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The region experienced a chilly start to April, but springtime weather briefly emerged last weekend, when the temperature surpassed 80 degrees. With the warm weather came a spectacular show of color in Newark parks, thanks to a number of flowering trees and spring flowers. **Above:** Daffodils bloom in Lewis Park. **Right:** A jogger passes a magnolia tree as he runs along the James F. Hall Trail. **Below:** A lone daffodil blooms under the canopy of a flowering tree near the Hall Trail.



## Officials making case for referendum

New details released as city begins pitching borrowing plan

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With Newark's capital referendum just two months away, city officials have begun making their pitch to voters.

On Monday, officials held the first of up to nine town hall forums to answer questions and urge residents to authorize the city to take on more than \$26 million in debt.

"We're going to be full-court press trying to do education," Tom Coleman, acting city

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## Texting while driving? NPD is keeping watch

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From his elevated position along Main Street on a recent afternoon, Sgt. Curt Davis kept a close watch over the cars passing by, observing each driver for signs of distracted behavior.

He watched as a woman in a Honda approached, with her left hand on the wheel and her right hand typing out a text message on her phone. Davis, dressed in plain clothes, grabbed his police radio.

"Red Honda. Cellphone," Davis said, alerting a group of officers a couple hundred yards down the road.

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# Police: Assailants used slurs while assaulting man at party

By JOSH SHANNON

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A 23-year-old man was assaulted at an off-campus party in Newark last Friday, and police are investigating the incident as a possible hate crime, authorities said.

The incident happened around 6 p.m. in the unit block of North Chapel Street, according to Sgt. Gerald Bryda, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

"Investigating officers learned from witnesses that the victim was involved in an altercation at a party," Bryda said. "The victim was then assaulted by several people at the party."

During the assault, the assailants used slurs in reference to the victim's sexual orientation, Bryda said.

The victim was carried away from the incident while witnesses called 911, Bryda said. An ambulance took the man to Christiana Hospital to be treated for a fractured leg.

Bryda added that police

are still investigating the circumstances that led up to the assault, which happened in the yard of a house. Witnesses provided at least one cellphone video of the incident.

"Possible suspects are being investigated," Bryda said, adding police believe there were at least two assailants, possibly more. The victim did not know his attackers, police said.

Delaware law defines a hate crime as any offense in which the perpetrator "selects the victim because of the victim's race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin or ancestry."

Bryda said police will consider hate crime charges in this incident because of the slurs used, but officers have not yet made a final determination.

"We have to investigate further what led up to this case," he said. "Was the fight just because of that reason [the victim's sexual orientation], or were the slurs said in the heat of a fight?"

In a statement, University of Delaware President Dennis Assanis said the assailants are believed to be UD students.

"This kind of reprehensible behavior is not tolerated at the University of Delaware," Assanis said. "We will take all appropriate measures in the student conduct process to ensure any offenders are held accountable for their actions."

The NBC affiliate in Philadelphia identified the victim as Rancel Valdez.

Valdez, who is not a UD student, told the station that he was waiting for a friend to come out of the bathroom when a fraternity member told him to leave the party, called him a slur and pushed him from behind. Others then joined the attack.

"I didn't even look their way or nothing. They all just came to me," Valdez told the TV station.

Anyone with additional information about this case is asked to contact Officer Andrew Maiura at AMaiura@newark.de.us or 302-366-7100 ext. 3495.

## The week ahead

**Food truck festival:** Tonight, 5 to 8 p.m., at Market East Plaza, 276 E. Main St. The Newark Arts Alliance and other businesses in Market East Plaza will host a food truck festival featuring 10 food trucks/vendors, face painting and other activities.

**Concert:** Tonight, 7 p.m., at Amy E. duPont Music Building, 100 Orchard Road. The U.S. Army Blues will perform a jazz show. Free.

**Play:** Tonight, Saturday and Thursday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m., at Chapel Street Playhouse, 27 N. Chapel St. Chapel Street Players will perform "The Memory of Water," which is the story of three sisters who come together on the eve of their mother's funeral, each haunted by their own demons; yet they use humor as an antidote to tragedy. Tickets \$5-\$18. Call 302-368-2248 or visit chapelstreetplayers.org.

**Earth Day volunteer event:** Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon at the George Wilson Center, 303 New London Road. The Newark Parks and Recreation Department needs volunteers to help in the city's various parks.

**Kids' Greenfest:** Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at NCCL school, 401 Phillips Ave. Intended to promote environmental sustainability, the event includes live music, hands-on activities for kids, animal presentations and more. Free.

**Fix-it Cafe:** Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Glasgow Park Bank Barn, 2275 Pulaski Highway. Attendees can bring a broken lamp, vacuum, waffle iron, sewing machine or other item and work beside an experienced volunteer to repair the item. Free.

**Concert:** Saturday, 7:30 p.m., at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. The Newark Symphony Chamber Series presents Mozart's Clarinet Quintet and Taylor's Nonet in F minor, with winds, strings and piano featuring Christine Delbeau. The UD Singin' Hens will also be featured. Adults \$20, seniors \$15, students \$10, free for kids in eighth grade and younger.

**Concert:** Sunday, 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Newark, 292 W. Main St. The Chesapeake Bass Band is Delaware's only all-brass concert band developed in the tradition of the British brass bands of the last century and more recently, the American Sousa-style bands of the early 1990's. The band is comprised of musicians from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. Concert will include major brass works and big band and pop tunes. Free.

**DeIDOT workshop:** Monday, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., at Shue-Medill Middle School, 1500 Capitol Trail. Residents are invited to ask questions and provide feedback about plans to improve the intersection of Capitol Trail and Red Mill Road.

**Council meeting:** Monday, 7 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. City council will discuss the next step in the referendum process and vote on a proposal to build 11 townhouse-style apartments on Benny and South Chapel streets.

**District art show reception:** Tuesday, 6 to 8 p.m., at Gauger-Cobbs Middle School, 50 Gender Road. Dozens of Christina School District students will have their art on display. The art show also will also be open April 25-27, April 30 and May 1 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and May 2 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Junior Aliyanna Robinson checks on hanging baskets inside the greenhouse at Christiana High School.



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Sophomore Murad Diggs tends to plants inside the Christiana High School greenhouse in preparation for the school's annual plant sale.

# Christiana students preparing for annual plant sale

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For the last four months, Christiana High School students have been hard at work in the three greenhouses behind the school, and next week, their efforts will pay off.

Nearly 20,000 plants, both flowers and vegetables, will be for sale to the general public during Christiana's annual four-day plant sale,

which starts next week.

"A lot of people get really excited about the plant sale each year," sophomore Luna Accursi said, adding that seeing community members admire and buy the plants makes the hard work worth it.

Approximately 100 students in teacher Katie Hawkins' plant science courses have been tending to the plants since January, when they started many of

them from seed.

"They've been going full force, I might add," Hawkins said. "We haven't stopped."

The students spend each class period working in the greenhouse, and many come in on weekends and over spring break to water the plants. During the sale, the students will assist customers and ring up orders.

"This is their program," Hawkins said. "They get to

run it."

Last year's sale brought in approximately \$11,000, which covers the program costs and also helps pay for other activities like field trips.

Over the winter, the school district used grant funding to renovate the greenhouses, adding cooling fans, an automatic watering drip system and other upgrades.

Junior Aliyanna Robinson

is in her third year participating in the plant sale and said she finds working in the greenhouse to be relaxing and rewarding.

"When you put in the work, you see the benefit," she said.

Sophomore Murad Diggs said tending to the plants is a nice break from regular classwork.

"I like the hands-on aspect more than doing paperwork," Diggs said.

"I don't really like paperwork."

"It's fun to be in the fresh air rather than an environment that's cramped and loud," Accursi added.

The sale will be open from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. April 25, 26 and 27 and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 28. Prices range from \$1 for an individual plant to \$11 for a hanging basket. Christiana High School is located at 190 Salem Church Road.

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# Firefighters conquer cops in annual wing-eating contest

By JOSH SHANNON

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Local police officers and firefighters came together Saturday afternoon to face off in a charity wing-eating contest.

The firefighters emerged victorious for the first time in the event's three-year history, eating 26 wings, compared to the cops' 19.

The competition drew a few dozen people to Grain Craft Bar + Kitchen, which donated \$1 for every wing customers bought during the event.

The firefighters chose to give their half of the proceeds to the Delaware Burn Camp, which serves young burn victims. Meanwhile, the Fraternal Order of Police contributed to Delaware Concerns of Police Survivors, which helps the families of officers killed in the line of duty.

"We're giving back to our community," said John Weatherlow, of Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company. "The people we serve every day is who we're helping. It's always great



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Chris O'Neill, of Christiana Fire Company, and Aaron Olicker, of the Newark Police Department, compete at Saturday's wing contest at Grain Craft Bar + Kitchen.

to do that."

Other participants included Gene Paulus, of Aetna; Chris O'Neill, of Christiana Fire Company; Aaron Olicker, of

the Newark Police Department; and Shane Clough and Mike Guarino, both from the New Castle County Police Department.

## Newark man dies in motorcycle crash

A Newark man died after crashing his motorcycle on a road near Lums Pond in Bear on Saturday evening, police said.

The victim was identified as 49-year-old Thomas J. Miller.

The crash happened just before 6 p.m. on Howell School Road near the intersection of Robert C. Peoples Boulevard, according to Sgt. Richard Bratz, a spokesman for Delaware State Police.

"The operator failed to negotiate the traffic roundabout circle at this intersection and struck the raised concrete curb within the inner part of the circle," Bratz said. "The motorcycle fell down onto its right side and the operator was ejected from the motorcycle off the roadway onto a yard on Howell School Road."

Miller, who was not wearing a helmet, was rushed to Christiana Hospital, where he died.

Police are continuing to investigate the crash.

way, heading north, when a vehicle stopped in the left lane to allow pedestrian to cross.

"Due to the stopped vehicle in the left lane the operator of the Nissan Altima changed lanes into the right lane," Sgt. Richard Bratz, a spokesman for Delaware State Police said. "As a result, the vehicle's front bumper struck the pedestrian in the right lane."

The pedestrian was taken to Christiana Hospital to be treated for life-threatening injuries, Bratz said.

The driver of the Nissan, a 22-year-old Newark woman, was not hurt.

Police did not identify the pedestrian or the driver.

## Man critically injured in house fire near Newark

A 66-year-old man was critically injured in a house fire east of Newark on last week.

The blaze broke out just after 8 p.m. April 12 in the unit block of Chestnut Avenue in the Roseville Park neighborhood off Capitol Trail, according to Assistant State Fire Marshal Michael G. Chionchio.

Smoke was pouring from the home when firefighters from Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company and other area fire departments arrived.

The victim was rushed to Christiana Hospital to be treated for burns and smoke inhalation, Chionchio said.

Investigators are still trying to determine the cause of the fire.

## Pedestrian struck by car near Brookside

A 68-year-old Philadelphia man is in critical condition after being struck by a car near Brookside last week.

According to state police, the crash happened April 13 on East Chestnut Hill Road just east of Martindale Drive. The striking vehicle was a 2012 Nissan Altima heading west in the left lane.

The pedestrian was crossing both lanes of the high-

# Second suspect arrested in UD campus armed robbery

By JOSH SHANNON

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Police in New Jersey have arrested a second man suspected in the February on-campus robbery of a University of Delaware student.

Markwon D. Ross, 21, was apprehended last week by the Salem County Police Department and is in the Salem County Jail awaiting extradition, UD Police said.

The first suspect, 26-year-old Kimar T. Johnson, was arrested Feb. 28 by the

Delaware River and Bay Authority Police while driving the vehicle he used during the robbery, police said.

The two men allegedly approached the 21-year-old student at 2:40 a.m. Feb. 14 in a parking lot near Thomas McKean Residence Hall, which is located on Laird Campus off New London Road, according to UD police.

As one man pointed a handgun at the student, the other tackled him to the ground, police said. The victim's wallet fell out of his pocket, and one of the

men stole it. The other man demanded the victim's cell phone, and the victim complied.

Police used surveillance footage to locate the suspects' vehicle and identify the men.

Both Ross and Johnson are facing charges of first-degree robbery, second-degree conspiracy, possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony, wearing a disguise during the commission of a felony and third-degree criminal trespass.

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# Trashy Women art collective exhibits upcycled treasures

By **DARA MCBRIDE**  
Special to the Post

The work on display at the Newark Arts Alliance this spring is trash. But in a good way.

Green-coated wire sprouts from a pile of stacked buttons, effectively creating a face framed by long, funky hair. Delicate curls of wire hold a series of round miniature light bulbs in place on a mobile of camera parts. A face formed from a table and its dismembered legs gives a quizzical smile, while nearby a circle of elegantly disjointed stained glass looks on like a giant blue eye.

The artworks of the Trashy Women, a collective of nine women artists from Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania, are featured in the arts alliance gallery through April 27.

As group founder Maggie Creshkoff explains, the artists “gather the detritus of the world and turn it into something beautiful.”

“I find that making work out of discards and detritus is always exciting; it’s as if you get to see the world fresh each time unlikely materials come together in a new way,” said Creshkoff, a Port Deposit, Md., artist whose work ranges from her “Rusty Angels” sculptures to more traditional wheel-spun pottery made from Maryland clay.



“Winter Glass” by Dragonfly Leathrum hangs alongside other works from the Trashy Women at the Newark Arts Alliance.

Creshkoff said her inspiration for the group’s name came from the Dumpster Divas of Philadelphia. The first form of the Trashy Women came together more than 10 years ago when there was an opening through Maryland’s Cecil County Arts Council to show at the Chesapeake City Town Hall gallery.

Members have changed over the years, but there is always a core of curious, supportive local women. In

addition to Creshkoff, the current “trashies” include: Sue Eyet, Caryn Hetherston, Dragonfly Leathrum, Jo Pinder, Donna Steck-McMahon, Trebs Thompson, Jamie Troiani and Mindy Ward.

In the same way Creshkoff creates through both pottery and mixed media sculpture, others in the group balance multiple mediums. Several are also art educators, teaching in schools, their own private studios, the Delaware

Art Museum and Cecil College.

Works in the show are new and often reflective of what the artists are experiencing, especially when creating with objects from their personal lives.

“See that the surface of things is not all that there is,” Creshkoff encouraged viewers. “Just like people, there’s more than meets the eye.”

The Trashy Women have exhibited in the past at the



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“#27” by Sue Eyet is on display at the Newark Arts Alliance. Eyet is a resident artist and instructor at Ashley Addiction Treatment in Maryland, and will be teaching a mobile-making class at Peters Valley School of Craft in New Jersey this summer.

arts alliance and their reputation in the area has brought in a number of visitors, as well as led to early sales of a few pieces, said NAA executive director Linda Majewski. There’s a sense of excitement walking into the gallery for the Trashy Women show, Majewski said, because visitors know they are in for a surprise.

“Obviously, it’s really unusual and you never quite know what you’re going to get,” Majewski said. “It’s just amazing the way they find these things and put them together.”

The Trashy Women are in

the works of planning future local shows. Their exhibit, filled with unexpected faces found in unexpected items, has also served as an appropriate lead into the art alliance’s next show. “Let’s Face It,” featuring works in any medium capturing the human face, will be on display May 1 through June 1.

The gallery is open most days from 12 to 4 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 12 to 7 p.m., and is closed Mondays and Sundays. More information on the Trashy Women and other upcoming arts alliance events can be found at [www.newarkartsalliance.org](http://www.newarkartsalliance.org).

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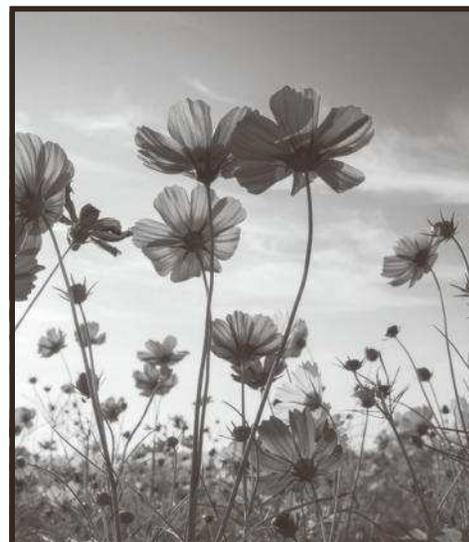
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# Marshall Elementary students are finalists in Philadelphia Zoo contest

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Jennifer Watkins' fifth-grade class at Marshall Elementary School has been chosen as a finalist for the Philadelphia Zoo's Unless Contest, which is focused on environmental

and conservation themes.

During the open application process, participating classes provide the zoo with an initial project proposal. Following the application process and over the course of their project, participating classes

have the opportunity to visit the zoo for a class and participate in a virtual class to learn about a conservation topic and how it impacts wildlife.

Final project reports are reviewed by a panel of independent

judges, who choose the awardees.

This year, students had the opportunity to choose one of four different critically endangered species to be the face of their campaign, and the Marshall students chose Guam kingfishers. Their

goal will be to get their communities involved to help them reduce the human impact on climate change and keep these species from going extinct.

Students will travel to the zoo on May 10th for the awards ceremony.



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# Patriots' Ansah signs to play basketball at Wilmington University

## Newark Charter athlete overcomes leg injury

By JON BUZBY

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Emily Ansah led the Newark Charter Patriots girls basketball team in every major category midway through her senior season.

On offense, she was the team's leading scorer, averaging 16.8 points per game. On defense, she averaged a team-best 12 rebounds and 1.5 blocks.

As her team approached the homestretch of the season, it seemed as if nothing could stop her.

But something did.

Newark Charter was leading McKean by 20 points in the second quarter on Feb. 6 when Ansah stole the ball and drove hard to the basket.

"Next thing I know, I'm breathing heavy with my back on the ground and my leg hanging in the air feeling almost numb after [hearing a] big pop," she recalled. "I couldn't move my leg at all. I immediately closed my eyes and thought to myself, 'It can't be as bad as it feels right now.'"

Ansah would soon find out that the diagnosis was in fact as bad as the pain when she was told she tore



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Newark Charter School senior Emily Ansah signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball at Wilmington University.

her anterior cruciate ligament. Her season as a player was over. But her season as a teammate was not.

"After my injury, I was still an important asset on the team," she said. "Not physically, but mentally. For my team, I was still the motivation they needed. The energy came from me. The talking came from me."

With their star player now forced off the court and into the self-appointed role of motivator, Newark Charter lost just one more regular-

season game and made the state tournament for the first time in school history. However, Newark Charter's first trip to the postseason was short-lived as the Patriots fell to Sussex Central in the opening round.

"We were not able to compete in the state tournament without her," head coach Bob Massaferi said. "When she was on the court, she was a dominant force at times."

While Ansah's high school career ended with first-team all-conference and all-state honorable mention recognition, missing the last several games of her senior season was not how the 5-foot-11 guard/forward wanted her basketball career to end. Ansah had already received interest from more than 10 colleges, but with an injury that for some is career-ending, all of a sudden her future was up in the air.

"I was a bit shaky when it came to telling college coaches about my injury," she admitted. "I was extremely hesitant, but realizing that they just show up to my games so often, I had to inform them."

Wilmington University made it clear that the injury did not change their mind about wanting Ansah in a Wildcat uniform.

"I will never forget their words: 'The offer still stands,'" Ansah said. "I knew my career was not over because I am a strong athlete, men-

tally. There are so many athletes who recover from injuries all the time and I knew I would be able to do the same. Of course, with plenty of work. But it is possible and I am confident now that I will make a great recovery in a quick time span."

Ansah officially became a Wildcat on April 12 when she signed a National Letter of Intent to accept a full scholarship. The ceremony was held at the Greater Newark Boys and Girls Club, where Ansah spent the past two years playing for the AAU Lady Sharks.

"Emily immediately fit into our program because she loves to be in the gym and is always looking to improve," Lady Sharks head coach Amber Hickman-Taylor said. "Her natural athletic ability catches your eye when you first see her play, but it's her intensity throughout the game and her defensive ability that turned college coaches' heads and kept them intrigued."

It was a combination of factors that convinced Ansah to remain in the First State, but none more important to her than family – both the one she grew up with and the one she looks forward to meeting.

"My family is my foundation," she explained. "Visiting the school and attending the games just felt right for some reason. Like I belonged there. Coach (Rob) Miller and Coach (Mike) Doody would

contact me on a day-to-day basis like I was already a part of the Wildcat family. I'm a huge community kid; it only feels right to stay at home."

Ansah hopes to earn a degree in psychology in three years and then pursue a master's degree before pursuing a career working with youth. But for now, her focus is on recovering from the knee injury.

"My rehab is going great," she said. "I am confident that with the rehab process [I'm going through] that I will recover in a shorter time span than most."

## Glasgow High girls soccer alumni game

The Glasgow High girls soccer alumni game is Saturday, April 28, at the Glasgow football stadium. All former players are invited to attend.

## Hall of Fame to induct nine

Nine men and women have been selected for induction into the Delaware Sports Museum and Hall of Fame. The banquet is Tuesday, May 22, at the Chase Center on the Riverfront in Wilmington. Tickets are \$65 each. For a list of inductees and to purchase tickets visit [www.desports.org/events](http://www.desports.org/events). The deadline for reserving tickets is Friday, May 11.

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Peace marchers participate in a group prayer outside New Ark United Church of Christ on Saturday.

## Sikhs lead interfaith march for peace, tolerance in Newark

By JOSH SHANNON  
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People of all faiths joined local Sikhs for a peace march down Main Street on Saturday morning.

Now in its second year, the march coincided with the holiday of Vaisakhi, which is the day in 1699 when Sikhism was officially proclaimed as an independent religion.

As part of the event, Sikh leaders showed followers of other religions how to wear turbans, and the marchers ended at New Ark United Church of Christ where several participants and faith leaders spoke.

Before the march, participants used sand to create snowflakes on the ground to represent their diversity. At the end, they joined

together to create a large snowman.

"Snowflakes are unique, but for the sake of peace they come together to make a snowman," organizer Charanjeet Singh Minhas said, explaining the symbolism.

The peace walk was part of Sikh Awareness and Appreciation Month in Delaware and was intended as a way for Sikh leaders to educate people about their faith in an attempt to promote tolerance.

That need for tolerance was evident Saturday, when a group of men in a pickup truck yelled slurs as they drove past the marchers.

"I pray to God that he blesses them," Minhas said. "Over time, I hope the movement for peace will overcome their objections."

## New traffic signal intended to ease congestion at Delaware Ave. crossing

By JOSH SHANNON  
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Relief is finally coming to one of Newark's most frustrating pedestrian crossings.

On Friday, workers will install a traffic signal and pedestrian signals on Delaware Avenue where the University of Delaware Green intersects with the road.

The signal will be on flash through the weekend and then be activated Monday morning.

Currently, cars have to stop whenever a pedestrian wishes to cross. During peak class-change times at UD, long lines of students can keep traffic stopped for several minutes at a time.

In recent years, UD has stationed a police officer at Delaware Avenue to periodically stop pedestrians and keep traffic moving, but city officials say a signalized crosswalk coordinated with the traffic signal at South College Avenue will significantly improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow, especially during class changes.

The signal will be timed with the light at Delaware Avenue and South College Avenue. When that light turns red for Delaware Avenue traffic, so too will the new light at the crosswalk,



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

University of Delaware students cross Delaware Avenue on Wednesday afternoon. Starting Monday, the crossing will be controlled by a traffic signal.



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A police officer stops traffic as University of Delaware students cross Delaware Avenue on Wednesday afternoon.

allowing pedestrians to cross. When traffic has a green light, pedestrians will be required to stop or face jaywalking fines.

UD Police officers will be stationed at the crosswalk for the rest of the semester "providing guidance" to those crossing, a UD spokesperson said.

The \$84,390 cost of the signal will be split by the city and the university. Originally, taxpayers were on the hook for nearly the entire cost, but after an outcry from city council, UD agreed to increase its contribution.

In 2016, a similar signal was installed where The Green crosses Main Street.

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# Car rental facility planned for vacant lot near College Square

By **JOSH SHANNON**  
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A local developer hopes to build a car rental facility on a vacant, grassy lot near College Square Shopping Center.

Earlier this month, the planning commission unanimously endorsed the proposal, which will move on to city council for final approval.

The plan calls for building a one-story, 2,500-square-foot building at 1335 Marrows Road, located between the KFC restaurant and College Square.

The 1.8-acre site is properly zoned, but the developer, Fusco Enterprises, needs approval from the city to combine two parcels.

The building will be leased to Enterprise Rent-A-Car, according to Michael Hoffman, an attorney for Fusco.

Hoffman described the project as a “small, modest building” that will include an office, waiting area and a washing bay, into which employees can drive cars to be cleaned.

The exterior will be designed to match the newly renovated buildings in College Square.

Katie Bowring, a spokeswoman for Enterprise, said the new location is slated to open this fall and replace the Enterprise location on Cleveland Avenue. The company’s Newark Shopping Center location will remain open.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Fusco Enterprises is seeking approval to build an Enterprise Rent-A-Car facility on this vacant lot between KFC and College Square on Marrows Road.

# Historical society sponsors talk on history of Herman’s

POST STAFF REPORT

Christine Herman told stories from her family’s 50 years running Herman’s Quality Meat Shoppe during a presentation sponsored by the Newark Historical Society on April 4 at the Newark Senior Center.

While Herman’s dates back 50 years, the business actually traces its roots to a meat shop owned by the Steele family and located on Main Street across from The Deer Park Tavern in the early 1900s. At the time, cattle were driven from farms on Ogletown Road down Main Street to be butchered at the shop.

Manlove McMullen later bought the shop and ran it for 42 years before selling it to Luther Herman – Christine’s father-in-law – in 1967. In 1970, Luther moved the shop to its current



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Christine Herman talks about the history of Herman’s Quality Meat Shoppe during a Newark Historical Society meeting earlier this month.

rent location on Cleveland Avenue, and the University of Delaware razed the old building to make way for a parking lot. Timothy and

Christine Herman bought the business in 1992.

Christine has run the business since Timothy’s death in 2008.

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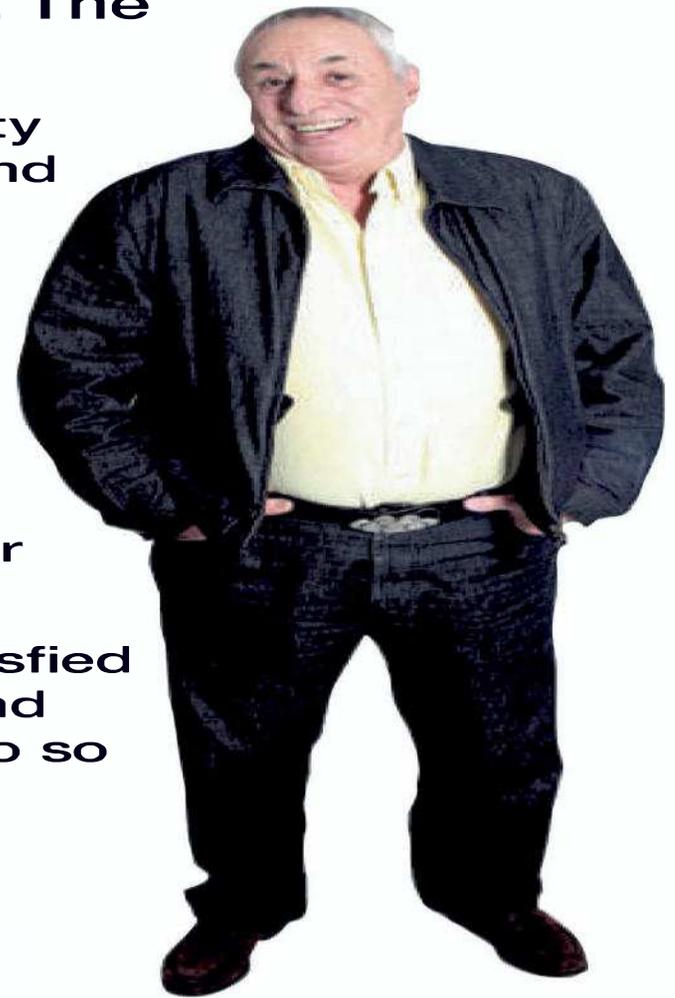
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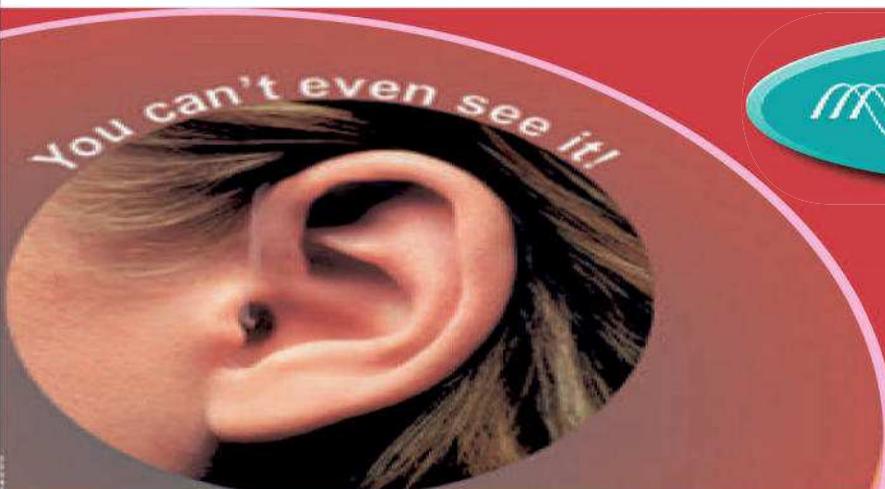
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Five people are running for two positions on the Christina School Board. Top row: Rich Jester, V.J. Leonard, Christy Mannering. Bottom row: Fred Polaski, Keeley Powell.

## Two Christina School Board election forums scheduled

### POST STAFF REPORT

Residents of the Christina School District have two upcoming opportunities to hear from the five candidates running for school board.

The Shue-Medill Middle School PTA will host a candidate forum on Wednesday, while the Downes Elementary School PTA will host one May 1. Both begin at 7 p.m. at the schools.

In the May 8 election, incumbent Fred Polaski will face off against Rich Jester,

a data scientist for JPMorgan Chase, and teacher V.J. Leonard in the District C race. In District E, two University of Delaware employees, Christy Mannering and Keeley Powell, will battle for the seat formerly held by Harrie Ellen Minnehan.

While the school board is comprised of one member from each of the seven electoral areas in the school district, anyone who lives in the district can vote in the May 8 election, even if they don't live in the electoral areas with open seats.

## AG: Deadly force justified against suspect in state trooper's death

By **RANDALL CHASE**  
Associated Press

Police were justified in using deadly force against a Delaware man who exchanged gunfire with officers during a lengthy stand-off after he fatally shot a state trooper, the attorney general's office has concluded.

In a report dated Tuesday, authorities said Burgon Sealy Jr., 26, immediately began firing at officers who converged on his family's house in Middletown after he shot and killed Cpl. Stephen Ballard in the parking lot of a Wawa in Bear in April 2017.

After a standoff of almost 20 hours, during which additional shots were fired, Sealy emerged from the home holding a handgun.

Eleven officers from local, state and federal agencies opened fire on Sealy, who fell to the ground, dropping his gun. Officers began shooting at him again as he appeared to be reaching for another gun in his waistband, investigators said. He was pronounced dead at the

scene.

"Officers who discharged their weapons stated that when Mr. Sealy exited the residence with the gun in his hand, he moved toward them purposefully and aggressively with a determined the walk," the report stated. They believed that he intended to shoot his weapon and try to kill them as he did so."

The report also noted that after shooting Ballard, Sealy told his father in a phone call that he would shoot and kill anyone that came to the house.

"I'm gonna die today," Sealy told his father in a later phone call during the standoff.

"... I think I just killed maybe two or three more cops," Sealy told his father, adding that he didn't know whether he "should just walk outside right now and start shooting and go out in a blaze of glory or wait here."

Sealy also told his mother in a phone call that he had shot a police officer and was not going to jail, according to the report.

## Out of the Attic

### Newark's 250th anniversary

This week's Out of the Attic item is a photo of then-Mayor Vance A. Funk III leading a city-wide toast on the porch of Klondike Kate's in honor of Newark's 250th anniversary in April 2008.

It was 10 years ago that Newark threw one of its biggest celebrations in recent memory to commemorate the city's 250th anniversary.

Spearheaded by Funk, the weekend-long celebration included a parade down Main Street, the burying of a time capsule, a banquet at Clayton Hall and other activities.

Visit [newarkpostonline.com/gallery](http://newarkpostonline.com/gallery) to view dozens more previously unpublished photos from that weekend.

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**Schola Cantorum**  
Sunday, April 29, 3:00 p.m.

**Kristina Fialová, viola, and Petr Nouzovsky, cello**  
Guest Artist Recital  
Monday, April 30, 8:00 p.m.

**Jazz Ensembles I and II**  
Thursday, May 3, 8:00 p.m.

**Chorale**  
Paul D. Head Anniversary Concert  
Saturday, May 5, 8:00 p.m.

**University Singers and Concert Choir**  
Sunday, May 6, 3:00 p.m.

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Tuesday, May 8, 8:00 p.m.

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Thursday, May 10, 8:00 p.m.

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# Earth Day an opportunity to keep our community clean

## Mayor's Corner

Polly Sierer



The start of spring has been a little cooler than usual, but warmer days are surely in our future and with that comes the ability to get outside and enjoy Newark's natural beauty. With 34 parks, 17 miles of trails and over 650 acres of parkland and open space, there are plenty of opportunities to explore the great outdoors right in our own backyard.

Spring is also a time to focus on what we can do to protect the environment and ensure our parks, trails and open spaces stay clean and accessible for generations to come. Each year, there are numerous opportuni-

ties to get involved, and I hope you'll join us for one or more of them in the coming months.

This past weekend, more than 180 volunteers devoted over 500 hours during our annual spring clean up. Volunteer groups helped remove trash and debris from our parklands, filling an estimated 300 trash bags and removing items that included tires, bikes, shopping carts and other items.

This important community event contributes to the Annual Christina River Watershed Cleanup. This watershed provides more than 75 percent of the water supply for those who live and work in New Castle County, and our efforts help these waterways be less polluted and improve the wildlife habitat.

Later this month, the world will come together

to celebrate Earth Day, an annual event focused on efforts to keep our planet clean and our environment healthy. To support this global movement, Newark will host an Earth Day clean up on Saturday, April 21, and an Earth Day Painting in the Park event on Sunday, April 22. We'll round out the month with an Arbor Day tree planting at Downes Elementary School on April 27 – an event I look forward to every year.

If you wish to participate in any of these events or want more information on how to best take advantage of our open spaces, please visit [www.newarkde.gov/play](http://www.newarkde.gov/play) or call the Parks & Recreation Department at 302-366-7000.

While all of these efforts are important, and have a significant impact on im-



SUBMITTED PHOTO

During Newark's community cleanup on Saturday, 181 volunteers helped collect 300 bags of trash from parks and roads around the city.

proving our open spaces, taking action to keep our community clean is a daily effort. Small acts – such as using reusable shopping bags, throwing trash away and cleaning up after your

pets outside – have a big impact on the health of our environment. Newark is a wonderful place to live, work, play and visit, and by keeping our community clean, we can be sure that

sentiment rings true decades from now.

*Polly Sierer has been mayor of Newark since 2013 and writes a monthly Mayor's Corner column. Contact her at [pasierer@comcast.net](mailto:pasierer@comcast.net).*

# Newark Senior Center offers something for everyone

## Life After 50

Carla Grygiel



It has been described as a community hub, a home away from home, a life saver. It is a place of joy where social connections occur every day – in real life – not electronically. It is a welcoming place for all levels of ability, for great fitness opportunities, stimulating enrichment classes and workshops – even a place to get a

wonderful meal.

And, best of all, this place is right here in our community – one of the treasures that make Newark a great place to live. The Newark Senior Center – is open to all who are 50 and over!

As the first and only nationally accredited senior center in the state of Delaware, the Newark Senior Center is very proud of the many programs, services and opportunities provided to serve our community. Social connection is very important at every stage of life. Members will find others with similar interest in some of our many clubs and

groups like Bible study, book groups, the Scribblers writing group, investment groups that help build knowledge and hopefully your portfolio, stamp group, coin collectors and even a golf group. There are many opportunities to learn something new, develop an old talent or skill or help share your knowledge with others.

The NSC also provides fitness options for every level of ability. Some activities are so much fun, you don't even really think of it as exercise like table tennis, line dancing or even jazzercise. Each class taught at the center focuses

on what people are able to do. A number of years ago, we adopted the tag line "no loud music, no bulging biceps, just fun!" Our fitness center is monitored, and our therapeutic pool is guarded and meeting the needs of individuals is our priority.

The Newark Senior Center works with the Newark Historical Society, the Delaware Humanity Forum and so many others to continue to provide interesting and essential programs to the community. Many of our enrichment options are included with the \$33 annual membership. There are costs associated with fitness options at

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*Carla Grygiel is executive director of the Newark Senior Center. She writes a monthly column in the Newark Post that highlights issues facing seniors in Newark.*



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# REFERENDUM

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manager, said. "It's incumbent on us to make the sale and explain to people why this is appropriate."

The exact questions for the June 19 referendum have not been finalized, but the proposal is to have three questions, which would be voted on separately. The first will ask for approval to borrow \$8.2 million for the Rodney stormwater project, the second will seek approval to borrow \$15.6 million for water and sewer projects, and the third will ask approval to borrow \$2.6 million for other capital projects.

Speaking to a couple dozen residents at the George Wilson Center, Coleman described a dire need to improve the city's aging infrastructure.

"The fact of the matter is we're facing a mountain of infrastructure needs, and I don't see any other way we're going to be able to pay for it," he said.

Currently, 12 percent of the city's water mains are considered to be at the end of their useful life, and in 15 years, that number will increase to nearly 60 percent.

"We should plan for more water main breaks and interruptions in water service," Coleman said.

If approved, the referendum would provide \$4 million to replace water mains. It would also provide nearly \$2 million to restore a well field near White Clay Creek State Park – giving the city a new, protected water source – as well as \$3 million to upgrade the water treatment plant at the south well field to ensure the city can continue to treat water drawn from the contaminated site, which was recently listed on the federal Superfund list.

The referendum would also provide nearly \$4 million to improve the sewer system.

Other projects include \$1.1 million to repave parking lots, trails and athletic courts in city parks, \$772,000 for Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades, \$232,000 to repave municipal parking lots and \$50,000 to improve the loading dock at city hall.

## Focus of referendum campaign shifts

Coleman's focus on infrastructure represents a marked shift from earlier conversations about the referendum, which for the past three years have revolved around the Rodney project.

Officials first broached the subject in 2015 when they proposed acquiring the University

## Story highlights

New referendum information revealed this week included:

- Officials have shifted their sales pitch to focus on infrastructure repairs, rather than the Rodney project
- The city envisions holding a referendum every five years to authorize a new round of borrowing
- Increased debt payments will cost residents an average of \$32 more in 2019

of Delaware's shuttered Rodney dorm complex on Hillside Road and turning the site into a regional stormwater pond that would resolve flooding issues and create a "unique recreational destination" featuring a walking trail, playground, fishing pier and other amenities.

When the city unveiled its proposed design for the site last summer, the referendum was intended to solely focus on the \$8.2 million Rodney project.

However, during the budget process last fall, officials decided to fund capital projects through debt and more than tripled the amount sought in the referendum.

"We already knew we would be talking about the referendum process," Coleman said. "We've been talking about taking on debt for several years now. It was the perfect storm of reasons to have that conversation."

Coleman acknowledged that it's harder to get people excited about water pipes than the prospect of building a new park. However, once residents understand the importance of the infrastructure projects, he hopes the need becomes apparent.

"I think they're the easier sell because it's fixing stuff we already have," he said. "For me, Rodney is the harder sell. It is addressing flooding more cost effectively than comparable options, but it is something new."

## Referendum will be first of many, officials acknowledge

If approved, the referendum would fund projects for the next five years.

After that, another referendum would be needed to fund additional infrastructure projects, Coleman acknowledged Monday.

"Realistically, we envision this being maybe a five-year cycle, where every fifth year we're back here to authorize another round of borrowing for the next five years and our debt service steps up," he said.

Historically, the city has paid for major capital projects with cash in each year's budget. For instance, the 2017 budget allotted ap-

proximately \$4.3 million for capital projects.

However, with the amount of infrastructure projects needed, funding the capital budget with cash is no longer realistic, Finance Director David Del Grande said. Debt financing spreads the cost of the projects over decades.

"Debt financing accomplishes two main goals," Del Grande said. "One is that it fairly allocates the cost of a project over its useful life. This means that today's residents and businesses are not paying the full cost of these projects today. Debt payments allow everyone to pay their fair share of the cost of the project, over the debt period."

"The other is that long-term debt has a minimal impact on the annual budget, thereby keeping the city's annual revenue requirements as low as possible. Low needs for revenue translates directly into lower utility and tax rates," he added.

The city currently has about \$15 million in debt and pays \$2.7 million in debt service payments each year, though that number will drop significantly after 2022, when the reservoir is paid off.

If the June referendum passes, the city's debt and debt service would increase for a

few years but then drop back to around current levels after the reservoir debt is eliminated.

Del Grande said that in 2019, the increase in debt service would cause residents' total bill to the city – including taxes and utilities – to increase 1 percent, equivalent to roughly \$32 per year for the average resident (Of course, that doesn't take into account any other tax increases or rate hikes that could be approved by city council for operational expenses.)

The debt service – and therefore the cost to residents – would continue to increase until 2022. It would drop in 2023, unless there is an additional referendum passed in the future.

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Tom Coleman, acting city manager, makes his case for the referendum during a town hall meeting at the George Wilson Center on Monday.

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# POLICE

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One of the officers stepped out into the road and motioned for the woman to pull over. A few minutes later, she was the recipient of a \$100 fine, one of dozens of drivers cited during the Newark Police Department's weeklong distracted driving enforcement initiative.

Police issued a total of 184 citations, including 63 for cellphone use, 39 for yield violations, 25 for seat belt violations and 25 for speeding. Officers also found seven unregistered vehicles and four drivers with suspended

licenses. Other citations included marijuana possession, failure to have insurance, red light violations and other offenses.

Lt. Fred Nelson said 48 percent of collisions in Newark last year were caused by inattentive driving, following too closely or failure to yield.

"Statistically, the primary contributing factors of collisions in Newark continue to be those that frequently result from inattention or last minute operator decisions resulting in a collision," Nelson said. "Violations such as red lights, stop signs and speed continue to be lesser prevalent causations of collisions by a significant margin."

Davis, who commands NPD's Traffic Unit, said cellphones are becoming a more and more prevalent part of driving, but the offense isn't always easy to enforce.

"Folks are getting smarter and they're holding their phones lower," Davis said. "Unless you are in a higher car or right against the roadway, it's harder to catch. But it's still happening and still causing collisions."

NPD uses a number of methods for enforcing cellphone laws, including patrolling in SUVs, riding through the streets on bicycles and even dressing up like construction workers to get a better view of drivers. However,

an operation like last Thursday's is particularly effective because it allows the officer to spot violations before the drivers spot the officer.

"Then they see those guys," Davis said, pointing to the officers on the ground, "and they're reaching for their seatbelt and dropping their phone."

From Davis' observation spot – he asked that the specific location not be disclosed – it didn't take long to begin seeing violators: a woman holding her phone in her right hand as she talked on speakerphone, a guy who scrambled to put on his seatbelt when he spotted the officers, another man with his phone up to his ear as he

cruised down the road.

In order to pull over a driver, the officer must see him or her talking on the phone or interacting with it in some way. The driver merely holding the phone is not enough to issue a ticket, and the law also provides an exception for drivers dialing a call in order to use a hands-free device.

The Traffic Unit focuses on enforcing traffic laws year-round, but Davis said the unit partnered with the Special Operations Unit earlier this month for a well-publicized, enforcement initiative as a way to send a message to drivers that Newark strictly enforces traffic laws.

"We want people to look out for us and we want people, as they drive through Newark, to drive more conservatively because they're concerned we might be out here," Davis said.

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**WOW!**  
 ELKTON, MD- 1118 SHADY BEACH ROAD  
 Saturday 4/21, 8am-3pm,  
 Yard Sale, Estate Sale and Garage Sale all at one location.

**ELKTON- Cecil Woods**  
 1801 West Pulaski Highway  
 Saturday May 5, 8am - 2pm  
 Rain date: May 12

**Yard Sales**  
 ELKTON:  
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 107 Parktowne Drive  
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**Huge Spring Sale!**  
 200 White Chapel Drive off of Marrows Road. Thursday 4/26, 5pm-7:30pm, Friday 10/27 9am-6:30pm, Saturday 10/28 9am-12noon. Clothing, kitchen items, books, linens, electronics, antiques and much more!  
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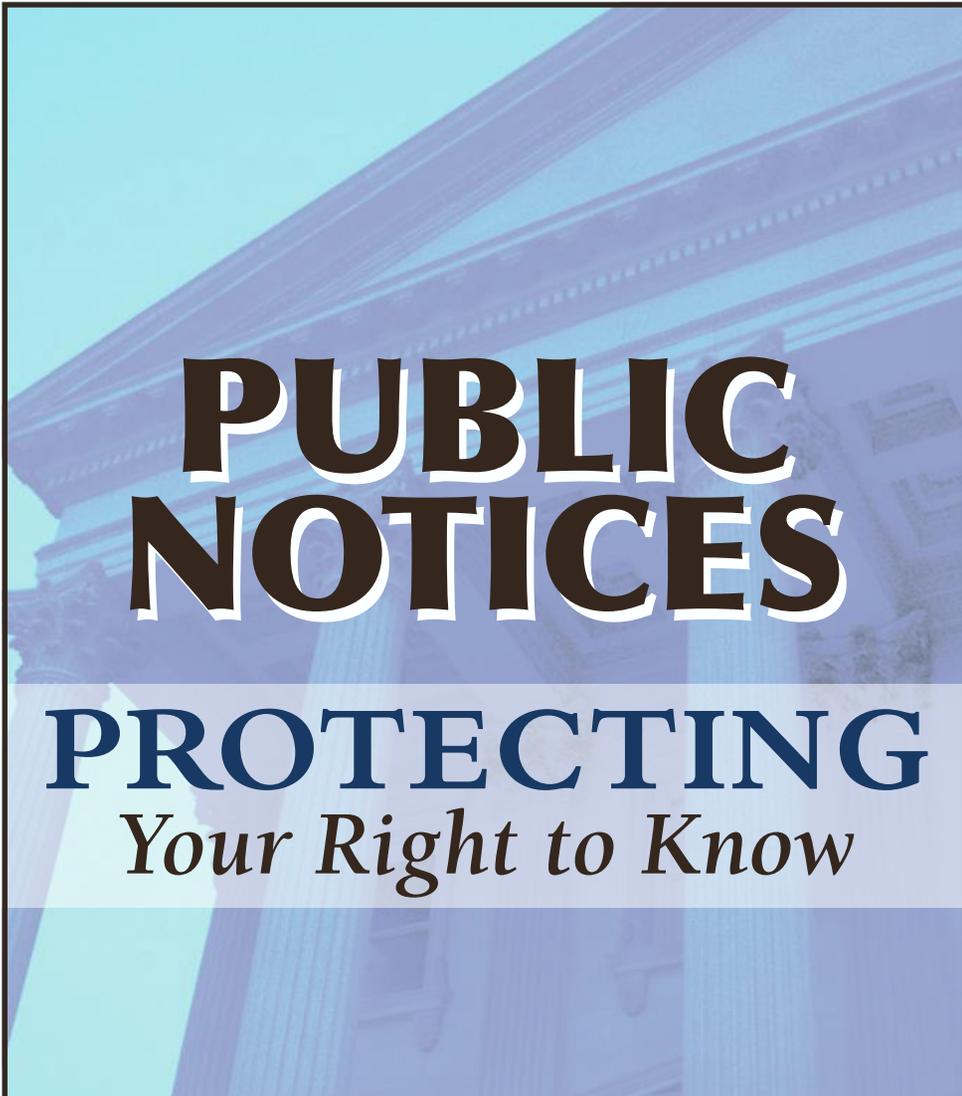

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

RETURN DATE: MAY 22, 2018 : SUPERIOR COURT  
 CIT BANK, N.A. : JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF  
 : STAMFORD/NORWALK  
 V. : AT STAMFORD  
 THE WIDOW, HEIRS AND/OR CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF BLANCHE BARRETT, ET AL. : MARCH 19, 2018

**NOTICE TO THE WIDOW, HEIRS AND/OR CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF BLANCHE BARRETT, THE WIDOW, HEIRS AND/OR CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF EDITH LEWIS, THE WIDOW, HEIRS AND/OR CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF KATHERINE GREEN AND THE WIDOW, HEIRS AND/OR CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF JANET CASSETT AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS, CLAIMING OR WHO MAY CLAIM, ANY RIGHTS, TITLE, INTEREST OR ESTATE IN OR LIEN OR ENCUMBRANCE UPON THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS COMPLAINT, ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF, WHETHER SUCH CLAIM OR POSSIBLE CLAIM BE VESTED OR CONTINGENT.**

The Plaintiff has named as a Defendant, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Blanche Barrett, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Edith Lewis, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Katherine Green and The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Janet Cassett, and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title, interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in this Complaint, adverse to the Plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent, if not living, as a party defendant(s) in the complaint which it is bringing to the above-named Court seeking a foreclosure of its mortgage upon premises known as 73 Truman Street, Norwalk, CT.

The Plaintiff has represented to the said Court, by means of an affidavit annexed to the Complaint, that, despite all reasonable efforts to ascertain such information, it has been unable to determine the identity and/or whereabouts of The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Blanche Barrett, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Edith Lewis, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Katherine Green and The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Janet Cassett, and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title, interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in this Complaint, adverse to the Plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent, if not living.

Now, Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED that notice of the institution of this action be given to said The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Blanche Barrett, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Edith Lewis, The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Katherine Green and The Widow, Heirs and/or Creditors of the Estate of Janet Cassett and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title, interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in this Complaint, adverse to the Plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent, by some proper officer causing a true and attested copy of this Order of Notice to be published in the Newark Post, once a week for 2 successive weeks, commencing on or before May 3, 2018, and that return of such service be made to this Court.

BY THE COURT  
 By: Amy Melashrili  
 Judge/Clerk

np 4/20/27 2777763



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The household goods and personal effects of the following person will be sold at public auction on the premises of Delaware Moving and Storage Inc.  
214 Bear Christiana Road, Bear, DE 19701 on Wed May 2, 2018  
Travanion Norton  
Wilmington, DE  
np 4/20,27 2778119

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
A Public Auction will be held on April 27, 2018 at 10 AM for the contents of storage unit #23B. Felecia Floyd. Contents are bed, mattress, misc boxes of unknown items. The Auction will be held at **Affordable Mini-Storage**  
120 Brookside Drive  
Wilmington, DE 19804  
np 4/13,20 2774859

**GARAGE KEEPER SALE**  
**6 NORTH PARK DRIVE**  
**WILMINGTON, DE 19805**  
**MAY 31, 2018 @ 10:00 AM**

00 TOYOTA CAMRY ..... VIN #4T1BE46K59U353202  
2005 BUICK LACROSSE ..... VIN #2G4WD532251221843  
2013 FORD FUSION ..... VIN #3FA6P0HR2DR171238  
2012 TOYOTA CAMRY ..... VIN #4T1BF1FK1CU063333  
2011 MITS LANCER ..... VIN #JA32U8FW4BU040096  
2002 VOLVO V70 ..... VIN #YV1SZ58D321074166  
2008 HONDA ACCORD ..... VIN #1HGCP26468A026883  
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2008 FORD ESCAPE ..... VIN #1FMCU03Z48KB44111  
np 4/20 2778448

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**CITY OF NEWARK**  
**DELAWARE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

April 23, 2018 – 6:00 P.M. – CC

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

**MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(4) for the purpose of a strategy session involving legal advice from an attorney-at-law, with respect to potential litigation when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body
- B. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(4) for the purpose of a strategy session involving legal advice from an attorney-at-law, with respect to potential litigation when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body
- C. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (4) and (9) for the purpose of a strategy session involving legal advice from an attorney-at-law, with respect to potential litigation when an open meeting would have an adverse effect on the litigation position of the public body and for discussing personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees are discussed
- D. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (9) for the purpose of discussing personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees are discussed

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

**RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

- A. Potential votes on settlement agreements

**SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- \*1. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:** None

2. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**

- A. Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers
- B. University
  - (1) Administration (5 minutes per speaker)
  - (2) Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker)
- C. Lobbyist
- D. City Manager
- E. Council Members
- F. Public (3 minutes per speaker)

3. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of Council Minutes – March 26, 2018
- B. Receipt of Alderman's Report – April 12, 2018
- C. Receipt of Planning Commission Parking Subcommittee Minutes – March 1, 2018
- D. Receipt of Planning Commission Minutes – March 6, 2018
- E. Receipt of Real Estate Tax Assessment Quarterly Supplemental Roll – April 1, 2018
- F. Approval of Polling Places for June 19, 2018 Referendum
- G. **First Reading – Bill 18-10** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 22, Police Offenses, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, to Define and Prohibit Unlawful Activity on Rooftops – **Second Reading – May 14, 2018**
- H. **First Reading – Bill 18-11** – An Ordinance Annexing and Zoning to RH (Single-family Detached Residential) 2.22 Acres Located at 3 and 5 Bridlebrook Road – **Second Reading – May 14, 2018**

4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None

\*5. **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:**

- A. Appointment of Christopher Rogers to the Vacant At-Large Position on the Board of Adjustment For a Term to Expire September 15, 2019
- B. Appointment of Susan Poley to the Vacant Resident Position on the Pension Committee For a Term to Expire June 30, 2019

\*6. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

- A. **Resolution No. 18-\_\_**: A Resolution Authorizing Voluntary Participation in 457 Deferred Compensation Plan
- B. **Resolution No. 18-\_\_**: Proposing Bond and Certificate of Indebtedness Referendum

\*7. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**

- A. Recommendation on Change Order for Contract No. 16-12 – Windy Hills to Red Mill Road Water Main Extension
- B. Authorization for City Manager to Enter Into a Contract Related to Yard Restoration Work at 576 Capitol Trail
- C. Recommendation on the Award of Contract No. 17-05 – Curtis Water Treatment Plant Improvements and to Waive the Bid Process in Accordance with City Code for the Purchase of Chemical Storage Tanks and Feed Systems Associated with Contract 17-05

\*8. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** (Ending January 31, 2018)

\*9. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**

- A. **Bill 18-08** – An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Development Plan by Changing the Designation of Property Located at 24 and 30 Benny Street
- B. **Bill 18-09** – An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Rezoning from RD (One-Family Semidetached Residential) to RM (Multi-family Residential/Garden Apartments) 0.44 Acres Located at 24 and 30 Benny Street

\*10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:**

- A. Request of English Creek, LLC for a Major Subdivision with Site Plan Approval In Order to Demolish the Three Existing Structures and Construct 11 Six-Bedroom Townhouse-Style Apartments with Associated Parking on 0.85 Acres Located at 24 and 30 Benny and 155 South Chapel Streets (**Subdivision Agreement and Resolution Attached**) (See 9-A and 9-B)

\*11. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**

- A. **Council Members:**
  1. **Resolution No. 18-\_\_**: Retirement of Carolyn Molitor, Purchasing Assistant
  2. **Resolution No. 18-\_\_**: Jerry W. Fickes, Jr. Trail – Councilman Clifton
- B. **Others:** None

\*OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Agenda Posted – April 16, 2018

**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE  
ELECTION BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**April 24, 2018 – 5:00 PM  
Mayor's Conference Room**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2018 Election Board Meeting
3. Approval of April 10, 2018 Election Audit
4. April 10, 2018 Election Wrap-up
5. Committee Update Regarding Dates for the 2018 City Referendum Election
  - A. Tuesday, June 19, 2018 – Election
  - B. Monday, May 14, 2018 – Referendum Questions to be Determined by Council
  - C. Monday, May 29, 2018 – Voter Registration Deadline
  - D. Thursday, June 21, 2018 – Election Board Certification Meeting
6. New Business
  - A. Discussion and Assignment of Pre-Election Duties
  - B. Discussion and Assignment of Recruitment of Absentee Election Judges
  - C. Discussion of Election Day Preparation Duties
  - D. Other New Business
7. Adjournment

**Agenda Posted – April 17, 2018**

np 4/20

278544

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Alexander Gendreau, residing at 13 Nicole Court, Newark, DE 19702, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
Alexander Gendreau  
4/17/18  
2778593  
np 4/20

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Mark Hynson Jr., residing at 817 Old Harmony Road, Newark, DE 19711, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
Mark Hynson Jr.  
4/11/18  
2777796  
np 4/20

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
JERIME SNOH DOUGLAS  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
JEROME SNOH SNEH  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JERIME SNOH DOUGLAS intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to JEROME SNOH SNEH.  
JERIME SNOH DOUGLAS  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/4/2018  
278021  
np 4/20,27,5/4

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Lorraine Marie DiVirgilis, residing at 401 W. Hanna Drive, Newark, DE 19702, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
Lorraine Marie DiVirgilis  
4/17/18  
2778629  
np 4/20

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Steven Howard Blevins, residing at 4 Solo Court, Newark, DE 19713, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.  
Steven Howard Blevins  
4/16/18  
2778453  
np 4/20

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
ALEXYS NOEL TURNER  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ALEXYS NOEL SALINAS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ALEXYS NOEL TURNER intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to ALEXYS NOEL SALINAS.  
ALEXYS NOEL TURNER  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/14/2018  
278460  
np 4/20,27,5/4

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
SAVANNA JADE TURNER  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
SAVANNA JADE SALINAS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WENDY TURNER intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to SAVANNA JADE SALINAS.  
WENDY TURNER  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/14/2018  
278461  
np 4/20,27,5/4

**GARAGE KEEPER SALE**  
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WILMINGTON, DE 19805  
MAY 25, 2018 @ 10:00 AM

2008 CHEV MALIBU ..... VIN #1G1ZG57B08F166219  
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2000 MERZ S430 ..... VIN #WDBNG70JOYA049397  
2011 HONDA ACCORD ..... VIN #1HGCP2F35BA151632  
2010 FORD MUSTANG ..... VIN #1ZVBP8ENXA5168348  
2010 FORD FUSION ..... VIN #3FAHP0DC6AR151287  
2007 AUDI Q7 ..... VIN #WA1AV74L47D073761  
2015 CHRY 200 ..... VIN #1C3CCCAB7FN628885  
1994 ACURA INTEGRA ..... VIN #JH4DC4358RS030161  
2007 CHEV COLBALT ..... VIN #1G1AL55F277375422  
np 4/20 2778446

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
PENELOPE FERN RAMSEY  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
PENELOPE FERN RUSSELL  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ERIN RUSSELL intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to PENELOPE FERN RUSSELL.  
ERIN RUSSELL  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/17/2018  
278505  
np 4/20,27,5/4

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
COREY SAMUEL McKNIGHT  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
COREY SAMUEL MUHAMMAD  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that COREY SAMUEL McKNIGHT intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to COREY SAMUEL MUHAMMAD.  
COREY SAMUEL McKNIGHT  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/4/2018  
276636  
np 4/20,27,5/4

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
HASEEBULLAH SIDDIQUI  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
HASEEB SIDDIQUI  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HASEEBULLAH SIDDIQUI intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to HASEEB SIDDIQUI.  
SHAFIQUE ASLAM  
SHAHIDA BEGUM  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/16/2018  
278464  
np 4/20,27,5/4

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
JUANA RIOS RAMOS  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
JUANITA RIOS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JUANA RIOS RAMOS intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to JUANITA RIOS.  
JUANA RIOS RAMOS  
Petitioner  
Dated: 4/11/2018  
277742  
np 4/20,27,5/4

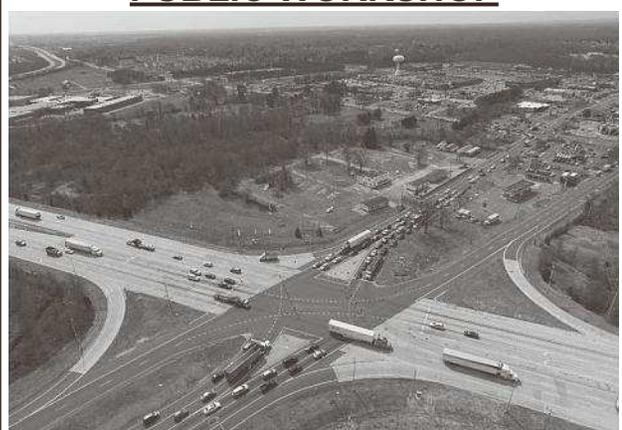
THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
ANGELINA ROSETTA CAPANO JACKSON  
DOMENICO FRANCESCO CAPANO JACKSON  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ANGELINA ROSETTA CAPANO  
DOMENICO FRANCESCO CAPANO  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ALICIA CAPANO intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor children's names to ANGELINA ROSETTA CAPANO and DOMENICO FRANCESCO CAPANO.  
ALICIA CAPANO  
Petitioner  
Dated: 3/29/2018  
275328  
np 4/6,13,20

**FAMILY COURT FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE  
NOTICE OF FAMILY COURT ACTION**  
TO: Michael Clavijo, Respondent(s)  
Petitioner, Carol Antonelli has filed a Rule to Show Cause petition against you in the Family Court of the State of Delaware for Kent County on March 20, 2018. If you do not file an answer with the Family Court within 20 days after publication of this notice, exclusive of the date of publication, as required by statute, this action will be heard in Family Court without further notice. Petition # 18-08381  
IF YOU WISH TO REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY IN THIS MATTER BUT CANNOT AFFORD ONE, YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO HAVE THE COURT APPOINT AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU FOR FREE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CLERK OF THE COURT AT FAMILY COURT.  
np 4/20 277358



Delaware Department of Transportation  
Jennifer Cohan, Secretary

**PUBLIC WORKSHOP**



**US 40 and SR 896 Improvements Project**

**Tuesday, May 1, 2018  
4:30 pm – 7:30 pm**

**William B. Keene Elementary School, Cafeteria  
200 Lagrange Ave. Newark DE 19702**

The US 40 and SR 896 intersection experiences congestion in the peak hours, along with accidents during different times of the day. Alternatives have been analyzed that will improve safety and traffic operations at the intersection now and in the future.

The public is invited to attend the workshop anytime between 4:30 and 7:30 pm. You can learn about the purpose and need of the project and ask questions about the different alternatives shown. We welcome your input on your preferred alternative and encourage you to identify and discuss project related issues.

Interested persons are invited to express their views in writing, giving reasons for support of, or opposition to, the proposed changes. Comments will be received at the workshop or can be mailed to DelDOT Community Relations P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903, sent via email to dotpr@state.de.us or by fax (302) 739-2092.

This workshop location is accessible to persons having disabilities. Any person having special needs or requiring special aid, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, is requested to contact DelDOT by phone or mail one week in advance.

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

April-June 1941: New tan summer uniforms were purchased for the four police officers, and new tires were purchased for the police car. Council approved the Pride

of Elks' liquor license being transferred to John Chambers when it expired.

Following the 1941 election, committees were appointed, salaries set, \$6,175.16 cash reported on hand, and \$17,000 was allotted for street improvements in the coming year.

May 1941 — Harry Dawson wanted to build 30 to 40 houses on Barksdale Road,

and S. Dameron wanted to build outside of town limits on East Main Street. Both asked for town water and sewer service. The town engineer would have to study and approve both projects.

Lacking convenient parking, Aetna Fire Company wanted permission for firemen to leave their cars, with keys, in the street when called so police could move

them. No action was taken on the request.

Council was still wrestling with having auto repair garages and filling stations in town limits. A motion was passed to purchase a new police car. Pricing of a 1.5-ton line truck would be investigated.

Residents on West Park Place outside of town limits were requesting water

service. The town engineer would prepare a list of properties lacking sidewalks. Improved street lighting on Delaware Avenue was needed. The tax rate for 1941 would be 40 cents/\$100 valuation. Because the Hadley Company employed less than ten men, it was not covered under the 10-year tax exemption plan, so was assessed at \$15,000 valuation.

*See the original minutes at Pencader Heritage Museum, 2029 Sunset Lake Road. (Rt. 72 south of Newark.) Regularly open first and third Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Other times by appointment. Contact the website [pencaderheritage.org](http://pencaderheritage.org) or call 302-737-5792 for an appointment. Family friendly, handicapped accessible and always free.*

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