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About 550 of the 1,185 graudates attended the University of Delaware's winter commencement last Saturday with their families and friends.

## UD graduates last class of century

The University of Delaware held commencement for the last class of the century when 1,185 students graduated on Jan. 8.

Approximately 550 of the graduates in the Class of 1999, together with family and friends, attended the ceremony held at the Bob Carpenter Center. The new graduates completed their degree requirements in August and December 1999.

"They are also welcome to attend the commencement that will be held in May," said John Brennan, assistant director of public relations for the University.

Leonard P. Stark, a 1991 graduate, Rhodes Scholar, and currently a litigation associate at a Wilmington law firm, was the featured speaker. In his remarks, Stark urged the graduates to not blind themselves to the good that is around them. "Don't forget Delaware," he said. "In many ways, Delaware is truly a microcosm of the country. We have nearly everything there is to have – and we have it on a manageable, and easily accessible, scale."

Stark, also an adjunct professor at the University, is the author of "Choosing a Leader: Party leadership Contests in Britain from Macmillan to Blair."

During the commencement, University trustees also honored the Rev. Jane Nuckols Garrett, a 1957 alumna and senior editor at Alfred A. Knopf Inc in New York with the University's Medal of Distinction for her professional achievements.

## Overlapping oversight overdone

Too much traffic direction, says city council

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

town, according to some members of city council.

""Do we have a problem of overlapping authority with the Newark Traffic Relief Committee?" asked District 6 member Gerald Grant, noting that traffic group had apparently talked to the Delaware Department of Transportation directly about signals at Main Street crosswalks instead of making a recommendation through council.

"I was going to talk to (NTRC chair) David Athey and DelDOT," said Mayor Hal Godwin. "I think the NTRC has gained more influence than we're comfortable with – they're not supposed to set policy – that's for (council) to do."

Councilmembers and city staff at Monday's council meeting also discussed their concerns at having a city Traffic Committee and the more recent NTRC reviewing some of the

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## **Bus link sought for Newark-Elkton**

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Special from the Cecil Whig

f an Newark-Elkton bus line is to start later this year, as Delaware and Cecil transportation officials hope, a substantial kink needs to be worked out first.

"Right now, we're looking to find out how it will be funded," said Cecil County planner Eric Sennstrom. "Everybody has been receptive to the idea. The legality and insurance issues have been looked at and also proposed routes and schedules."

Prices for the proposed service have not been established, Sennstrom said,

The most likely scenario for a bus service would have commuters shuttling between Elkton's Amtrak station and Newark, Sennstrom said.

Another plan, he said, would have an Elkton bus station based near the Interstate 95 and Route

279 interchange. "At some point there may be a park-and-ride there. So that may be a good spot," Sennstrom said.

In either case, Sennstrom said, a different bus would gather commuters from local stops for the interstate ride. The bus which currently makes stops, around Elkton has been eyed to provide that local service, Sennstrom said.

"Several years ago there was an Elkton-Newark intermobile plan," Sennstrom said. He said the plan was adopted last June by the Wilmington Area Planning Commission (WILAMPCO), which studied the area and recommended an interstate bus line. In Newark, reducing traffic is a major objective, according to city planning director Roy Lopata. He said an interstate bus line may help that cause.

"We're looking at this as an experiment," Lopata said. "It really depends on money. That's the key thing to seeing if we can even do this."

Lopata said a bus station in Newark wouldn't be the destination for Elkton commuters. Instead, the bus would make stops at the Newark Train Station, downtown Newark, the University of Delaware and perhaps the Ogletown area, where there is a variety of businesses.

"We want to see if this kind of transit has any kind of an impact on traffic," Lopata said.

Sennstrom said Cecil officials got in touch with Delaware Transit Corporation, the city of Newark, the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Mass Transit Administration, the town of Elkton, the University of Delaware and Delaware Department of Transportation. Last February, the agencies began to pursue a

plan.

"This could be a precursor to having (commuter) rail service come through the (Elkton) area," Sennstom said.

One obstacle facing transportation planners is that Cecil County's two greatest population centers are spread out between Elkton and North East.

"The big hurdle is getting people out of their automobiles and onto the bus," Sennstrom said. "Obviously, what we want to do is reduce the number of vehicle trips between Cecil County and Newark."

The federal Environmental Protection Agency has called for tighter restrictions on air quality, he said. "And 40 people in a bus beats 40 people in 40 cars, from an air quality standpoint," Sennstrom said.

Union Hospital spokeswoman Kathy McKinney said a large



## POLICE BRIEFS

### Man arrested in December shooting at Elks Club

On Jan. 7, Newark Police arrested James E. Thompson, 17, of Newark and charged him with attempted murder in connection with a Dec. 29 shooting at the Elks Club on Cleveland Avenue. Thompson allegedly left the club and waited outside after a fight with the victim who was shot twice in the abdomen as he exited the club.

### Husband charged in domestic assault

New Castle County Police arrested Robert Shilling, 32, of Newark on Jan. 15 around 10:30 p.m. for a domestic related assault. Police responded to a home in the Iron Hill Apartments where Shilling first told them there was no problem. After hearing a woman crying inside, police learned the victim, who had bruises to both her eyes, had been repeatedly punched by her hus-Further investigation band. revealed the husband had pointed a shotgun at the woman's head and threatened her approximately two weeks earlier. Police also seized the shotgun. Shilling was committed to Gander Hill Prison

after failing to post bond.

### Home invasion at West Knoll apts

Newark Police are investigating an armed home invasion that occurred at the West Knoll apartment complex on Jan. 8 around 3 a.m. The 21-year-old male victim said two unknown suspects entered his apartment while he was sleeping. One suspect, described as a black male, approximately 6 feet, 3 inches tall, weighing 200 pounds, was armed with a handgun. During a brief struggle, the victim was struck with the gun. The incident was reported by the Newark Emergency Room after a friend took the victim there for treatment for his injuries. No description was available for the other suspect. Nothing was taken from the residence. Anyone with information is asked to call police at 366-7120 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

### Mother charged in drug violations

New Castle County Police charged Patricia Collins, 42, for felony drug violations after they executed a search warrant at her home in the Christiana Court apartments. Police found several

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### Traffic stop results in drug charges

On Jan. 4 around 10 a.m., New Castle County Police arrested Donna Harvey, 38, of Newark after she was stopped for a traffic violation on Tree Lane Terrace and found to be intoxicated. Police also found her in possession of heroin and cocaine. Investigation revealed a passenger in the vehicle, Albert Blodgett, 48, also of Newark, had assaulted the homeowner at a local residence where an earlier 911 call was made. Harvey was charged with DUI, drug violations and traffic offenses.-Blodgett was charged with offensive touching.

### Vehicles damaged by bowling balls

Newark Police report several dangerous incidents involving bowling balls in the Newark area recently. A motorist waiting for the light to change while stopped at Suburban Drive on Jan 7 around 11:15 p.m., observed a pink bowling ball crossing the median on Elkton Road and rolling from the direction of the Christina Parkway. The ball, which was not located, struck the car causing \$900 in damage. On Jan 8 around 10:50 p.m., a motorist traveling on Christina

Parkway near Elkton Road saw the vehicle in front of her swerve and observed a bowling ball bouncing toward her car on the roadway. The ball struck the victim's vehicle, causing \$1,000 damage to the grill and front bumper. Police collected a pinkcolored piece of a bowling ball at the site. There were no injuries in either incident. Anyone with information is asked to call police at 366-7111.

### Middletown man charged with threatening officer

On Jan. 10 New Castle County Police arrested Dale Argoe, 38, of Middletown and charged him with terroristic threatening after he threatened to shoot a police officer. Police responded to the Witherspoon Inn in Middletown for a report of a 911 hangup and found Argoe playing with the telephone at the bar. As they escorted him from the bar, he allegedly told them, "I am going to shoot you." No weapon was displayed.

### Apparent suicide on CSX RR tracks

On Jan. 11 around 2:25 a.m., Newark Police responded to the CSX Railroad tracks in west Newark for a report of a person struck by a westbound train. Officers located the body of a 41year-old white male. He was pronounced dead at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics. investigators recvoered a note and believe the man was an apparent suicide. The man's identity was withheld at the request of the family.

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## **Downes parents seek volunteers**

### A group of parents of Downes Elementary School students, committed to having the first school in the state at which every third grade child passes the Delaware State Testing Program, are seeking community help.

Organizers said they need the efforts of far more parents than have so far volunteered. A planning and coordination meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 19, in the Downes school library.

"(Within two years), we are committing ourselves to meeting more than just the minimum standards," parent Robert Stachnick said. "We want every child, at every level, to be challenged."

In tests taken in Spring 1999, 27 percent of Downes' students fell below acceptable standards in math, 27 percent in writing and 20 percent in reading. "By 2001, we are committing ourselves to helping Downes cut the number of students not meeting DSTP standards to zero," Stachnick said. "We also intend to ensure that the number of students in each of the upper performance levels also increases significantly.

The group has asked Downes faculty and administration to devise a volunteer program, to include mentoring, tutoring and teacher assistance and enroll as many volunteers as possible. Volunteers will be primarily parents but they will also seek help from community volunteer groups (primarily from seniors, university and industry communities).

Core Elements of Downes Building on Success plan are:

1) A parent-made 'video (aimed at both students and parents) to be sent home with students describing effective strategies for doing homework.

2) Relief for teachers at duty time cafeteria and recess. Classroom teachers would use the time to tutor students in their classes.

3) Parent helpers during detention. homework (In September, homework detention rates were as high as 50 percent.) 4) Parents tutoring during recess.

5) Parents tutoring within classrooms.

6) Parents publishing children's writing.

7) A strong preference for ongoing one-on-one tutoring/mentoring relationships wherever possible.

8) Assumption that 20 to 30 children will need six hours/week additional help to pass DSTP.

9) Add challenge elements for students not at risk of failing DSTP.

Other elements in the plan include: teaching students "How to Study," using e-mail corre-spondence as a way to improve writing skills; setting up Internet CU-SeeMe connections to other educational and schools resources; expanding Math Matters and an astronaut visit. For further information call or send an e-mail to testex@mindspring.com.



NEW OFFICERS FOR FACILITIES MANAGERS

The Delaware Chapter of the International Facilities Managers Association installed its new officers for the Year 2000. The new board of directors (L to R) includes Pete N. LeBrun II, of MAP Condominium Association, as treasurer, Mark Mankin of the University of Delaware, as vice president, and Roger Poulet of Poulet Design Group, as president.

## Changes to crosswalks not satisfactory to all

same issues and making dupli-TRAFFIC, from 1

cate, or even conflicting, recommendations.

"I talked to Jack Billingsly ( a member of the NTRC) some time ago about the problems with having two committees and he got pretty upset with me," said city manager Carl Luft. "And now the Downtown Newark Partnership wants to get involved, although I don't know why.'

Joe Maxwell, owner of Rainbow Records and a recent addition to the NTRC, told members of the DNP on which he also serves that he is not happy with NRTC's view of pedestrians and vehicles downtown. "Main Street is clearly being destroyed by (its) use as an east to west traffic conduit and the NTRC is apparently happy to abet this process,' Maxwell told DNP board members recently.

Maxwell is upset over an recommendation to NTRC DelDOT for eliminating cross-walks at the University Mall and Center Street and signalizing the crosswalk at the entrance to the Municipal Parking Lot at the Galleria. "(There have been ) two fatalities at 'signaled pedestrian cross walks' on Elkton Road" said Maxwell, adding there has "barely been a serious bump" at the Main Street crosswalk nominated for a signal.

Maxwell also addressed NTRC authority to make this decision. "I was certainly concerned when NTRC chair David Athey announced that the traffic solution for Main Street was (that) committee's to make without any consultation with the DNP or city council."

Meanwhile, Luft said traffic lights and crosswalks are a city operational issue to his staff and would normally be addressed by the Traffic Committee. "This raises the question," said Luft. "Who's supposed to review this?

Godwin said the NTRC is supposed to study issues and report

to city council. "I'm sure when I talk to DelDOT about this, they are going to say they are just trying to help the community (by responding to NTRC requests), said Godwin. "But all communications should come through city council or the city manager.'

Karl Councilmember Kalbacher said he understood all correspondence on city letterhead was supposed to be from council.

"A lot of (what we're dis-cussing) is verbal," said Luft. "It's really a question of procedure - the city staff feels we should be doing this."





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## New Castle Business Ledger publishes third 'Book of Lists'

The New Castle Business Ledger's 2000 edition of the Book of Lists, first published in 1998, was released this week with a record-breaking 50 lists.

The 104 pages of lists include the names of 850 key individuals, along with a similar number of companies and organizations, as well as street addresses, phone, fax, total employment and other information.

Among this year's facts and figures:

The state's top executive paycheck is a whopping \$4.8 million in salary and bonuses, up \$200,000 from a year earlier.

Delawareans drive more Fords (14.4 percent) than cars by other manufacturers;

The largest SBA loan (\$1 million) in Delaware went to a poultry operation in Frankford.

The state's largest hotel is the Doubletree in North Wilmington with 244 rooms.

The Delaware State Chamber of Commerce has 3,400 members, while the Selbyville Chamber has 35.

TCIM Services Inc., Wilmington, is the largest woman-owned business in Delaware. The marketing services firm employs 3,500 persons at sites throughout the nation.

According to editor Doug Rainey, who spearheaded a yearlong research effort, the "Book of Lists" is a useful resource to persons conducting business in Delaware, particularly salespeople looking for leads.

"We pulled together all the vital stats about the state's top businesses into one, concise booklet," Rainey said. "While a fair amount of the information was painstakingly gathered by our researchers, much of the "public" information has never

been assembled together before until our 'book'".

Lead researcher for the project was Bear resident Kathy Burr.

The idea for a "Book of Lists" surfaced shortly after the monthly business-to-business New Castle Business Ledger began publication in 1994, Rainey said, and "both readers and advertisers alike have asked us to produce a "book' many times since." Copies can be purchased for \$20 each plus \$4 shipping and handling directly from the newspaper; call 302-737-0923 for details.

For those interested in using the Book of Lists for job searchers, data base management and other purposes, information can be downloaded from www.toplist.com. Cost is \$139 and orders can be taken online. Information is also available on a floppy disk for an additional \$3.50 in shipping costs.

## Interstate traffic to be discussed in Newark

Mayor Hal Godwin reported this week that Cecil County Commissioners have agreed to discuss mutual traffic concerns with Newark and the state of Pennsylvania.

"I received a letter from Alex Taft, director of WILMAPCO, (the Wilmington Area Planning Council) telling us the commissioners and New Castle County councilmemeber Richard Abbott want to start a dialogue with Pennsylvania," said Godwin. "This is a direct result of my visits to town meetings in Pennsylvania last year."

Godwin said he was very encouraged by this development. "We're holding a meeting on Jan 31 at the WILMAPCO office on Library Avenue," he said. "A whole lot of people will be invited to discuss the traffic issue."

### Service depends on funding

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population of hospital employees commute from Delaware. She said she was unsure whether the bus service would be beneficial to them. "I think a lot of it would depend on the schedules," McKinney said. "We have some pretty odd shifts."

## Pike Creek retirement community proposed

### Special to the Newark Post

Plans have been submitted to the New Castle County Land Use Department for the construction of a retirement community on Limestone Road.

Eastern State Development Company hopes to purchase 12 acres of land, located directly across from the Texaco station by

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Paper Mill Road, from Lenfest, the company which owns the property. The developers already purchased an additional two acres from the property next to the lot, owned by John Naudain.

According to attorney Larry Tarabicos who represents the developers, the plan consists of 50 to 52 age-restricted townhouses for individuals 55 and older.

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The property, which backs up to woods, will feature walking trails and curved streets.

The project is contingent on a zoning change. While the land is zoned suburban, which allows single family homes, Tarabicos and the developers want to rezone the land suburban transition, which allows medium density development. Because the land is in a water resource protection area, it has limits on the percentage of property that can be covered with impervious cover, such as buildings and streets. To increase the total percentage available; the developers purchased two acres from Naudain. Naudain said he sold each acre for \$70,000. He also said that he would not have sold the acres if they were going to used for anything other than a retirement community.

"I only sold two acres and the reason I picked it is because it was a retirement home," Naudain said. "I'd rather see that quality of life person here. It's already built up so much.

Eastern State Development Company has built several agerestricted communities in the state, including Hershey Run, which is under construction, the Village of Rocky Run, which is in the final stages of approval, and Little Falls Village, next to Hercules Country Club. Tarabicos said the company wants to build one to service the Pike Creek area.

"These communities have all been extremely well-received," Tarabicos said, "They're real quiet communities with low traffic generation."

Tarabicos said that it could take as long as six to nine months to get land use approval. Once that happens, there will be public meetings with the community followed by a County Council vote.

"If everything goes according to schedule, we could possibly see construction as early as late spring next year," Tarabicos said. "It will most likely be a year from now."

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### Christmas tree recycling ends this week

Christmas trees free of ornaments, lights and tinsel can be dropped off at participating Delaware state parks from 8 a.m. to sunset through Jan. 17.

Drop-off sites in New Castle County are: Bellevue State Park, Wilmington; Brandywine Creek State Park, Wilmington; White Clay Creek State Park, Newark: and Lums Pond State Park, Bear.

Last year, 5,500 trees were chipped into mulch at a cost to the state of about \$6,500, parks spokeswoman Carolyn White said. The mulch is used on park trails. The service, coordinated by Delaware State Parks and Delaware Forest Service, is free to Delaware residents. Trees will not be accepted from retailers and commercial haulers.

### Jewish day school holding open houses

Albert Einstein Academy will hold Admission Open Houses in January and February. Dates and

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times include: noon to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 27; 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 7; and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 23. . The Academy, offering early elementary through 6th grade, is located at 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington. For additional information, call 478-5026.

### Just for My Enjoyment

Newark Department of Parks & Recreation is currently accepting registration for their 6th annual women's retreat entitled, "Just for My Enjoyment" on Saturday, Feb. 19 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 a.m. Designed for all women 18 years and older as a day of pampering, enjoyment, fellowship, learning and relaxation, the event includes three workshops of your choice among other activities. Registration is limited with a registration deadline of Feb. 11. Call 366-7060 to obtain a registration form and brochure with workshop choices.

### Support group for Hepatitis C

Patients with chronic Hepatitis C is now forming in New Castle County. The purpose of this group is to offer people the emotional support and information needed to cope more effectively with this serious disease. Meetings are strictly confidential an held free of charge on a monthly basis. The first meeting is scheduled for January 18 from 7-9p.m. at West Presbyterian Church, 500 W. 8th Street, Wilmington. Call Doreen Soence or Pat Hall for more information at 832-8033.

### Tower Hill Camp Fair

On Thursday, Jan. 27, Tower Hill School will hold a camp fair at the school from 5 to 8 p.m. This fair is open to everyone and admission is free. There will be presentations on over 100 camps. For information, call 575-0550.



Newark resident Israel Amaro was a winner in Safelite Glass Corp.'s third annual associate photo contest.

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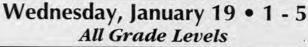
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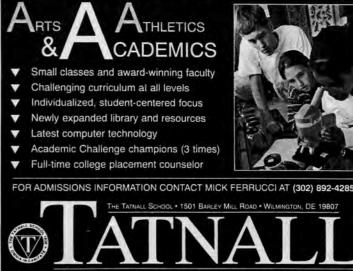
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# Someone finally blinked in traffic standoff

The news was almost astounding when it came in a nonagenda comment from the mayor of Newark at the last city council meeting. Apparently, Maryland blinked.

Mayor Hal Godwin, who has made no secret of the fact that he planned to get Newark's traffic problems moving in the right direction, announced that the Cecil County Commissioners want to meet with officials from Pennsylvania and Delaware to discuss mutual traffic concerns.

According to Godwin, he received a letter from WILMAPCO director Alexander Taft indicating a Maryland request for these discussions.

In recent years, the Cecil County Commissioners have refused to even hear about interstate traffic changes which involved their roads.

Last year, Godwin initiated efforts to discuss these same concerns with legislators and officials himself. During the process, he incurred criticism for where and how he held his meetings in Newark.

As a result, Godwin traveled to Pennsylvania to put his case for alternative traffic routes directly to the residents of communities north of Newark.

Next to Cecil County, Md., traffic coming from Chester County, Pa., has been one of Newark's biggest headaches for decades.

In reviewing the possibilities for

rerouting traffic away from Main Street and the downtown area (we dare not use the banned word "bypass"), it long ago become obvious that most options were closing fast. This issue has been under discussion for almost 50 years, and population growth has enveloped, swallowed up and eclipsed the dotted lines once planned for high capacity roadways.

Nevertheless, transportation planners still see what may be the last, best possibilities for through traffic in the region if only the three states involved can agree to work together.

We cannot expect this news to forecast an imminent solution to the ever-increasing traffic in the heart of Newark. Much discussion will have to take place before even starting the process of defining the projects and funding their costs.

Nevertheless, we salute the mayor and his dogged determination to adjust and find answers even when others don't approve of all his methods. We sincerely hope this is not just another dead end on Newark's long road to traffic relief.

All participants in these discussions should set aside preconceived ideas of outdated alternatives and be willing to consider any and all suggestions.

Because unlike other things, last, best chances don't come through here everyday.

### EDUCATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

## Legislative quarterback sneak (Who snapped this political football?)

### **By JACK BARTLEY**

### NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

The Delaware General Assembly reconvened on January 11, and as legislators tried to take their seats, many found themselves without chairs or desks. Pandemonium erupted as senators and representatives fought for the remaining few spots. One legislator was heard

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# Someone finally blinked in traffic standoff

The news was almost astounding when it came in a nonagenda comment from the mayor of Newark at the last city council meeting. Apparently, Maryland blinked.

Mayor Hal Godwin, who has made no secret of the fact that he planned to get Newark's traffic problems moving in the right direction, announced that the Cecil County Commissioners want to meet with officials from Pennsylvania and Delaware to discuss mutual traffic concerns.

According to Godwin, he received a letter from WILMAPCO director Alexander Taft indicating a Maryland request for these discussions.

In recent years, the Cecil County Commissioners have refused to even hear about interstate traffic changes which involved their roads.

Last year, Godwin initiated efforts to discuss these same concerns with legislators and officials himself. During the process, he incurred criticism for where and how he held his meetings in Newark.

As a result, Godwin traveled to Pennsylvania to put his case for alternative traffic routes directly to the residents of communities north of Newark.

Next to Cecil County, Md., traffic coming from Chester County, Pa., has been one of Newark's biggest headaches for decades.

In reviewing the possibilities for

rerouting traffic away from Main Street and the downtown area (we dare not use the banned word "bypass"), it long ago become obvious that most options were closing fast. This issue has been under discussion for almost 50 years, and population growth has enveloped, swallowed up and eclipsed the dotted lines once planned for high capacity roadways.

Nevertheless, transportation planners still see what may be the last, best possibilities for through traffic in the region if only the three states involved can agree to work together.

We cannot expect this news to forecast an imminent solution to the ever-increasing traffic in the heart of Newark. Much discussion will have to take place before even starting the process of defining the projects and funding their costs.

Nevertheless, we salute the mayor and his dogged determination to adjust and find answers even when others don't approve of all his methods. We sincerely hope this is not just another dead end on Newark's long road to traffic relief.

All participants in these discussions should set aside preconceived ideas of outdated alternatives and be willing to consider any and all suggestions.

Because unlike other things, last, best chances don't come through here everyday.

EDUCATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

## Legislative quarterback sneak (Who snapped this political football?)

### **By JACK BARTLEY**

### NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

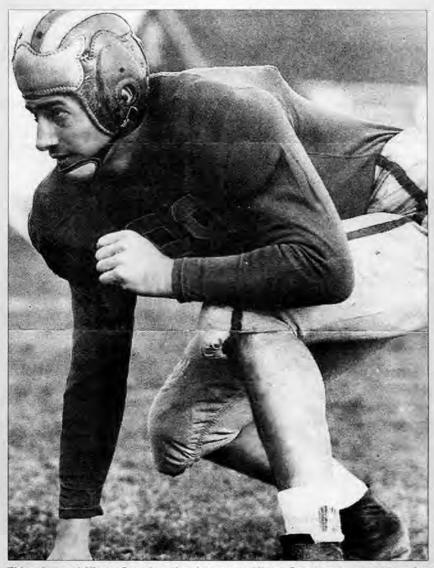
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### To: Editor From: Charles Hill Newark

Just before Christmas, the cadets of Newark High School's (150 strong) Army Junior ROTC 'Yellowjacket Battalion" sprang to the relief of a family which had been abandoned by their father. The mother and four little girls (ages 3,4,7 and 9) had their home cleaned out of all their possessions, including carpeting. The father apparently loaded all the belongings and drove off with the family car. The mother and girls were quite literally left destitute, right before the Christmas holiday.

One of the cadet leaders, Matthew Bogart, works part time with the mom at the Iron Skillet restaurant north of Elkton. Cadet Bogart alerted his instructors and the rest of the cadet leaders to execute a fast-response mission to help the family. (Another key player in this effort was Clinton J. Slack Jr.) Within 24 hours, the cadets had assembled hundreds of toys, games, stuffed animals, clothing sets, and household

goods to ensure the family was able to enjoy a better Christmas. I understand all the ladies who work at the Iron Skillet gathered for a big wrapping party to make sure the gifts looked their best.

### To: Editor From: J. Roy Cannon Newark

Recently I have changed my voter registration to the Green Party. I did this for two primary reasons. First, the Green Party's platform speaks to my dreams of a national and local government that supports sustainable economic growth, community-based health care for all people, peace, renewal of our natural environment, grass roots citizenship, and equality.

Secondly, I have come to the conclusion that there really is no choice between the political parties currently courting my vote. Tweedle-dum and Tweedle-dee politics where candidates are in the corporate payroll through campaign contribution is the norm. I have voted in every Delaware election since the 1972 presidential elections and plan to continue doing so. But I am tired of voting for people and a platform which do not represent my views. The Green Party offers a real alternative which I believe is a majority view in the United States an the citizens of Delaware. You can get more information about the Green Party by contacting www.greenparties.org or gpde@greens.org.

## Take a time out before this important play

### BARTLEY, from 6

above to question the intent of a new piece of accountability legislation, SB 260, scheduled to be introduced on Jan. 11, the day the General Assembly reconvened. This early introduction has not given even the legislators a chance to give the proposal a thorough review.

The incredible number of football games over the holidays seems to have inspired some of Delaware's legislators to borrow one of the most common tactics employed to push the ball through the defender's lines when the going gets tough: the quarterback sneak. Legislation of this importance, one in which there is "a lot of confusion and disagreement," according to State Representative Bruce Reynolds (R-Bear), should not be considered without time for thorough review by the legislators and the public. State Representative Stephanie Ulbrich (R-

Newark South) has suggested action on the legislation be delayed until "well-publicized public forums" can be held.

If the intent of the accountability legislation proposed by the legislature is to improve education in Delaware, then there is a absolutely no reason to hustle the proposal through the legislative process without the opportunity for all parties involved to examine the content and provide criticism and constructive suggestions.

At the very least, the accountability proposal should include articles that address class size and discipline in the schools. Funding should be available to districts to ensure materials such as textbooks are available for each student in a class, if necessary, a condition that does not exist today in our schools.

For example, our science department has to buy textbooks out of science department funds, money intended for laboratory

supplies or computer software, just to have enough books for my biology classes.

Trying to hold individuals responsible for student performance when the conditions necessary for learning have been ignored is unconscionable. Sneaking SB 260 into consideration on the day the legislature reconvenes would indicate some legislators have something to hide or an ulterior motive for its passage. I sincerely hope Rep. Ulbrich's suggestions of delaying legislative action and public forums are recognized as the responsible courses of action this bill requires.

The author, with three other teachers at Glasgow High, was the recipient of the State Chamber of Commerce Superstars in Education award and a \$750,000 grant from the National Science Foundation for education reform.

## **Delaware boys facility** earns national praise

A Delaware center for young offenders once the subject of a lawsuit is now being praised as a model for juvenile confinement.

The Coalition for Juvenile Justice, a national group that watches over juvenile crime programs, said Thursday the Ferris School for Boys is a success.

Ferris has done what others should do: create a tough program that makes kids take responsibility for their mistakes while preparing them to function as safe and responsible citizens after their eventual release,' David Doi, executive director of the coalition, said during a press conference in Wilmington.

This is a far cry from 1990, when the American Civil Liberties Union sued Delaware complaining that the Ferris home was overcrowded, unsanitary and

life-threatening.

Since then, the state razed the old building, built a new facility and hired new staff. Programs emphasize peer support and confrontation, and volunteers from the DuPont Co. serve as mentors.

We are providing juvenile offenders the educational and counseling services they need to become straight, successful and productive adults, while also ensuring better and more secure facilities," said Gov. Tom Carper.

The Coalition for Juvenile Justice made its choice of Ferris as a top facility in an annual report it released to Congress and President Clinton.

The report, "Ain't No Place Anybody Would Want To Be,' examines conditions of juvenile confinement nationwide.

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## NEWARK OUTLOOK Don't forward this e-mail

believe that most people are fairly decent, and have the best interests of others at heart. What else would explain why I (and I suspect you, too) get so many warnings about computer viruses?

Last week I wrote about viruses and what you can do to avoid them. Today, I'd like to cover the issue of



virus hoaxes and what

to do about them. Basically, computer virus hoaxes have been circulating fairly freely since about 1988. There are literally thousands of known virus hoaxes. The thing that tricks most of us when we receive an e-mail detailing a potential virus is that the technical language included in the warning makes it sound real. Couple that with the fact that the message came from someone you know, and you have a full-blown hoax in the making. By the time that the hoax is forwarded to everyone that you know, and so on, the amount of time lost from work can be staggering.

There are a couple of simple rules to remember that will ease this problem.

First, when you receive an e-mail from someone with information about a potential virus, do not forward it. I know it's easy to send a message to hundreds with just a keystroke or two, but please resist the temptation.

You can find out if the virus is for real by contacting someone in your IT department who knows about such things or just by typing the words "virus hoaxes" into your favorite search engine. The chances are overwhelming that a hoax is in the making, and you'll have the personal satisfaction of stopping EVARE POST PHOTO

Although their looks only hint at their ages, Margaret and Bill Lockward who turned 100 and 91 respectively in December, saw a lot of living in past century.

## Centenarian and spouse welcome new century with memories

### By MEGHAN AFTOSMIS

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

an. 1, 2000, might be the official start of the new century, but Bear resident Margaret Lockard had a head start on the rest of the world. She turned 100 on Dec. 16. Her husband, Bill is not too far behind either. He turned 91 on Dec. 3.

Together the couple has seen a lot of changes, especially in their 65 years in the Christiana and Bear areas. But just by listening to a few stories about their childhood in Elk Neck, Md., the changes they have seen become apparent.

Everyone has heard the old story about how their grandparents walked to school through the snow, uphill both ways for four miles. Well, Bill Lockard may not have always had to walk through snow and it was not uphill the whole way, but he did walk four miles each way just to attend school.

He also used to take a horse drawn wagon to town just to get to a grocery store. He always put everything on credit at the store. No, not on credit card, but a tab that his father would pay off each month when he received a paycheck.

When she was growing up, Margaret Lockard used to work with her mother at the nearby railroad, where they would "hunt for diamonds," or build the rail beds and keep them clean. The two would sift the bedrocks from the silt and place the rocks back in the beds by hand. Without a secure rail bed the trains could derail, she said.

She also picked wild huckleberries by the crate with her father in the woods of Elk Neck. The two would ride to Wilmington by wagon and sell the berries wholesale to markets. The drive was so long, they would have to stay overnight and leave for home in the morning, only to arrive home at dusk, she said.

said Ruth Ann Pyle, the couple's oldest daughter.

There were maybe half a dozen restaurants, like the Glass Kitchen, Glasgow Arms, Peterson's House of Fudge and the Eating Post. There were a few motels, service stations, a few homes and Giles & Ransom too, Reed said.

"For many years, people would stop during their travels for a cold soda or an ice cream bar and get directions. This was one of only a few rest stops along a much less populated roadway," Reed said. "Many locals relied on his repair services and purchased gas from him. But after the opening of I-95, then known as John F. Kennedy Highway, traffic on the once very busy Pulaski Highway almost stopped."

Lockard said that was the biggest change he has seen in the Route 40 area and it has had the most effect on his life. It forced him to supplement his work by opening a lawn mower repair shop at the station.

The family ended up moving next door to the station into a flagstone house built by Lockard in 1956 with stone from quarries in Avondale, Pa. The house was surrounded by farmland at that time. But since then housing developments and numerous stores and restaurants have gone up where open land once was.

"Route 40 has more traffic on it now than ever before when I was in business," he said.

His granddaughter, Reed said she can remember visiting her grandparents when she was little and not being able to sleep at night because of all the large trucks that rumbled past the house, she said.

"The tractor trailers used Route 40 a great deal back then because they didn't have to stop for as many lights and stop signs as they would have if they had gone though the towns," Reed said.

it dead in its tracks.

The few viruses that are real, and are of concern to all of us, are well detailed in the media. You'll hear about them long before a friend of a friend of a friend sends you an e-mail.

If you, re running a good anti-virus software package, and running it at least daily, you should be protected.

Make your new years resolution to not fall for any of these silly hoaxes. They'll never go away because there are plenty of gullible and good-hearted people out there, but at least you can make sure that they don't bother you.

Newark Outlook is a regular feature, prepared each week by staff members of the University of Delaware's Cooperative Extension Office in Newark. Margaret never has had a driver's license, although her husband did teach her how to drive on back roads. In fact, Bill just got his driver's license renewed a couple of months ago.

He still can remember his first car, a 1922 Chevrolet touring car. He bought it second hand and does not remember how much he paid for it.

"He's such a good record keeper, he probably has the receipt, though," said his granddaughter Terri P. Reed.

He does remember paying \$700 for his second car, a brand new 1927 blue Chevrolet sports roadster.

"I never financed an automobile," Lockard said. In fact, he has never financed anything. He also never has had a mortgage to pay or used a credit card. "I always said plastic (credit cards) was the ruination of the country," he said.

Not long after the Lockards moved to Christiana in 1934, he built two houses next door to each other on Old Baltimore Pike. He also built a gas station on Route 40. He decided he would sell Esso gas there. "Today, Esso is known as Exxon," he said.

At that time, there were only three lights between Black Cat Road (Route 13) and Route 896. "It was mostly farmland,"

Lockard retired from running the gas station and repair business in 1974. He rented the business out to other people after that, and now his grandson William Pyle runs the shop known as Fairwinds Automotive.

Pyle was one of the 11 grandchildren present when the family celebrated Margaret's 100th birthday. Her 16 great-grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren and other family members and friends also congratulated her on becoming a centenarian.

Five generations of family and none live more than two hours away, Reed said.

But remembrances of generations past still linger with the family, too. Margaret recently found a gold watch that belonged to her mother's aunt in her closet. And a doll given to her by her grandmother in 1909 continues to sit on her bed.

The doll, with its porcelain face, glass eyes and jointed legs, was given to Margaret because her aunt had given Margaret's sister a doll. "I thought it was so nice," she said. But her doll has remained a favorite in the family to this day, even to Reed's daughter Emily, Lockard's great-granddaughter.

Emily recently asked her great-grandparents what they used

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### NEWARK POST \* ARTBEAT

## Open mic' nights open world to new talent

### Special to the Newark Post

Everyone is familiar with the concept of "open mic night" by now. These events give amateur performers, usually musicians, the chance to present themselves and their skills to a live audience. They give audience members the opportunity to enjoy new and unknown talent.

Every month, a range of talent is presented open mic-style at the the Newark Arts Alliance's Art House, but there are no musicians on the sign-up sheet, and there are no microphones.

Instead, Poetry Open Mic Night, co-sponsored by the Alliance and Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society at the University of Delaware, is a monthly event created specifically for local poets and poetry enthusiasts.

Nathaniel Miller, a history major now in his junior year at the University, is the coordinator of the event.

"It's very informal," he said. "We pass around a sign-up sheet, and people read their own work, or sometimes read the work of a favorite poet of theirs.

"Some people are just listening."

Miller took over coordinating the event this year, at a time when poets, poetry, and poetry performance have become very popular both regionally and nationally. Jam'n & Java, a local Newark

Jam'n & Java, a local Newark coffeehouse, sponsors Tuesday Night Poetry Readings each week. The Art House also sponsors a program called 4th Sunday Readings, where local writers read from their work, and this event also includes an open mic component.

When asked about the growing attention poetry is receiving nationwide, Miller responded that although he is aware of it, he has some reservations about poetry becoming too trendy. "I think it's good as long as the quality of poetry doesn't go down,"he said. "I would like to see more people get into poetry as long as the quality doesn't suffar."

As for his own work, "I've been interested in poetry since probably my junior or senior year of high school," Miller said. "I make heavy use of rhyme and meter in my poems."

His emphasis on those elements is evident in this excerpt from his poem "It is Finished (Eloi, Eloi, lame sabachthani)," which offers a first- person perspective on the Passion of Christ.

"I watched you watching me, Father, up there on Calvary.

You thought I couldn't see you, but you were there,

Skulking about the grinning skulls.

Watching Father

As a father proudly watches his only son's first crawl.

Proudly watching Father

As my arms embraced your Sun - Your son,

Whose eyes were drawn with love too strong

Watched you, his father, watch him,

Whose Sun burned down with love too long

Upon that hill where I stood, Or rather was held upright by bits of wood."

For now, Miller would just like to see more people attending Poetry Open Mic Nights, either to read their work or just to listen to others.

For more information about Art House events related to writing and public readings, see the website at www.naa.wserv.com, or call 266-7266.



## Welcoming a new century

### ▶ 100 YEARS, from 8

to do when they wanted to hear the weather. Ruth Ann Pyle quickly answered for them, "you walked outside."

"I don't think they ever could have imagined all the changes that have happened over the years," Pyle said, noting that her mother still made her own bar soap and catsup when she was younger.

"It is amazing to think of how

many inventions they have lived to see and how many lessons they have learned over the years, like living through the Great Depression, the wars and the changes," Reed said. "That has helped all of us appreciate them immensely.

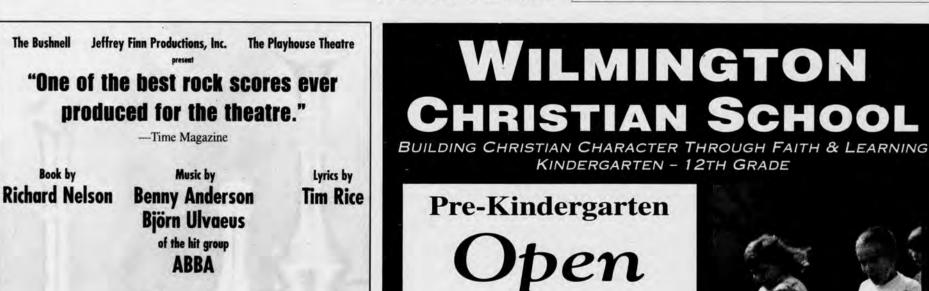
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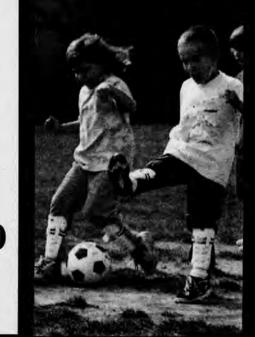


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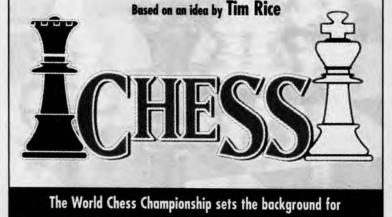
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Phil Toman is taking a sabbatical from The Arts. The Newark Post's longtime arts editor will be returning at a future date with his columns on the art scene in the tri-state area.





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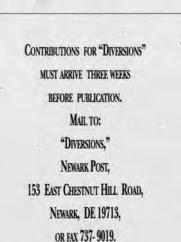
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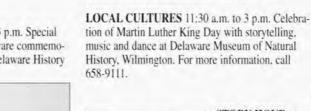
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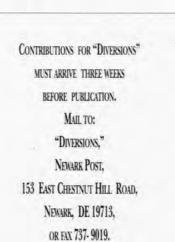
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The bands will also appear at the Newark Jazz Festival on Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. The festival will be held in the school auditorium and feature performances by Brandywine High School, Glasgow High School, Christiana High School, Shue Middle School, and the University of Delaware. Admission is \$5 at the door. Refreshments will be sold by Key Club.

Both bands have performed and received outstanding ratings in festivals in Myrtle Beach, Virginia Beach, Orlando, and Toronto. Here in the tri-state area, Newark's jazz bands have performed at the University of Delaware, Muhlenberg High School Jazz Festival(Pa.), Brandywine Jazz Festival and the Newark Jazz Festival. The band also played for the Delaware Title I Awards Banquet held at the Hilton Hotel in Stanton. This spring, the bands will travel to Montreal for the Festival of Music.

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Senior Mike DiGennaro won the mile and the 3,000 meters to help the University of Delaware men's indoor track team win the Delaware Invitational last Fri-Delaware's day. Caron Marra, a graduate of Newark High, won the mile to help the women's team finish third. UP: To Glasgow's

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Julius Milbourne, who won the boys 50-yard and 400meter runs last Saturday in the first of six NC5TA indoor track meets at Tower Hill School. UP: To Christiana's Danielle Bailey, who won the girls' 55and 200-meter runs and finished second in the 400 at the

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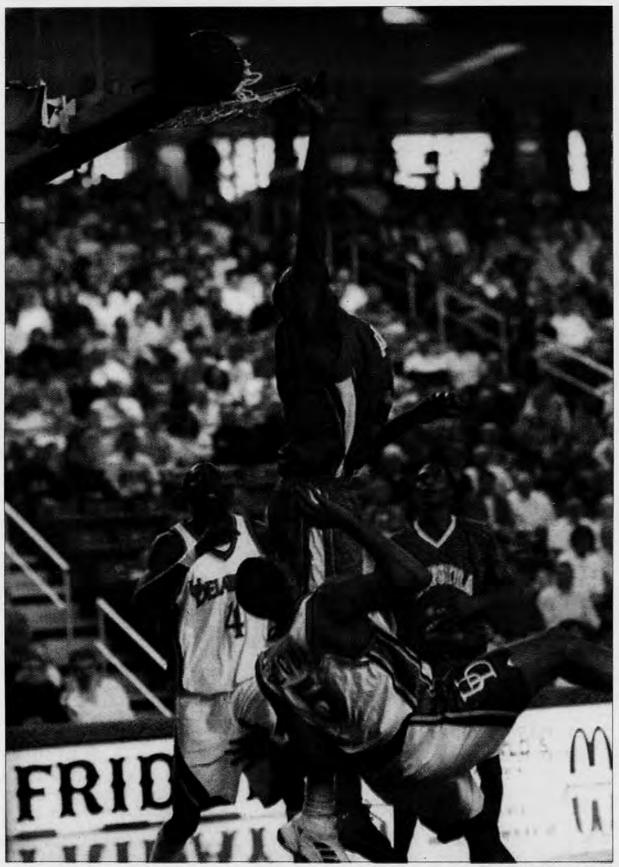
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- GAME OF THE WEEK



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

The University of Delaware's Mike Pegues (5) crashes to the floor after shooting during the Hens' 85-81 victory over Hofstra in an America East conference game last Sunday at the Bob Carpenter Center. Delaware (12-3, 4-1) then followed that victory on Tuesday with a 90-77 conference win over Drexel sparked by 31 points from Pegues.

## Gordon returns to old form

UD guard nets 24 in third game back from foot injury

### By JOE NYE

...... NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Sometimes good things do come in small packages as an undersized Delaware squad topped Hofstra 85-81 Sunday at the Bob Carpenter Center in a game that pushed the two time defending America East champions to their limits.

The Blue Hens came into the game small already without the services of six foot, six inch tall forward Darryl Presley and then lost remaining big men Mike Pegues and Ndongo Ndiaye midway through the second half to foul trouble.

But they pulled together behind 24 points from senior John Gordon and some clutch foul shooting down the stretch to pull out the victory.

The victory lifted Delaware to an 11-3 overall record (3-1 in the America East), while Hofstra fell to 7-5 overall and 2-1 in conference play.

"This was one of the best games we've ever played in this building," said Hens head coach Mike Brey. "Hofstra is a very good team, even better than I saw on tape, and we ended up with a crazy lineup out there that we never practice with. But they really stepped up today."

The crazy lineup that Brey referred to was essentially five guards on the court for the final 10 minutes of the game after

See HENS, 14

kings edge Jackets Newark girls top CHS

william Penn are battling for supremacy in the boys' Blue Hen Conference Flight A basketball standings. William Penn hosts the Vikings on Friday, Jan. 14, following the 6 p.m. junior varsity game. UD football atten-

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dance averaged a school record 20,372 per game this past season, which ranked seventh among Division I-AA programs, according to the NCAA. Jackson State led all Division I-AA programs at 28,933.

### By CHRIS DONAHUE

### ...... NEWARK POST SPORTS EDITOR

Christiana High had its hands full of Yellowjackets when it hosted Newark in a boys Flight A basketball game Tuesday night.

But behind the powerful inside play of Greg Brown, who finished with a game-high 21 points, and 13 from Virgil Rush, the Vikings held off Newark 58-53.

The victory improved Christiana's record to 2-1 in Flight A and 6-4 overall as it heads into a conference battle with William Penn on Friday night.

Donny Caldwell scored 19 points, J.C. Hodges had nine and Terry Alls had eight for Newark, which slipped to 1-3, 3-6.

Christiana took a 5-0 lead to start the game, but Newark trailed only 10-8 after the first quarter.

See BOYS, 14► Christiana surged to a 27-16 lead

late in the second quarter, but Newark scored the last three points before halftime to make it 27-19.

Christiana was able to extend its lead to 33-23 on a dunk by Brown midway through the third quarter. But helped by a three-pointer and a foul shot by Caldwell, the game was tied at 38 in the final minute.

A dunk by Christiana's Byron Greene made it 40-38 to end the quarter, but Caldwell sank another three pointer early in the fourth to tie it at 45.

Christiana's Maurice Rogers, who finished with seven points, broke a 47-47 tie with a three-pointer to give the Vikings the lead for good.

"I was trying to be nice a little bit too much earlier in the season, worrying about all-conference and allstate," Brown said of his effort. "I don't care about that, I just want the

### By CHRIS DONAHUE

### NEWARK POST SPORTS EDITOR

Newark High's girls basketball team played as though it was right at home in beating host Christiana 57-51 in a Blue Hen Conference Flight A game Tuesday night.

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The victory improved Newark's record to 2-1 in conference play and 6-4 overall.

In addition to winning on the road against a neighborhood rival, the victory was also impressive because Chrisitiana entered the game with a 2-1 Flight A mark and was 6-2 overall.

Rayya Prince scored 25 points for Newark, while Keisha Lones added 14.

Ieshia Saunders paced Christiana with 11 points and Cherelle

### Dennis added seven.

Newark Coach Donald Patton,

now in his third season as head coach, said his team is succeeding partly because it's getting used to his style of coaching.

So far, other than a doubledigit loss last week to Caesar Rodney, he likes what he sees.

"I thought we would beat Caesar Rodney and I think should have beat them, but we just didn't have the bench," Patton said.

"Our big kid (six foot, two inch tall Shamika Moody) was out (with strep throat) and that hurt us because we have a rotation. We had five players play three games and two of them were back-to-back. So about halftime, they kind of ran out of gas. "We played (Flight A foe)

See GIRLS, 13

### NEWARK POST \* SPORTS

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK RAYYA PRINCE - NEWARK HIGH

### By CHRIS DONAHUE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Newark High senior guard Rayya Prince started off her team's 57-51 victory over host Christiana on Tuesday with a

bang. Prince began the Flight A victory by sinking her first three shots - all three pointers en route to finishing with a game-high 25 points.

But her most impressive moment came with the game on the line. With the score 51-51 and 14 seconds left in the game, Prince sank two free throws for the eventual gamewinning points.

Although it would have been understandable if the pressure had made her clang both shots off the rim, Prince said she's able to block out crowd noise by using some inspiration.

In addition to having a daughter, Prince said the memory of her good friend - Larry Hudson, a player on Newark's boys basketball team who died in a swimming accident last summer - helps her to focus.

"We lost one of our boys players this summer and I'm dedicating my season to him

and my daughter," Prince said. 'So when I'm shooting my fouls, I think about him and my daughter.

"Larry was my boy. We worked together and everything." added Prince.

As for her team's season, Prince said: "It's been good. We're 6-4 overall and we're doing alright. I like us better as a team this year."

Prince has been playing varsity three years and has started every game the past two seasons, all at guard. She's currently averaging about 16 points a game, which has helped the Yellowjackets to a 2-1 conference record and a 6-4 overal mark.

She began playing 10 years ago, and wouldn't want to play any other position other than guard.

"I like to take control of the court," Prince said. "You tell everybody where to go; what they need to do, what they're doing wrong. But they get on me, too, so it works both ways."

Prince said despite having the ability to convert threepointers, she prefers life in the lane

"I don't shoot many (three pointers)," Prince said. "I like driving to the basket more than shooting.

Prince said she's aware that going into traffic can sometimes get a little rough. But that's fine with her.

'You've got to go hard or go home. That's how we do it," Prince said.

Newark Coach Donald Patton said Prince has helped fill the void left by the graduation of all-state guard Deja Green.

'Rayya's a good basketball player," Patton said. "The thing I keep telling her is that you have to be able to recognize when you can shoot, when youcan drive and when you have to pass.

When she puts that together, she's going to be a much better player, because right now she's trying to find that combination.

"The big problem for us is that we're trying to find a set lineup, and once we do, she'll become more comfortable."

As for the team's main goal this season, Prince said it's to be state champion.

"We want to try to go to the Bob (Carpenter Center)," Prince said. "Our school's never been there, so that's what we're trying to do."

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## **Prince leads Newark**

### ► GIRLS from 12

William Penn to two points. We have a lot of work to do, but this is the best start, since I've been at Newark, out of the box. We started off 4-1, then we ran up against (No. 1 ranked) St. Mark's, then lost to William Penn.

'They like each other and they're used to me and my coaching style," Patton added. "So I think it kind of helps out. They know I'm going to yell at certain things and expect certain things."

Although Prince hit three consecutive three-pointers to open the game against Christiana, the Yellowjackets trailed 20-19 after the first quarter. But Newark forged a 36-33 lead at halftime and led 44-39 after three quarters.

Christiana went ahead 47-46 its first lead since midway through the second quarter - with 2:20 left in the game on a basket by Saunders.

A basket by Prince put Newark ahead 48-47, but Purtrice Barnes hit a jumper to give Christiana a 49-48 lead.

The lead changed hands twice more, and with the score tied at 51 with 14 seconds left, Prince sank two free throws for the game-winning points.

Two free throws by sophomore Jovan Baise and a basket by Prince at the buzzer completed the scoring.

"We have a tremendous freshman team and I'm thinking about stealing a couple kids off that team," Patton said. "I think it's a bright future for Newark in terms of having good young kids, we have some height, we have some ball-handlers, we just have to develop some shooters."

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## NHS hoops coach upset with football staff

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team to win.

'My game is just going all out for the full 32 (minutes) and whatever happens, happens. After the game, shake their hands and just go home happy." "Our kids needed this one to

get our confidence back up," said Christiana Coach Ron Hollis. "Plus, (Newark) has always been our crosstown rivals and it doesn't make any difference who's having a good season or who's having a bad one. When these two teams lock horns, it's always a good basketball game because it's bragging rights and all these kids have played since junior high school together.'

Hollis, whose team has lost to powerful Flight A opponent Alexis I. du Pont twice, Aberdeen (Md.), which is 8-0, and a tough Baltimore team, is optimistic about his team's future.

"I like our talent, I like our kids, we're going to take one game at a time and see where the

chips fall," Hollis said. As for Brown's performance, Hollis said it's a day-to-day thing because of an injury. "Greg's a tough player," Hollis

said. "He's nursing a back injury. He's up and down depending on how his back is feeling. But he's giving us all he can."

Newark Coach Greg Benjamin, who has only three seniors, is also optimistic.

Over the last two weeks we've really grown and the kids are beginning to rely on the system we're trying to run," Benjamin said.

'Like tonight, we just couldn't get the ball to bounce our way. A call here and there would make a major difference. Our kids are not just running up and down the court running and gunning. There's a purpose behind what we're trying to do and a strategy the kids are believing in.

"Like I told the kids tonight, It's a long season and there's still 15 games to go, don't give up now. We're just beginning to gel.' "Ultimately, we just want to

make the state tournament, then get hot and win four or five games and win the state championship.

Benjamin is also left to wonder what could be if fate hadn't intervened. Two summers ago, Tyrell Hill, who would be a senior starter this season, died from a heart attack.

Last July, Lawrence 'Lil' Larry' Hudson, who would also be a senior starter, drowned while swimming at Hoopes Reservoir.

One day before school began last fall, guard Eric Tickles, whom Benjamin said would have averaged 20 points or more per game, moved to New Jersey with his family.

In addition, Benjamin said he's lost several players who could be playing for his team, but opted instead to participate in an off-season weightlifting program for the football team.

"It's a shame that people use kids to accomplish their mission and their goals," Benjamin said, referring to Newark's football staff.

## Gordon leads Hens

### ► HENS, from 12

Pegues and the 7-1 Ndiaye fouled out in a game that featured a total of five different players fouling out and 64 free throws.

The Hens were down by as much as 10 in the first half and six midway through the second half when Pegues fouled out, but by going with a smaller, quicker line-up Delaware was able to climb back into the game and post their eighth straight home win against the Flying Dutchman.

"It was like playing with five guards, which was fun," said senior Greg Miller, who at 6-4 was asked to go down low with Hofstra's big men. "We're such an old veteran team and some of our guys are low key, so when I get in there I like to bring some emotion into the game.'

Along with Gordon's 24, the Hens got 18 points from Kestutis Marciulionis, 14 from Madou Diouf and 11 from Pegues. The Flying Dutchman were led by 1998 America East Player of the Year Craig Claxton with 31 points and forward Norman Richardson with 15.

"I'm close to being back. I'm still about five per cent away,"

rebound and hit a three from the top of the key to knot the score at 51 all.

Hofstra didn't collapse after the comeback, though. After a free throw by Greg Springfield on the foul that exited Pegues from the game, the Dutchman were up 59-52 and in possession of the three tallest players on the court once Ndiaye fouled out on the very next play with a whopping 9:16 remaining in the contest.

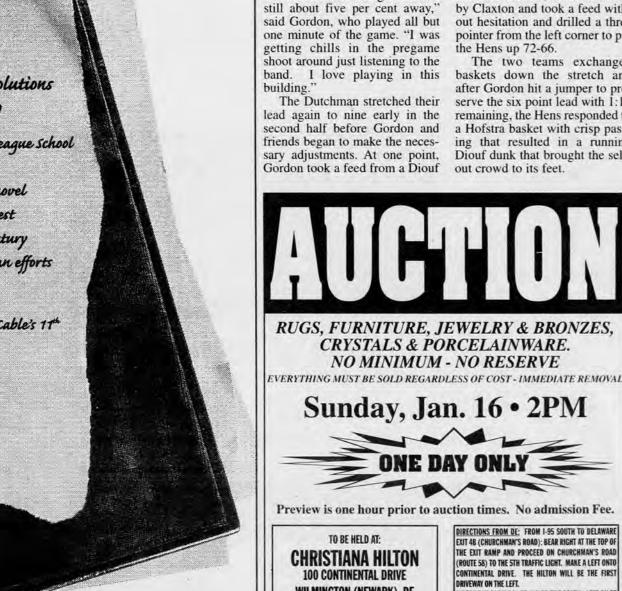
"This team is great in the huddles," said Brey, who picked up a rare technical when he strayed from the coaching box. "They kept their confidence up and it made it easier to defend because when we did our switches everyone was the same size."

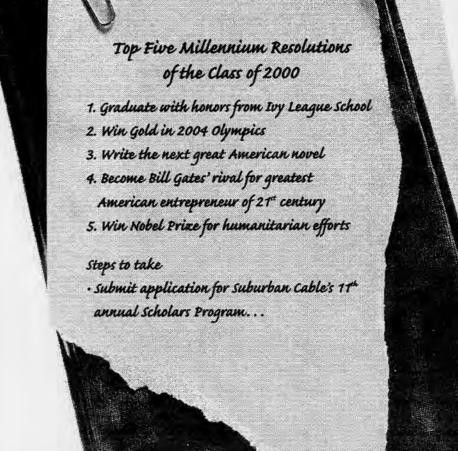
With Miller and Diouf being the only semblance of height left out on the floor, the Hens went to an attacking style and took the lead at 64-63 when Diouf hit six free throws in a row over a two minute stretch.

Hofstra took the lead right back, but Delaware grabbed it for good when Gordon hit yet another three at the 5:59 mark.

Miller then knocked down two free throws, blocked a shot by Claxton and took a feed without hesitation and drilled a three pointer from the left corner to put the Hens up 72-66.

The two teams exchanged baskets down the stretch and after Gordon hit a jumper to preserve the six point lead with 1:15 remaining, the Hens responded to a Hofstra basket with crisp passing that resulted in a running Diouf dunk that brought the sellout crowd to its feet.







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### NEWARK POST \* OBITUARIES

### **George Orville** Plows Sr., GM assemblyman

Newark resident George Orville Plows Sr. died on Dec. 1, 1999, at home.

Mr. Plows, 69, was a retired assemblymen for the General Motors Corporation where he worked for 28 years and belonged to the United Automobile Workers Local #435. He was a member of Grace & Truth Baptist Church in Newark.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Allene Plows; sons, George H. of Greensburg, Pa., Barry L. Sr. of Newark, Jacky of Newark, George O. Jr. of Germany, Tracy J. of Wilmington and Kirk D. of Newark; 17 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 4 at the Grace & Truth Baptist Church, Newark.

The family suggests contributions to Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810 and/or U.A.W. Local #435, 3304 Old Capital Trail, Wilmington, DE 19808.

### Bridgett Ann Crane

Bridgett Ann Crane, age 8 months, died Dec. 3, 1999, in A.I. duPont Hospital for Children, Wilmington.

She is survived by her parents-Jessica Crane and Mark Olson of Bear; grandparents, Joe and Debbie Crane of Bear and Jane Olson of Elkton, Md.; great grandpar-ents, Frank and Arlene Crane of Finksburg, Md., Ben and Ruth Sexton of Cecilton, Md., and Curt and Maryann Combs of Elkton; aunt, Shannon Barlow of Elkton and uncles, Joe Crane Jr of Bear and Paul Olson of Middletown.

Services were held Dec. 6 at the Crouch Funeral Home, North East, Md. Burial was in the North East Methodist Cemetery, North East.

### Amelia K. Hanna, native of Syria

Newark resident Amelia K. Hanna died Dec. 3, 1999.

Mrs. Hanna, formerly of Latrobe, Pa., was born Aug. 3, 1909, in Safita Mashta All Hillou, Syria. She was a member of the Latrobe Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by daughters, Adele Moon and her husband Ted of Boise, Idaho, Selma Wineman of West Chester, Pa., and Victoria Leccia and her husband Pete of Newark; her daughter-in-law, Patricia Lattanzio of Tom Ball. Texas, her extended family, Dr. R. Arnold Wigle and his wife

Theresa of Ligonier, Pa.; 16 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Services were held Dec. 7 in

the Latrobe Presbyterian Church in Latrobe. Interment was in Unity Cemetery, Unity Township, Pa.

The family suggests contributions to Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810 or the Latrobe Presbyterian Church, 428 Main Street, Latrobe, PA 15650.

### Lloyd Rentz Smith, worked at Chrysler

Elkton resident Lloyd Rentz Smith died Dec. 3, 1999, at Union Hospital, Elkton.

Mr. Smith, 68, had served in the U.S. Navy from 1948 to 1952. He was a retired confidential clerical worker at Chrysler Corporation, Newark, where he had worked for 30 years.

He had attended Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Elkton. He was a member of U.A.W. Local 1212, Newark, Moose Lodge #851, Elkton, Hiram Lodge #25, Newark and was a member of Singerly Fire Company where he had served as secretary to the Board of Directors

He is survived by brothers, Donald Smith of Newark, Kerry Smith of Elkton, and Dwight Smith of Perryville, Md. and sisters, Nelda Strong, Linda Chadwick and Donna Sherman all of Elkton and Darrell Leary of North East, Md.

Services were Dec. 7 at Immaculate Conception Church. Interment with military honors was in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Cherry Hill, Md.

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tions be made in Mr. Smith's honor to Singerly Fire Company, c/o Hicks Home for Funerals, 103 W. Stockton Street, Elkton, MD.

### James H. Spence Jr., mobile home sales manager

Newark resident James H. Spence Jr. died Dec. 3, 1999, at the Christiana Hospital due to heart failure.

Mr. Spence, 76, was born in Childs, Md., on Feb. 12, 1923, and was a resident for several years. He retired in 1987 from being sales manager with Schult Mobile Home Corp. He served in the Navy during World War II, and also served in both North Atlantic and South Pacific Navy. Mr. Spence was a lifetime member of V.F.W. Post 7686 in Chesapeake City, Md, American Legion Cecil #15, Loyal Order Moose Lodge 851 and Hiram Lodge #25.

He was an avid sportsman and sports fan member of the Susquehanna League, was a stand out left fielder and was honored by the Cecil Hartford Old Timers Association in 1993

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Audrey M. Spence of Newark; daughters, Sandra S. Sterling of New Castle, Vicki L. Waggaman of Bear, and Patricia A. George of Elkton, Md.; sonin-laws, B. Edward Sterling Jr. of New Castle, William H Waggaman III of Bear, and L. Harold George Jr. of Elkton; grandsons, B. Edward Sterling III, James A. Sterling, Daniel L. Sterling and William H. Waggaman IV; brothers, William H. Spence and Richard W. Spence of Elkton; sisters, Marjorie Bocora of Danville, Ky., Jean S. Mahoney of Elkton, Betty Ann Deibert of North East, Md. and Florence M. Raimato of Kennett Square, Pa.; and two step-granddaughters.

Services were Dec. 8 at the Delaware Veteran Cemetery in Bear. Interment was at the cemetery and honors were given by Mason Dixon Post 194, Rising Sun, Md.

The family suggests contributions to the Kidney Foundation of Maryland c/o Gee Funeral Home, 259 E. Main Street, Elkton, MD.

Julian C. Hammond, duPont engineer

Former Newark resident Julian C. Hammond died Nov. 26, 1999.

Mr. Hammond of West Columbia, S.C., was born in North Augusta, S.C. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the European Theater. Mr. Hammond was a 1950 graduate of Clemson University and retired in 1982 from the E.I. duPont de Nemours Company Inc

He was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in West Columbia.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Louise B. Hammond of West Columbia, two daughters, Laura H. Thompson of Marietta, Georgia and Julianne E. Hammond of Wilmington; a sister, Louise C. Phillips of Florence, S.C.; two grandsons, Andrew E. Thompson and Nicholas A. Thompson and a number of nieces and nephews.

Services were held Nov. 28 in the Chapel of Thompson Funeral

Home of Lexington, S.C. Burial was in Bethany Cemetery in Aiken, S.C.

The family suggests contributions to The Wellness Community, 100 W. 10th Street, Suite 1107, Wilmington, DE 19801.

### Leo Robert Milner, roofer

Newark resident Leo Robert Milner died Dec. 12, 1999.

Mr. Milner, 44, was employed as a roofer for apartment communities corporation in Wilmington.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Stella and John Cooke; children, Christy Lee Milner and Tyler Preston; sister, Frances Ratchiff and brothers, Daniel, Patrick Sr. and Richard Milner.

Services were held Dec. 15 at Gebhart Funeral Home, Claymont.

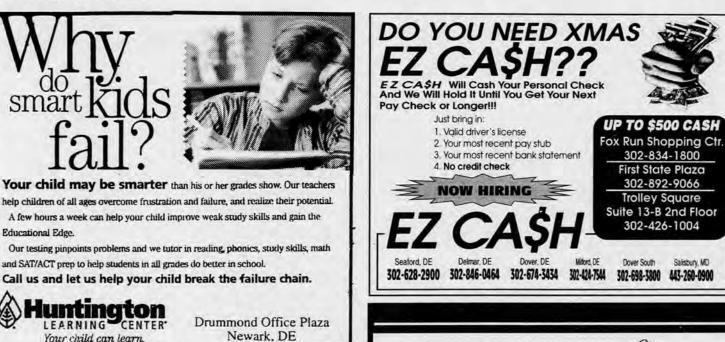
The family suggests contributions be made to his children's education, c/o Richard Milner, 5 Colony Blvd., Wilmington, DE 19802

### Shannon L. Moss, student

Bear resident Shannon L. Moss died suddenly Dec. 11, 1999, in the Chirstiana Hospital.

Ms. Moss, 21, received an associate degree in computer information systems from Harcum College, Bryn Mawr, Pa., in 1999 and was a junior at Wilmington College. She worked parttime at MBNA in Newark and was a member of St. Phillips Lutheran Church. She also enjoyed playing the piano.

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She is survived by her parents, Stephen and Donna Moss of Bear; grandparents, Donald and Patricia Hinman of Satellite Beach, Fla.; her great grandmother, Dorothy R. Sterling of Freder-icka; as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held Dec. 15 in the McCrery Memorial Chapel. Burial was private.

The family suggests contributions to the American Heart Association, 1096 Old Churchmans Road, Newark, DE 19713.

### William Forrest Young, Naval aviator

Newark resident William Forrest Young died Dec. 13, 1999, at the Christiana Hospital. Mr. Young, 71, was raised in

Gallatin, Miss. He was a retired Naval aviator, an owner of Town & Country Aerial Views and was a long time member of St. John's/Holy Angels Parish in Newark.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Julia Claire Young; sons, Thomas J. Young, Paul A. Young, Lawrence A. Young; daughters, Mary Jo Lukowski, Pamela M. Palmer, Elaine C. Young, Nancy L. O'Donnell; eight grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 16 at St. Peter's Cathedral, Wilmington. Interment was at the Delaware Veterans Cemetery, Bear

The family suggests contributions to the Little Sisters of the Poor, c/o Robert T. Jones & Foard Funeral Home, 122 W. Main Street, Newark, DE 19711.

### Meals on Wheels volunteer

Newark area resident Marian D. Favinger died Dec. 9, 1999, in the Christiana Hospital.

Mrs. Favinger, 77, was a homemaker. She was a member Limestone Presbyterian Church, president of Presbyterian Women of New Castle Pres-bytery, a member of Esther Circle in Women of Limestone and a volunteer for Meals on Wheels.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Walter "Pete" Favinger; daughters, Jeanne Taylor of Newark, Suzanne Keane of Pike Creek, Laurie Matamoros of Wilmington; brothers, William Deputy Hershcel "Sonny" Deputy, Hershcel "Sonny" Deputy, both of Wilmington; sister, Sylvia Edmanson of Kittrell, N.C.; 10 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 15 at Limestone Presbyterian Church, Pike Creek. Interment was in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Milford.

The family suggests contributions to Limestone Presbyterian Church, 3201 Limestone Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.

### Gerda S. Pohlen, member Resurrection Parish

Newark resident Gerda S. Pohlen died Dec. 10, 1999, in the Christiana Hospital.

Mrs. Pohlen, 94, was a homemaker and a member of the Parish of the Resurrection. She is survived by her son, Michael F. Pohlen of Wilmington; daughter, Eva K. Deck of Trenton, Mich.; five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Services were held held Dec. 13 at Parish of the Resurrection. Interment was in Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery in St. Louis, Mo. on Dec. 18.

The family suggests contribu-tions to the James M. Pohlen Memorial Scholarship, c/o St. Marks High School, 2501 Pike Creek Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.

### Charles S.R. Weldin Jr., retired Chrysler worker

Bear resident Charles S.R. Weldin Jr. died Dec. 9, 1999, in Christiana Hospital.

Mr. Weldin, 76, graduated from Newark High School in 1941. He also graduated from Goldey Beacom College. He was a Navy Veteran of World War II. He retired from Chrysler Assembly Plant in Newark in 1979 and the Blood Bank of Delaware in 1992. He participated in many sports including: baseball, bas-ketball, bowling and golf. He is a past member of Brantwood Gold Club. He is a life member of Pencader Grange #60 and a member of Delaware City Recreation Club. He was a longtime season ticket holder of University of Delaware football.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Annabelle L. Weldin; daughter, Charlene A.W. Marinelli and son-in-law, Albert A. Marinelli Jr., all of Bear; brother, Robert S. Weldin of Wilmington; sister, Eleanor Weldin Baldwin of Newark; and two granddaughters.

Services were held Dec. 13 at Gracelawn Memorial Park Chapel.

The family suggests contribu-

tions to the Blood Bank of Delaware or Pencader Grange #60 c/o Robert T. Jones & Foard Funeral Home, 122 W. Main Street, Newark, 19711.

### Mildred L. Carlton, member Ogletown **Baptist**

Former Newark resident Mildred L. Carlton died Dec. 12, 1999, in Texas, her home since moving from Newark in 1996.

Mrs. Carlton, 84, was a charter member of Ogletown Baptist Church in Newark.

She is survived by two daughters, Joann Haskell and her husband Forrest of Rockport, Texas; Linda Russo of Wilmington; a brother, Bert Manire of Shel-byville, Tenn.; sister, Louise Dyer of Eagleville, Tenn; 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 15 at Ogletown Baptist Church, Newark. Interment was in Gracelawn Memorial Park, New Castle.

The family suggests contributions to Ogletown Baptist Church, 316 Red Mill Road, Newark, DE 19713.

### Alejandro A.

### Ramos, food service worker

Newark area resident Alejandro A. Ramos died Dec. 10, 1999, in the Christiana Hospital.

Mr. Ramos was a food service worker at the University of Delaware. He loved gardening, cooking and animals.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Carolyn Butler Ramos of Landenberg, Pa.; sons, Alejandro Ramos of Philadelphia, Mariano Ramos of New York, Allen Butler of Elkton, Md., Brian Butler of Landenberg.; two daughters, Andrea Ramos of Philadelphia, Darlene Adams of Rising Sun, Md.; brother, Antonio Ramos of Philadelphia; sisters, Julia Ramos, Luz Maria Ramos, Susana Ramos and Mariana Ramos, all of Puerto Rico; and six grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 14 at the Robert T. Jones & Foard Funeral Home, Newark. Burial was in All Saint's Cemetery, Newark.

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Luellen P. Teschner, secretary Former Newark resident Luellen P. Teschner died Dec. 12, 1999 at her residence in





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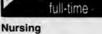
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Roger Alfred Brown, Defendant. In Re: Jeremy Andrew Bantum, A Child Under Eighteen (18) Years of Age ROGER ALFRED BROWN, THE TO: DEFENDANT ABOVE-NAMED:

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Interested citizens are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting and to provide their suggestions on shaping Delaware's future transportation program. This meeting will provide a variety of opportunities to review the process by which the MPO and DelDOT set priorities in the selection of major transportation projects and to discuss proposed Capital Improvement Projects, and the MPO's Transportation projects. Each meeting will have an informal workshop session at the start, followed

by an auditorium session. A court reporter will be available during both sessions to record formal comments. Interested persons are also invited to submit written comments during the public meeting process and these also will be included in the formal record of the CIP meetings. Copies of the draft FY 2001-2006 CIP document are available by contacting DelDOT at the address and/or phone number listed below.

The meetings will be held:

- In Sussex County at Sussex County West Complex Building, Conference Room, 9 South DuPont Hwy. (Rt. 113), Georgetown, on Thursday, January 13, 2000. Workshop Session - 6:00 p.m. Auditorium session -7:00 p.m.
- In Kent County at DelDOT's Administration Building, Executive Conference Room, US 113, Dover, on Wednesday, January 19, 2000. Workshop Session - 6:00 p.m. Auditorium session - 7:00 p.m.
- In New Castle County at Newark High School, Auditorium, 401 East Delaware Ave., Newark, on Thursday, January 20, 2000. Workshop Session 6:00 p.m. Auditorium Session 7:00 p.m.

The Council on Transportation is composed of citizen representatives from every county in the state. Members are appointed by the Governor. The MPO's are composed of representatives from state, county and local governments, and citizen and technical representatives. Mandated by Subsection 8409, Chapter 84, Title 29 of the Delaware Code, the meetings are designed to ensure that the public has ample opportunity to participate in

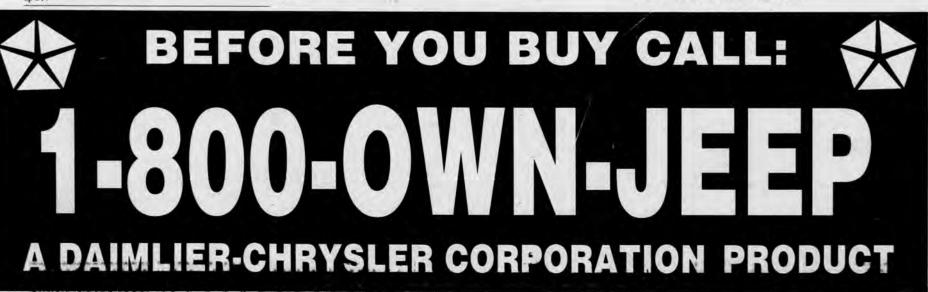
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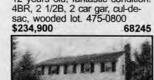
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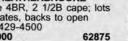




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