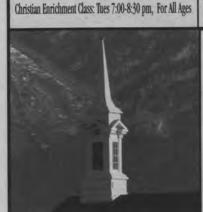


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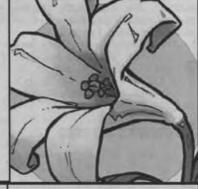
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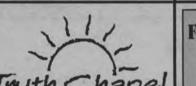
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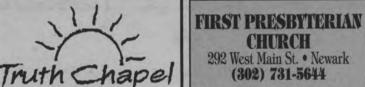
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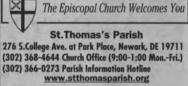
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Brasier. Schwalbauch named to dean's list

Newark residents Cherita Derek Brasier and C. Schwalbauch have been named to the dean's list at Johnson & Wales University based in Providence, R.I.

To receive dean's list commendation, students must earn a cumulative grade point average of of 3.4 or above.

Tatnall named to president's list

Newark resident Jeffrey Tatnall has been named to the president's honor roll for the 2003 spring semester University of Wyoming.

The president's honor roll consists of undergraduates who earned a 4.0 grade point average for the semester.

Streit reports to **Colorado Springs**

Tyler C. Streit, 18, a 2003 Newark High School graduate, reported June 26 for Basic Cadet Training at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. After basic, the academic year begins Aug. 7.

Area residents receive degrees from Emory

The following area residents

received degrees from from Emory College in Atlanta, Georgia: Linda Mason, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Dan Edison Mason, received a bachelor of arts degree; and Jennifer Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Smith, received a bachelor of arts degree. In addition, Smith was named to the dean's list.

Doherty named to honor's list at Oxford

Ryan Doherty, son of James J. Doherty Jr. and Gayle Doherty of Newark, was named to the honor's list at Oxford College, in Georgia.

To be named to the honor's list, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Fogg, Person named to dean's list

Newark residents Doretha Fogg and Neva Person have been named to the dean's list for academic excellence at Springfield College in Massachusetts. Both are juniors majoring in human

Detweiler named to dean's list

Newark resident Kieren J. Detweiler has been named to the dean's list at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa.

Detweiler is the daughter of

Donald Detweiler of Newark.

Cleary cited

Newark resident Molly Caitlin Cleary has been named to the dean's list at Drew University in Madison, N.J.

Walton graduates from Savannah College

Newark resident Thomas Walton recently graduated from the Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia. Walton received a master of architecture degree in architecture.

Locals named to president's list

Newark resident Corrie Scarberry and Bear resident Christine Ndoko have been named to the president's list at Cecil Community College.

Johnston receives scholarship

Newark resident M. Andrew Johnston has received a \$1,000 McClure Brandywine Scholarship to major in entomology at the University Delaware.

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Residents graduate **Kings College**

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