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UP FRONT

Coming home

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

IT'S an old adage that you can't come home. And personal experience has proven this true.

When I venture back to my hometown like I will next month when I attend my Boy Scout troop's annual dinner, it's just not the same.

My Dad, the non-high-school-graduate philosopher, professed the only constant is change. I accept this as a fact of life and never place high expectations on nostalgia-laden experiences.

But on the first Monday of this new year, a Newarker came home...and I am happy for her.

The new face at the Wilmington Trust Company branch on Main Street is one that been's around Newark all her life. In a management shift that propels my friend Guy Cunningham solely into a regional leadership slot, Sally Miller became the downtown bank's new manager.

A novice Wilmington Trust leader she's not. For six years, she's overseen the bank's busy Fairfax office. Now, she's returned during daylight hours to Newark, her hometown that she loves so much. Sally's pleasant personality, acute business expertise, and lifelong residency in Newark

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Streit

From heavy metal to bluegrass, Newarkers make up unique band

By ANTHONY PIERCE

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

THE Delaware Rag, a quirky but focused "newgrass" quintet comprised of a fifth grade school teacher, a landscape designer, UD students and a home warranty technician has followed a legend's advice (right).

Ranging in ages from 24 to 31, touting a variety of bookings including the Delaware Veterans Club and a Jewish wedding, and performing musical styles from jazz to jam band, the group is hardly following in the traditional steps of their forefathers. But that musical journey of constant change gives the band a definite, yet somewhat varying identity.

After all, 10 years ago the two founding members of the band were playing hard rock and heavy metal, rocking out to the sounds of Twisted Sister and Motley Crew.

In the early months of 1994, now longtime friends Paul Sedacca and John Corrigan were playing in a heavy metal band called "Three Second Memory," with Newark resident Corrigan on lead vocals and Sedacca, of New York state, on rhythm guitar.

"The practices were really loud," said the 31-year-old Sedacca. "Lots of distortion pedals and lots of bar chords."

The band played a few gigs, including one at a UD fraternity house in which partygoers turned up a

stereo to discourage the band from playing.

While signing on with a heavy metal label was not going to happen, the foundation for the band's lengthy career was being set and another important member was being discovered.

"It was around that time that we met 'Parking Lot,'" said Sedacca, referring to current band mate Scott Perlot of Dover. "We saw him around a lot, mostly playing solo on his acoustic guitar at parties. He was the guy who had the whole

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Learn bluegrass music, take it under your wing, then go out and make your own style."

THE LATE BILL MONROE

CONSIDERED BY MANY THE FATHER OF BLUEGRASS MUSIC

A musical mixed bag is what you'll get from "newgrass" band Delaware Rag who perform at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 at Homegrown Cafe in downtown Newark. Pictured left to right are John Corrigan, Casey Neal, Paul Sedacca, Scott Perlot and Pat Maholland.

PHOTO BY ANTHONY PIERCE



Fresh start?

Massive senior citizen housing, medical complex proposed

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

PLANS for a sprawling 19.2-acre complex on Independence Way catering to the housing, medical and recreation needs of senior citizens have been submitted to the city of Newark.

If approved, it likely means the end of Delaware Fresh Start, a controversial heroin treatment center now leasing buildings on the property.

Dr. Obdollah Malek, a physician in plastic and reconstructive surgery, submitted in early January his proposal to the city planning department. Malek

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ID'ing the problems

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NEWARK City Councilman Karl Kalbacher said he plans to propose next week that the city create a committee to review strategies for dealing with problem apartment complexes.

Kalbacher expects to introduce his proposal at the Monday, Jan. 26 council meeting. He said the impetus came from the request by Ivy Hall apartment owners to build eight more units on the complex, considered by city officials one of the problem apartments in the city.

An amended version of the Ivy Hall plan (six units) is to be considered at the

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Resident assaulted in home

ON Monday, Jan. 19, at 7:38 p.m. Newark Police were called to a residence in the 100 block of Madison Drive where the occupant had been assaulted in his living room, police said.

According to the police report, the victim was watching TV in his living room when two black males came up from the basement and demanded money. They kicked him in the head and threatened to shoot him and his cousin who also lived in the house if he didn't give them money. After binding the victim's feet with a black cord, for 45 minutes the suspects ransacked the man's bedroom.

When the suspects left the house, the victim fled to a neighbor's house and notified police, they said. The victim was taken to Christiana Emergency Room by Aetna ambulance.

The two suspects are described as black males wearing all black clothing except for white gloves with blue dots, wet-suit type masks with eyes and nose holes and hoods over their heads. It was not known what might have been stolen, the police report stated.

Honda parts removed

Two vehicles parked in the new car lot of Martin Honda dealership at 298 E. Cleveland Ave. had parts removed between closing time on Saturday, Jan. 17 and Monday morning, Jan. 19, it was reported to Newark Police.

All four tires and rims, valued at \$1,100, were removed from a 2004 Honda Civic. A second vehicle had lugnuts removed from two tires.

Two other vehicles in for repairs were also broken into. A rear side vent window was broken out of one car causing \$75 damage. Another car had lugnuts removed and amplifier, CD player, subwoofers and box taken from inside. Value of the missing items was \$1,400, police said.

New cars stolen from Newark dealer

Two 2004 Ford Explorers were stolen from a fenced storage lot belonging to Winner Ford sometime between Sunday, Jan. 4 and Wednesday, Jan. 7, it was reported to Newark Police. One was a black Eddie Bauer Edition and the other an XLT model.

Students arrested at Newark High School

Newark Police were called to Newark High School on Thursday, Jan. 15 at 1 p.m. where three students were being detained after running off school property and then attempting to return to the building, police said.

Suspicious briefcase causes evacuation of Newark post office

NEWARK police responded to the Newark post office on Ogletown Road for a reported suspicious package on Saturday, Jan. 17. A briefcase had been observed on a table in the front lobby for several hours before police were called shortly after 1 p.m., police said. The lobby area was locked to the public at 1:15 p.m. and the Delaware State Police Emergency Ordinance Disposal Unit was requested to determine if the briefcase was dangerous. The front parking lot and the perimeter of the building were cleared.

Postal employees were also

told to leave the premises at that time. New Castle County Emergency Medical Services and Aetna arrived to assist with the situation.

When the state police team opened the briefcase with a mechanical robot, there was no explosive or bomb inside. Instead they found the name of the owner and other personal papers. The post office was reopened at 5:45 p.m., according to police reports.

Police notified the briefcase owner who said he had been at the post office to write and mail a letter and forget to take the briefcase with him.

When school officials and police searched the students for suspected drug use, a knife was found on one and a disabling chemical spray on another, police said. Both were arrested for carrying concealed deadly weapons in a School Safe Zone. One 17-year-old was arraigned and released to a parent. A 15-year-old also had an outstanding Family Court warrant and was taken to New Castle County Detention Center after arraignment.

No more music

When a resident in the unit block of Madison Drive went for his guitar to play some music, he found it and another one to be missing, according to police.

Two guitars, one a Sunburst 1976 Fender Jazz Bass, valued at \$700, and a Tobacco Sunburst 1998 Fender Jazz Bass, valued at \$300, were missing from the owner's bedroom, it was reported to police on Friday, Jan. 16 at 8:18 a.m.

Loud not tolerated

Newark Police continue to enforce the city's laws against loud noise and music.

■ **Josiah Barry**, 18, of the 1000 block of Wharton Drive, Pine Brook Apartments, on Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 2:34 a.m. was issued two criminal summons for underage consumption and loud music and a traffic summons for failure to pay a traffic charge.

■ **Blair Whitehead**, 23, of the 8000 block of Scholar Drive, on Sunday, Jan. 18 at 2:08 a.m. was issued a criminal summons for noise violation.

■ **Jennifer Peterson**, 21, of 200 block E. Delaware Ave. on Saturday, Jan. 17 at midnight was issued a criminal summons for loud noise.

■ **Richard Colonna** and **James Holman**, both 23, of the 1000 block Wharton Drive, on Saturday, Jan. 7 at 12:08 a.m. were issued criminal summons for loud noise.

Newark Police said all the above were released pending court hearings in February.

Two rob bank

The Delaware State Police is investigating a bank robbery in which two men fled with an undisclosed amount of cash from the Wilmington Savings Fund Society on Kirkwood Highway.

Police were called to the building in the Prices Corner Shopping Center for a report of a robbery at 9:19 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 14. Police were

told that two unknown men entered the bank and handed one of the clerks a demand note. The clerk complied with the request and turned over the money.

Police said the men fled from the bank and were last seen running south through the parking lot.

One of the men is described as a black male, approximately 6-foot 2 inches tall, weighing between 180 and 200 pounds, possibly in his late teens or early twenties and wearing dark clothing.

The other man is described as a black male, approximately 6 foot tall, weighing between 190 and 220 pounds, possibly in his early to mid twenties and wearing dark clothing. The men were wearing hoodies and their faces were partly covered during the incident.

Anyone with information is asked to call detectives at 302-834-2620 ext. 4.

Five arrested

New Castle County Police arrested five Newark residents for felony drug violations and weapons offenses.

Members of the Community Crime Intervention Team received information regarding a subject who was allegedly dealing drugs from the parking lot of the BJ's Wholesale Store in New Castle. The information received indicated a 17 year-old male subject would be in the parking lot operating a gold colored GMC Jimmy Truck.

The subject reportedly would be in possession of a gun and illegal drugs.

On Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 8 p.m. undercover officers located the vehicle parked in the parking lot of the store occupied by three subjects, including the 17-year-old driver. A team of undercover officers entered the store and located two other suspects near the rear area of the building.

A search of the two men revealed they were in possession of numerous packages of crack cocaine and marijuana, police said. A search of the GMC Jimmy netted a .22 caliber handgun hidden in the glove box area.

All five of the subjects were arrested without further incident.

The 17 year-old male driver was charged with possession with the intent to deliver cocaine, possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony, maintaining a vehicle for keeping a controlled substance, possession of a deadly weapon by a person prohibited, carrying a concealed deadly weapon,

conspiracy, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. The four other subjects were charged with the same offenses (excluding the possession of a deadly weapon by a person prohibited and possession of marijuana charges).

They have been identified as: Thomas Street, 21, of Newark; Corey Asmus, 18, of Newark; Russell Messick, 18 of Newark; and, a 17-year-old female of Otts Chapel Road in Newark.

Area man charged in May fatal crash

The Delaware State Police Fatal Accident and Reconstruction Team arrested a 19 year-old Bear man for his involvement in a fatal crash, which occurred last May.

Juan Santos, 19, of Bear was arrested at 9 a.m. Monday, Jan. 19 for failure to yield the right of way while turning left, having no license and no valid insurance when the 1994 Ford van he was driving crossed the path of another vehicle May 20, 2003, resulting in the death of a passenger in his van.

The crash took place at Rt. 896 and Rt. 71.

Police said Santos was arraigned at Magistrate Court 11, and released on \$1,700 unsecured bail.

Bear teen critical

The Delaware State Police is investigating a two-vehicle crash in which a 14-year-old from Bear was critically injured.

On Wednesday, Jan. 14 at approximately 4:29 p.m., a 1979 Pontiac Trans Am, operated by Wendy Chadwick, 42, of Elkton, Md., was traveling southbound on Wrangle Hill Road. A 1988 Chevy Corsica, operated by a 17-year-old Bear youth, was stopped at a stop sign facing east on Connell Drive, police said. The operator of the Corsica attempted to turn left onto northbound Wrangle Hill Road. The Corsica crossed the path of the Trans Am, causing the Trans Am to strike the Corsica in the driver's side rear, police reported.

Police said a 14-year-old rear seat passenger sustained a skull fracture during the crash and was transported to Christiana Hospital. He was admitted and listed in critical condition. The driver and the front-seat passenger, 15, were not injured.

Police reported Chadwick was transported to Christiana Hospital and treated for chest pain. The road was closed for approximately four hours. Alcohol was not a factor in the crash.

AAA HQ coming to Delaware

AAA Mid-Atlantic will relocate its Elkton, Md. operations center to Christiana Corporate Center and its corporate headquarters from Philadelphia to the Wilmington Riverfront — moves that will bring 750 new jobs to Delaware in 2005.

The relocations were approved by AAA Mid-Atlantic's board of directors Thursday, Jan. 15 and were announced at a press conference in Wilmington Jan. 16, with state and business leaders.

The move is expected to bring more than \$100 million a year to the Delaware economy.

The operations and customer service center will move into a vacant office building on Commerce Drive, and is visible from I-95. It will employ approximately 400 people but will mean the current center in Elkton on Rt. 40 near the state line will be

vacated by next year.

An estimated 250 people work there and are expected to continue working at the new facility because it is within 10 miles, according to AAA officials.

AAA plans to hire an additional 150 people.

Allen J. DeWalle, AAA Mid-Atlantic's president and chief executive officer, said the Delaware sites were picked for their central location, lower total business costs, a competitive tax structure and favorable incentives.

In return for locating its headquarters and operations center in Delaware, AAA Mid-Atlantic will receive a \$6 million performance-based strategic grant from the state.

It also will receive approximately \$1 million in incentives from the city of Wilmington.

"When we began this process,

we would have been thrilled with bringing either the headquarters or the operations center to our state," Del. Gov. Ruth Ann Minner said. "But we worked very hard to convince AAA Mid-Atlantic of the benefits of locating in Delaware and were persistent in our pursuit of the total package."

AAA is a membership organization with origins as an automobile club that began in 1900.

Today, it provides 44 million members in the U.S. and Canada with automotive, travel and financial services. AAA Mid-Atlantic serves 3.5 million members in five states and Washington, D.C.

AAA Mid-Atlantic has 2,700 employees in more than 80 locations, including approximately 74 employees in five Delaware offices.

Godwin to lead state league

Newark's chief follows Dover mayor in top state post

Newark Mayor Hal Godwin is scheduled to be sworn in as the new president of the Delaware League of Local Governments Friday, Jan. 22 in Dover.

Godwin will be the first Newark politician to hold the post since Olan Thomas in 1991.

The league is made up of 57 state municipalities.

As president, Godwin will

preside over monthly league meetings and act as a lobbyist for municipalities with the state Legislature and in Washington D.C., said league Executive Director George Wright.

"The president has to stay on top of the issues," Wright said.



Godwin

Godwin, who will succeed the Dover mayor as president, said he is honored and excited.

"It's a chance to coordinate the efforts of Newark and other cities and villages with other levels of government," he said.

Newark is the state's third-largest city behind Wilmington and Dover.

Godwin has served on Newark City Council since 1987, including mayoral victories in 1998 and 2001. He is running for a third term in April against challenger Vance Funk III.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

TOWN MEETINGS IN NEWARK

U.S. Congressman Michael N. Castle held several town meetings in Newark last week, including this one with a University of Delaware Post-September 11 political science class Jan. 12 in Gore Hall. Castle talked to the students about issues related to the class' focus and about the time he spent in Iraq late last year. The class is taught by professor Paige Eager.

NEWS BRIEFS

Fair Hill plans scaled back

The developer of a controversial 510-home development in Maryland near the state border is expected to submit a scaled-down version of the proposal in early February, a chief opponent of the plan said last week.

Harry Welcher, one of the leaders of the Maryland-based Appleton Regional Community Alliance (ARCA), a community group opposed to the Aston Pointe housing development, said Aston Development Group President William Stritzinger of Newark met with them recently to discuss their concerns, and then announced a decrease in the number of houses from 510 to 370.

However, no revised plans have yet been submitted to Cecil County, Md. officials.

Newark city officials and ARCA still have concerns, however, about access to water and sewer and traffic generated in the area of Rt. 273 and Appleton Road. There is also fear that if one project like this is developed more are surely to come.

The project also borders the Maryland Fair Hill Natural Resource Area, a 5,000-acre state property used for recreation.

Patriot Act spurs resolution

The Newark City Council will discuss at its Monday, Jan. 26 meeting a resolution that points out the U.S. Patriot Act could be unjustly used against citizens and needs to be clarified and amended.

The resolution will be presented because several council members attended a Jan. 11 public forum discussing the concerns some have about the Act, created after 9/11 as a new government tool to help fight terrorism.

The council's resolution states the city supports the fight against terrorism but "insists that this fight should not be waged at the expense of the fundamental civil rights and Constitutionally protected right of the people of the United States of America."

Steve Hegedus of Newark, who organized the public forum, said the resolution is "really pretty tame" and is only meant to implore legislators to make changes to the Act because it "creates the potential for massive abuse of our fundamental rights ..."

The Wilmington City

Council passed a similar resolution, he said.

Village Imports moves on Main

Village Imports has moved across the street to 165 E. Main St., down Trader's Alley, next to Subway, in the former Trnka location.

The new space offers customers free parking in the shared lot with Iron Hill Brewery, and has amenities not found in the former location, said owner Carol Boncelet.

"Being just off Main Street will save us money, letting us keep our prices low for our customers," Boncelet said. "We will need only slight modifications to the space, so we can display our African masks and wall hangings from South America."

The new store is easy to spot, with a colorful garden mural wrapping around the building. In fact, Dragonfly Leathrum, one of the original mural painters, will be enhancing the exterior mural to include Village Import's name and logo.

Village Imports sells Fair Trade handicrafts and jewelry from more than 50 countries.

Village Imports has been downtown since September 2001. The store's phone number remains the same.

Relocated train station in plans

Several transportation projects — including a \$7.5 million relocation of the Newark Train Station from College Avenue to Chapel Street, north of Farm Lane — are being proposed as part of the Wilmington Area Planning Council's Transportation Improvement Program for the 2005-2007 fiscal years.

Relocating the train station would allow more parking spaces, park trains overnight, move the current station away from the congested area near the DaimlerChrysler assembly plant, and possibly serve as a future link to a Dover station.

Other projects include Rt. 40 improvements, intersection improvements at Rt. 2 and Red Mill Road, Rt. 72 road improvements from Possum Hollow Road to Old Possum Park Road, Rt. 4 and Elkton Road widening, and more.

A public hearing was held Jan. 12 but comments can be forwarded to WILMAPCO through Feb. 19 by calling 737-6205 or visit the Web for a virtual workshop at www.wilmapco.org/TIP.

In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

NOTEPAD

Scholarships available

NOW is the time to check out the various scholarships that are available for graduating high school seniors planning on attending college. Many applications must be completed as early as February. Some scholarships are very limited in who can apply for them, so be sure to look over the selection carefully. They can range from just a few hundred dollars to full tuitions.

Ask a guidance counselor for a complete listing or check them on the high school Web sites at www.christiana.k12.de.us/newark or glasgow or christiana.

PSAT scores out

High school students in the Christina district who took the PSAT's in October will be getting copies of their test results soon. Meetings will be held to help parents and the students decipher and understand the results. A workshop describing the PSAT and the benefits for your child in taking the test will be held during the Jan. 29 Parent Information Night at Gauger-Cobbs School, 50 Gender Road, Scottfield, at 6:30 p.m. All families in the district are invited.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

DAN COLLINS, a senior at Christiana High School, was selected by Principal Scott Flowers and staff as this week's Student of the Week. Dan has been awarded first place in the DuPont Martin Luther King Diversity Art contest. He is a member of the Honor Society with 4.25 GPA, Technological Students Association, and the baseball team where he was named most valuable player of the JV team.



Collins

NHS student best in east

Young composer wins competition, writes music to motivate himself

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

PLAYING someone else's music is not satisfying enough for one Newark High School junior. It was his own musical creation that won him first place in a nationally recognized competition.

Sam Peters, 17, of Newark, is the Eastern Division winner of the 2004 Music Teachers National Association Student Composition Competition. His entry, entitled String Quartet, was judged against entries from Virginia to Maine.

Peters will advance to the national level of the competition to be held in Kansas City, Mo., in late March.

His musical career began in the third grade when Peters started playing the violin. Last year he changed to the viola for its "deep and darkening" sounds and plays in the orchestra at school. He learned to play the piano just to help with his composing.

Even though Peters has been creating his own music since the fourth grade, he really became



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Newark High School Junior Sam Peters has been composing music for eight years. His award-winning String Quartet will now be entered into national competition in March.

serious about his work two years ago when he started formal training under David Brown. He has performed at Loudis Hall of the University of Delaware, but this was the first competition for the young composer.

Peters enjoys playing the instruments, but finds greater satisfaction in composing.

"The most important part of music is to be creative and express my own music. I can do that by playing but I'm better by

writing. I like composing because it is an expression of your ideas and keeps me motivated to get up in the morning," Peters said, describing his style as modern 20th century music.

His award-winning piece String Quartet, has three movements, Irritant, Intermezzo Loop and Wish.

"Irritant is very rhythmic, yet contrasting at the same time, pulling apart, sort of fighting at times, sounds irritating," said Peters.

He spends an average of one hour a day composing and one hour practicing, but when he is really inspired by a new idea and can play around with it and move it in different directions, Peters says he can spend the whole night composing. He is currently working on a piece for flutes.

When Peters gets bored and has nothing else to do, he likes listening to a variety of music, mostly Baroque and 20th century and his favorite composer Johann Sebastian Bach, especially the Brandenburg Concertos, One and Six.

Peters is not sure of the direction his music will take him after high school, but he is sure that he will continue composing.

Peters is the son of Ray and Sue Peters and has a twin brother who also composes and plays the French horn.

Christina parents go back to school

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE Christina School District hosted Parent Information Night on Thursday, Jan. 15 at Bayard School in Wilmington to help families understand the grading systems, assessment of student work, testing results, and types of diplomas that will be given this spring.

Workshops showed parents how they can help their children at home with reading, writing and math activities and suggestions on test taking. There was a demonstration of the district's Web site and links to Department of Instruction sites and others that can provide homework assistance.

With all the talk about

DSTP, NCLB and PSAT, many parents find themselves with more questions than answers these days.

Crystal Baynard attended the program to get information that would help her son, Julius, a ninth grader at Newark High School.

"I need to understand the DSTP and how it will effect his diploma," said Crystal Baynard. She admitted it was very confusing to her.

Julius Baynard attended as well. He wanted to find out more about the test, too, because he didn't do very well in math last year and had to attend summer school.

Dan Shelton, teacher at Drew-Pyle Intermediate, showed the Baynard's how they could access the district Web site for an explanation of the

test, sample test questions, parent tips to help prepare their child and how to determine the type of diploma Julius would receive.

As mother and son were leaving the school, Crystal Baynard said, "I got my answers. This was the best class."

Earlier in the evening Wendy Roberts, Director of Assessment and Analysis with the Delaware Department of Education, explained to more than 75 attendees how the Delaware Student Testing Program and No Child Left Behind impact individual students, the schools, the districts and the state. Roberts then conducted three workshops to answer individual questions from parents.

Parent Information meetings have been held in individual

schools but the administration felt two programs, in Wilmington and Newark areas, would be more convenient for families.

"We will continue to do these at individual schools, but this gives families with children at multiple schools a chance to visit just one and get answers," said Dorothy Shelton, Director of Curriculum Services for the district.

A second Parent Information Program will be held Thursday, Jan. 29, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Gauger-Cobbs Intermediate School, 50 Gender Rd., Scottfield, in Newark. All families in the district are invited to attend.

■ For more information, call 454-2500.

NEWARK POST ♦ IN OUR SCHOOLS

BOARD ACTION

THE following actions were taken at the Jan. 13 Christina School District Board of Education meeting held at Elbert Palmer School.

Board honor roll

■ The board honored seven teachers in the district who earned National Board Certification for the 2002-2003 school year. This certification is the highest professional credential for educators, taking nearly a full year to complete. Honored are: **Edith Bacon**, Thurgood Marshall; **Heather Buchanan**, Brookside; **Gina Marie Dudlek**, Autism Program; **Jamett Garlick**, West Park Place; **Mary Jane Papas**, Thurgood Marshall; **David Scott**, Glasgow; and **Brooke Yorgey**, Jennie Smith.

■ Keene Elementary School was honored for being named "Star School" by the Delaware Department of Education for the school's Positive Behavior Support Program.

■ Newark High School Yellowjackets football team was honored for being state champions.

Compensation OK'd

The board approved the salary formulas for the administrator and computer analyst, substitute teachers salary rates for 2003-04 and salary rates for summer school, inservice, extended year programs and continuing adult education program for 2004-05.

There were no salary or rate changes.

Grades set for extra-curricular activities

The board approved changes to the policy for minimum grades that students must maintain in order to participate in any extra-curricular activities in high school, allowing more incoming ninth graders the opportunity to participate in activities during the first marking period.

Incoming ninth graders must have earned final passing grades

in at least three of the four core subject areas: language arts, math, science or social studies. One of the final passing grades must be in language arts. At the end of the first marking period as a ninth grader, the student must have a 2.0 minimum GPA to participate.

School calendar set for 2004, 2005

Calendars for the school years 2004-05 and 2005-06 were approved.

The only major change noted was an additional two days of instruction in November. Classes will be in session Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week and closed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for the holiday.

Energy management program to save \$\$\$

Energy Education, Inc. was approved by the board to act as consultants with the district in an effort to reduce energy bills. Currently working with 580 school districts in 45 states, Energy Education helps re-direct resources away from utility bills to other uses, with an estimated saving of \$6M over a seven-year period for the Christina School District.

Projects approved

■ KCI Industries was awarded the Construction Inspection Services contract for upcoming major capital improvement projects.

■ The final design plan for a 26,000 square foot addition to the existing building for the Delaware Autism Program was approved, providing 22 additional classrooms, new kitchen, new office areas and expanded mechanical and electrical systems.

■ Final plans were approved for Pulaski Elementary School, providing air conditioning to the entire facility and replacing existing faulty mechanical equipment and piping.

Students can enter contest for scholarships

An oratorical contest for high school students will be sponsored by American Legion Post 10, Newark, with the topic to be the U.S. Constitution.

The contest will be held at Holy Family Education Center, Gender and Chestnut Hill roads, Friday, Feb. 6 at 7:30 p.m. Snow date will be Feb. 13. The public is invited.

One representative from each of the local high schools will deliver a prepared speech for eight to 10 minutes on any facet of the Constitution. They will also speak for three to five min-

utes on one of four assigned topics on some phase of the Constitution, selected Articles and Sections.

The winner of the local contest will compete in Dover for the state title and that winner will proceed to the national finals.

Three finalists at the national level will receive \$14,000, \$16,000 and \$18,000 scholarships awarded by the National Organization of The American Legion.

■ For more information, call Joseph Hoar, contest chairman at 234-0592.



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WELCOME TO MY LIFE

Dolls gone wild

By TRACY BACHMAN

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

MY 6-year old daughter handed me her list for Santa a few weeks before Christmas, and right at the top was another Bratz doll.

To my dismay, Samantha's aunt bought her and her sister each Bratz dolls for Christmas last year, and it's been an issue of contention between us ever since.

Before there was Bratz, there was Barbie.

By the time Samantha reached her first birthday, she had accumulated at least 10 Barbie dolls. Didn't friends and relatives realize how a young girl's self-image could be harmed by Barbie's unattainable beauty and body proportions? I expressed my views, but they fell on deaf ears.

The Barbie dolls kept pouring in, of course in different outfits, hair colors, and skin tones.

After all, shouldn't every little girl have more Barbie dolls than she can count?

The other thing that bothers me about Barbie is that her clothes are impossible for little girls to put on and take off. So I end up with the task of dressing and undressing these stick figures.

Then along comes a new generation of dolls.

Bratz dolls have oversized heads with pouty lips, lots of make-up, voluptuous bodies, and skin-tight clothes.

According to the official Bratz Web site: "Party alert! Mark your calendars, because next year we're throwing a couple of ultra-cool parties that you just won't want to miss! First, we'll be leaving the Boyz at home as we take part in a very special Girls Nite Out! celebration that is destined to last all night long and be one you're sure to never ever forget."

What exactly are they doing at these all-night parties? Not eating cake and ice cream.

Raising girls today is scary enough without the many messages and toys that



Hummel

"...Maybe Barbie is not so bad after all."

are forcing them to grow up much too soon. Girls are sexualized at such a young age through the clothes they wear (I've seen pre-schoolers wear belly shirts), the music they are subjected to (Britney Spears), and the dolls they play with.

While many people simply believe that these are only toys, they are conveying a certain attitude and a particular lifestyle that may be harmful. To believe that a doll is simply a plaything that will have no effect on a girl's self-esteem and identity is naïve.

But how do you explain that to your 6-year-old daughter who is begging for a Bratz doll?

The simple answer is that you don't. These types of inappropriate products aimed at kids put parents in an awkward situation.

You don't want something to be so forbidden that they really want it, but at the same time you want to pass along your values to your children.

As the parent, you have to say "no" and provide children with more appropriate toys that will build their self-esteem and confidence and mirror the parents' standards.

These toys are out there, you just have to look harder for them.

But it's a never-ending battle because most of their friends at school have the "banned" toys and wonder why they don't or well-meaning relatives feel the need to ensure that your children receive the trendiest products.

When my girls received the dolls last Christmas, I almost threw them away, but decided to hide them instead. That didn't last long. The compromise we reached is that the dolls are banned from my house, so they keep them at their Dad's house.

I was relieved that my daughters did not get any new Bratz dolls for Christmas this year, although I think they received some coloring books informing them of the next super-cool Bratz party.

Maybe Barbie is not so bad after all.

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's "Out of the Attic" photo features a post card from the collection of the University of Delaware library's Special Collections Department. It shows the University of Delaware's Joe Frazer Field in Newark and appears to have been printed after 1914, the photo made from a silver gelatin negative. This interesting collection of postal memories is available to the public on the Web; go to <http://www.lib.udel.edu/digital/dpc/>. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. For information, call the *Newark Post*, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the *Newark Post* throughout the years

■ Jan. 24, 1929 New post office contract expected

On Monday 12 bidders submitted bids to the Treasury Department for the new Federal post office building to be constructed in Newark, on the government owned site at Main and Center streets. This is the third time that bids have been examined for this building. On the two previous occasions, all bids were rejected and the specifications revised.

It is probable that one of these last bids will be accepted but no notice of award has been given yet. \$60,000 has been appropriated for the building.

Newark pupils excel at math at University

At the Junior Senior High School Assembly yesterday, Professor Carl Rees, of the University of

Delaware made an address, the keynote of which was intellectual honesty and cooperation in doing things. After completing his address, Professor Rees congratulated the Newark School on the showing of last years senior class in the University. He stated that Newark scholars ranked first among all oth-

ers in the preliminary examinations in mathematics.

Catch Wesley Chapel vandals

Following clues picked up by questioning persons living in the vicinity of Wesley Chapel Chief of Police Keeley and County Constable Wideman, on Monday, arrested Harry Bryson, of Marshallton, and Lloyd Johnson, of Newark, charging them with acts of vandalism on the Wesley Chapel.

■ Jan. 24, 1979 Police: If talks fail, pickets will return

Newark police vow to increase picketing if no progress is made at the negotiating session scheduled Thursday with city officials.

About 60 police officers

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"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 in the reprinting of these items.

Make a note:

We've moved. Our new address is: Suite 206, Madeline Crossing,
168 Elkton Road, Newark, DE 19711

■ Bachman is program director of the Building Responsibility Coalition at the University of Delaware. She lives in Newark with her family.

Band's music an extension of their friendships

► BAND, from 1

place singing along with him."

Three Second Memory disbanded in the middle of 1996 but Sedacca and Corrigan continued their musical growth by forming a funk/jazz/jam band called "Willis."

Although the band lasted until early 2001, members lacked the dedication needed to continue, Sedacca said.

In April of 2001 Corrigan and Sedacca were visiting a friend in Missoula, Mont. when a friendly, but not too serious wager was made at a local music shop.

"I told Paul that if he got a banjo, I'd get a mandolin," laughs Corrigan. "It was a pretty big joke at first."

Later that day, Sedacca made good on the deal and The Delaware Rag was born. Upon returning to Delaware, Sedacca called Perlot, told him of the purchases, and invited him over to play. Two months later, The Delaware Rag played in front of a public audience for the first time at an "open mic" night in the East End Café in Newark.

Last August the lineup became complete with the addition of upright bass player Pat

Maholland and lead guitarist Casey Neal, both UD students. They next play Jan. 30 at Homegrown Cafe in downtown Newark.

"We put in an ad at Accent Music for an upright bass player, but ended up getting a lead guitar player too," said Perlot. "Having Casey and Pat has really filled out the sound of the group and also given me a little more room to do different things on the guitar."

Neither Maholland nor Neal had ever seen the band, but each had 'itchings' to be involved with bluegrass music. Both come from

a jazz style of playing.

"We all come from different playing styles," said Maholland. "But it's great because each of us brings something very different and unique to the band that is outside the bluegrass realm."

Neal added that this difference also pops up when the band plays live.

"We're not really sure where [the songs] are going to end up," he said.

Although the band readily admits they still adore heavy metal, the stripped down, roots-based nature of bluegrass appeals to them.

"I like the idea of taking something old and making it for a new generation," said Corrigan.

They have a 50 to 60 song

repertoire, genres of music that include classic rock, ragtime, reggae, Irish folk, country, and even 1950s style doo-wop.

Though the band prefers to do mostly originals, the cover songs they choose to do range from the staple "Rocky Top" to the Cars' "Best Friend's Girl" to Elton John's "Crocodile Rock."

The band is serious about their music but all agree that without a solid friendship and a degree of "relaxed concentration," the band wouldn't exist.

"We wouldn't fight like a bunch of brothers, and we take our music seriously, but not enough to affect our friendship," said Perlot. "That will always come first, and the music is just an extension of that."

Johnson house to be preserved

► PAGES, from 6

from throughout the state picketed outside the City of Newark Municipal Building Monday night before the City Council meeting, protesting the low pay rate for Newark's police force as compared to other police agencies in the state.

They learned to fight fires with fire

The second floor of the one and a half story Cape Cod was burning. Flames licked the edges of windows and the roof and balls of fire danced across the wall and ceiling joists.

Aetna Hose, Hook, and Ladder Co. was on the scene and about 30 firemen milled about watching the building burn. "It seems weird standing here watching it burn," said one fireman, as a portion of the burning roof caved in.

But that's what volunteer fire-

fighters were supposed to do - observe. This fire, deliberately set by firemen, was part of Aetna's training program to give rookies the opportunity to fight a "good" fire under a controlled situation.

■ Jan. 22, 1999

Heroin hotspot

It decreases your appetite for sex and food, it can cost you as much as \$300 a day or your life, whichever comes first, and it leads to constipation so severe that paramedics routinely look for laxatives at overdose scenes.

On Tuesday night, members of Newark's city council along with about 25 residents and their children attended the award-winning program the task force has been presenting throughout the county for the past year.

The harrowing, no-holds-barred visuals are supported with firsthand accounts of dealing with heroin addicts from county

officers, paramedics and the parents of one local girl who died of an overdose.

Johnson house to be preserved

The old house owned for a time by Newark Post founder Everett Johnson on the corner of South Chapel Street and Chestnut Hill Road is likely to be saved.

WaWa owners originally wanted to demolish the house during an expansion of the parking lot at the nearby convenience store.

Current tenants of the house, now used for offices, appealed to the county to consider saving the building as an historic site.

Capano could get death

The jury began considering a penalty on Wednesday for Thomas Capano, convicted of murder on Jan. 17 after a 12-week trial. Capano could be sentenced to death.

Coming home

► UP FRONT, from 1

should serve her and her Wilmington Trust customers well. I know that Sally is thrilled now to be working not only in a familiar setting but also only a couple of blocks from her home.

I first met Sally in 1997 when she was treasurer of the Newark Historical Society. She and I and then-Councilmember Hal Godwin worked together to host a tribute dinner that honored the Amazing Bob Thomas, another line-long Newarker who is the founder and heart-and-soul of the local history group.

Later, I worked with Sally at the Newark Senior Center. We were both on the board of directors and she followed me as president. It is in this role that I got to see best her ability to lead and

inspire through kindness and personal example.

In the "good ol' days," people would go to the downtown bank and be greeted by name, spurred by familiarity and not a drivers license. Businesspeople would have friendly relationships with the bank honcho, getting help and advice ahead of time instead of computer-generated "past due" notices.

I suspect in her new role, Sally will bring a bit of this past to banking in the Year Y2K4.

Sally, welcome home.

■ When not wondering if his mortgage payment on the Streit family home in the Cherry Hill neighborhood of Newark is past due, the writer is publisher of this and two other Delaware newspapers that are headquartered in Newark.

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OUTLOOK

Reality of resolutions

■ *Outlook is a weekly feature provided to Newark Post readers by the staff of the New Castle County Cooperative Extension Office.*

By MARIA PIPPIDIS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

WE'VE lived through the holidays, shopped the fabulous Newark sales and now we're thinking about 2004.

We're reflecting on last year and dreaming of the coming year. We're developing our resolutions and a vision of the future. Over the holidays, my sisters and I were discussing the challenges of "sticking to" our resolutions. How do we accomplish it so that next year at this time we can celebrate our achievements?

Research shows that to achieve your vision you need to break it down into small manageable steps so that you can begin making modest progress toward your goal right away. Use creative reminders — little prompts to help you stay focused on achieving your vision, such as notes on the bathroom mirror or pictures on the refrigerator door. These tangible versions of our goals help make them real.

Prepare for potential obstacles by thinking ahead, naming them, and planning ways around these barriers. When you are prepared for obstacles, you can more easily avoid them or nip them in the bud.

Being stressed out is one of the greatest obstacles to achieving our dreams. Take time to be quiet and calm. With practice, your ability to stay vibrantly and calmly centered will grow in strength and creativity.

Practice affirmations and positive phrases that build strength and self-sufficiency. Say to yourself "I can!" Also, regularly visualize yourself achieving your goal — remember to put yourself in the picture. Using all your senses, make a habit of creating full-color mental movies in which

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By CARLY JUNO

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

THE first Life Options Fair, where approximately 100 senior citizens were educated about what opportunities are available to them in their community, was held Friday, Jan. 16 at the Newark Senior Center.

The day started off with keynote speaker Emily Kimball, 72, who talked to the seniors about getting a focus on their lives.

She told them to think about what they used to love doing as a child, and to bring that back into their lives. For those who were interested in traveling, she discussed different, inexpensive ways of accomplishing those goals.

Kimball discussed how at age 62 she accomplished her dream of riding her bicycle 4,700 miles across America and how at age 71 she finished her 10-year hike across the Appalachian Trail.

She is proud of her age and what she has accomplished, and encouraged others to follow their dreams.

"You can't let other people's fears stop you from moving ahead," she said.

She told the group that all they need is focus, determination, support and resources to live their retirement how they want.

The senior citizens visited the 25 exhibitors and lined up to receive information about such opportunities as volunteering, continuing education and mentoring.

Lieberman's Bookstore, headquartered in downtown Newark, had an exhibit with books about such hobbies as coin collecting and quilting.

Other exhibitors included the Newark Arts Alliance, the Newark Coin Club, Senior

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Clockwise from top, keynote speaker Emily Kimball, right, signs her book about aging adventurers; Linda Abrams of AstraZeneca talks to Charles Coia and Helen Grosso; and, bottom, Ruth Specht, left, and Betty Ann Manz, right, of the Carewear Project show the works they create for needy children, adults and groups.

PHOTOS BY JOHN LLERA



ASSESSING THE OPTIONS

At NSC fair, seniors discover they have many choices



Got a 'yarning' for a good exhibit?

WE residents of New Castle County are extremely fortunate to have world class museums to our north, to our south, and to our west. (Going east is nice but in Delaware it gets very damp very quickly!)

I have shared information with you about exhibits of oil paintings, water colors, charcoal, tempera, etc. In this column I will share a most unusual medium for paintings, yarn paintings. These are not tapestries but yarn paintings. The venue is one of my favorite museums, The University Museum on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania.

The exhibit, which runs through March 31, is entitled "Mythic Visions: Yarn Paintings of a Huichol Shaman." Through the vibrant yarn paintings of shaman-artist Jose Benitez Sanchez outsiders have learned much about the rich religious and cultural heritage of Mexico's Huichol Indians.

THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

I found it very interesting that although the Huichol people have been using yarn and string to convey prayers to their gods and to create protective charms for themselves for centuries, yarn painting is a relatively recent art form for them. The art form actually began as an outgrowth of the tourist trade in their region of Mexico.

The business started in the 1960s when Huichol artists were looking for new kinds of arts and crafts to sell to the tourists. The result was these beautiful yarn paintings which form the basis of the exhibit. These yarn paintings are vivid works of textile art in which strands of brightly colored yarn are applied to boards and covered with beeswax. These works offer us a rare glimpse into the complexities of the Huichol

people's worldview.

"Mythic Visions" centers around the work of shaman Sanchez because he is considered the leading Huichol artist currently working in this medium. His work can be recognized by its fluid curvilinear style which he pioneered in the 1970s. His skillful work offers a seamless flow of interlocking elements that fill the entire space of his art.

Exhibit Curator Dr. Peter T. Frust spoke about the artist. "These fleeting visions are of the Huichol world as it came into creation in a mystical natural environment that has no boundaries between the present and its ancestral past. It is the other-worldly visions, triggered by the use of the sacred peyote cactus which inspires shaman-artists like this one to 'paint' in yarn."

The exhibition has an excellent narrative text which provides the visitor with information about the Huichol people and their spiritual beliefs. A number of Huichol artifacts from the Penn's huge collection have been placed around the yarn paintings to help set the art form in its cultural context. These include votive bowls, back shields, prayer arrows and small votive figures.

The entire show is very well presented and can satisfy many visitor interests. Serious scholars,



In Jose Benitez Sanchez's fluid style, a procession of five sacred deer with majestic antlers and speech or song lines come from their mouth, pass by in single file. This is one of the yarn paintings in the current exhibit "Mythic Visions: Yarn Paintings of a Huichol Shaman" now on exhibit at University of Pennsylvania Museum.

art lovers and children interested in art will find "Mythic Visions" a worthwhile visit. The exhibit can be enjoyed by people of widely varied backgrounds and ages.

If you really take an interest in this unique exhibit, may I suggest a tome on sale at The Museum Shop? It is a large format hard-cover book entitled "Visions of a Huichol Shaman" and it is written and illustrated by the curator, Dr. Frust. It includes many maps and other information about the Huichol people.

The University Museum is at 3260 South Street in Philadelphia, just across from Franklin Field on the Penn Campus. It is easily reached by SEPTA trains from Newark. Get off the train at Penn Station. The museum is visible and an easy walk from the station platform. If you prefer to drive, take I-95 to I-76 and get off at the South Street exit and turn left to the museum. There are many security patrolled parking lots in the area.

Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m. For more information you may call 215-898-4000 or visit their Web site at www.museum.upenn.edu.

Enjoy!

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ROCKEFELLER COLLECTION Through Feb. 1. One of the most significant collections of American paintings in the world from San Francisco's de Young Museum at Winterthur, An American Country Estate. Info., 888-4600.

■ SATURDAY, JAN. 24

CHESS TOURNAMENT 9 a.m. three-round robin quad at the Republican Regional Headquarters in College Square Shopping Center. The cost is \$20. For more info., call 368-8569.

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

DIVORCECARE Saturdays and Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old

Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info, 737-5040.

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

PRESIDENTIAL FORUM 1-3 p.m. forum sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark at MacKinnon Hall, 420 Willa Rd., across from West Park Elementary School playground. Info., 737-4546.

LEGO LEAGUE COMPETITION 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. innovative program designed to build self-confidence, knowledge, and life skills while motivating young people to pursue opportunities in science, technology and engineering at the Bob Carpenter Center. Free and open to the public.

SPAGHETTI DINNER 4-8 p.m. all-you-can-eat food from Nino's Restaurant. from 4-8 p.m. at Christ The Teacher School, 2451 Frazer Rd. \$7.50 for adults; \$5 for children 4-14; children three and under free; and a family ticket can be purchased for just \$25.

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■ SUNDAY, JAN. 25

SPORTS CARD & COLLECTIBLE SHOW 10 a.m.-3 p.m. comics and collectibles at Aetna Fire Hall, Route 273 West (across from the Newark Post Office) \$2 admission, children 12 and under free. For more information, call 438-0967.

BRUCE ANTHONY 6-9 p.m. Jazz phenomenon at Home Grown Café & Gourmet to Go, 126 E. Main St. No cover. 266-6993.

■ MONDAY, JAN. 26

BROWN BAG LUNCH Noon lunch in Memorial Hall with special speaker Maureen Feeney Roser, Assistant Planning Director for the City of Newark. Open to the public.
NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn, Route 273. 453-8853.

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

UNIVERSITY WOMEN Newark AAUW meets at First Presbyterian Church, West Main Street, Newark. Info. 731-4724.

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

■ TUESDAY, JAN. 27

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

ADULTS WITH AD/HD 7:30 p.m. Fourth Tuesdays. Support group meets at New Ark United Church of Christ, Main Street, Newark. 737-5063.

UNSCHOOLERS & OTHERS 7 p.m. fourth Tuesdays. Parents meet at Kirkwood Library. Group also holds activities for homeschool families. Info. 322-5950.

MISS SAIGON Through Feb. 8. Musical love story performed at the DuPont Theatre. Tickets range from \$47 to \$65. To purchase tickets or information about the performance, call 656-4401.

■ WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28

DOPPLER DIAGNOSTICS 9 a.m. important health tests to screen for a stroke and abdominal aneurysms by having a carotid artery screening which uses a painless ultrasound technology. Tests are available for under \$30 and will take place at St. John-Holy Angels Catholic Church on Possum Park Rd. For more information, call 800-446-0925.

MEDICAL FRAUD ALERT 10 a.m. Program to alert the public about Medicare fraud at Jewish Community Center, 318 S. College Ave. To reserve, call 368-9173.

GRIEF SHARE 7 p.m. seminar and support group every week for those who have lost someone close to them at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info. 737-5040.

NEWARK DELTONES 7-10 p.m. at Newark United Church of Christ, Main Street. Info. 737-4544.

PAINTING GROUP 9:30 a.m.-noon second and fourth Wednesdays at Newark Arts Alliance, 132 E. Delaware Avenue. Bring own supplies. 266-7266.

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■ THURSDAY, JAN. 29

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Sports

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Newark girls swim team is tops among all state high school sports?

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Just in case you haven't noticed, one of the best high school sports teams of this entire school year is having another stellar season.

The Newark High girls swim team is not only the top swim team in the state, it may be the top high school team of any kind in the state.



Valania

The defending state champion Yellowjackets are undefeated so far this winter. They have already beaten archrival and previously (until last year anyway) unbeatable St. Mark's.

Sure, there are some other great teams in other sports. The Glasgow High girls track team is pretty awesome as well. But the Jackets just keep plugging along.

We won't find out for sure until the state meet, but if you're looking for high school teams of the year — this one is certainly a candidate.

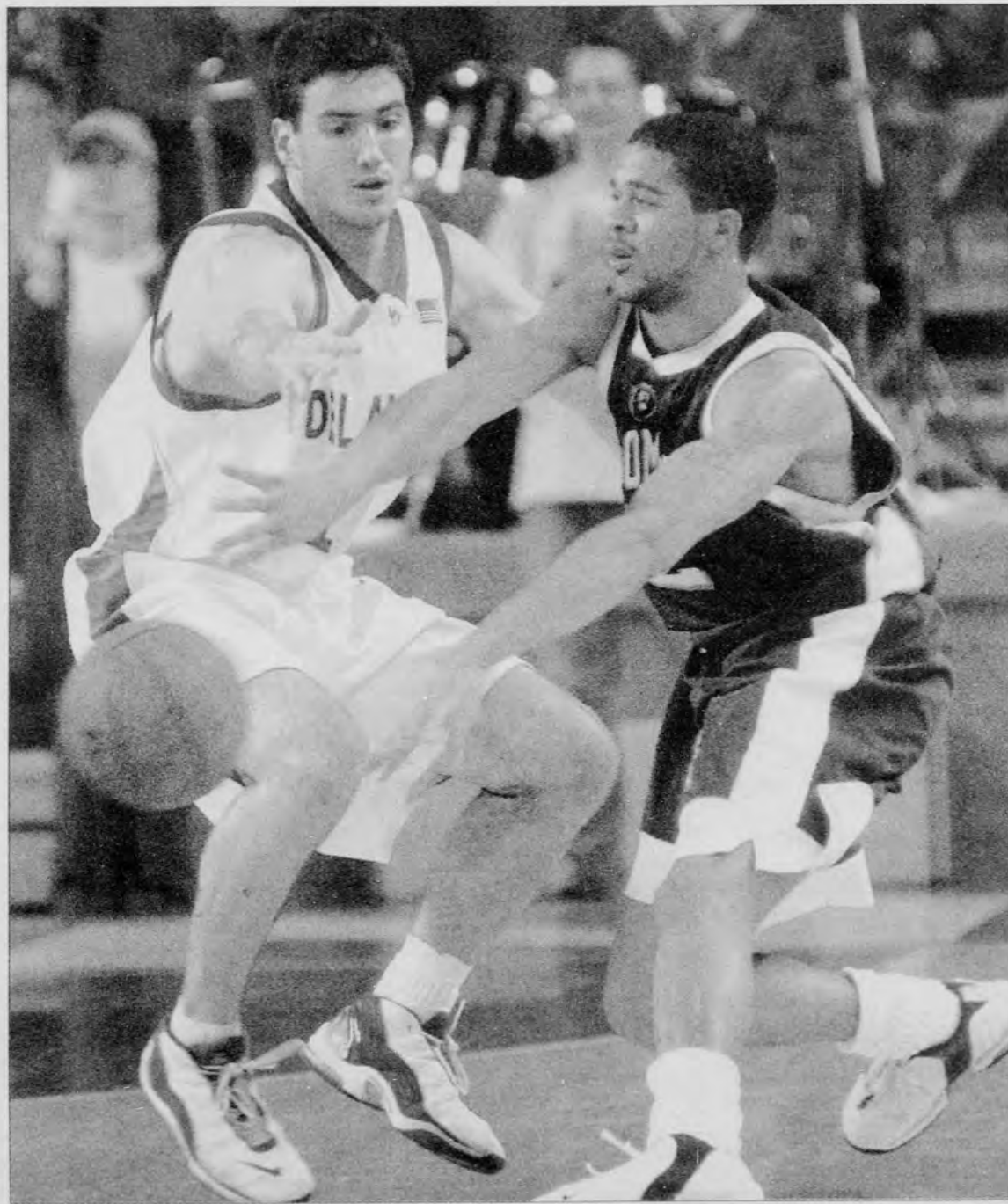
UD hoops

It looks like the Delaware men's basketball team is having a fine season.

Saturday's last-second victory over Old Dominion was a big one. It was the first CAA loss of the year for the Monarchs and lifted Delaware to a 9-6 overall record and 3-3 in the league.

The Hens have had problems with consistency over the past few years. It's a bit of a problem this year as well. However, it appears they have taken strides to improve that.

Ames' buzzer-beater lifts Hens



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Delaware senior guard Mike Ames hit a game-winning three-point shot against Old Dominion.

See HENS, 12 ►

Shot gives Delaware win over Old Dominion

Mike Ames buried a three-pointer from the left corner with just 1.8 seconds left to play to complete a wild comeback for the University of Delaware as the Blue Hens handed Old Dominion its first Colonial Athletic Association men's basketball loss of the season with a 64-62 victory Saturday night at the Bob Carpenter Center.

Ames, a senior guard who was coming off back-to-back efforts of 28 points vs. James Madison Monday and 30 points vs. Drexel Thursday, completed the stellar week as he scored a game-high 18 points and rallied the Hens after trailing by 12 points with 12:28 left to play.

His game-winning three-pointer was the 200th of his career. Delaware, which hit on 11 of its final 16 shots from the field, improved to 9-6, 3-3 CAA despite having just one player (Ames) score in double figures. Henry Olawoye and David Lunn (six rebounds) each scored seven points off the bench while the Hens' other four starters each netted six points.

League-leading Old Dominion, which had a seven-game win streak snapped

and lost its first conference game of the season to fall to 9-5 (4-1), had a chance to win the game but center Alex Loughton's 25-footer at the buzzer bounced out. Loughton, ODU's leading scorer at 18.5 points per game, sat out most of the second half due to foul trouble and finished with 11 points and pulled six rebounds. John Waller, Arnaud

St. Mark's wrestlers finish second

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

St. Mark's rigorous march toward the post-season tournaments continued last week with a second place finish in the Mount Madness Tournament at Goucher College in Baltimore.

Host Mount St. Joe's won the 21-team tournament with 230.5 points. St. Mark's was second

with 187.5 and DeMatha (Md.) was third with 167.5. Hodgson, the only other Delaware team, finished ninth.

Freshman 103-pounder Tommy Abbott led a seven-man contingent of Spartans that placed. Abbott won all four of his matches, including a 13-3 major decision in the final. He has won 12 consecutive matches.

"He's wrestling awesome right now," said St. Mark's coach

Jay Bastianelli. "He's doing a lot of new things that we've been working and he really looks good."

Senior Kyle Skinner won three of four matches to finish second at 152 pounds. His lone loss came on a 1-0 decision in the championship match against Mack Lewnes from Mount St. Joe. Lewnes is the No. 1 ranked sophomore in the country.

"Skinner had a good tourna-

ment," Bastianelli said. "He wrestled very well against some tough kids."

At 171 pounds, Andrew Jordan finished second, dropping a 5-4 decision in the final to an undefeated wrestler from Owings Mills (Md.).

"He lost a heartbreaker," said Bastianelli of Jordan's final. "But he keeps improving all the time."

Jeremy Shaw, a 112-pound

See WRESTLE, 12 ►

Local youth leagues hold baseball registrations

Newark American Little League

Newark American Little League will hold registration Thursday, Jan. 29 from 6-8 p.m. at the VFW Hall behind the Newark Municipal Building on Elkton Rd. There will also be a registration Jan. 31 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 368-8026 or go to www.eteamz.com/newarkamerican.

Newark National

Newark National Little

Abbott wins another tournament

► WRESTLE, from 11

sophomore, won four of five matches and finished third in the tournament, which was touted as the toughest high school tournament in Maryland history.

Sophomore 130-pounder Andrew Bradley also finished third, winning a 6-4 overtime decision in the consolation finals.

Senior Brian Willis, battling back from a knee injury, won four of his five matches to finish third at 215 pounds.

Brian Collins, a senior 140-pounder, lost his first round match, but came all the way back to place fifth.

League will hold registration Saturday, Jan. 31 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Clark Field on Possum Park Rd. There will also be signups Jan. 28 and Feb. 4 from 6-9 p.m. For more information, call 738-0881 or go to www.eteamz.com/newarknational.

Canal Little League

Registration dates have been set for the 2004 Canal Little League baseball and softball seasons. Registration will be held in the Grange Hall next to Peoples Plaza on the following

dates/times:

Sat., Jan. 24th 9am-2pm
Wed., Jan. 28th, 6pm-9pm
Sat., Jan. 31st, 9am-2pm
Wed., Feb. 4th, 6pm-9pm
Sat., Feb. 7th, 9am-2pm

Bear Babe Ruth holds softball registration

Bear Babe Ruth will be holding softball registration for girls ages 7-16.

Registration will be at Red Lion Christian Academy on Jan. 31 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. and on Feb. 5 from 6-8:30 p.m.

There will be opportunities to sign up for recreation teams or travel teams. There will also be three divisions of play - minor, major and senior. For more information, please call Joe Furness at 323-0407.

Parks and Rec. offers fee assistance

Newark Parks and Recreation is committed to providing recreational opportunities to everyone. For this reason, a fee assistance program is available for qualifying individuals (youth and adult) to aid in the expense of its recre-

ation programs. All inquiries and requests are strictly confidential.

For more information, please contact Joe Spadafino, recreation superintendent at 366-7060.

Jazzercise offered

The Newark Senior Center is offering Jazzercise - Simply Lite on Mondays, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m., Tuesdays 5:40 to 6:30 p.m., and Wednesdays, 9 to 10 a.m. This class provides warm up, cardio, strength, stretch and fun.

For more information/registration call 302-737-2336.

Blue Hens hand ODU first conference loss

► HENS, from 11

Dahi, and Troy Nance also scored 11 points apiece to pace Old Dominion.

The Hens rallied back to win from a double-digit halftime deficit for the second time this season but for just the fourth time since the 1980-81 season. The Hens won their season opener over Mt. St. Mary's 75-72 in overtime Nov. 21 despite trailing by 10 at the break.

Delaware shot just 29.2 percent from the field (7 of 24) and committed 10 turnovers as Old Dominion jumped out to a 37-25 lead at halftime. The

Monarchs stayed in front by double digits for most of the second half, going up by as much as 12 points at 50-38 as Valdas

Vasylius converted four straight free throws, the last two with 12:28 remaining.

But Old Dominion's offense went cold and Delaware responded. With Loughton on the bench with four fouls, the Monarchs went one stretch of just over 12 minutes without converting a field goal. After Nance hit a three-pointer with 14:25 left for a 46-34 lead, Old Dominion could manage just eight free throws until Dahi nailed a three-pointer with 2:22 left to tie the score at 57-57. The Monarchs missed 12 straight shots during the drought.

Delaware took full advantage of the Monarchs' poor shooting. After ODU took the 50-38 lead with 12:28 remaining, Delaware scored 16 of the next 20 points to gain the first tie of the half at 54-

54 with 4:50 left to play.

After Dahi's three-pointer tied the game again at 57-57 with 2:22 left, Ames answered with a three-pointer of his own to give Delaware a 60-57 advantage with 1:46 left. But Nance came up big for ODU, hitting two free throws and nailing a three-pointer from the top of the key in a span of just 38 seconds to put the Monarchs back up 62-60 with 1:05 remaining. Delaware's Lunn hit one of two free throws to cut the lead to 62-61 and the Hens followed with a big stop when Dahi missed a jumper with 20 seconds left. That set up the winning shot by Ames, who took a feed from Mike Slattery and nailed the game-winning three-pointer from the left corner.



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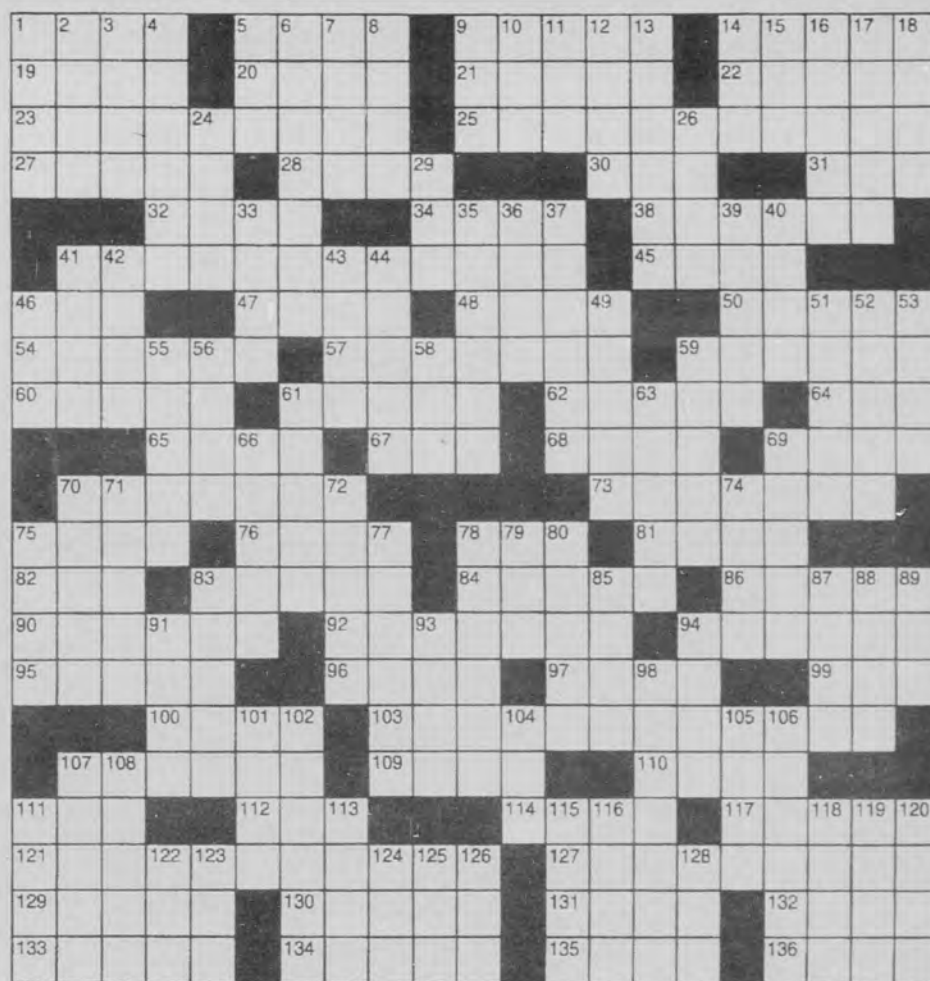
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Council member considers higher fees for problem apartment complexes

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council's Jan. 26 meeting, and comes after a Dec. 8 heated debate between the council and Ivy Hall owner Michael S. Purzycki.

Some council members told Purzycki they were hesitant to approve his request because his complex generated more or as many police calls than other apartments in the city. Purzycki did not deny the accusations but said he was upset because he followed the city's rules — which called for such building in that area — and has not been given fair treatment.

Kalbacher said regardless of Ivy Hall's proposal, it's time the city begin reviewing the apartment market. He said the city has approved several large and small complexes over the years to provide for housing, but he said it needs to be determined if, where and when new apartments are built.

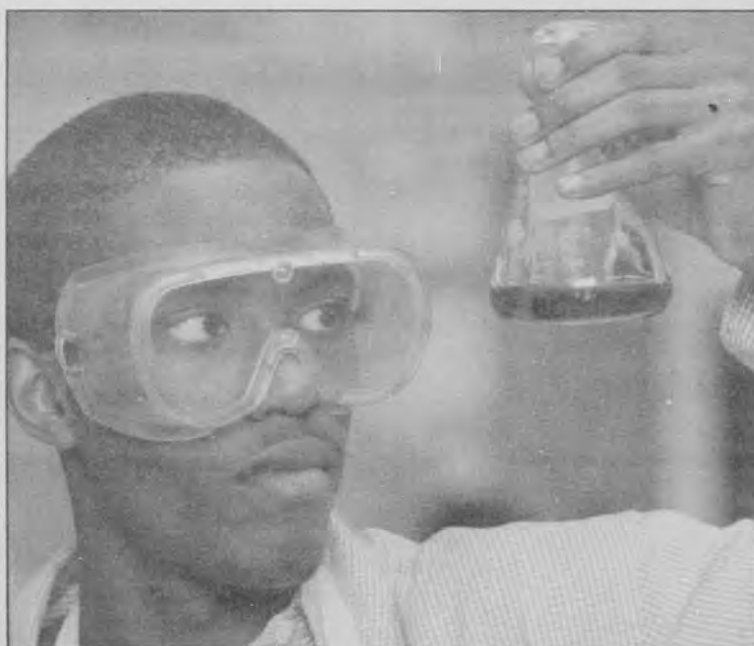
"The recent service call data shows a good number of police calls are generated from certain apartment complexes," Kalbacher said. "That with the fact the university is building 250 more apartments (the Pencader project) suggests we need to convene a committee to study this."

The committee would also try to gather information on vacancy rates, review the list of complexes with the highest number of police calls and look at ways to reign in problem apartments. Eventually, Kalbacher said regulations would penalize problem complex owners, or require them to work with city officials to remedy the situations. For instance, he said fines could be handed out if a complex exceeds a set number of police calls during a specific period of time.

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"It would be a graduated service fee," Kalbacher said. "If it gets to be higher calls, then it would be higher costs. We can't allow disorder in some complexes. There are laws against disorderly conduct and such, but this is saying we need to ratchet it up a little more."

Kalbacher proposes the committee be chaired by a council member and include students, apartment representatives, residents and a university representative.



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Clifford J. Brown, decorated WW II vet, science teacher

NEWARK area resident Clifford J. Brown died on Monday, Jan. 12, 2004, after a courageous nine-month battle with cancer.

Mr. Brown, 79, a father of four and a decorated World War II veteran, was the last surviving child of the late Alfred and Bess Jennings Brown of Seaford, N.Y., having outlived his brother, Bill, and sister, Kay Brown Williams.

Born in Brooklyn, he graduated from Bay Shore High School on

Long Island, N.Y. in 1942 and enlisted in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Brown was a forward observer, radio operator, scout and tank destroyer throughout the European Theatre, with battle stars for allied campaigns including Normandy, the Ardennes, Central Europe, Northern France and the Rhineland.

He specialized in eliminating snipers and securing locations for troops' advance, helping liberate numerous towns and prisoner of war impounds.

He was awarded the Purple Heart after surviving the bombing of a stone farmhouse in Belgium, where he was buried under tons of rubble and initially believed dead.

He was also honored by the government of France for his service in that country.

After the war, he returned to New York, where he attended Union College in Schenectady and married his high school sweetheart, Dorothy Loudon, whom he described as the only woman he ever loved.

The Browns lived briefly in Florida, before moving to Delaware, in 1951 to join the staff of Governor Bacon Health Center in Delaware City.

There, Mr. Brown began a teaching career that would span more than a half-century and touch thousands of students.

He later was hired by the Newark Special School District to teach at West Park Place Elementary School, then moved to the Jennie E. Smith Elementary School.

Mr. Brown taught there for most of his career, including multiple generations of many local families, in classrooms filled with fish tanks, plants, and native and exotic animals.

He enjoyed helping students find their individual gifts, teaching them to play chess, and encouraging them to appreciate humans' role in nature through projects such as raising and releasing monarch butterflies.

As part of the effort to desegregate Delaware schools, Mr. Brown was reassigned to Christina School District's Bayard Elementary School in Wilmington.

He retired in 1991.

Until his illness, Mr. Brown continued teaching astronomy and Skylab summer camp programs at Mount Cuba Astronomical Observatory, where his students ranged from Cub Scouts to U.S. Coast Guard members.

He was a longtime associate and member of the board of trustees at Mount Cuba.

He was a life member, former officer and board member of The Fort Delaware Society, a citizens' group that worked to preserve the historic Pea Patch Island site before it was taken over by the state.

He also was former president of the Delaware Aquarium Society.

Mr. Brown supported many nature and science groups including Hawk Mountain Sanctuary near Kemper, Pa.

He was an Eagle Scout and had been a member of Armstrong Lodge 26 in Newport.

He received his master's degree in education and studied for a doctor of philosophy at the University of Delaware, served on state panels including the Zero Population Growth Study Group, and enjoyed participating in the National Science Teachers Association programs nationwide.

Mr. Brown enjoyed living in historic Christiana and one of his favorite joys was running into former students all over the state, meetings that invariably started with "Hey, Mr. Brown!"

He is survived by his wife of more than 50 years, Dorothy "Loudon" Brown; daughter, Betty J. Brown and her partner Mike Schiller of Seattle and Port Townsend, Wash.; Jo Brown and her husband Steve Cluett of near Roxana; son, Christopher L. Brown and his wife Sharon of Southwest Ranches, Fla.; three granddaughters; and his dogs, Black and Tan.

Service and burial was held privately in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

Col. Maurice J. Reynolds, former Army commander

Newark resident Col. Maurice J. Reynolds died on Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004.

Col. Reynolds, was the former commander of the Army's Delaware-Eastern Pennsylvania Military Sector before his retirement in 1969 from a 30-year army career. He had been a resident of Newark since 1963.

Col. Reynolds started his military career as a 2nd lieutenant from Neb., and later was a combat infantryman in World War II. He also served in Korea as a battalion commander.

Among his other duty stations were Japan and Taiwan, as well as other countries in Western Europe.

He was a graduate of the Command and Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Va., and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, DC.

He served on the Army General Staff, and later in the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon.

Among his decorations were the Combat Infantryman's Badge, two Bronze Stars, four Battle Stars, the Medal of Metz, and the Legion of Merit (Exceptionally Meritorious Service).

During his residence in Newark, Col. Reynolds was active in many civic and semi-public organizations.

He is past president of the Nottingham Green Swim Club, past

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NEWARK POST ♦ IN THE NEWS

NPD officers honored

NEWARK police officers David Kerr and Scott Smith were among the 85 officers and 25 police agencies recognized Wednesday, Jan. 14 by the Delaware Office of Highway Safety.

The recognition was for outstanding work and commitment to public safety during the six-month Checkpoint Strikeforce campaign.

Officers received certificates and Checkpoint Strikeforce lapel pins, and special recognition went to the leaders of the three county-based DUI Task Forces.

Several participating agencies also received equipment to be used in DUI initiatives.

"Your dedication made a significant impact in our efforts to combat DUI in Delaware," said Tricia Roberts, Director of the Office of Highway Safety. "Your

constant presence over the last six months made the roads safer by removing impaired drivers who were already on our roads, and deterring others from drinking and driving in the first place."

Checkpoint Strikeforce is a multi-state crackdown on impaired drivers in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia.

Seniors have options

► OPTIONS, from 8

Employment Services, Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County and the Delaware Environmental Alliance for Senior Involvement.

Pat Hessey, who comes to the center two or three times a week, found the fair interesting and thinks they should have it every year.

Joan Leahy and Nancy Masticola come to the center at least two times a week, and found the fair to be informative. They enjoyed the Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research and found that they would be interested in volunteering.

They said they would return to the fair if it is held again.

Jean Williams, Director of the Newark Senior Center, said she wants the fair to become an annual event. She also said that the fair attracted people that do not usually come to the center, especially people that are just starting their retirement.

Besides the exhibits, there were also workshops scheduled for later in the day, including:

■ Community Eldering: Sharing Your Wisdom Gifts, Ed & Jo Klinge, Creative Community Eldering

■ Growing Older: A Path to Awakening, Donna Strachan-Ledbetter M.S., Brandywine Pastoral Institute

■ Hiking the Appalachian Trail: Staying Active in Older Life, Emily Kimball

► OBITUARIES, from 14

president of the Delaware chapter of the Federal Safety Council, past president of the Northern Delaware Officers Association, a director of the Friends of Newark Library, a long time member of the Newark Memorial Day Parade Committee, and a consultant to the Delaware Motor Vehicle Division.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; sons, Michael of Tacoma, Wash., Patrick of York, Pa., Rodney of Bowie, Md., and Thomas of Broussard, La., and their families.

Services were held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

Burial was in the Arlington Cemetery in Virginia.

Enjoy a 'happy new you'

► OUTLOOK, from 8

you see your emerging vision in its full glory and observe its many benefits. Since our brain works in "pictures" creating the pictures helps move us closer to making the dreams a reality.

If you are spiritually inclined, allow God or the power of the universe to work through you and your circumstances. You may also wish to enlist the help of a special friend or counselor who believes in your vision and will support you.

In the words of Henry Ford, "If you think you can or you can't, you're right." Your outward circumstances may be a hindrance, but your attitudes can be the ultimate obstacle to the realization of your dream. Believe in yourself and be willing to take intelligent risks.

If you want to make a differ-

ence, you can do it. Make a resolution, take one step at a time, be courageous, and deal with your fears in a positive way. Giving life your best does not mean driving yourself in a fear-based way toward self-defeating and unrealistic standards of perfection; rather, it means staying well balanced while striving for a high but reasonable degree of excellence in keeping with your inner guidance.

In bringing your dream to life, be sure to enjoy each step along the way so that you find abundant satisfaction and pleasure through the whole journey as well as in the final unfolding of your vision. As author Napoleon Hill reminded us, "Cherish your visions and your dreams, as they are the children of your soul, the blueprints of your ultimate achievements."

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BRIEFLY

Retention up at UD

RETENTION rates for UD freshmen continue to be strong, according to a recently released study conducted by the Office of Institutional Research and Planning at UD. Retention rates show a college's ability to retain students from one year to the next.

The study, which tracked retention and graduation rates for first-time, full-time freshmen from fall 1993 through fall 2002, found that the first-year retention rate for freshmen entering in fall 2002 increased to an all-time high of 90 percent.

Collected data from the report also showed a continuous rise since 1993 in the four-year graduation rate for freshmen, with the freshman class entering in 1999 reaching a 62 percent retention rate by senior year the highest of any class since 1991.



The five-year graduation rate for freshmen rose as well, reaching a new high of 74 percent for the freshman class entering in fall 1998.

In addition, the study tracked retention rates for different ethnic groups entering as freshmen over the same 10-year period.

The most recent University of Delaware four-, five- and six-year graduation rates for each ethnic category (Caucasian, Asian, African-American and Hispanic) continue to be higher than similar statistics obtained from a sample of highly selective, public university competitors.

This holds particularly true for African-American and Hispanic students. Representative schools in the comparison group include the Georgia Institute of Technology, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, the University of California-Berkeley, the College of William and Mary and the universities of Connecticut, Massachusetts-Amherst, North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Vermont and Virginia.

International scholars come to Newark

FOREIGN scholars and leaders from 18 countries have begun a month-long visit to the University sponsored by the Fulbright American Studies Institute.

The institute, created by the U.S. Department of State in response to renewed calls for public diplomacy after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, is being held at UD for the second time. This year, the University hosts senior scholars, civic leaders and military leaders from Argentina, Brazil, Egypt, Greece, Germany, India, Italy, Jamaica, Mozambique, Pakistan, Peru, South Korea, Slovenia, Taiwan, Tanzania, Vietnam, the West Bank and Yemen.

The group will attend seminars on national security and foreign policy led by faculty from UD and other universities. The visitors will meet with policymakers in Delaware, New York, Boston and Washington, D.C.

They also will visit the Department of Defense, Department of State, the National Security Council, the National Intelligence Council, Dover Air Force Base, the United Nations, the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services and many Delaware agencies.

The program runs until Feb. 4.



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International scholars visiting UD during Winter Session as part of the Fulbright American Studies Institute and members of the UD Department of Political Science and International Relations include: (back row, from left) Nguyen Quang Toan, Vietnam; Wong Ming-Hsien, Taiwan; Jong Yun Bae, South Korea; Salvator Mbilinyi, Tanzania; Sebastian Vigliero, Argentina; Alexandre Rochman, Brazil; (middle row, from left) Mark Miller, UD professor of political science and international relations; Sridhar Chari, India; Gorazd Bartol, Slovenia; Manuel Mindreau, Peru; Georgios Michalakopoulos, Greece; Sean Michael Cox, administrative director, Center for International Study; (front row, from left) Boyka Stefanova, program coordinator; Natalie Coley, Jamaica; Melanie Alamir, Germany; Cecilia Franchino, Italy; Sadia Sulaiman, Pakistan; Stephen Amster, program coordinator; and Richard Taylor, U.S. State Department. Not pictured is Antonio Gaspar, Mozambique.

Four appointed to named professorships

FOUR University faculty—Mary Dozier, a Newark resident; Roberta M. Golinkoff, a Wilmington resident; Debra H. Norris, a Wilmington resident; and Babatunde A. Ogunnaike, a Hockessin resident—have been appointed to named professorships effective Jan. 1, Provost Dan Rich announced Jan. 14.

The professors were chosen in recognition of their service and contributions to the University and to the scholarly community at large, Rich said.

Mary Dozier, named Amy E. du Pont Chair in Child Development, is internationally recognized for her research on early childhood experience and on disruptions in foster care.

Her research already attracts almost \$1.5 million in funding to the University annually, including funding from the National Institute of Mental Health for a study assessing effectiveness of foster-parent training programs. The study will be centered at the

University's Early Learning Center after its opening in June. Dozier is director of research at the center, which will provide an integrated model of research, training and service in child development and child care.

Dozier, who came to the University as an assistant professor of psychology in 1993, is known for "translational research"—research that can be translated from basic science to prevention and intervention.

Her newest NIMH research grant is one example of how Dozier's work is valued by academics worldwide and by the local community. That research will be conducted in collaboration with the Delaware Division of Family Service. Dozier has developed training programs with the family service agency for 10 years.

She came to the University in 1993 from Texas, where she worked as an associate professor of psychology at Trinity University and an adjunct associ-

ate professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Texas Health Science Center.

Dozier earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and studies of India and a doctorate in clinical psychology, both at Duke University.

The Amy E. du Pont Chair in Child Development, made possible by an endowment provided by the Unidel Foundation, is named for Amy du Pont, the youngest daughter of Eugene du Pont. Known as "Miss Amy," she established the Unidel Foundation in 1939 to provide special gifts for the University for purposes that might be difficult to accomplish otherwise. Among her many contributions to UD during her lifetime, she paid part of the salary for a child development professor.

Roberta M. Golinkoff, appointed the H. Rodney Sharp Chair in Human Services, Education and Public Policy, was chosen for her internationally acclaimed research on early lan-

guage development and for her distinguished record as a scholar and a teacher.

Debra Hess Norris, appointed Henry Francis du Pont Chair in Fine Arts, has influenced the ways photographic collections are conserved and preserved in America and throughout the world through her scholarship and teaching. She trained the majority of the photographic conservators now employed full-time in North America, and she created teaching manuals used internationally by undergraduates, graduate students, mid-career professionals and the general public.

Babatunde Ogunnaike has been named to the newly endowed William L. Friend Professorship in Chemical Engineering. Ogunnaike is coauthor of the dominant textbook in process control, "Process Dynamics, Modeling and Control."

Fresh Start on Independence Way?

► COMPLEX, from 1

announced late last year he signed a contract to purchase the property located south of the city, off West Chestnut Hill Road, contingent upon annexation from the county into the city. The proposal filed with the city lists the proposed owners of the property as Secure Management Inc. in Omega Professional Center, where Malek now works.

Fresh Start, a 20-bed residential heroin treatment center for 18-to-25-year olds, moved into several buildings on the site last year. It angered West Chestnut Hill Resident's Association members who were upset they were not notified of the center's opening.

Fresh Start's six-month lease

expired in December 2003 and officials with parent company Gaudenzia Inc. of Pennsylvania said they hope to get at least another six-month extension.

"It is prudent for us to look for another site for the long term because of the tenuous situation of not knowing," said Michael D. Link, Gaudenzia's Eastern Regional Director. "We do need the time to find a new place and hopefully we could be in a position to purchase a property at some point."

Link said Fresh Start, the first program of its kind in Delaware, has been a success, helping at least 35 addicts since it opened. He said the program gets money from the state to help pay for the services provided and that there is a waiting list of people who want help.

"We think there is a need," Link said. "And I think many issues have been resolved with the community since we opened."

The proposal filed with the city includes at least six new buildings and would more than double the size of the current complex.

According to sketch plans, a three-to-five story apartment would house 90 seniors, while at least four 1.5-story apartments would house another 44 seniors. Three buildings would house medical and other professional offices, while a fourth building would be a 40-bed assisted living/hospice center.

A 9,600 square foot recreation and services center is also proposed.

The property is currently

zoned hospital and the nearby city zoning is adult community.

The building off West Chestnut Hill Road was originally constructed in the mid 1990s to house a head trauma center. When the medical group went out of business less than two years later, the property stood empty until an alternative school moved into one of the buildings in 2000, much to the chagrin of residents

in the area. The alternative school moved out in 2001 and the building remained empty until last year.

Tri-State receives monies for veterinary equipment

The Delaware Community Foundation has granted Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research \$2,000 to purchase veterinary equipment used to treat injured, orphaned and oiled native wild birds at the clinic.

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FOR THE RECORD

An obituary for Michael A. Antonelli in the Oct. 24 edition of the Newark Post should have stated that Mr. Antonelli is also survived by two brothers, Daniel Antonelli Jr. of Clayton and Gregory Antonelli of Newark.

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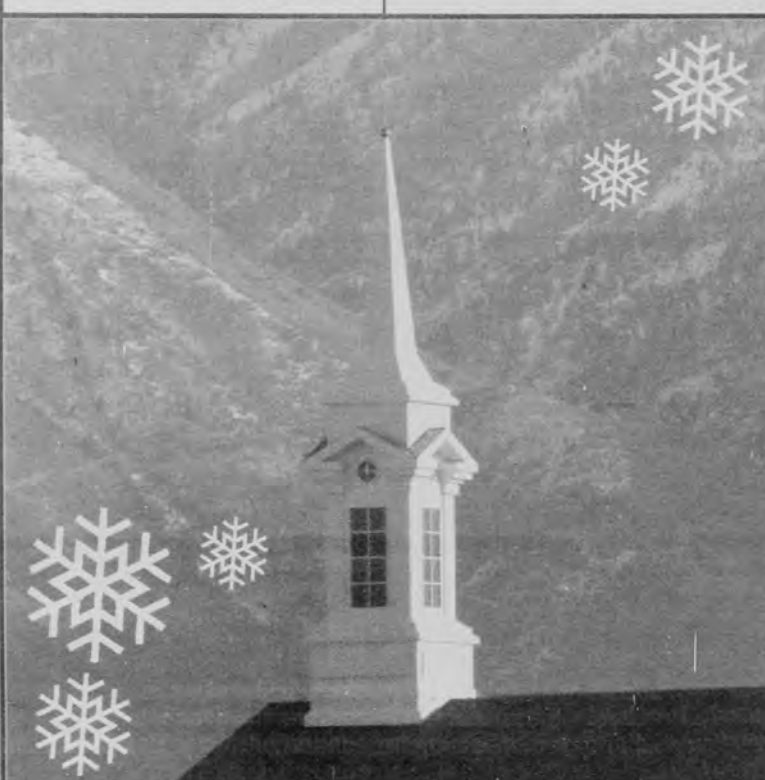
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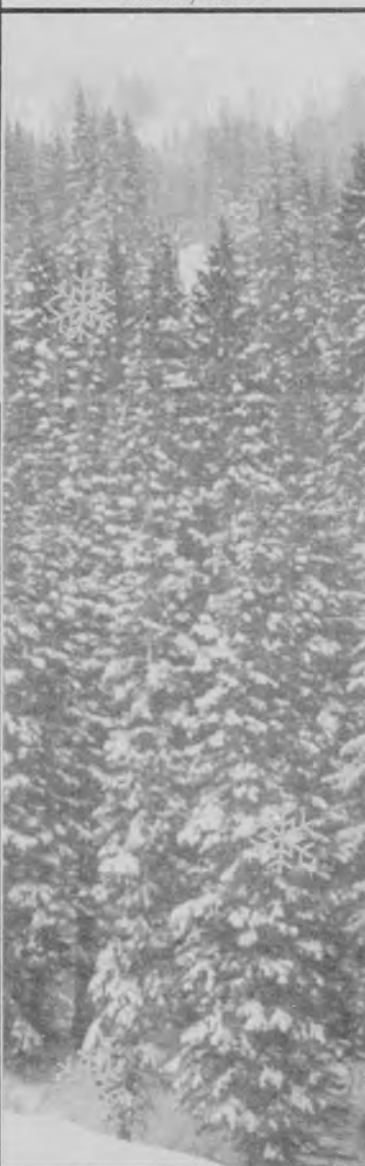


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A first look at Nissan's first full-size pickup

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Maybe Nissan just felt left out. Maybe it felt a little lonesome. Or maybe it was just a matter of being the last guy in and wanting a chance to do it right.

Whatever the case, the Japanese automaker has taken the plunge, producing its first entry in the full-size truck market.

Welcome to another half-ton player in a very crowded, very competitive segment. Welcome to a titanic effort in something called the Nissan Titan.

Beware, Detroit. Not until now has a Japanese manufacturer taken on the full-size Big Three truck market with such size, ambition, focus and drive.

Just how serious is Nissan? Does a new \$1.4 billion plant in Canton, Miss., say enough?

It's all part of a bigger plan. After relaunching the 'Z'-car (now called the 350Z), redefining its family sedans with the phenomenal Altima and stunning new Maxima, and recasting the sport-utility mold with the Murano, the 'Nissan-revival' now includes a truck: a big truck.

In the 2004 Titan, Nissan is unveiling enough interesting features, rugged design cues and aggressive pull under the hood to change everyone's impression of the company's place in the market. It's all by design. Truck buyers are like NASCAR racing fans — loyal right down to the engine block. So, in building the Titan, the thinking was simple: take the best that Detroit does and make it better. Nissan is trying.

Two cab styles will be offered when the full-size pickup debuts this fall: an extended cab (called King Cab) with a pair of reverse opening rear access doors that swing 180 degrees; and a Crew Cab that comes with four full-sized doors. Bed lengths are 6' 6" and 5' 6", respectively.

Both will be available with two- or four-wheel drive.

From the ground up, everything about the Titan screams big and bold. It's built on a new platform that will also form the basis of a new Frontier small truck and Xterra sport-utility vehicle down the road.

From the outside, the Titan is all about being rugged, mimicking the dimensions and attitude of the Dodge Ram, Chevrolet Silverado and Ford F-150.

From the gas pedal it's meant to be a rush. An all-aluminum 5.6-liter V8 that makes about 300 horsepower (final numbers have not yet been determined) sees to that. Nissan reports that the Titan will hit 60 m.p.h. in about seven seconds. Perhaps more important is the torque, as in close to 400 lb.-ft., most of which is available from just 2,500 r.p.m.

Making it all seamless is a five-speed automatic transmission.

But what do truck owners — real truck owners — really crave? Towing ability. And, in that way, the Titan pulls through. It's capable of hauling more than 9,400 pounds when appropriately equipped, just shy of the new F-150's stout rating.

You'll also get rack-and-pinion steering, beefy suspension pieces as well as 'dual-stage' leaf springs designed to keep you in control with heavy loads.

Four-wheel-drive Titans arrive with shift-on-the-fly capability and electronic traction control.

With a flat cabin floor, there's enough interior room to hold five tall adults. Front and rear leg room are practically identical. Don't want to bring anyone along? The rear seats



fold up against the rear bulkhead for even more storage.

Interior amenities will include a choice of bench or bucket seats as well as adjustable foot pedals.

Four-wheel disc brakes with antilock are standard as well as side-impact airbags and side-curtain airbags (to protect the head) and rear-proximity sensors that alert you when something or someone is in your backup path.

Titan options will include a Utility Bed package that offers a flexible tie-down system (to hold down, among other things, the planned sliding toolbox). There's also special bed lighting, a factory-supplied bed liner and a storage bin built in behind the driver's-side rear wheel.

All added together, it doesn't even add up to much — about \$27,500 for base models.

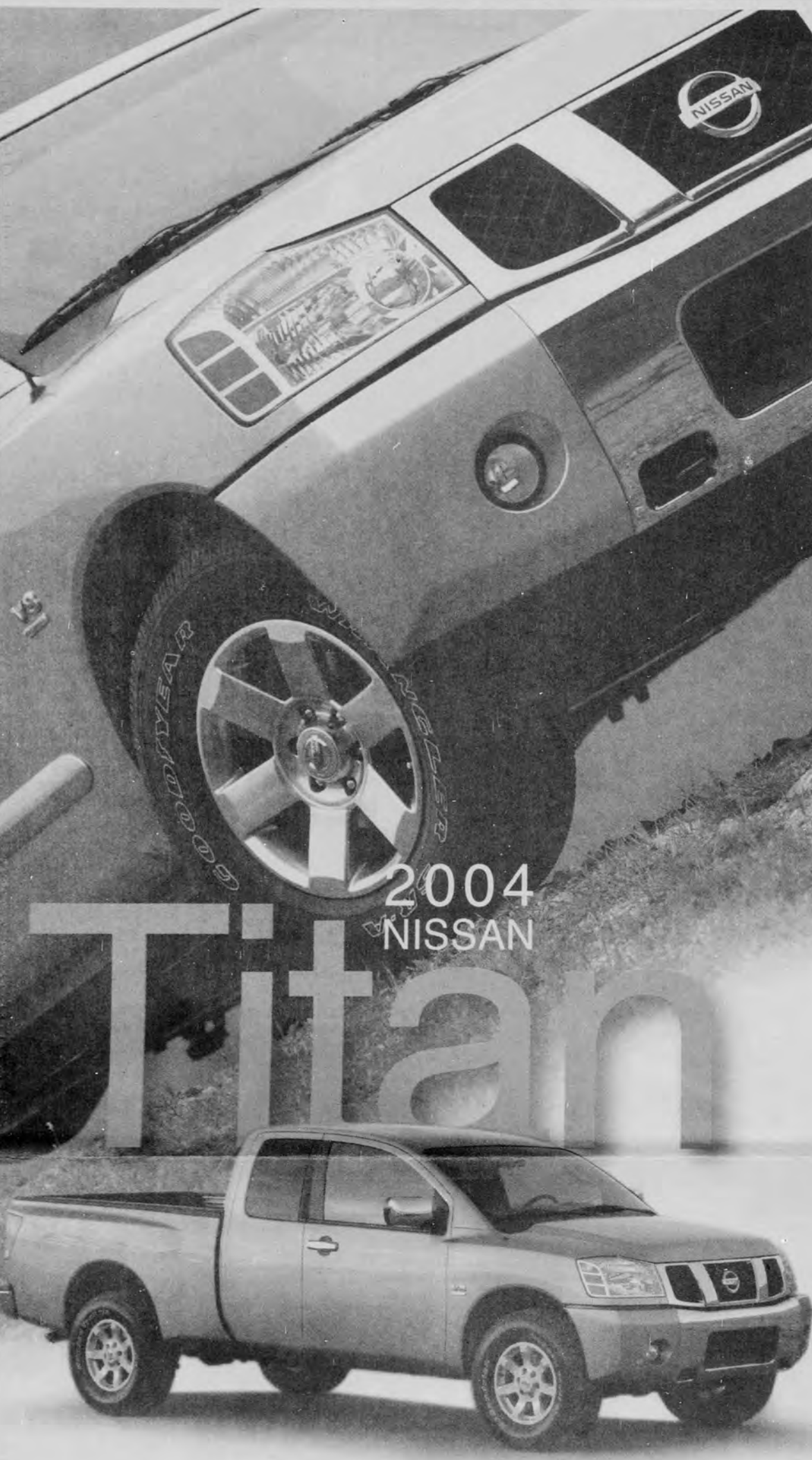
Something for everyone? Almost. But, let's face it, if you're going to come to the party last, you might as well aim for first.

Nissan is trying.

SPEC SHEET

2004 Nissan Titan

- ★ Full-size pickup available in two-door extended King Cab (with rear-opening 'access' doors) or four-door Crew Cab.
- ★ 5.6-liter V8 with 300 horsepower (est.)
- ★ Available in two- or four-wheel drive with a five-speed automatic transmission. A shift-on-the-fly part-time four-wheel-drive transfer case that employs electronic torque-transfer (traction control) is also available.
- ★ An all-new player in the pickup market, the Titan is a true full-size truck designed to go head-to-head with the domestic stalwarts.
- ★ A powerful V8 produces 90 per cent of its peak torque at just 2,500 r.p.m., giving it real off-the-line punch.
- ★ It's obvious Nissan has done its homework. The Titan is a legitimate competitor in a very tough market. It has the size, power and features to take on the big boys.
- ★ MPG (city/hwy): 15/19
- ★ Base price: \$27,500 (est.)



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Four-wheel drive or all-wheel drive?

There are many so-called 'toys' in today's new vehicles, but one option to seriously consider is the drivetrain. Many vehicles have four-wheel, or all-wheel drive options, which can improve safety. There are four main types of these 'systems' with each manufacturer using different technology and operating mechanisms. So, which is right for you? The guide below outlines the features of each of the systems, but be sure to ask specific questions once you're at the car lot.



Part-time four-wheel drive

System allows the driver to select four-wheel drive — '4HI' for off-roading and '4LO' for slippery road conditions — as well as two-wheel drive mode. However, it's not normally recommended for use during dry-pavement highway cruising because the front and rear axles are locked together and rotate at the same speed. This can cause driveline binding and excessive tire wear. All new vehicles with part-time four-wheel drive are 'shift-on-the-fly.'



Selectable full-time four-wheel drive

This is in addition to the four-wheel-drive 'hi' and 'lo', and two-wheel-drive settings. The system differs from part-time four-wheel drive in that the front and rear driveshafts can turn at different speeds, which allows dry-pavement use. The system still relies on the driver to know what road conditions warrant which setting.



Permanent four-wheel drive

This system is similar to selectable full-time four-wheel drive, but without a two-wheel-drive selection. The vehicle relies on internal systems that decide whether to lock (for four-wheel drive) or unlock (for two-wheel drive) the center coupling, depending on the road conditions.

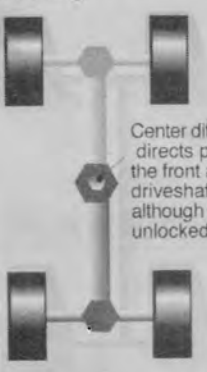


All-wheel drive

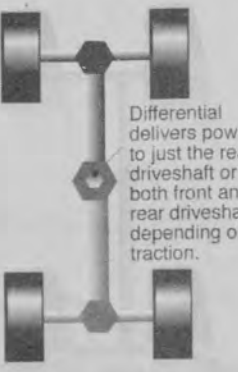
This system automatically decides what wheels (or wheel) get power, depending on traction. The driver's only job is to drive. Mostly found on sport-utility vehicles and sports cars, there is no low range for serious off-roading and no two-wheel-drive mode. Because of the electronics usually involved, AWD often works in conjunction with stability and traction control programs.



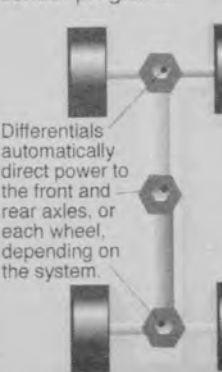
Locks the front and rear driveshafts together.



Center differential directs power to the front and rear driveshafts, although they are unlocked.

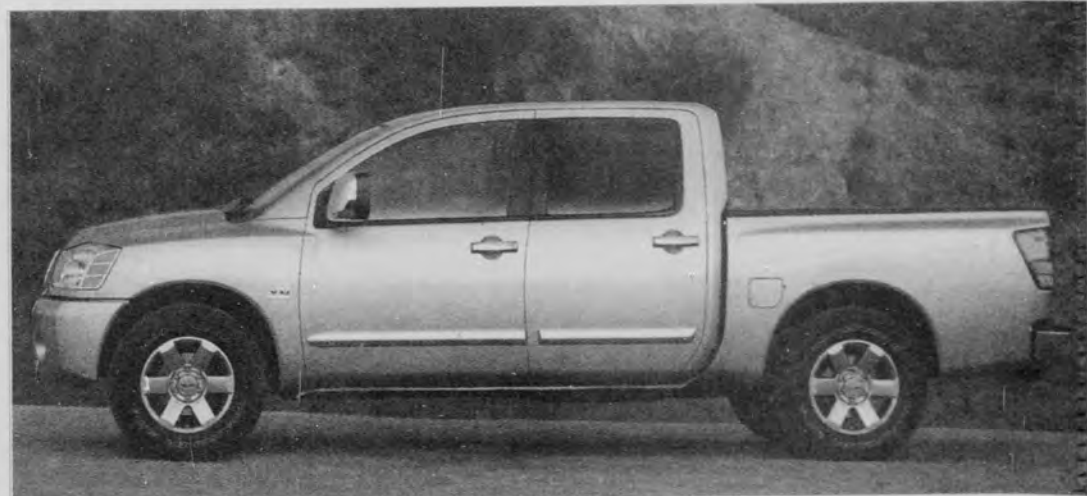


Differential delivers power to just the rear driveshaft or both front and rear driveshafts depending on traction.



Differentials automatically direct power to the front and rear axles, or each wheel, depending on the system.

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PETITIONER/S TO LEAH ROSS-DICKINSON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LEAH SCHREIER ROSS 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 LEAH ROSS-DICKINSON.

Leah S. Ross
Petitioner
DATED: 1/8/04
np 1/16, 1/23, 1/30

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STEVEN E. HASTINGS
Executor

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np 1/23, 1/30, 2/6

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IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Brenda Jean Walker
JEAN MARSHALLSEA
PETITIONER(S)
TO

Brenda Jean Walker
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT JEAN MARSHALLSEA 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 Brenda Jean Walker.

Brenda Marshallsea
Petitioner
DATED: Jan. 13, 2004
np 1/23, 1/30, 2/6

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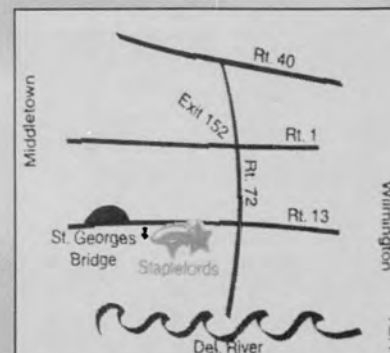
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'Walkabout' to lower repair bills

By David Bradley
For AP Weekly Features

Mike Turner is aware his neighbors think its weird that he walks around the outside of his house in pouring rain. He just wishes more folks would don rain suits for a stroll outside. In Turners eyes, such walkabouts can save a bundle in home repair costs.

The method to his apparent madness: he's on patrol for small leaks, matted leaves that trap roof moisture, and troublesome gutters. Any small problem that he nips in the bud avoids big repair bills later.

The multitude of items for inspection include warped shingles, peeling paint or swollen siding, gutters that sag, wood molding that is soft, driveway cracks, fogged windows, warped floors, damp spots in the basement. The list goes on and on.

"Most homeowners are oblivious to what their home looks like when it comes to materials and construction," says Turner of The Home Service Store, a firm that manages home projects for consumers. "The hidden cavities, wall surfaces and moving parts need to be looked at on a regular basis." The key words: take time to focus.

But homeowners rarely devote specific time to poke and peek around their home. Turner ties his interior and exterior inspections to each season, thereby assuring hell cover all the bases.

Unless caused by a catastrophic event, most major damage starts small and worsens over time. "Real problems don't happen in a week but take six or 10 or 18 months to occur," says Turner. "Slow and steady

wins the home repair race."

He believes homeowner hesitance is akin to a conditioned response. Consumers balk because they're not conditioned to maintain a home. Turner points to the automobile industry as one example where consumers have been taught to pay attention to routine maintenance details.

"When the oil is changed in your car, the lube shop puts a sticker on your windshield reminding you when to come back in, or a little light comes on to alert you its time for service," says Turner. "Your house doesn't give you such reminders."

Not all cues are visual. Some devices, such as pressure-reducing valves that regulate pressure between the public water system and your home water pipes emit a moaning sound near the end of their service life. Turner says this should alert the homeowner to call a plumber. If the homeowner waits until the valve is completely gone, the repair bill can be much higher.

Although most homeowners are capable of handling the job, for-hire inspectors also provide inspection services. For a fee — typically \$200 to \$300 per year — these pros will go over the entire home, including mechanical components most homeowners may know little about.

"It does take some discipline to walk around the house with the focused intent of looking for problems," says Turner. "You may even find something you can fix on the spot. The real problem is when homeowners neglect inspections or turn a blind eye to minor issues. That's when problems can get real big and real costly to fix." ■



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