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UP FRONT

Time for healing, not whining

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Stephanie Ulbrich's initiative to help the Christina School District with supplies may have been the first step in the right direction for a district and community that needs support and healing instead of venom and destruction.

Last week St. Rep. Ulbrich, R-25; announced a joint effort with the Christina Education Association to try and get businesses to donate supplies to the district. Ulbrich has visited dozens of businesses and has received a good response.



Valania

This is a good thing.

It's also something that we need more of. Yes, people screwed up. There's been a ton of energy poured into finding culprits and assigning blame. I'm not saying that it's not right to find out what went wrong. Certainly, that's necessary.

But it would be nice if the same energy was being put forth to help students and teachers get through what promises to be a difficult time for the district.

If you've been to a school board meeting, read some letters to the editor or just listened to people's comments, you know there is a lot of anger in the community. Actually, it goes beyond anger. People have stood up and spouted venomous things with no idea if what they're saying is actually accurate. At some point, it's even become irrational.

I understand the anger and

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Auto Fest was an awesome affair

NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY JOHN LLERA



Fans of yesterday's classics and today's tuners had a lot to take in at the third annual Auto Fest held last weekend on Main Street. Crowds of people walked up and down the street checking out everything from antique police cars to street rods and musclé cars, foreign sports cars to vets and vipers.

About 400 cars showed and competed in Saturday's event, which featured cars built before 1980. More than 50 cars built after 1980 competed Sunday for coveted Auto Fest trophies.

On Saturday, cars were ranked by peer votes and picked for Police Chief's and Mayor's Choice awards. Steve and Debbie Chapman took first place by peer votes for their 1953 Oldsmobile Super 88. The Police Chief's Award went to Gregg Rash's 1969 Chevy Chevelle. And the Mayor's Choices were Jim Hagerty's 1966 Chevy Corvette and Bill Young's 1931 Ford Model A.

Peer votes on Sunday put Frederick Hardy in first place with his 2002 Toyota Street Celica GT. The Police Chief's Award went to James Baker's 1984 Pontiac Trans Am.

Christina minorities surge

'Unusually high level of educational progress in District in two years'

By **MARY E. PETZAK**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

There is reason to celebrate in the financially strapped Christina School District, according to a report released this week entitled, "New Directions in Christina: Accomplishments for Children, Challenges Ahead."

"Given the coverage of events in the district over the last few months," said William J. Slotnik, executive director of the Community Training and Assistance Center (CTAC) in Boston, "this report is particularly timely as it focuses on what actually got accomplished in terms of student achievement and organizational

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Project promises affordable rentals

Victoria Mews rehab made possible through partnerships

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

George Beer, president of the Delaware Valley Development Company, was visibly excited last week as he looked over the rehabilitation under way at Victoria Mews along Elkton Road.

"I realized this particular community and this particular project was special when I sat at the loan closing," he told

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Fraudulent traveler's check used

Two residents of Brooklyn, N.Y., tried to buy a cellphone and digital camera from Radio Shack in College Square with a fraudulent traveler's check, police were told on Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 5:20 p.m. Police suspect the fraudulent check is one of many being generated in Brooklyn and distributed up and down the east coast. Police said Latasha King, 24, was arrested and charged with fraud, attempted larceny and related charges. Stephone T. Brown, 28, of Brooklyn, N.Y., was arrested and charged with forgery and related charges, said police. Both were released on bail.

Armed robbery at Main Street motel

On Aug. 9 at 2:28 a.m., a suspect entered the office of the Super 8 Motel at 268 E. Main St., removed an undisclosed amount of cash from a drawer and confronted the night clerk with a handgun before fleeing the scene. The suspect is described as a black male of average build and 5'6" to 5'7" tall. He was wearing a ski mask and baggy, dark-colored clothing at the time of the robbery. Anyone with information about the crime is asked to call Det. Scott Rieger of the Newark Police Department at 366-7110 ext. 133 or CrimeStoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

Trespassers caught on tracks

Two Newark teens were caught trespassing on the Amtrak tracks that run under the Christina Parkway bridge on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 7:27 p.m., said police. The boys were issued a criminal summons for trespassing and released to their parents, said police.

Wireless stand sacked

More than \$1,000 in merchandise was stolen from the Wireless Pro stand in the Main Street Galleria sometime between Thursday, July 27, at 6:30 p.m. and Friday, July 28, at 7 a.m., police were told. The suspect, said police, smashed in several cabinets and removed various cellphone accessories and sunglasses. Investigation will continue.

Woman grabbed on Main Street

An 18-year-old Delaware City woman told police on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 10:06 p.m. a man she didn't know touched her breast and stuck his hand up her skirt as she was walking on E. Main

Minor decoy nets three arrests

Agents from the state Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement conducted a minor decoy operation on Monday, July 31. The minor decoy, under the direct supervision of an agent, tried to purchase alcohol from six locations in the Wilmington, Stanton and Elsmere areas. Three of the six locations sold alcoholic beverages to the minor decoy.

According to the division, those arrested for selling alcoholic beverages to a minor were:

Kahmjit Singh, 35, of Bear, a clerk at Stanton Liquors in Stanton

Anish Patel, 23, of New Castle, a clerk at Community Liquors in Elsmere

William Ritchings, 49, of Newark, a clerk at Boxwood Liquors in Wilmington

Those that sold alcoholic beverages to the minor decoy face a minimum fine of \$250 for a first offense. In addition, the liquor license of an establishment that sells alcoholic beverages to a minor faces an administrative penalty, which can range from a fine to a suspension or revocation of the liquor license.

Street with her friend. Police said two other women alleged the same man, who had been drinking alcohol, had touched them. The women identified a 24-year-old man of Wallingford, Pa. who was charged with unlawful sexual contact, said police.

Vehicles targeted

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

The owner of a car parked in the Burger King parking lot in the unit block of S. Chapel Street told police on Thursday, Aug. 3, at 12:16 a.m. a wallet containing money and his driver's license was stolen from his car.

An unknown person put caulk on the passenger side of a Honda Odyssey parked in the 900 block of Elkton Road, police were told on Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 11:48 a.m.

Three pool cues were taken from a car parked in the unit block of Shenandoah Drive, police were told on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 9:37 a.m. The owner said nothing else was missing from the vehicle.

A Honda Civic reported missing on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 9:30 a.m. from the 600 block of Lehigh Road was found in the same area later that day with damage to the doors and windows and the steering column, said police. Police said the damage was likely from the suspect trying to gain access to the car.

Other incidents

An 18-year-old Elkton woman reported to police on Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 4:03 p.m. her stolen ATM card had been used at several locations in Newark on July 28 and 29, totaling more than \$200 in unlawful withdrawals.

Three gates at the Newark Parking Authority lot in the unit block of E. Main Street were broken off between 2:15 a.m. and 2:20 a.m. on Friday, July 28, police were told later that day. Police have reviewed video footage from the lot. Investigation will continue.

A man unhappy that Cluck-U in the 100 block of E. Main Street had closed for the night kicked the glass door to the business several times, breaking it, police were told on Monday, Aug. 7, at 1:26 a.m. Damage was estimated at \$250.

Weekly traffic report



STATISTICS FOR JULY 23-JULY 30, 2006, COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	Year to date	Year to date	This week	This week
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Moving	2418	2204	117	72
Non-moving	1554	873	58	30
Total	3972	13077	175	102

PARKING SUMMONSES	Year to date	Year to date	This week	This week
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Meter tickets	22901	18315	315	212
Parking summonses	5548	5611	139	42
Total	28449	23926	454	254

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	Year to date	Year to date	This week	This week
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Fatal	1	2	0	0
Personal injury	168	125	5	6
Property damage (reportable)	264	220	2	5
Property damage (non-reportable)	310	315	4	9
Total	743	662	11	20

Hit-and-run reports	125	95	1	4
DUI cases	103	112	0	4

The owner of a 2006 Honda Civic told police on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 8:15 a.m. his car had been stolen from his apartment complex parking lot in the 4000 block of Scholar Drive sometime after 1 a.m.

An unknown suspect damaged the steering column of a Dodge Van Ram parked in the 900 block of Devon Drive in an attempt to steal it, police were told on Thursday, Aug. 3, at 9:13 a.m.

Alcohol, noise law violations detailed

The Alcohol Enforcement Unit and other officers of the Newark Police Department continued their stepped-up, strict enforcement of alcohol and noise related laws last week. Some of the recent arrests include:

Franklin D. Lloyd, 39, of Newark, providing alcohol to a minor, and **Paul W. Havener, 18**, of Newark, underage possession of alcohol, on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 9:40 p.m. in the 100 block of College Square;

Matthew E. Mascitti, 22, of Hockessin, noise law violation on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 2:06 a.m. in the unit block of Prospect Avenue;

Katrina L. Archie, 20, of Newark, entering a liquor store prior to 21st birthday, on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 12:27 a.m., in the 100 block of College Square;

Marco Antonio Alfaro, 22, of Eagan, Minn., and **Edgar Taia, 22**, of Minneapolis, Minn., disorderly conduct, on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 1:07 a.m., on E. Main Street and Center Street;

Tisean L. Daniels, 21, of Newark, disorderly conduct, on Saturday, Aug. 5, at 12:22 a.m., in the unit block of E. Main Street;

Sarah E. Gullion, 23, of Bear, providing alcohol to a minor, and **Dana M. Iacona, 18**, of Bear, underage possession of alcohol, on Friday, Aug. 4, at 8:16 p.m., in the 200 block of Suburban Drive;

Thomas Barbour, 19, of Newark, entering a liquor store prior to 21st birthday, on Thursday, Aug. 3, at 11:24 p.m., in the 100 block of College Square.

IN THE NEWS

Safety Town's message continues to reach kids



Nearly 90 campers attended this year's session

By SARAH SHERMAN

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

What sort of situation would call for the Newark Police, New Castle County Mounted Police, a State Police helicopter, animal control, a fire truck, an ambulance, and a crossing guard, all at the same site?

There may be other reasons for such a gathering, but on Aug. 2, the law enforcement community teamed up here in Newark for Safety Town. Hosted by the City of Newark, Safety Town is an annual two-week camp designed to teach kids everything they need to know about safety in daily life.

On "Vehicle Day," 42 4- and 5-year olds gathered in the shade

NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SARAH SHERMAN

A camper puts safety tips provided by the New Castle County Mounted Police to good use as she pets one of the department's horses.

at the George Wilson Center to watch a state police helicopter lift off from a baseball field. And as the dust settled, county police introduced the group to two horses used by the mounted police.

"It's really great to have everybody out. The kids see the horses, the helicopter and the trucks and it makes their day. And it helps ease the anxiety that goes with emergencies," said Lena Thayer-Wice, Newark's recreation specialist for community events and Safety Town's coordinator. "This is my first program, and I've been really impressed with the city and their support," she said.

With almost 90 campers in two sessions, community support is not the only impressive aspect of Safety Town. Last year, the program marked 25 years in existence. "The word has grown. We have counselors who attended Safety Town when they were little. This is a great opportunity for kids and their parents," said Thayer-Wice.

All in all, 22 teenagers volunteered their weekday mornings from July 24 to Aug. 4 to guide campers as they heard presentations and participated in different activities.

Local law enforcers and guests like Otto the Auto, sponsored by AAA, and Eddie the Eagle, sponsored by the NRA, talked to the kids about safety in terms of bikes, fires, accidents and emergencies, stray animals, guns, pedestrians and vehicles and strangers. The latter, entitled "Stranger Danger," has proven a favorite among parents.

But the favorite activity among the kids is the model town that counselors set up on a basketball court. Complete with houses, crosswalks, and streetlights, kids can drive around the town in miniature cars and use their safety knowledge.

"It gets better every year. Anything they could possibly cover, they do, which is great," said Officer Freddie Jaworski, a New Castle County crossing guard who has been part of Safety Town for 10 years. "'Stranger Danger' is really important, and so is bike safety. The number of kids without helmets — it scares me," he said.

But as the bike safety presentation continued, Jaworski couldn't help but smile. "I wish it would go the whole summer," Jaworski said of Safety Town. "These kids keep me going — I love it."

District decisions down to the wire

Administrators race to plan school year

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Community members and Christina District employees continued to launch demands and criticisms at school board members during Tuesday night's meeting.

Several parents, one of whom admitted not being at a school board meeting in "several years," begged the board to reinstate some or all of the Security Associates at Newark High School.

Following budget cuts, the District's three high schools will continue to have a Security Resource Officer (SRO) from law enforcement agencies in

place at each school. However, the District planned to cut the six to eight Security Associates, who included bus drivers during the school day in an innovative program started in the District in February 2005.

High school principals reported dramatic drops in behavior referrals after SAs began patrolling halls and grounds. Christiana High's referrals went from 485 in January 2005 to 194 in February 2005.

Edward Bosso, assistant superintendent for human resources, told the board that the District pays \$500,000 in salary just for SROs — money that comes out of local dollars available for other staff. "We are hoping to supplement security at the secondary schools," Bosso said, "but we haven't finalized the numbers, yet."

Teachers complained of recently being "excessed," but

not yet told where they will be working when school opens on Aug. 28. Teachers who have been "excessed" are over the state budget limit for their school building but contract provisions require that they be moved to another position in their license area in the district.

"Why hasn't HR contacted me about what is going on?" demanded a former Brader Elementary teacher, backed-up by a colleague who wanted the board to consider her child care needs when moving her to a different job location.

And looming over all these unanticipated financial decisions for District administrators this summer is the ever-present mandate to consult the state's Financial Recovery Team about every detail. The Team was named by the Delaware Office

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Road work on schedule

Funds set aside for ornamental traffic lights on W. Main St.

By CHRISTINE NEFF

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Barring any major disruptions, the on-going roadwork on Newark's Main Street should be finished over the next two weeks.

Maureen Feeney Roser, DNP administrator, said DeIDOT's William Stewart anticipated that contractors would be paving the week of Aug. 14, after a week of milling the asphalt. Contractors were to make manhole adjustments and stripe the road the fol-

lowing week.

"They should be on schedule and out of here by Aug. 25, which is when they wanted to be," she said.

Richard Lapointe, the city's public works director, said construction on the portion of New London Road within the city is to be ready prior to University of Delaware students returning to campus. Some work on New London Road north of the Fairfield Shopping Center may continue into September, he said.

The \$2.1 million project, which involved replacing and retrofitting select curbs and repaving the roadbeds on Main Street, Hillside and New London Roads, was to take 110 calendar days to

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY CHRISTINE NEFF

Construction continued on pace on New London Road this week. Contractors hope to finish the section of New London Road in town by the time university students arrive for the semester.

Case against Kalbacher dismissed

The wife of former Newark City Councilman Karl Kalbacher failed to appear in Family Court for New Castle County Monday to testify.

The defense attorney filed a motion to dismiss the case, and the court commissioner granted it, dismissing the domestic assault charge against

Kalbacher.

Kalbacher was arrested July 10 on allegations that he struck his wife in the face, causing her to fall backwards into a chair and hit her head during an argument at their Arbour Drive home. He was charged with third degree assault and issued a "no contact" order that was

later dropped at the request of his wife.

Kalbacher resigned from his post on the Newark City Council the day after his arrest.

The city will hold a special election to fill Kalbacher's seat on Sept. 26. Candidates have until Monday, Aug. 28 to file for election.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

NOTE PAD

Math, special ed teachers

Baltimore County Public Schools is hosting a Back-to-School Job Fair for qualified high school mathematics teachers and all levels of special education teachers on Saturday, Aug. 12, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Retired teachers welcome. Free admission and no advance registration at the ESS Building, Room 114, Greenwood Administrative Campus, 6901 Charles St., Towson, Md. For more info, call 1-800-832-2422 or visit www.bcps.org.

Groves Distance Diploma

The Groves Diploma-At-A-Distance Program is taking applications from prospective students for the Fall 2006 semester. Orientation in New Castle County is Sept. 18. This intense program is for out-of-school adults seeking a high school diploma and requires self-discipline and a high volume of work. All work, except exams, is done from home; students must have Internet access. For more info, call Matt Davis, program manager, at 1-888-321-GRAD.



Mandatory school age is 5 years

Delaware is one of only eight states in which the compulsory school age is 5. The mandatory age for children to start school is also 5 in the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Families moving to Delaware from out-of-state may not realize their child must enroll for kindergarten in the year he or she is age 5 on or before Aug. 31. Children must be registered at the assigned school for your residence.

Glasgow student attends Institute

Victor Choi of Glasgow High School participated in the nationally recognized Ciba Specialty Chemicals High School Chemistry Institute (HSCI) July 17-28.

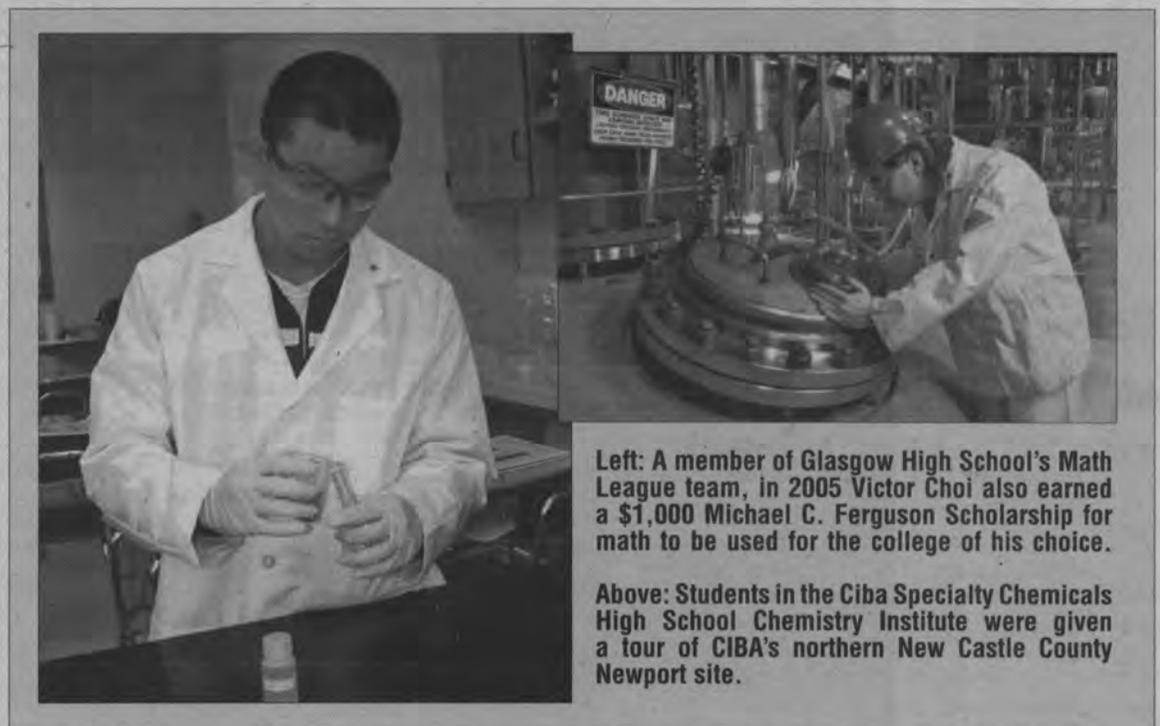
Choi, a senior, represented the Newport/Newark area in this year's program that included a tour of Ciba's northern New Castle County Newport site for a day of hands-on learning about the applications of modern chemistry.

The HSCI program, now in its 17th year, is the cornerstone of the Ciba Specialty Chemicals Foundation whose primary focus is to further the interests of science education and related school-to-career initiatives.

The Ciba High School Chemistry Institute is a rigorous two-week college level course in chemistry designed for students entering their senior year of high school. The nationally recognized program accepts 24 students from schools near major US operations for Ciba Specialty Chemicals in New York, Virginia, Arkansas, North Carolina and Alabama, and Delaware.

"Through first-rate programs like this, we hope to inspire, develop and train the next generation of scientists who will guide the future of the specialty chemical industry and deliver breakthroughs that will continue to improve the quality of all of our lives," said Colin Mackay, NAFTA Region President.

Students explore organic synthesis, polymerization, chromatography and more, utilizing



Left: A member of Glasgow High School's Math League team, in 2005 Victor Choi also earned a \$1,000 Michael C. Ferguson Scholarship for math to be used for the college of his choice.

Above: Students in the Ciba Specialty Chemicals High School Chemistry Institute were given a tour of CIBA's northern New Castle County Newport site.

some of the advanced, customer-focused laboratories at the Newport plant facility as well as at Ciba's regional headquarters in Tarrytown, N.Y. Students also spend time in laboratories at Irvington High School and Manhattan College while in the NYC metro area. Particular attention is paid to helping students understand the myriad of opportunities ahead for people with degrees in science, and help them prepare to move from classrooms to careers by exposing them to hands-on activities illustrating how chemistry and science solve real-world problems.

"This program provides students with an opportunity to see how lab-based chemistry relates directly to the innovative and essential products they use every day," said Rudy Merstetter, Newport site manager.

Though students do not receive official college credit for the program, they do have the opportunity to network with key scientists and other business leaders at Ciba. Many graduates of the Institute return to Ciba after graduation to do summer internships in the lab.

As part of the workshop, students also learn about the busi-

ness of chemistry by designing their own companies and products, and participating in career mentoring activities with Ciba scientists and business leadership. The faculty is comprised of local high school teachers, college professors, and Ciba scientists and business leaders.

The Ciba High School Chemistry Institute, now in its 17th year, is funded primarily through the Ciba Specialty Chemicals Education Foundation. Ciba sites across the country also contribute funds to sponsor stu-

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JC Penney gives \$1 million to 4-H Afterschool

BY MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The National 4-H Council has received \$1 million from the JCPenney Afterschool Fund to assist youth who are not in after-school programs, or who are likely to leave after-school programs due to a lack of funds.

Currently, Bayard School in the Christina District and East Side Charter are among local schools with a 4-H Afterschool program.

Bayard 4-H Afterschool is focused on enriching fifth and sixth graders through clubs, homework support and fun. Past Afterschool projects at Bayard have included: Theatre Creations, an introduction to acting, play-

writing, and theatre design; Science Olympiad, fun and accessible activities with a biotechnology focus; Sew What, introduction to sewing, patterns and design; Six Easy Bites, introduction to cooking and food safety; and Mathball, teaching math through basketball skills.

"These mini-grants will enable us to make an even greater impact, increasing the number of youth served and reaching out to communities who don't have access to quality after-school programs," said Donald T. Floyd Jr., president and CEO of

National 4-H Council.

Mini-grants will be given to county-based 4-H programs as well as other high-quality and accredited/licensed community after-school programs that operate on weekdays during the school year and serve K-12 students. They will be awarded through a competitive Request For Proposal (RFP) process.

Thousands of other after-school programs not affiliated with national youth development organizations that have joined forces with 4H will also be eligible for the mini-grants. These



include programs located in daycares, schools, faith-based centers, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, military sites, libraries and other community locations.

They will also be able to receive after-school training and technical assistance provided by 4-H professionals, 4-H Afterschool curricula and 4-H clubs. "The JCPenney Afterschool Fund is committed to improving the well-being of youth and increasing access to after-school programs," said Robin Caldwell, president of the JCPenney Afterschool Fund. For more information, visit www.jcpennyafterschool.org.

To learn more about 4-H Afterschool in Delaware, visit <http://ag.udel.edu/extension/4h/>.

IN THE NEWS

'Million Father March' in Delaware?

Largest organized Back-to-School effort in U.S. history

Like an army on its way to battle, hundreds of thousands of men in America will wake their children, make them breakfast, check their book bags, and then take them to school on the first day this fall.

Last year, about 200,000 men

with fathers who take an active role in their education earn better grades, get better test scores, enjoy school more, and are more likely to graduate from high school and attend college," said Phillip Jackson, executive director of The Black Star Project which organizes the March.

Additionally, children have fewer behavior problems when

ents produce better communities, better schools, and better students," said Jackson.

Although sponsored by Black men, past participants have included all races with fathers, grandfathers, foster fathers, stepfathers, uncles, cousins, big brothers, significant male caregivers, friends of the family, and mothers taking students to school on the first day.

In addition, each city tailored the March to meet their needs, with elected officials, dignitaries, celebrities, and print and radio media reps turning out in support of fathers on the first day of school. Businesses are asked to support this effort by allowing employees time off to take their children to school on the first day.

"The Board of Directors of the National Council On Educating Black Children enthusiastically supports the Million Father March 2006," said Diana Daniels, president, "and encourages every school district superintendent and school board member to play a significant role in the success of

this March."

Since schools open on different dates, the March is a rolling event that takes place on the first day of the school year in cities, villages, and towns across America between Aug. 7 and Oct. 13.

The Black Star Project is a Chicago-based non-profit leading

the Million Father March initiative. In addition to the Project, Million Father March 2006 is sponsored in part by the Schott Foundation for Public Education and the National Council on Educating Black Children. For information or to register your city, visit www.millionfathermarch.org.



The major work of the Million Father March is to get fathers of all races to accompany their children on the first day of school.

from 83 cities around the nation and in Auckland, New Zealand, participated in the Million Father March 2005.

This year, an estimated 500,000 men from 125 cities are expected to participate.

"Research shows that children

fathers listen to and talk with their children regularly and are active in their lives. "Better par-

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dents from their communities.

Ciba Specialty Chemicals is active in more than 120 countries around the world and aims to be a leader in its chosen markets. In 2005, the company reported sales of \$5.6 billion and investments over \$228 million in R&D.

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GUEST COLUMNIST

Trying not to cry

By RUTH KELLY

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

Monday, July 31, started out as usual. I got up at 5:30 a.m. I left the house a little after 6 a.m. My next stop was Libby's Restaurant on 8th Street where I pick up my usual, half order of grits (with ketchup), one scrambled egg and scrapple. The atmosphere at Libby's is unique and fun. There are the regulars who sit in the same seats every day. Their names are unknown to me, but we all know and speak to each other.

I usually arrive when the Wilmington Police patrons are paying their bill and getting ready to leave either to go home for some sleep or starting their shift. You see actively involved community members and politicians. When I come in, I barely have my foot in the door when they start teasing me. I talk a lot about my dog, Pumpkin. One man mockingly barks as I enter. I made the mistake of telling all that I had an appointment with a pet psychic. I scheduled a 45-minute session, 30 minutes with Pumpkin and 15 minutes to commune with the spirit of Sassy who was killed two years ago.

I would never go to a psychic for humans because I don't believe in them, but I definitely believe the humans can communicate with animals. Anyhow, I haven't had the session yet, but will definitely share with you when it happens.

I usually arrive at work at 6:35 a.m. Everything was normal, I followed the same routine that I have for the past two years. Today, however, was very different. This was my last day with Christina School District. I was happy my boss was not in because we would both be bawling. We had such a wonderful working relationship and worked so well together. There were tears when she had to tell me that my job was being eliminated and I stoically took the news determined not to cry.

Goodbyes had been said among many at Drew Building the previous week and I was one of the only employees who lost their job to come to work that day. I was relieved in a sense that the day finally arrived. When events like this happen in the workplace there is a lot of emotion seen and unseen. Friends, however, well intentioned try to be upbeat and tell you everything will work out. When one door closes, another opens, you'll land on your feet. Some don't acknowledge what has happened by saying nothing and that hurts even more. We, who have lost our jobs know that everyone feels for us and it is OK to acknowledge that.

■ The author, a single parent, has been a columnist for the Newark Post from time to time since 1994. A former Dupont employee, she was employed as specialist for the Christina School District.

After a few hours, I gathered up the rest of my belongings and quietly slipped out the door, because I was determined not to cry.

Tears almost came on Tuesday morning when I awoke early to go to the unemployment office. I took a number and was number 4 in line. Signing up wasn't too painful. After I finished the worker looked at me and said "You seem like a really nice person; you will be OK." I motioned for her not to say anything else because I could feel the tears welling in my eyes and I pulled myself together because I promised myself that I would not cry.

Losing a job has probably been the single worst event that could have happened to me. One would think raising a medically fragile child as a single parent would top the list. Losing a loved one was another low point, but I handled that like everything else. The thought of waking up in the morning for the first time in almost 40 years of working with no job to go to was surreal for me. I honestly still don't think I've wrapped my arms around the reality.

I'm all signed up with the Department of Labor and can receive benefits for up to 26 weeks, but it is my hope to find another job long before that. Some of my friends told me I should take a break and relax for a while. It sounds nice, but that's not for me.

I've been on several interviews and have resumes out all over town and in the tri-state area. I have full confidence that I will find another job. The question for me is will I love this job more than the one I had because by far, it was the best job I have ever had.

I will still continue my involvement with Christina School District. I will not jump ship because of troubled waters. I've had full faith in our district and will continue to have that faith until we are financially solvent again. I don't blame any one entity for what has happened. I still believe that Dr. Wise was taking Christina where it needed to go. State intervention has been unsettling for me and I will be glad when they can go back to their normal business of working not just with Christina, but with all of the other districts.

We owe the State a huge debt of gratitude, but it's time to move on and get back to educating children and letting Christina, under the leadership of Dr. Lowery and Board of Education, do their job learning from past mistakes and with their eye on the future of our 19,000 plus student population.

I have a stake in the success of our schools as do many in the community. It's time to stop being mad, getting even, criticizing from the sidelines and in the background and step up to lend a helping hand. As parents, educators and legislators, the education of our children should be paramount. I encourage all to call St. Rep. Stephanie Ulbrich to offer donations of school supplies for Christina schools. I hope to see a community galvanized as we were during Hurricane Katrina.



Kelly

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, "Out of the Attic," continues a months-long series of photographs taken in the early 1950s of all buildings on Main Street in the downtown area. Most readers should recognize this building as the green building that still stands at the corner of Academy and Main streets. One section of the building was and continues to be used as a dental office. The third generation of the Dr. Cox family started practicing there this summer. 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 through the years

Aug. 8, 1931

Lightning fires mushroom house in severe storm

Delaware has been visited the past few days by the most severe storms of the season.

A mushroom house, near Hockessin, and a barn near Seaford, were struck by lightning. Along the Philadelphia pike and in the vicinity of Dover, the rain was so heavy that the roads were flooded and a number of automobiles were put out of commission.

The line of Radio Station WILM, leading from Wilmington to the broadcast apparatus at Carrcroft was put out of

commission by the lightning and it was necessary to broadcast direct from the Carrcroft plant until the line was restored.

Wires were also torn down at the Porter Reservoir and the entire place was in darkness for some time.



"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.

Raymond C. Fronk instantly killed in Wilmington Saturday

Raymond C. Fronk, 38, of Elkton, was instantly killed when he was struck by a huge section of a flying wheel, 12 feet in diameter, which burst about five o'clock Saturday afternoon in the Christina Mills of the Jessup and Moore Paper Company, at Wilmington.

Mr. Fronk had been left in charge of the large engine in the bleaching room while the chief engineer was attending a machine in another part of the plant.

According to officials of the plant, the engine was running at great speed and the fly-wheel failed under

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IN THE NEWS

Put energy into students

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the frustration. But what good is that anger and frustration to the students when they start back to school at the end of the month.

We need more energy to go into helping students – the kids in this community – have a productive school year. We can't just kick away an entire year because everybody is ticked off.

However, if you are angry, find a productive way to work it off. Help Ulbrich get supplies. Help your child's classroom with supplies. Find time to volunteer

in a school. Do something – anything – positive.

We're getting very close to the start of the school year. It's time to make a decision on how you're going to treat it. What message are you going to send to the students?

Will it be a message of we can't do it because we don't have enough? Will it be a message of just giving up when things aren't going well?

Or will it be a message that, yes, we can indeed overcome obstacles and still succeed.

Children don't only learn in school. They learn from all of our

actions all of the time. At some point it's time to stop whining and start figuring out how to succeed.

Hopefully, that point is now.

FOR THE RECORD

In the Aug. 4 *Newark Post*, the new Dunkin' Donuts on Elkton Road is owned by AARK Associates LLC. Pradip C. Saha is the senior vice president.

Public meetings in August

► **SCHOOL BOARD, from 3**

of Management and Budget to oversee financial matters in the District per Senate Bill 308 in May.

District resident John Worton accused the board of not consulting the Recovery Team as required when preparing and approving agenda items. "Once again, there is no indication [in the meeting agenda] of pre-approval by the Financial Recovery Team," Worton said. "Are you going to continue to flaunt this requirement?"

Bosso responded to the complaints from the teachers and Worton by explaining the arduous process such oversight entails. "We approach Team members all day, everyday, about our decisions," Bosso said.

He explained that the District hopes to use "excessed" teachers as substitutes and in areas where they have the most experience. "We're working as fast as we can, every day and nights

– Friday, Saturday, Sunday – on staff accounting that will allow us to live within our means," Bosso said.

Bosso also responded to questions from the board concerning class sizes with fewer teachers on the payroll. "The state units are allocated so that we can have reasonable class sizes of about 22 to one," Bosso said. "But, if we have to take teachers out of the classroom for other duties, class size will rise. We may have to, but we're working hard so we won't have to do that."

School superintendent Lillian Lowery emphasized that the Financial Recovery Team "lives" in the District. "They moved into offices with us and we are in constant communication with them," Lowery explained. "We do not make any moves without approval from them."

The school board plans to hold a Finance Workshop on Aug. 22 to enlighten the District and the public about education finance in Delaware. The site for this meet-

ing was not decided as of Tuesday night's meeting. In addition, Lowery will be meeting with the public at several locations before school opens to discuss changes in the schools. All meeting notices will be on the District Web site at www.christina.k12.de.us.

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NPD taking applications for Citizens Academy

This fall, the Newark Police Department will host its 8th Citizens' Police Academy. The program is designed to give citizens a "behind-the-scenes" view of the Department's operations. Topics include crime scene investigation, criminal investigation, patrol procedures, traffic enforcement and weaponless defense tactics. These and other subjects will be explored through classroom lectures, hands-on participation, and role-playing.

The academy meets each Wednesday evening from 6:30

- 10 p.m. from Sept. 27 through Nov. 15. There will also be one Saturday session to accommodate firearms training. The class will be limited to 20 people.

Applications will be accepted until Sept. 1. All applicants must be at least 18 years old and must agree to a very limited background check. There is no cost to attend the academy.

To register, contact Corporal Scott Simpson at 366-7110, ext. 129 or at scott.simpson@cj.state.de.us. For more information, visit http://newark.de.us/docs/departments/citizen_academy.html.

Water restrictions requested in Newark

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the strain.

Some pieces of the fly-wheel weighing six and seven hundred pounds each were hurled a distance of nearly two city blocks after crashing through the walls and roof of the building.

A section of the big wheel struck Fronk, knocking him twenty feet across the room and causing instant death.

Aug. 10, 2001

Water restrictions requested in Newark

Hot, dry conditions in the area

are beginning to raise thoughts of water shortages - and the faintest whisper of drought.

On Tuesday, city manager Carl Luft said Newark was asking water customers to voluntarily conserve water. Newark's surface water treatment plant on the White Clay Creek is now off due to the creek flows falling below the regulatory stream limit of 14 million gallons per day. "The anticipated rains have not materialized (and) water demands are increasing as customers increase their outside water use. Without substantial rains, mandatory restrictions could be imposed within weeks," Luft said.

The city of Newark is in the process of constructing a reservoir which will not be completed until 2003 at the earliest.

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OUTLOOK

Take heat risks seriously

By **CARL DAVIS**

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Heat and humidity. Whew! Newark (along with every other area of the country) is broiling under a relentless sun this summer. As an agricultural agent, and student of Ron Jester, our former Extension farm safety specialist, I warn farmers all the time about the hazards of hot weather and sun exposure. What I teach them applies to everyone, especially when temperatures reached 100 degrees Fahrenheit as they did last week.

The risks associated with heat and the body's responses are heat stress, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Without

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proper precautions, one of these heat-related illnesses can occur quickly. The human body is sensitive to small variations in temperature. An increase in body temperature of just 2 degrees F can affect mental functioning. A 5 degree F increase can result in serious illness or death.

Learn the danger signs. Heat stress is a buildup of body heat when the body is unable to compensate and cool down properly. The body normally cools itself by sweating, but under some conditions, sweating just isn't enough. For example, when the humidity is high, sweat will not evaporate as quickly, preventing the body from releasing heat quickly. Conditions that compound the risk include age (the elderly and young children), obesity, dehydration, heart disease, poor circulation, sunburn, prescription drug use and alcohol use.

The two most serious forms of heat stress are heat exhaustion and heat stroke. During heat exhaustion the

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Mixing technology with tradition

Local artist embraces 'computer art' in retirement

By **SARAH SHERMAN**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Doris Crowley has been a student, a Fulbright Scholar, an educator at the Brooklyn Museum in New York, the Delaware Art Museum and the Tatnall School, and a journalist and communications specialist at the University of Delaware.

She has traveled to Rome, Morocco, Mexico, Turkey, England, Scotland, Wales, and the western United States. But before, during, and after all of her different adventures, she is, and has always been, an artist.

"Some of my work is very abstract, some is very realistic, some is social commentary, and some are metaphors about life," Crowley said as the afternoon sunlight exposed every corner of her cluttered studio.

Spread on the tables are magazine clippings, stamps, flowers,

insects, sequins, broken CDs, tags from clothing and other odds and ends most would never see as artistic in any way. But Crowley does.

"There is an old Japanese saying that expresses the idea that you can find all of the meaning in life in small, unimportant things. I heard it, and I said 'wow' because that kind of expresses how I feel about life," she said with a laugh. "All sorts of things suggest themselves to me."

All of her miscellaneous findings come in handy as she creates collages, many of which adorn her studio walls. But lately, Crowley has been investigating other creative methods, as evidenced by the computer, scanner and printer sitting on a desk against the far wall.

"I never thought I'd end up doing this," she said of the "computer art" she's been creating. "I was dead set against (computers) — I was very emotional about it." But since her retirement, Crowley has eased her disdain for computers encroaching on the world of art.

After taking a few classes at



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SARAH SHERMAN

Crowley uses a knife to adjust different aspects of her latest collage.

UD and the Delaware College of Art and Design, Crowley began to scan magazine and catalog clippings so she could flip, crop,

enlarge, and otherwise alter them for her collages.

"I also discovered that I could use my scanner and get a better close-up than with my camera, so I developed a technique for scanning actual flowers," she said. "I can change background colors, get a composition that I like and draw into it digitally."

For one of her latest pieces, Crowley carefully arranged and scanned white rose petals, then created a colored background and added some additional personal touches. "The petals reminded me of birds fluttering, so I drew them in," she said.

The pieces hanging above her workstation don't match the mental images that the phrase "computer art" suggests. "Graphic design is what most people think of, and that really isn't art," Crowley remarks. "We still haven't developed consistent language for computer art. There aren't words to describe what I make because they really are originals."

Crowley's work has been featured at the Newark Arts Alliance and the Delaware Center for the Contemporary Arts. She is currently the featured artist and juror for "Art Bytes," the Newark Arts Alliance's first computer-assisted art exhibit. The exhibit will run through Aug. 12 at the NAA, located at 100 Elkton Road in Newark.

PHOTO BY SARAH SHERMAN

Right: Doris Crowley created these original pieces by using scans of real flowers and fruit, computer editing techniques, and her innate artistic sense.



PHOTO BY SARAH SHERMAN

Left: Crowley's workspace is full of a variety of artistic tools and materials. Most of the items she uses are collected from her yard, streets, parking lots, beaches, and around her home.



IN THE NEWS

Newark Film Fest planning for sequel

Event to be held Sept. 7 - 10 in Newark Shopping Center

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

With a successful first showing under their belts, organizers for the Newark Film Festival are planning now for a second event — bigger and better, as sequels go — to be held Sept. 7 through 10 at the cinema in the Newark Shopping Center.

This year's festival will feature 24 films — four more than last year's — and a musical component. Fifteen local musical acts have signed on to perform, acoustically, on Friday and Saturday night of the festival.



Though live music is an appropriate complement, this festival is all about the movies. Organizers, working with a West Coast consultant, have been reviewing DVDs of movies to decide which to show.

Though last year's bill featured several classic films, this year's schedule will be all independent films and documentaries. "We hedged our bets with classics last year," said one of the festival's organizers, Greer Firestone.

"They tanked."

This year, organizers promise a mix of documentary, comedy, drama and animation. Possible movie choices are listed on the festival's Web site, www.newarkfilm.com. The range in style and subject matter is great. Viewers may be able to take in everything from "Been Rich All My Life,"

a documentary about senior tap-dancing divas to "When Do We Eat?," described as a Jewish family comedy.

Several possibilities have social and political messages, such as "The Confederate States of America," a faux documentary of what the U.S. would be like if the south had won the Civil War, and "Who Killed the Electric Car?"

"Our tag line is 'movies that matter,' and we take that very seriously," said Firestone.

The film choices, he said, are meant to appeal to a diverse audience. Last year's event pulled in

viewers from the Newark and Wilmington areas, and a handful of movie fans from Philadelphia.

One particularly poignant film, "Paperclips," a documentary about a school's drive to collect 11 million paperclips to represent Holocaust deaths, was shown last year to local school groups.

Firestone said organizers hope to double attendance at this year's event to 5,000. "We're very confident in the quality of the event and the films we put on." The festival, he said, has received great support so far from Newark's merchants.

For ticket information, visit www.newarkfilm.com.

Take preventative steps

► OUTLOOK, from 8

body's regulatory system fails as a result of excessive fluid and salt loss. The body temperature may reach 102 degrees; the victim becomes soaking wet, dizzy, faint and sometimes delirious. Treatment is water and fluid replacement and cooling. Seek medical help.

Potentially fatal, heat stroke is a true emergency. The victim loses the ability to regulate temperature and often spikes a fever of 105 degrees F or more. This person is "bone dry" to the touch, often loses consciousness and may go into a coma. Seek medical help immediately. Treatment consists of rapid cooling and intravenous replacement of fluids.

Preventive steps reduce risks:

- Drink more fluids, regardless of your activity. Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink. Check with your doctor if you are on water pills or fluid restrictions.

- Avoid drinks that contain caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar, since these actually cause you to lose more body fluid. Avoid very cold

drinks—these can lead to stomach cramps.

- Wear lightweight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing.

- Follow a schedule of work or exercise/rest cycles to keep from overdoing it in the heat.

- Food intake is critical. Hot foods add directly to the body heat and heavy meals reduce the body's ability to get rid of heat and salt.

Barbershop showdown coming to Concord High

On Saturday, Aug. 19, 100 men from all parts of the eastern seaboard will perform together in the Atlantic Harmony Brigade Chorus Show, to be held at Concord High School at 7:30 p.m. Comedy quartet Reveille and The Chorus of Brandywine will also perform at the show.

The show is the final product of the Atlantic Harmony Brigade Convention. The selected applicants (25 men for each of the four voice parts) receive a package of 12 songs 16 weeks before the

event and must learn each piece on his own. Participants agree to attend the event fully prepared to sing each song accurately. Each man is assigned to a random quartet at the start of the event and must immediately compete in an adjudicated contest.

For the rest of the weekend, participants can relax as they rotate through hundreds of informal quartet combinations before performing in the final show. Selected quartets will also perform at the final show.

The Atlantic Harmony Brigade

is a not-for-profit corporation that works to preserve the American traditional style of Barbershop quartet singing. There are also Atlantic Harmony Brigades in North Carolina and Indiana; each state has hosted conventions in the past. This is the first AHB convention to be held in Delaware.

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FRIDAY, AUG. 11

- CONCERT** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Rest My Case will perform jazz music as part of the Music on Main Summer Series. Food will be available. Elkton Chamber & Alliance lawn area, corner of Main and North Streets, Elkton, Md. Info, 410-398-5076.
- BALLET** 2 p.m. The First State Ballet Theatre will host an open house, followed by a performance at 4 p.m. Free. Grand Opera house Studio 1, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Info, 658-7897 ext. 3851.
- SQUARE DANCE** 8 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Hosted by the 2x4 Square Dance Club. Nice casual dress. \$7. Ebenezer United Methodist Church, 525 Polly Drummond Hill Rd., Newark. Info, 239-4311.
- BINGO** 6 p.m. Basket Bingo games begin at 7 p.m. Benefits animals through Friends for Responsible Pet Care. \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Aetna Fire Hall, Newark. Info, 750-6228 or www.neuteryourpet.org.
- CONCERT** 7:30 p.m. David Davis and the Warrior River Boys will perform bluegrass music. Included with general admission. Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Road, Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 610-388-1000.
- DJ DANCE PARTY** 9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. No cover charge. Featuring Tom Travers. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.
- TENNIS CLASSIC** Tennis Classic, hosted by the Wilmington chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. will benefit the A.I. DuPont Hospital for Children's sickle cell anemia research program. Info, 323-0161 or 478-4397.
- CHILDREN'S THEATRE** 10 a.m. and noon. The Contemporary Stage Company will present "Go, Dog, Go" by Steven Dietz. Suggested donation \$4. The Grand Opera House, 818 North Market Street, Wilmington. Info, 658-7897, ext. 3201.

SATURDAY, AUG. 12

- CONCERT** 8 p.m. Xylophonist Bob Becker will perform ragtime music along with Harvey Price and members of the Bob Becker Ragtime Xylophone Institute. Free. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road, Newark. Info, 302-831-2577.
- LIVE MUSIC** Mad Sweet Pangs will perform. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.
- WORKSHOP** 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. The Preservation Trades Network and New Castle Historical Society will present a Preservation Trades Workshop. The event will feature learning opportunities for anyone interested in preserving and maintaining historic buildings. \$50 per day. The Green between Market and Third St., New Castle. Info, 322-2794.
- WORKSHOP** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. "Living Wills - Advance Directives" will prepare you to write a will or an advance directive. Lunch will be provided. Free. Registration is required. Peniel United Methodist Church, 115 E. Market St., Newport. Info, 398-7491 or 731-1884.
- MARINA DAY** 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Demonstrations, free parasailing, live music, and children's activities. Indian River Marina, Delaware Seashore State Park, 130 Coastal Hwy., Rehoboth Beach. Info, 227-3071.
- CONCERT** 6 p.m. Carillonneur Carlo van Ulft will perform. Meet van Ulft and tour the Chimes Tower after the performance. Included with general admission. Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 610-388-1000.



FAIRY QUEEN TALES

"Tales of the Fairy Queen," an interactive show that brings

children on the stage and fairies into the audience, will be performed by Philadelphia's Vagabond Acting Troupe at Winterthur Museum and Country Estate on Sunday, Aug. 13, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$16, members, \$8. For reservations, call 800-448-4883 or 302-888-4600.

- HIKE** 9 a.m. Meet in the park office parking lot to hike the Charles Bailey Trail. White Clay Creek Preserve in Pennsylvania, Junction of South Bank, Sharpless & London Tract Rds., Landenberg, Pa. Info, 610-274-2471.
- CREEK WALK** 10 a.m. Come see the creek from a fresh perspective while cooling off on this hike in the creek. Call to register. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.
- NATURE PROGRAM** 7 - 10 p.m. Amateur astronomer James T. Morgan will lead "Astronomy in the Park" and teach participants to use observing equipment. Call to register. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.
- FISHING CONTEST** 10 a.m. "Go Fish!" is a contest for youngsters. Prizes will be awarded. \$4. Call the Nature Center for meeting location. 1068 Howell School Road, Bear. Info, 368-6989.

SUNDAY, AUG. 13

- LIVE MUSIC** Chorduroy will perform. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.
- COPTER KIDS DAY** 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. The American Helicopter Museum will host story time and a day of family fun with hands-on activities. Story Time will be held at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. \$4 for children and ages 3 and up; adults \$6, seniors, \$5, kids 2 and under are free. The American Helicopter Museum, 1220 American Blvd., West Chester, Pa. Info, 610-436-9600.
- CHILDREN'S SHOW** Elmo, Dora the Explorer, Spongebob, and Spiderman will be out to visit with the kids. \$11.95. Blue Diamond Amusement Park, 765 Hamburg Rd., New Castle. Info, www.bluediamondpark.com.
- PARK STROLL** 3 p.m. Guided stroll designed for those who hike at a slower pace. Trails accommodate strollers, wheelchairs, and larger groups. Call for meeting location and registration. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.
- ISRAELI DANCING** 3 - 5 p.m. Hosted by Sharon Kleban. \$4. Arden Guild

Hall, 2406 Granby Rd., Wilmington. Info, 478-7257.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sanctioned open tournament. Pre-registration required. \$20 entrance fee. Prizes will be awarded. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Rd., Newark. Info, 737-8425 or 366-0646.

MONDAY, AUG. 14

- ASTRONOMY PROGRAM** 8 p.m. Emil Volcheck will host "Comets, Then and Now." Attendance limited to adults and students, 5th grade and above. Reservations required. Adults \$2 adults, students \$1. Mt. Cuba Observatory, 1610 Hillside-Mill Road, Greenville. Info, 654-6407.
- SUMMER CAMP** 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday "Horseback Riding, Canoeing and Hiking" is for ages 7 to 10. Kids will spend each day outdoors canoeing, hiking, and riding horseback through the park. \$320 per camper. Lums Pond State Park, 1068 Howell School Road, Bear. Info, 368-6989.
- EVENING ARTS SERIES** 6:30 p.m. Summit Hill Bluegrass will perform and Susan Ellis will show her photography. Rockford Tower Stage, Rockford Park, Tower Road at W. 19th Street, Wilmington. Info, 577-7688.

TUESDAY, AUG. 15

- OPEN HOUSE** 7 p.m. The Newark Cooperative Preschool will host an open house. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 368-0178.
- CONCERT** 7:30 p.m. Justin Roberts will perform a Family Ice Cream Concert. The show is included with general admission. Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Road, Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 610-388-1000.
- DJ DANCE PARTY** 9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. No cover charge. Featuring Tom Travers. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.
- CHILDREN'S THEATRE** 10 a.m. and noon. The Contemporary Stage Company will present "E.B. White's Adventures of Stuart Little" by Joseph Robinette. Suggested donation \$4. The Grand Opera House, 818 North Market Street, Wilmington. Info, 658-7897, ext. 3201.
- DANCE EXHIBITION** 6:30 p.m. Katari will perform Pan-Andean styles of dance. Regular park admission fees apply. Bellevue State Park, 800 Carr Road, Wilmington. Info, 793-3046.
- SUMMER LECTURE AND FILM** 7 p.m. "Why We Fight," an award-winning documentary directed by Eugene Jarecki, will be presented. Grace Hall, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1506 W. 13th Street, Wilmington.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 16

- LIVE MUSIC** Mo Faux will perform. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 369-9414.

THURSDAY, AUG. 17

- GERSHWIN REVUE** 7 p.m. Playwright Greer Firestone, pianist David Zipse, and singers Stephanie Jaye, Robert Welch, and Robin Wilson Jackson will lead a musical journey through the life of George Gershwin. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Price includes intermission coffee and dessert. Cash bar at 6:30 p.m. Main Ballroom, DuPont Country Club, 1001 Rockland Rd., Wilmington. Info, 421-1747.

FRIDAY, AUG. 11

- STRENGTH TRAINING** 9 - 10 a.m. Mondays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tues. and Thurs.; 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Wed. and Fri. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.
- FAMILY & COMMUNITY** 1 p.m. Continuing education to promote better way of life. New members welcome. County Extension Office, Wyoming Road Info, 738-4419 or 831-1239.

SATURDAY, AUG. 12

- MEN'S BREAKFAST** 7:30 a.m. \$5 donation goes to missions. Greater Grace Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd. Info, 738-1530.
- KARAOKE** 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. The American Legion of Elkton, 129 W. Main St. Info, 410-398-9720.
- VOLUNTEERS WANTED** 10 a.m. Join a great group of committed volunteers! We have programs scheduled all year round and we need your help. Brandywine Creek State Park. Info, 655-5740.
- LYME SUPPORT GROUP** 10:30 a.m. Kirkwood Highway Library. Info, 996-9065.

- RECYCLE ALUMINUM** 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Anything except foil. Remove non-metal portions like glass or chair webbing. Call for house siding and large pickups. Center for Creative Arts, off Rt. 82, Yorklyn. Info, 239-2690 or 239-2434.

SUNDAY, AUG. 13

- BEAR DANCERS** 2 - 5 p.m. Square dancing. No partner or experience needed. Dress comfortably and bring clean, soft-soled shoes. No smoking or alcohol. \$6. 208 Mariner's Way, Bear. Info, 838-0493.

MONDAY, AUG. 14

- MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP** 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. Info, 765-9740.
- GUARDIANS' SUPPORT** 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children. Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St. Info, 658-5177, ext. 260.
- NEWARK ROTARY CLUB** 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. The Holiday Inn, Route 273. Info, 453-8853.

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- NCCO STROKE CLUB** 12 p.m. The Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info, 324-4444.
- SCOTTISH DANCING** 7:30 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Avenue. Info, 368-2318.
- TAI CHI** 2:30 p.m. Monday or Wednesday; 11:15 a.m. Friday. \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.
- SIMPLY JAZZERCISE** 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.
- PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS** 7:30 p.m. Orientation meeting. Bear Library, Governor's Square. Info, 998-3115, ext. 1.
- TUESDAY, AUG. 15**
- CONSTITUENT COFFEE** 7 - 8 a.m. State Representative Stephanie Ulbrich will be on hand to discuss issues and concerns in the community. Friendly's, S. College Avenue. Info, 368-5122.
- GRIEFSHARE** 7 p.m. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Union United Methodist Church, 345 School Bell Rd., Bear. Info, 737-5040.
- NEWARK DELTONES** 7:45 p.m. For men who like to sing. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info, 368-3052.
- DIVORCECARE** 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info, 737-7239.
- SWEET ADELINES** 8 - 10 p.m. Singing group. Listeners and new members welcome. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 731-5981.
- STAMP GROUP** 1 p.m. First and third Tuesday. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.
- CANCER SUPPORT GROUP** 7 p.m. First and third Tuesdays. Liberty Baptist Church, Red Lion Road, Bear. Info, 838-2060.
- CAREGIVER SUPPORT** 7 - 9 p.m. Free & open to public. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 16

- HIKE FOR HEALTH** 6:30 p.m. Every Wed. in Aug. Participants will cover 3 to 4 miles at a moderate pace. Meet at Parking Lot 1. White Clay Creek Preserve in Pennsylvania, Junction of South Bank, Sharpless & London Tract Roads, Landenberg, Pa. Info, 610-274-2471.
- DIVORCECARE** 7 p.m. Separated/divorced people meet. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info, 737-5040.
- GRIEFSHARE** 7 p.m. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info, 737-5040.
- BINGO** 12:45 p.m. Lunch available for \$2.25 a platter at 11:45 a.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.
- PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP** 6:30 p.m. Meeting for men who are survivors of and newly diagnosed with prostate cancer. The American Cancer Society Office, 92 Reads Way, Suite 205, New Castle. Info, 234-4227.

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C.H.A.D.D. 7:30 p.m. Parent/Educator support group meeting to support the lives of people with attention disorders through education, advocacy, and support. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info, 737-5063

CROHN'S AND COLITIS

FOUNDATION 7:30 p.m. Wilmington Satellite Group. Christiana Hospital, Room 1100. Info, 764-5717.

BGCCO MEETING 7 p.m. Bear Glasgow Council of Civic Organizations. DE State Police Troop II Headquarters, Route 40 East of Route 896. Info, 832-0793.

DIAMOND STATE CROCHETERS 6 p.m. Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limestone Road. Info, 324-8585

THURSDAY, AUG. 17

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 - 6 p.m. Features ballroom and line dancing. Free. Meets at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller. Near the Otter exhibit, The Brandywine Zoo. Info, 571-7747.

EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. Class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 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. Info, 765-9740.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet. Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Info., 610-869-2140.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info, 737-1711 or 737-0724.

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

COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:30 a.m. - Noon. First and Third Thursday. Temple Beth Emeth, 300 W. Lea Blvd., Wilmington. Info, 764-4335.

HOLISTIC HEALTH 7 p.m. Workshop by certified natural health professional. Free, pre-registration required. Rainbow Books, Main St. 368-7738.

SUPPORT GROUP 3 p.m.. Free. Newark

United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Info, 737-7080.

ADOPTION MEETING 7 - 9 p.m. The meeting, presented by Bethany Christian Services, will cover older and special needs adoption information. Bethany Christian Services, 260 S. Chapman Rd., Suite 5, Newark. Info, 1-800-215-0702.

ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP 6:30

p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.

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

STROLL IN THE VALLEY 6:30 p.m. Every Thurs. in Aug. Easy-paced 2 mile

hike for all ages. Dogs are welcome. Meet in the Park Office Lot. White Clay Creek Preserve in Pennsylvania, Junction of South Bank, Sharpless & London Tract Roads, Landenberg, Pa. Info, 610-274-2471.

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On Campus

NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

BRIEFLY

Concert series resumes

The University's Master Players Chamber Series' 2006-07 season will bring a pair of exciting concerts to campus this fall and continue with additional performances during spring semester under the direction of its artistic director and internationally acclaimed faculty violinist Xiang Gao.

Concerts will continue to be held in Mitchell Hall, South College Avenue and Amstel Avenue, on Friday evenings. Tickets may be purchased in advance and generally are not sold at the door.

The series includes:

Oct. 6 - "A Path From Beethoven to Martinu"
Dec. 1 - "An Encounter With Brahms"
Feb. 23 - "Live From Lincoln Center"
May 18 - "Xiang Gao and Friends III"

For more information about the Master Players Chamber Series, call the Department of Music at (302) 831-2578 or visit the Web site www.music.udel.edu.

Grad student wins national award

Bethany Welch, a University of Delaware doctoral student from Rochester, N.Y., received the 2006 Spirit of Service Award from the Corporation for National and Community Service in June. Welch, a research assistant in the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy's Center for Community Research and Service, was one of only 16 individuals nationwide to receive a Spirit of Service Award.

Welch won the award for her work through AmeriCorps' VISTA program at the Cardinal Bevilacqua Community Center of Catholic Social Services in Philadelphia, where she recruited more than 230 volunteers, developed program curriculum, wrote and received grants to support the center's programs, initiated a new marketing system and managed beautification, cultural and

UD hosts 41 Middle Eastern educators

Forty-one educators from Jordan, Syria, Morocco and Egypt, most of whom have never been in the U.S. before, are taking part in a State Department and the University of Delaware's English Language Institute (ELI) program this summer designed to enhance their teaching skills while providing them and the Americans they meet with first-hand knowledge of each other.

ELI's 2006 Partnership for Learning: English as a Foreign Language Teacher Training Program, funded by the State Department, welcomed 19 teachers from Syria and Jordan to UD on June 17. Since then, they have learned new teaching methods, lived for two weeks with U.S. host families, visited a senior center, spent a day in New York City, attended summer school and summer camp, taken a one-week escorted trip to Washington, D.C., to meet representatives from the State Department and other government and private sector agencies, visited historic and cultural sites and toured model schools for teaching English as a second language.

A second group of 22 teachers from Morocco and Egypt, arrived July 10 and will leave for home Aug. 18.

Each group of educators participates in a six-week training



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Rozina Damanwala, left, a program officer for the State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, discusses the Partnership for Learning program with Jihan Ibrahim Diwan, a teacher from Syria; Baerbel Schumcher, ELI program coordinator; and Rania Mohamed Ghazi Helal, another teacher from Syria.

institute that focuses on new techniques for teaching English as a second language while being immersed in American culture. At the end of their stays, each group organizes a two-day conference displaying the new teaching techniques they've learned

at ELI.

The teachers from Jordan and Syria have been keeping a blog [www.udel.edu/eli/P4L] on which they've recorded their experiences in the classroom and their impressions of the American institutions they've visited.

Each of the educators who came to UD are required to provide training for their colleagues at home and organize a national conference next spring in their home countries that reflects what they learned in America.

UD junior pinch hits as Phillies ball girl



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Jennifer Scanlan

Jennifer Scanlan, a graduate of Cardinal O'Hara High School in Springfield, Pa., and a junior education major in the University of Delaware's Honors Program from Ridley Park, Pa., is one of six ball girls who work alternating games when the Philadelphia Phillies are in town.

Two ball girls work each game, and a typical night at the 43,000-seat ballpark for Scanlan begins with picking up her gear bag, containing necessary items such as gloves, warm-up suits and foul-weather gear. The ball girls then run out to their respective positions near the right- or left-field foul lines to set up their chairs before meeting the Phillie Phanatic at home plate for the playing of the national anthem, Scanlan said.

Scanlan said that once the starting lineup is announced, the ball girls run to their chairs as the players run out of the dugout to their positions.

"By this time, the first batter of the opposing team is warming up, and I

already have kids asking me if I could give them a foul ball," Scanlan said. "I tell them that I will do my best, but that I can't promise them anything. Some nights I have had as many as four foul balls to give away, and on other nights I had none."

The ball girls also have another task to perform whenever Phillies manager Charlie Manuel or pitching coach Rick Dubee call for a change of pitchers, Scanlan said.

"One of us runs out to the bullpen to get the jacket of the incoming pitcher," Scanlan said. "Then, we run it back to the Phillies dugout and hand it to a player so that the jacket will be there for the relief pitcher to wear between innings."

The opportunity to become a Phillies ball girl came when her cousin, Bridget Scanlan, told her there were openings for the position. A lifelong fan of Philadelphia sporting teams, Scanlan said that she plans to enjoy every game that she works during her two-year hitch as a Phillies ball girl.

CAMPUS NEWS

UD presidential search committee seeks comments

As part of the search for a new president of the University of Delaware, the UD Board of Trustees and the search committee recently convened focus groups to seek background information to assist in the process.

President David P. Roselle announced in May that he will be stepping down from the position he has held since 1990. Roselle said he will remain in office through May 1, 2007, or until the trustees have named a new president.

The trustees employed Talent Strategy Partners to lead the focus groups last month, and about 90 faculty, administrators, alumni and students were invited to participate in the sessions. They discussed five questions:

■ In recommending the

University of Delaware to a friend or family member, what would you tell them are the best aspects of the university?

■ What have you experienced at or heard about other universities or colleges that you think would make University of Delaware even better?

■ What challenges and opportunities do you think the university will be presented with in the next five years?

■ What leadership characteristics will the next president of the university have to demonstrate in order to meet the challenges and take advantage of the

opportunities?

■ When you were invited to this focus group session, was there anything relevant you wanted to say that we haven't talked about today?

A summary of the findings of the focus groups is available online in PDF format at www.udel.edu/presidentialsearch/focusreport.pdf, and individuals are invited to respond with additional comments and suggestions online at www.udel.edu/presidentialsearch/sharethoughts.html, where comments can be made anonymously or with identification.

Brown Lab renovations under way

Among the major construction projects this summer at the University of Delaware is the renovation of the north and west wings of Brown Laboratory.

The building, located on The Green of UD's Newark campus, houses teaching and research laboratories of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Brown Laboratory was named in honor of H. Fletcher Brown, UD benefactor and member of the UD Board of Trustees from 1929-44.

The west and north wings,

built in 1936-37 and 1960-61, respectively, required renovations similar to the work completed on the south wing of Brown Laboratory in 1995-96.

The \$28 million renovation project includes \$15 million to be requested from the state over the life of the project, and the remaining funding to be provided by the University.

University President David P. Roselle, in his FY 2007 budget request on Nov. 7 in Dover, told members of the governor's executive staff that "this is an essential project in providing state-of-the-art teaching and research for our Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry that can no longer be delayed."

Architect for the project is the Stubbins Associates Inc., of Cambridge, Mass., and the construction manager is HSC Builders

& Construction Managers of Exton, Pa.

The 80,000-square-foot renovation includes an infill in the building's courtyard, where a 4,000-square-foot magnet hall will be installed between the north and south wings to meet current environmental and height requirements for NMR (nuclear magnetic resonance) equipment.

"The project will effectively gut the west and north wings of the building. All new electrical, plumbing and HVAC systems will be installed. The space will be reconfigured to meet the current teaching and research needs of the department," Walter Roland, a senior project manager in Facilities Planning and Construction, said.

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Glasgow Lions present awards

The Glasgow Lions Club has presented Jefferson Award Certificates of Excellence to Kathleen and Michael Gallagher for their contributions to the community.

The Gallaghers are active proponents of seeking alternatives for euthanasia in controlling the pet population, and they are active in finding homes for cats and dogs through several organizations. In addition, they participate in the Delaware Humane Society's "Adopt-a-Pet Day" at their business, Gallagher's Jewelers.

The Jefferson Awards were established in 1972 to encourage and honor individuals for their achievements and contributions to the community through public service.



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Downtown Newark receives accreditation

This year, the efforts of the Downtown Newark Partnership earned recognition for commercial district revitalization by meeting standards set by the National Trust for Historic Preservations National Main Street Center.

"The organizations we name each year as National Main Street Programs are those who have demonstrated the skills needed to succeed in Main Street revitalization," said Doug Loescher, director of the National Trust Main Street Program.

The annual accreditation process evaluates commercial district revitalization programs based on criteria from having an active board of directors and paid professional manager to tracking economic progress and preserving historic Main Street buildings.

The Downtown Newark Partnership is a public/private organization dedicated to the economic enhancement of downtown Newark. It is a volunteer-based organization governed by a 16-member policy board and five working committees.

"While this national recognition certifies that we meet high standards, it is the vitality of Main Street and the citizens and visitors who frequent downtown Newark that confirm that the work we are doing is right," commented city manager and DNP board member Carl F. Luft.



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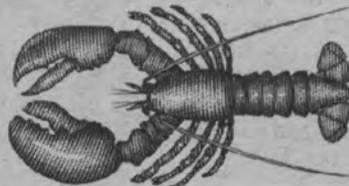
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IN THE NEWS

Legislators commit funds for ornamental poles

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complete. On Main Street, work was done between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. to keep traffic disruption to a minimum, and contractors worked around city events, such as last weekend's Auto Affair.

As part of the revamping, DeIDOT must replace the traffic light at the intersection of W. Main Street and Hillside Road. Residents of W. Main Street concerned shiny, new poles would disrupt the area's historic look received some good news from

state legislators last week.

St. Rep. Terry Schooley, D-23, and St. Sen. Liane Sorenson, R-6, have agreed to fund the difference to install ornamental traffic signal poles with money from their Community Transportation Fund accounts.

Initially, DeIDOT proposed using standard silver poles at the intersection. Some residents felt these would be out of character for the surrounding neighborhood, which has a Victorian feel.

"The silver ones are very matter-of-fact and very business-like," Victoria Owen of the Newark Heritage Alliance has

said. "I'm not offended by the (stop)lights on Elkton Road, but I think to put something like that with this Victorian emphasis — it wouldn't fit."

Sorenson said she and Schooley agreed with residents' concerns. "After studying dif-

ferent options, we thought these black ornamental poles will be in keeping with the historic nature of W. Main Street, which is the site of some of the oldest homes in the city."

Four ornamental poles will be installed at the intersection of W.

Main Street and Hillside Road. The legislators' funds will cover the \$ 23,545 difference between the standard silver poles and the ornamental ones.

Owen said Monday, "I was all for it, I'm thrilled the legislators have found the funds to do it."

Moose gets out message



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Recently, the Newark Moose Lodge and Chapter volunteered to assist the city of Newark with getting out the message that the grates along our streets and roads should not be used for the disposal of paint, paint thinners, trash, oil and other debris. The drains return rain water and whatever debris it contains to the water supply used for drinking water. The city has been marking drains with a round decal with a picture of a fish and the phrase, "No dumping. Storm drain." Moose volunteers assisted in placing these decals on city drains. Pictured are Debbie Kertzwischer, Dot Simpson and Kathy Antognoli.

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IN THE NEWS

Affordable rentals called 'critical need'

► **MEWS, from 1**

a crowd of state, city and county officials. At the closing, he said, he didn't sign one or even two mortgages to fund the project — he signed five.

"Those five mortgages meant that five different organizations had come together and agreed to play a part in the redevelopment of Victoria Mews," he said.

That redevelopment, made possible through a partnership of public and private investment, will make available to Newark residents something that city has been lacking: affordable housing.

When finished, about 81 of the 103 single-family units will be affordable to families making between 50 and 60 percent of the area median income, said Marcus Henry, vice president of development for the Delaware Valley Development Company.

In New Castle County, he said, the median income for a family of four is about \$74,000. Units will be provided below market price for families with annual incomes that range from \$24,000 to \$38,000, said Henry. The price of these rentals, which is based on factors such as income, could be from \$600 to \$800 a month.

The renters do not receive a subsidy. "Here, all we're doing is offsetting the costs of development. With the guarantee of state, city and county funds, we can provide these units as affordable," said Henry.

And affordable housing, according to city and county officials who spoke at the Aug. 2 groundbreaking, is something this area needs. "Affordable rental housing is one of the most critical needs, one of the most under met needs in our broader community," said County Executive Chris Coons.

Mayor Vance A. Funk III said, in Newark, the university makes the search for affordable rentals more difficult as a rental home near campus can be pricey. "It's very hard to have affordable housing, and this fills a really big gap in the marketplace for us."

The city of Newark contributed \$230,000 to the Victoria Mews project through Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), said Michael Fortner of the planning department. Another \$30,000 will go to rehabilitation and \$30,000 more will be used to help pay for the temporary relocation of residents during construction, he said.

Henry said construction will involve a "substantial rehab" of the 24 buildings that make up the complex. The apartments, which were built in the mid-1950s; will be equipped with new heating and air conditioning systems, carpet,

roofs and windows. Except for typical maintenance, said Henry, the apartments haven't been renovated in decades.

The project will take about 18 months to finish, but residents will be moving in as buildings are completed.



City, state and county officials get to work at last week's groundbreaking for the Victoria Mews rehabilitation.



NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY CHRISTINE NEFF

Homes in the Victoria Mews community along Elkton Road will be remodeled. About 80 percent of the homes will benefit low-income families.

From renting to owning

While the rental market in a college town like Newark can be tough on moderate-income families, owning a home can sometimes seem nearly impossible.

The median home prices in New Castle County jumped an average of 7.8 percent to \$220,000 in the first half of 2006, according to a report released last week by Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors.

The Hockessin, Greenville and Centreville area posted the highest median sale prices at \$497,450. The Newark and Glasgow areas posted median sale prices of \$230,000, while the Wilmington area was at \$144,950. Newark home prices went up 7 percent in the first half of 2006 as compared to the same period in 2005, said the report.

But help is available from

New Castle County and the City of Newark for residents looking to own.

Among New Castle County's homebuyer assistance programs is the Hometown Heroes First Time Homebuyer Program, which aids police officers, paramedics, volunteer firefighters and other public safety professionals. For more information, visit <http://www.co.new-castle.de.us>.

The city of Newark has several grant programs for first-time buyers, including the popular POOH — Promoting Owner Occupancy of Homes — that offers deferred payment loans of up to \$30,000 towards the purchase of any single-family home with a valid rental permit. For more information, visit http://newark.de.us/DOCS/departments/housing_assistance.html.

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IN THE NEWS

Less funding does not equal less achievement

▶ CTAC, from 1

change.”

According to Slotnik, CTAC's report shows that representative accomplishments in Christina District since fall 2004 include:

(1) Student achievement increased as evidenced on three major independent assessments (Delaware Student Testing Program, SAT 9/10 and NWEA's MAP);

(2) The most significant improvements in student achievement were among African American and Hispanic students - for the first time ever in this District;

(3) A comprehensive reform of school planning was implemented in two phases, with 13,742 participants active in analyzing organizational conditions at the Standard Bearer Schools - the model for planning that focuses on addressing the root causes of student achievement;

(4) More than 3,900 parents were active in school planning and more than 2,900 parents annually assessed the accountability and effectiveness of the reform;

(5) District capacities in data, research, instructional support, organizational development, professional development, fundraising and corporate involvement were strengthened markedly; and

(6) The teachers and administrators at the Standard Bearer Schools indicated, to a statistically significant extent, improvements in conditions related to teaching and learning, organizational support and alignment, school planning and human resource practices.

“Simply put, the district made an unusually high level of educational progress in a two-year period,” Slotnik commented. “And what happened for children in the District over the past few years is what the story should be at this time.”

Slotnik added that the double-digit gains for African Americans and Hispanics were the most arresting improvements, but was

not limited to those students. “The District saw gains in reading and math across the board,” Slotnik said this week. “The improvement for minorities did not come at the expense of other kids - nor should it, if you do it right.”

Slotnik's team surveyed teachers, site administrators, parents, students in sixth grade and up, funding providers, local and state level officials, community and business members during the study. Slotnik observed that the positive attitudes in the schools seen prior to April, when funding for CTAC's four-year study was abruptly ended midway, may have changed. “Some of the people in the District who are angry, now, are probably ones who got their hopes up and were working hard for this improvement,” he said. “But on an educational and organizational level, the changes are very striking - this is a powerful story about the systemic reform accomplished in this district outside of the financial story.”

In August 2004, Slotnik and the District announced the plan to reshape the way the local school system operates and help the school community focus on its mission of improving student achievement and providing the best educational opportunities for children. During 2004-05, CTAC worked intensively with Jones, Keene and Leasure elementary; Bancroft and Stubbs intermediate; Shue Middle School; Christiana High School; and Sterck School for the Deaf before turning over hands-on direction to District administrators.

In 2005-06, CTAC's team worked with Brader, Downes, Gallaher, McVey, and Wilson elementary; Pulaski Intermediate; Gauger Middle School and Glasgow High School. All remaining schools were to be in the final group in 2006-07, Slotnik said, concluding with a year of assessing the District's overall implementation of changes in 2007-08.

“When you have a situation like the one currently in the District, you have to be crystal clear about what you're trying

to accomplish so you don't lose sight of it,” Slotnik said. “All the recommendations we made [to the District] can be accommodated in the current financial situation.”

CTAC is a technical assistance center based in Boston that has worked on urban school

reform efforts in Camden and Newark, N.J., and Cleveland, Ohio, as well as school districts in Florida, Utah, Mississippi and New Mexico. The center provides guidance, tools, resources and expertise to districts implementing educational reform on a system-wide basis.

CTAC's latest report on Christina District is expected to be available this week at www.ctacusa.com. CTAC's November 2003 report on the District's capacity to support teaching and learning can be seen at www.christina.k12.de.us.



Newark teen named Miss Delaware preteen

PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

Miss Holly Heverin, 12, of Newark, has been selected to represent Delaware at the 2006 Miss American Preteen Pageant. Heverin will attend the 20th annual National Pageant for her age group at Walt Disney World in Florida this November. She will compete for the national title of Miss American Preteen and thousands of dollars in cash awards, prizes and scholarships. In addition, Heverin will have the opportunity to compete in talent, speech, academic achievement, community service, photogenic, personality, most promising model, best actress, and national cover girl and hostess contests as well.

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OBITUARIES

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William Abernathy

William Herschel Abernathy Sr., 71, of Newark, died on Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2006.

Abernathy was born on Oct. 10, 1934, in Bradford, Ohio to the late Herschel Eugene Abernathy and Lavina Viola (Hartle) Abernathy. He moved to Delaware in 1955 after serving his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He worked in the Electric Meter Department at Delmarva Power and Light Company for more than 38 years and retired in 1994.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Janet Laws Abernathy

Louise H. Coyle, 90, raised four siblings

Louise H. Coyle, 90, of Newark, died Thursday, Aug. 3, 2006.

She retired after 32 years from NVF, Newark, and had worked at Triumph Explosives, Elkton, Md., during WWII. She took great pride in raising four siblings at the age of 9, nursing the sick and delivering babies.

Survivors include her sis-

ters, Minnie Nottingham, Patty Miller, and Dorothy Coker; sister-in-law, Gladys Machulski; and many nieces and nephews, which include her caregivers, Rhonda and John Brown. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred H. Coyle; and siblings, Carl and Meryl Hefner, Pearl Lathem, Arline Harrison and Maxine Nottingham, Harold,

Jimmy Dale, Mike, and Gale Hefner.

Funeral services were to be held on Tuesday, Aug. 8 at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Memorial contributions may be made to Vitas Hospice, c/o Hicks Home for Funerals, 103 W. Stockton St., Elkton, MD 21921.

of Newark; his daughter, Pam Lawson and her husband, Dave; his son, Bill and his wife, Lisa; his son, Mike and his wife, Cathy, all of Middletown. Also, six grandchildren survive him; Scott and his wife, Kimberly, and their daughter, Emma; Kim and her husband, Brandon Dowell; Amy Lawson and Jordan, Michael and Gary Abernathy. His sister, Nancy Miller of Upland, Calif.; his brother Joseph and his wife, Faye, of Bradford, Ohio; along with Lina Abernathy of Bradford, Ohio.; Norman and Jean Laws; Earl and Barbara Laws; Annabelle Weldin; Jane Laws; Shirley and Victor Amato; and many nieces and nephews also survive him. His parents; his brothers, Richard, Tom and Paul; and sisters, Doris, Helen, and Lila predeceased him. His son, Steven, died in 1965.

A funeral service was to be held on Saturday, Aug. 5 at Cornerstone United Methodist Church in Bear. Interment followed in Saint Georges Cemetery on Kirkwood-St. Georges Road.

Memorial donations may be made to Cornerstone United Methodist Church c/o the funeral home.

David Dombroski

David H. Dombroski, 47, of Newark, died on Thursday, Aug. 3, 2006.

Dombroski was employed by

Berry Van Lines as a district manager. He was an avid golfer and was very involved with Newark Little League where he served as manager and coach for the last six years. He also coached basketball at St. Edmond's Academy.

He is survived by his wife, Maureen; son, William Howard Dombroski; daughter, Meghan Angela Dombroski; two brothers, Thomas Dombroski and his wife, Paula, of Newport Beach, Calif. and Daniel Dombroski and wife, Catherine, of Wilmington; and his sister, Joan Carlton and her husband, Jack, of Newark.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Wednesday, Aug. 9, at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Hockessin. Burial was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association of Delaware, 1501 Casho Mill Rd., Suite 1, Newark, DE 19711.

Beverly Hornung

Beverly A. Hornung, 75, of Newark, died on July 29, 2006.

She was an executive secretary for the State of Delaware, Division of Juvenile Corrections, retiring in 1986 after 20 years of service. She is predeceased by her husband Henry D. Hornung, who died in 1998.

Hornung is survived by her children, David J. Hornung and

his wife, Abby, of New York City, N.Y.; Thomas J. Hornung and his wife, Susan, of Arden; Karen L. McCauley and her husband, Patrick, of Bear; Larry D. Hornung and his wife, Janine, of Newark; and Patti A. Wolfe and her husband, Phil, of Middletown. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, 11 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. Also surviving is her sister and best friend, Barbara J. Reed of Claymont.

Services and internment will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kellen Poultney Baseball Athletic Scholarship Fund, c/o Middletown High School, 120 Silver Lake Road, Middletown, DE 19709.

LoRean Hummel

LoRean "Bunny" Hummel, 79, who had recently retired after living in Newark for nearly 50 years, died Thursday, July 20, 2006, in Asheville, N.C.

The daughter of respected United Methodist minister and seminary professor Rev. Merl Harner and music educator Ruth Harner, Hummel graduated from Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio, in 1949 with a major in sociology. She was a member of the Tau Epsilon Mu "Talisman" sorority.

Hummel worked as a Title I reading aide in the Newark School District in the 1970s before beginning work as the office manager for the Thomas More Oratory Catholic Student Center at the University of Delaware in Newark in the early 1980s.

Hummel would remain an indispensable part of the Oratory staff for nearly 25 years, retiring in 2005.

She is survived by her sisters, Ruth Studer of Avon Lake, Ohio, Betty Dybvig of Dayton, Ohio, and Linda Pendell and her husband, Bob, of Black Mountain, N.C.; her son Lee and his wife, Donna, of Townsend; her son Mike and his wife, Susan, of Berwyn Heights, Md.; a daughter, Mary Lisa and her husband, Scott, of Wolcott, Vt.; and beloved grandchildren, Isaac, Nathanael, Elijah, and Natalie.

A memorial service was held on Thursday, July 27, at the Oratory.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Nature Conservancy, Attn: Treasury, 4245 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, VA 22303-1606.

Reginald Mortimer

Reginald Mortimer, 94, of Newark, died Saturday, Aug. 5, 2006, at Millcroft Health Center.

Mortimer was born in Scotland but came to Wilmington at an early age. He operated Penny Hill Supply for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Esther T. Mortimer; as well as several family members at home.

Services will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to the Delaware SPCA or their favorite charity c/o R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home, 122 West Main St., Newark, DE 19711.

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IN THE NEWS

Before summer ends, check out this unusual zoo

Plumpton Zoo in Rising Sun, Md., is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily

By **PATRICIA E. LANG**

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If you like animals, a nice drive in the country and contributing to a very good cause, go to the Plumpton Zoo in Rising Sun, Md.

Plumpton Park Zoo, opened in 1987, is part of a wilderness. It's in overgrown woods near a creek, and the animals have access to grass, flowers and succulent

trees. The "enchanted" buildings (two of them on the Maryland Historic Register, the Browns Ware Corn & Grist Mill, and the Miller's House, both 1700s) are old, moss-covered, and crowded by plants and flowers. There are small gardens, everywhere. There are bridges. The cages are large. One can tell, right off, the employees at this zoo try to make life better for the animal inhabitants.

Plumpton Park Zoo is loud, loud, loud! Screaming peacocks are all over the place, on top of cages, challenging the animals and showing off to any human who will stand still to admire them.

There are domestic cats that live at the zoo, as well, not caged,

who will perhaps let you pet them, but do not pick them up! There is a sign on the Admissions Building — "Do not pick up cats. They may bite. Do not pick the flowers. The Zoo Director WILL bite."

Canadian Geese fly in, give birth and socialize. The park is also home to wild beavers, colorful swans, ducks, rabbits, bison, Asian water buffalo, camel, giraffes, tiger, wolves, cranes, kangaroo, wallaby, deer, hawks, cougar, bears, a Barred owl, a Sharp-shin hawk, a Caracal lynx and more.

Be nice to the Caracal lynx, please. He is shy. So is the Sharp-shin Hawk. Be nice to all the animals. They are special, as is this zoo. The zoo started as a shelter

for abused, neglected or unwanted animals. By coming to this zoo, they were rescued. The animals that are accepted here have a home for life, and the community is asked to support the zoo's work and the welfare of these animals through adoption.

The Plumpton Park Zoo is at 1416 Telegraph Road in Rising Sun, Md. For info, call 410-658-6850 or visit www.plumpton-parkzoo.org.

Through Sept. 30, Plumpton Park Zoo is open daily, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting. Admission closes one hour prior to closing.

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Sports

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Eagles starters get off to good start

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Now is not the time to bemoan the Philadelphia Eagles first exhibition loss of the season following their Sunday night encounter with the Oakland Raiders at Fawcett Stadium in Canton, Ohio.

Instead, let's carefully examine what happened that night. The Birds lost 16-10 to the Raiders, but there were a lot of positives coming out of the game.

First off, QB Donovan McNabb had a good start after his injury-plagued season of a year ago. He only played a few minutes, of course, but he looked sharp, was highly efficient, and led the offense to its only touchdown of the game, all in the first drive.

Running back Bryan Westbrook also had an impressive outing, pounding the ball up the middle or bouncing to the outside to game valuable yardage on each carry.

He scored the team's touchdown a one-yard plunge.

It's amazing to me how the national TV announcers still question Westbrook's ability to run the ball in the NFL, and also his durability.

The Eagles corps of receivers had a fair night, however their production suffered after McNabb left the game, as backup QB's Jeff Garcia, Koy Detmer and Timmy Chang had sub-par nights, especially for guys who are trying to make a pro football team.

Let's hope McNabb doesn't get hurt again, or else the Eagles may have to right off another season.

Kicker David Akers continues to show the league he is still one of the all-time top players at his position.

Akers booted a 55-yarder, while his counterpart Sebastian Janikowski kicked three field



See **BACKER, 21** ▶

Hens start season ranked No. 16



Delaware running back Omar Cuff was recognized as a pre-season All Atlantic-10 selection last week at the Atlantic-10 Media Day in Philadelphia. The Blue Hens were picked to finish third in the Atlantic-10 South and are also ranked No. 16 in the country in the pre-season poll.

The University of Delaware football team, which returns 13 starters from last year's team that posted a 6-5 record and won its final two games of the season, was selected at No. 16 in The Sports Network NCAA I-AA Pre-Season Football Poll announced Monday afternoon.

The Blue Hens, who will open pre-season camp this Friday for head coach K.C. Keeler, were one of five Atlantic 10 teams to appear in the Top 25 and among eight league teams to earn votes in the poll. The teams were selected from a vote of 84 sports information directors and media members who cover NCAA I-AA football.

Delaware, which received votes in the final poll of 2005 but did not crack the top 25, was one of just five teams selected to the pre-season top 25 that were not listed in the final 2005 Top 25 and was one of just four teams listed that had six or less wins a year ago. The Blue Hens have now appeared in The Sports Network

See **RANKINGS, 21** ▶

Also picked third in A-10 South

The University of Delaware football team was picked to finish third in the South Division and junior running back Omar Cuff was selected as a pre-season first team all-conference selection as part of the 2006 Atlantic 10 Conference Pre-Season media and coaches poll announced Tuesday afternoon at the Atlantic 10 Media Day held at The Renaissance Philadelphia Hotel.

James Madison and defending league champion New Hampshire were tabbed as the favorites to capture division titles from a vote of 27 head coaches and media members who cover the league.

New Hampshire earned 22 first place votes to win the North Division while Massachusetts received five first place votes for second place. Maine was third followed by Hofstra, Rhode Island, and Northeastern. James Madison earned 17 first place votes in voting for the South Division title while Richmond was second with nine votes and Delaware was third with one vote. William

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SPORTS

Four Hens games on local TV

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

University of Delaware season ticket holders should enjoy another fine year of Atlantic-10 football at Delaware Stadium, one of the best facilities in the conference. According to all the polls, the Fightin' Blue Hens are primed to do well this year, and the team should improve on the 2005 campaign's 6-5 record. With plenty of hard work, an injury-free season, and a few breaks along the way, the Hens have a good shot at returning to the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. This year, all Delaware fans are in for a treat, as four of the contests will be televised on a local cable TV station, CN8. The televised games include two home and two road games, all

against conference opponents. CN-8's Vice-President of Sports Jon Gurevitch said, "We wanted to make sure we included Delaware prominently in our schedule this year. The team will be terrific again, the state really gets behind them, and the folks who run the athletic department have really been supportive of our efforts." University of Delaware Sports Information Director Scott Selheimer said no one in the program is worried that people will stay home and watch the game on TV, rather than come to the stadium, since the team has enjoyed a string of sell-outs over the past few seasons. "Whenever you have the opportunity to appear on television, like a regional broadcast such as CN-8, you have a chance to showcase your program to a lot more people, includ-

ing high school students who are considering coming to the U. of D.," he said. Selheimer said since two road games are on the schedule, this also gives all the fans a chance to see games they would not otherwise be able to view.

"This is great for season ticket holders, alumni and students, and hopefully keep them excited about Blue Hen football all over the region," he said. The televised games include Sat. Sept. 30 against New Hampshire, beginning at 7 p.m. at Tubby Raymond Field; Sat. Oct. 21 on the road vs. Richmond at 6 p.m.; Sat. Nov. 4 against James Madison University at 6 p.m.; and Sat., Nov. 18 at home against Villanova at 1 p.m. Gurevitch said CN8 has gotten a lot of positive feedback from Delaware fans, especially about televising road games. "We basically looked at UD's schedule and identified their two biggest road games, and they're the ones at Richmond and James Madison, and we said let's figure out a way to get them on our schedule," he said. As an added bonus, Gurevitch said all of the televised games are available for seven days after the live game on Comcast Digital Cable's "On Demand" channel. If you can't get to the games, and your busy schedule prevents you from watching, you can always listen to the Blue Hens on radio, on The River, 94.7 FM, with Mike Corey and Bill Kommiseroff.

Hens picked third in A-10 South

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& Mary was picked fourth followed by Villanova and Towson to round out the division.

Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler returns 35 letterwinners and 13 starters from the 2005 team that overcame an injury-plagued campaign and finished with a 6-5 record. The Blue Hens, who won their final two games of the season with road victories over William & Mary and Villanova, have posted a .500 or better record 17 times over the last 18 seasons.

Cuff, a pre-season The Sports Network All-American, was the lone Blue Hen player selected

Expect a solid season for the Eagles

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goals, which accounted for the Raiders' margin of victory.

Despite the loss, the Eagles defense played a solid game overall, especially the starters.

The defense controlled the line of scrimmage, holding the Raiders at bay, until the second and third teams got into the game.

This season, let's have a positive attitude. You can't win 'em all, but it looks early on, the Eagles could be ready for a solid, winning season.

Don't go ordering playoff tickets any time soon, and don't worry about one pre-season loss to a team with a losing record in 2005. But instead, let's re-examine the team's record and accomplishments in October, after the division rival Dallas Cowboys come to town.

to the pre-season all-conference team. The junior from Landover, MD (C.H. Flowers HS) was one of 28 players selected to the first team. He earned first team All-Atlantic 10 and third team TSN All-American honors in 2005 after rushing for 1,205 yards and 14 touchdowns and catching 41 passes for 414 yards and four touchdowns.

New Hampshire junior quarterback Ricky Santos and James Madison junior safety Tony LeZotte were named the pre-season offensive and defensive players of the year respectively.

Delaware ranked No. 16 to start the season

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pre-season Top 25-14 straight years.

Defending NCAA I-AA national champion Appalachian State, which defeated Northern Iowa in the title game to finish the season with a 12-3 record, was tabbed as the pre-season No. 1, earning 68 first place votes and 2,306 voting points.

Defending Atlantic 10 Conference champion, national quarterfinalist, and Delaware's Sept. 28 opponent New

Hampshire was selected at No. 2 with 14 first place votes and 2,153 points. Montana was third with five first place votes and 1,954 points, Northern Iowa was fourth with three first place votes and 1,936 points, Furman was fifth with one first place vote and 1,928 points, and Cal Poly was sixth with three first place votes and 1,846 points.

Rounding out the top 10 were No. 7 Youngstown State (1,446), No. 8 James Madison (1,338), No. 9 Illinois State (1,297), and No. 10 Massachusetts (1,170).

Basketball teams release schedules

The University of Delaware announced Monday the complete men's and women's basketball schedules for the upcoming 2006-07 season with both Blue Hen teams making their season debut at home at the Bob Carpenter Center.

In addition to each team's 18-game Colonial Athletic Association schedule, the Delaware men will take part in 12 non-league games, including five at home, while the Blue Hen women will play 11 non-league contests, including four at the Bob Carpenter Center. In all, the Delaware men will play 30 regular-season games while the UD women will play 29 games.

First-year Delaware men's basketball head coach Monté Ross (at right) will be at home for his collegiate head coaching debut when the Blue Hens play host to Marist Nov. 14 at the Bob Carpenter Center. Delaware will also host Rider (Nov. 21), Cleveland State (Nov. 26), former American East conference rival Vermont (Dec. 3), and a Bracket Buster Tournament opponent (to be announced in January) Feb. 17 in non-league action. Delaware will also travel to Albany (Nov. 17), Loyola (Nov. 29), Central Connecticut (Dec. 6), UNC Greensboro (Dec. 23), and La Salle (Dec. 28-30). The Blue Hens will compete in just one tournament when they travel to Philadelphia to take on Niagara (Dec. 28), host La Salle (Dec. 29), and Holy Cross (Dec. 30) at the La Salle Classic.

Head coach Tina Martin, who will enter her 11th season at the helm of the Blue Hens this season, will face one of the toughest non-league schedules of her tenure this winter. Delaware will host Big East rival Villanova in the season opener Nov. 12 and travel to Atlantic Coast Conference contender Boston College Nov. 14. In addition, the Hens will take on the University of Kentucky, a team that knocked off Tennessee a year ago, in the first round of the University of San Francisco Tournament Nov. 24. Other Delaware non-league games will feature the Hens at home vs. American (Nov. 17), Boston University (Dec. 10), and Fordham (Dec. 22) and on the road at Penn (Nov. 29), La Salle (Dec. 5), Massachusetts (Dec. 17), and Bowling Green (Dec. 29). Bowling Green, Boston College, and Kentucky all advanced to the NCAA Tournament a year ago.

For the second straight season, the Delaware men will open CAA action with three straight road games, including their conference opener Dec. 20 at Virginia Commonwealth. The Blue Hens play their first CAA home game Jan. 8 vs. Towson. Highlighting the CAA slate are games with 2006 NCAA Final Four participant George Mason Jan. 31 in Fairfax, VA and Feb. 14 in Newark and contests vs. defending CAA champion and NCAA Tournament participant UNC Wilmington Feb. 7 in Newark and Feb. 24 at Wilmington, NC.

Delaware will visit Atlantic 10 foe James Madison Nov. 4 but will not play Massachusetts this season.

McNeese State was 11th with 1,006 points followed by Georgia Southern (967), Hampton (939), Eastern Illinois (865), Richmond (835), Delaware (815), Southern Illinois (809), Texas State (770), North Dakota State (713), and Eastern Kentucky (709). Delaware will travel to Richmond Oct. 21.

UC Davis was 21st with 576 points followed by Montana State (550), Grambling State (511),

Nicholls State (378), and Coastal Carolina (356).

Among 31 other teams that received at least five votes were Delaware's Atlantic 10 foes Hofstra (36th with 91 votes), William & Mary (41st with 25 votes), and Maine (56th with five votes). The Blue Hens will host Hofstra Oct. 14 and William & Mary Nov. 11 at Delaware Stadium.

Delaware will open the 2006 season Sept. 9 at home vs. West Chester (PA) University at 7 p.m.

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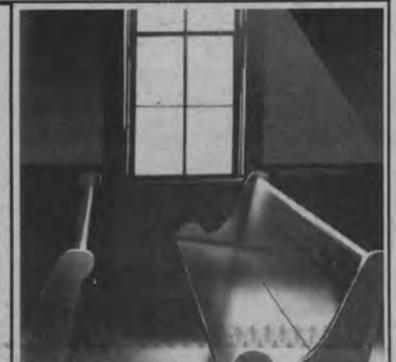
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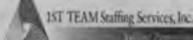


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660 YARD SALES



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660 YARD SALES



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660 YARD SALES



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NORTH EAST, 408
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& Sun. 8/12 & 8/13,
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NORTH EAST: 223
Marysville Road, behind
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8am-1pm.
Many different items!



RIISING SUN 398
Spring Hill Rd, near
Palmer Lane, Fri 8/11,
9-3p & Sat 8/12, 9-1p
clothes, toys, furn, &
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RIISING SUN: 16
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August, 12 & Sunday
August 13, 8am-? No
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LEGAL NOTICE

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
AUGUST 14, 2006 - 7:30 p.m.**

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter and Section 32-79 of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware, on Monday, August 14, 2006 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Final Action and Passage the following proposed Ordinance:

Bill No. 06-18 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 32, Zoning, Article XXVI, Special Provisions for Floodplains and Land Adjoining Floodplains, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Extending the Current Open Floodway District Prohibitions to a Buffer Area Encompassing The 500-Year Floodplain or 50 Feet Beyond the 100-Year Floodplain Boundary, Whichever Greater, for Vacant, Unoccupied, or Otherwise Undeveloped Lands Within This Buffer Area.

Susan A. Lamblack, MMC
City Secretary

np 7/28,8/11

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
AUGUST 14, 2006 - 7:30 PM**

Pursuant to Section 806.2 of the City Charter, the Council will hold a Public Hearing to be held in the Council Chamber, Newark, Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware, on **Monday, August 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.** to consider the proposed 2007-2011 Capital Improvement Program which consists of the following expenditures:

Electric	\$1,685,000
Water	\$1,233,000
Sewer	\$135,000
Public Works (General)	\$5,349,330
Police	\$827,950
Parks & Recreation	\$1,081,300
Other	\$411,000
Parking	\$48,000
TOTAL	\$10,770,580

Copies of the proposed Capital Improvement Program may be obtained at the Finance Department, Newark, Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road.

Susan A. Lamblack, MMC
City Secretary

np 7/28,8/11

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
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AUGUST 28, 2006-7:30 p.m.

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter and Section 32-79 of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware, on Monday, August 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Final Action and Passage the following proposed Ordinance:

Bill No. 05-41 - An Ordinance Annexing and Zoning to AC (Adult Community) a 15.67 Acre Parcel of Land and to OFD (Open Floodway District) a 2.73 Acre Parcel of Land Located on the East Side of Elkton Road, Adjacent to the Newark Interstate Business Park and the Northeast Corridor Railroad Right-of-Way

NOTE: FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 05-41 WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 14, 2005. SECOND READING AND FINAL ACTION HAD BEEN SCHEDULED PREVIOUSLY FOR DECEMBER 12, 2005, BUT WAS NOT CONSIDERED AT THAT TIME.

Susan A. Lamblack, MMC
City Secretary

np 8/11,28

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE**

AUGUST 28, 2006 - 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to Chapter 32, Zoning, Section 32-78, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing in the Council Chamber, Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, on Monday, August 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m., to consider the request of the Lang Development Group for a Special Use Permit to construct an outfall facility within the open floodway district for the proposed Villas at Twin Lakes subdivision, located on the east side of Elkton Road, adjacent to the Newark Interstate Business Park and the Northeast Corridor Railroad right-of-way.

Susan A. Lamblack, MMC
City Secretary

np 8/11,25

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

AUGUST 14, 2006 - 7:30 PM

- SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 - CITY SECRETARY'S MINUTES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL:**
 - Regular Council Meeting of July 24, 2006
 - ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
 - Public (5 minutes per speaker)
 - University
 - Administration
 - Student Body Representative
 - Council Members
 - ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
 - RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:** None
 - ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**
 - Bill 06-17 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 27, Subdivisions, By Revising Stormwater Management Facilities Maintenance Fees
 - Bill 06-18 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 32, Zoning, Article XXVI, Special Provisions for Floodplains & Land Adjoining Floodplains, By Extending the Current Open Floodway District Prohibitions to a Buffer Area Encompassing the 500-Year Floodplain or 50 Feet Beyond the 100-Year Floodplain Boundary, Whichever is Greater, for Vacant, Unoccupied, or Otherwise Undeveloped Lands Within this Buffer Area
 - PLANNING COMMISSION/DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**
 - Request from Nancy Humbertson for the Minor Subdivision of 44-46 Thompson Circle in Order to Subdivide the Existing Property Containing Two Adjoining Semi-Detached Dwellings Into Two Parcels (**RESOLUTION PRESENTED**)
 - ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:**
 - Bill 06-21 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 32, Zoning, By Amending the Minimum Lot Area in BLR & RR Districts & the Gross Density Permitted in BLR Zoning Districts (2nd Read. 9/11/06)
 - ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:** None
 - COUNCIL MEMBERS:**
 - Resolution No. 06: Implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
 - COMMITTEES, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:** None
 - OTHERS:** None
 - SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - Special Reports from Manager & Staff: None
 - Alderman's Report
- *OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**
The above agenda is intended to be followed, but is subject to changes, deletions, additions and modifications, as permitted under the Freedom of Information Act of the State of Delaware. Copies may be obtained at the City Secretary's Office, 220 Elkton Road, or online at <http://newark.de.us>.

np 8/11

The following Sentinel Self Storage sites will be holding public auctions on September 13, 2006. All sales are cash and final. A \$100 cash deposit is required to purchase a unit.

SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

200 First State Boulevard
Wilmington DE, 19804
302-999-0704

Public auction to be held on **September 13, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.** The following storage units will be auctioned:

- #0257 - Tabitha Reynolds - 3 boxes, couch, love seat, clothing, folding table
- #1342 - Sonia Guzman - 1 bag, 1 broken dresser
- #4126 - Marty M. McLaughlin t/a McLaughlin Plumbing Services - 12 boxes, china cabinet, lamp, lawn mower, pictures, speakers, 4 end tables, tools
- #6267 - Paul G. McClelland - 2 boxes, 2 totes, shovel
- #9202 - Sparkle smith - 3 boxes, file case
- #9355 - Debbie Masker - 13 boxes, entertainment center, 2 totes, toys, doll house

SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

1100 Elkton Road
Newark, DE 19711
302-731-8108

A public auction will be held on **Wednesday, September 13, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.** The contents of the following storage units will be auctioned:

- #1041 - Patricia Lewis - boxes, bed frame, exercise equipment, totes
- #2140 - Carmel Waters - boxes, table lamp, coffee table, rug, radio, totes, CDs
- #7136 - Robert Driver - bags, boxes, tool box, file cabinet
- #9010 - Deborah Windham - box spring, bed mattress, boxes, chair, clothing, couch, fan microwave, suitcase, portable TV

SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

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

A public auction will be held on **9/13/06 at 12:00 p.m.** at the above address. All sales are cash only. All sales are final. The units to be auctioned are as follows:

- #84 - Marsha Shabazz - bags, box spring, mattress, boxes, dresser, totes
- #196 - Darnise Middlebrooks - boxes, china cabinet, kitchen chairs, dressers, ironing board, DVD, folding table, totes
- #198 - Dwayne Williams - bed frame, mattress, upholstered chair, couch, dresser, table lamps, stereo, end table
- #208 - Shameka Wisher - bed, box spring, mattress, chest of drawers, dresser, refrigerator, table
- #324 - Mark T. Powell - bags, box spring, mattress, boxes, sofa, dresser, totes, dough maker, VCR, clothes baskets
- #329 - Sam Shepard - bed, mattress, dresser, dryer, fishing equipment, tool box, console TV, washer, records
- #221 - Shameka Brown - kitchen chair, upholstered chair, couch, coffee table, dining table
- #358 - Portia Hargraves - bed, mattress, boxes, sofa, dresser, love seat, microwave, shelving, suitcase
- #395 - Edward T. Hinson - bicycle, clothing, tools
- #425 - Bonita Richardson - bags, boxes, fans, night table, totes

SENTINEL SELF STORAGE

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

A public auction will be held on **9/13/06 at 1:00 p.m.** at the above address. All sales are cash only. All sales are final. The units to be auctioned are as follows:

- #2027 - Stan Cody - boxes, chairs, table, suitcases, big screen TV, fireplace
 - #2050 - Lois Glover - A/C, bicycle, boxes, chair, fan, table, totes
 - #2059 - Ginger Wilson - crib, mattress, couch, dryer, love seat, TV/VCR, washer
 - #2014 - Crystal Williams - bags, clothing, tots, toys
 - #4013 - Lori Ann Verucci - boxes, table, chest, motor scooter, bowling bags
 - #4111 - Charles Roberts - bags, boxes, clothing, microwave, totes
 - #4123 - Cassandra Dupree - boxes, chair, table, totes
 - #4165 - Juanita Graham - bags, boxes, clothing, rug, shelving
- np 8/4,11

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LEGAL NOTICE

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MONSERRATE, INC. t/a SANTE FE MEXICAN GRILL, has on **June 16 2006**, filed an application with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for a restaurant liquor license to include Sunday, for the premises known as 190 E. Main Street, Newark, Delaware.

If anyone wishes to protest this application he or she must file a written protest signed by at least 10 residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises, or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner, 3rd Floor, Carvel State Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The protest must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before **August 28, 2006**. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input or hear. If anyone has questions regarding this matter, please contact the Commissioner's office at 302-577-5222.
np 7/28,8/4,11

"Rai Ranchod, Inc.-Diamond Liquors" has on 08/08/06 applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for a package liquor license that permits the sales and service of alcoholic beverages for consumptions off of the licensed premise where sold for a premises located at River's End Shopping Plaza, 104 Mario Drive, Bear, DE 19702. Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against this application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before 09/06/06. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's Office.
np 8/11,18,25

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LEGAL NOTICE

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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Marisoul Alexis Small PETITIONER(S) TO Marisoul Alexis Knotts
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Marisoul Alexis Small (Mom - Roxanne Knotts) 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 Marisoul Alexis Knotts.
Roxanne Knotts (Mother) Petitioner
Dated: August 1, 2006
np 8/11,18,25

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Barbara Johnson Buecker PETITIONER(S) TO Barbara Johnson Benson
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Barbara Johnson Buecker intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her name to Barbara Johnson Benson.
Barbara Johnson Buecker Petitioner
Dated: 7/21/06
np 8/11,18,25

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Raven Alexandria Brown PETITIONER(S) TO Raven Alexandria Dawson
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Raven Alexandria Brown 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 Raven Alexandria Dawson.
Raymond A. Dawson Petitioner
Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Thomas Larry Brinegar PETITIONER(S) TO Larry Thomas Brinegar
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Thomas Larry Brinegar 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 Larry Thomas Brinegar.
Thomas Larry Brinegar Petitioner
Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Joshua Price Miller PETITIONER(S) TO Thomas Joshua Miller
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Joshua Price Miller 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 Thomas Joshua Miller.
Joshua Miller Petitioner
Dated: 8/3/06
np 8/11,18,25

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Aaron Jamal Johnson PETITIONER(S) TO Aaron Jamal Dawson
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Aaron Jamal Johnson intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Aaron Jamal Dawson.
Melissa Dawson Petitioner
Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Aaron Jamal Johnson intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Aaron Jamal Dawson.
Melissa Dawson Petitioner
Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Joshua Price Miller PETITIONER(S) TO Thomas Joshua Miller
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Joshua Price Miller 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 Thomas Joshua Miller.
Joshua Miller Petitioner
Dated: 8/3/06
np 8/11,18,25

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Roxanne Knotts (Mother) Petitioner
Dated: August 1, 2006
np 8/11,18,25

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Barbara Johnson Buecker Petitioner
Dated: 7/21/06
np 8/11,18,25

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Raven Alexandria Brown 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 Raven Alexandria Dawson.
Raymond A. Dawson Petitioner
Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

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Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

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Joshua Miller Petitioner
Dated: 8/3/06
np 8/11,18,25

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Aaron Jamal Johnson intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Aaron Jamal Dawson.
Melissa Dawson Petitioner
Dated: 7/28,8/4,11

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she says it's taking much longer for homes to sell than it was a year ago. Is this a legitimate reason for us to accept a 180-day listing, or should we stick to your 90-day rule?

ANSWER: In my opinion, home sellers should never sign a listing agreement with a real estate agent that lasts for more than 90 days, regardless of



ABOUT REAL ESTATE
David Myers

whether the local market is red hot or ice cold.

A 90-day listing contract pro-

vides an agent with plenty of time to effectively market a home, even if sales in the neighborhood are cooling. Equally important, a 90-day limit also gives sellers the freedom to fire an agent at the end of three months without owing a commission if they're unhappy with the agent's service and want to find a new agent who might do better.

If the agent who wants a 180-

day listing seems like the one who can do the best job of marketing your home, simply tell her that you must insist on only a 90-day contract but will renew the agreement for an additional 90 days if you're satisfied with her work — even if the property hasn't sold at the end of the first three-month term. Such an agreement should encourage the agent to work hard to sell the property within 90 days, while safeguarding your right to easily get rid of her if she doesn't.

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Charismatic

Lofty brick columns flank the high, gabled entryway of the Charismatic (335-041), giving a stately and spacious feel to a contemporary home that is actually on the small side. The brick facade and cultured stone sill on the front, windows positively exude solidity and permanence. While the arched garage doors and window, as well as the round window, add grace.

Designed primarily with empty, or nearly empty, nesters in mind, the home is compact and easy to care for. Once inside there are no difficult flights of steps to negotiate, and, if desired, the entry steps could be replaced by a gently sloping walkway.

Inside, the sense of spaciousness carries over dramatically. Windows, which arch over and around the front door, flood the one-and-a-half story, vaulted entry area with warm, natural light. More windows form most of one wall of the wide, open great room, which combines the kitchen, dining, and living areas. Had the designer walled each room separately, following the traditional norm, this home would not be nearly so inviting.

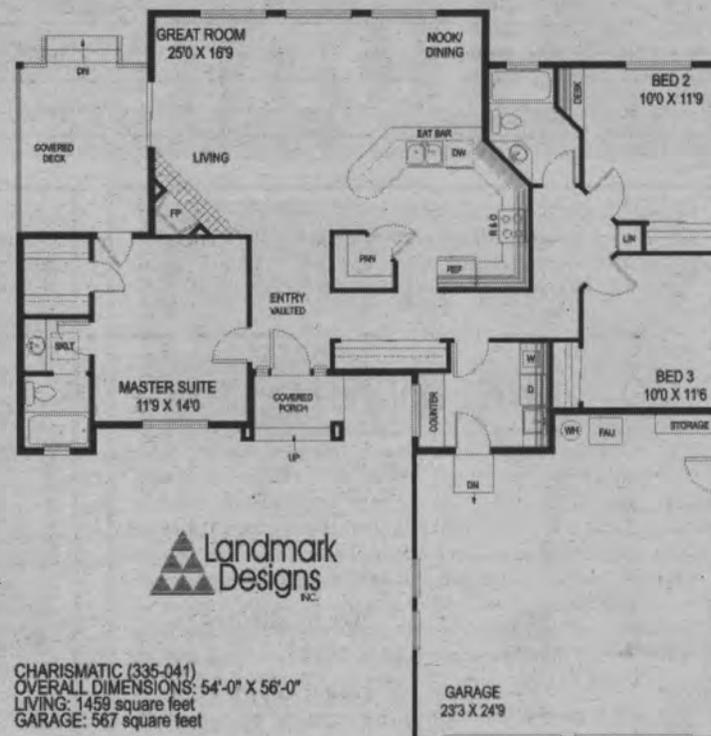
A covered deck, accessed from the great room by sliding glass doors, invites outdoor living when the weather is mild. The master suite also opens onto the deck.

An angled extension on the eating bar creates more seating while giving a unique shape to the basically U-shaped kitchen. And the placement of the sink and dishwasher in the eating bar insures that those doing clean-up tasks need not be cut off from activities or discussions going on elsewhere in the room. Ample storage is available in cupboards and pantry.

For increased privacy, the master suite is located on the opposite side of the family living area from the other two bedrooms. Each sleeping area has its own bathroom.

A utility room is tucked between the garage and bedrooms. Those who like to sew will quickly realize that the light by the window makes it a perfect place for a sewing machine.

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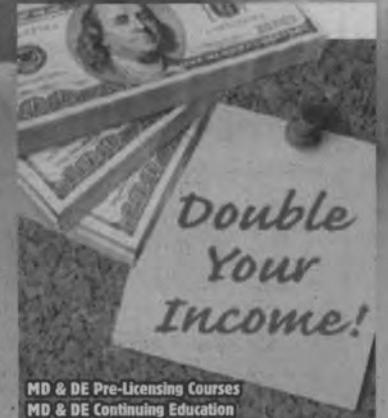


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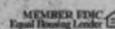


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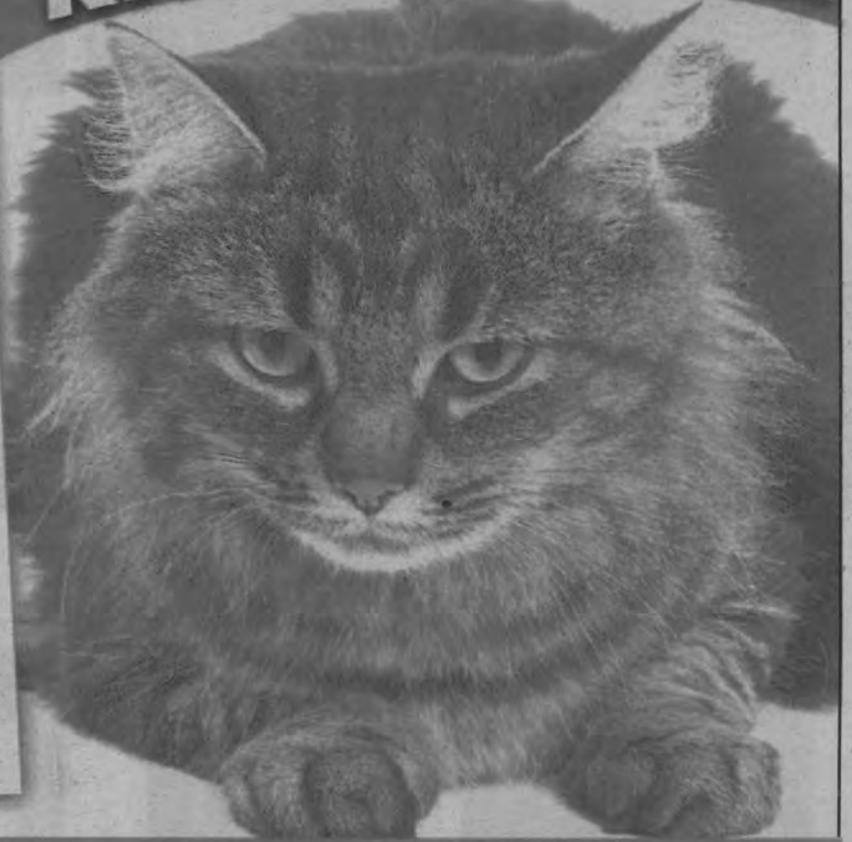
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