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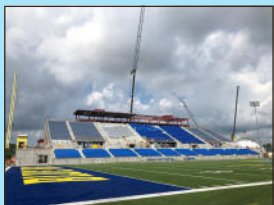


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## 'A cool vibe'

NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

The Parks on Draft pop-up beer garden was held from Thursday through Sunday at Olan Thomas Park.

### Inaugural Parks on Draft beer garden draws more than 1,500 people

By JOSH SHANNON

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Some came for the beer, some came for the music, and some came for the camaraderie. Others stopped by because they were jogging or biking on the Pomeroy Trail and the Parks on Draft beer garden made for an inviting resting point.

Regardless of the reasons, the four-day beer garden event drew more than 1,500 people – a number that would have been higher had it not been for thunderstorms that brought the final day to an early end.

"The fact that we had more than 1,000 people with no notice really says a lot," said Lee Mikles, co-owner of Grain Craft Bar + Kitchen, which partnered with the city of Newark to organize the event.

The pop-up beer garden, which was open from Thursday through Sunday in Olan Thomas Park on Cleveland Avenue, was a test-run for a regular event series the city hopes to have next summer in various parks around Newark. Though officials had been working on the logistics of the event for a few weeks, they couldn't promote it until city council passed a law allowing alcohol sales in the park, a vote that didn't



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Country musician Katelyn Christine performs at Parks on Draft in Olan Thomas Park on Saturday evening.

## 1 killed, 1 injured in motel shooting

Incident is Newark's first homicide in two years

By JOSH SHANNON

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A man was killed and another was wounded when multiple gunshots rang out inside a Newark motel early Sunday.

On Tuesday, police identified the deceased victim as Donte Hammond, 21, of Newark. The state medical examiner ruled his death a homicide.

The shooting happened just before 1 a.m. at the Red Roof Inn on South College Avenue, according to Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

Rubin said officers responded to the motel after receiving multiple calls of shots fired and were directed to a room on the second floor.

"They found a male with multiple gunshot wounds," Rubin said during a brief press conference at the scene Sunday morning. "Officers attempted CPR, and he was pronounced deceased at the hotel."

A second victim – a 20-year-old Wilmington man – was taken to the hospital in a private vehicle. His injuries are not believed to be life-threatening.

Rooms near where the shooting happened were checked, but the guests were not evacuated.

Two hours after the shooting, numerous officers could be seen guarding a second-floor hallway and checking the parking lot for evidence.

"At this point, we do not have any suspect information to provide to the

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# UD students return to Newark this weekend

By BROOKE SCHULTZ  
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Expect congestion and heavier traffic when driving through Newark this weekend, because the University of Delaware students will be back on campus in full force.

Move in begins on Saturday, and runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for new students, meaning traffic will be heavy in the area of Academy Street and Haines Street, where a majority of the first-year dorms are concentrated.

Returning students will begin moving in on Sunday and Monday, ranging from the early morning to mid-afternoon. Times are staggered for students to move in, to ease congestion.

For the first year under the university's ownership, students will be moving into the University Court-yard apartment complex on Delaware Avenue. Move in begins today, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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Officers from the New Castle County Police Department's mounted unit greet community members during a Police Athletic League event in Dickey Park on Saturday.



Kids have fun during a Police Athletic League event in Dickey Park on Saturday.

## The week ahead

**Story time:** Saturday, 12:30 to 1:15 p.m., at Glasgow Park, 2275 Pulaski Highway. A fun story time followed by a short activity. Bring a snack. Ages 2+ with an adult. Meet at the Bank Barn at Glasgow Park.

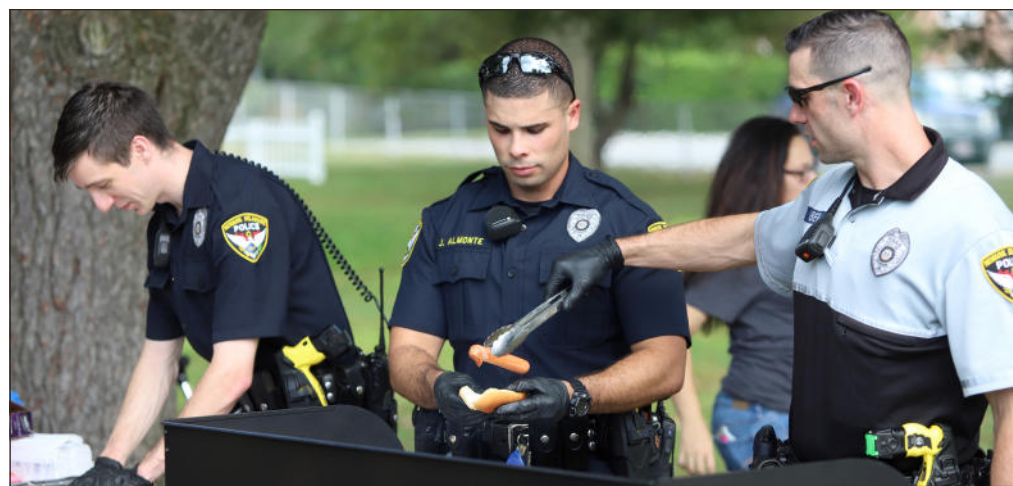
**City council:** Monday, 7 p.m., at city hall, 220 S. Main St. Council will discuss a proposal to replace an old house on Valley Road with two 55+ homes.

**Concert:** Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., at White Clay Creek State Park's Carpenter Recreation Area, 880 New London Road. Monkeephiles will perform rock music as part of the park's weekly summer concert series. Free, but park fees apply.

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## Cops, residents unite at Newark P.A.L. Party

The Newark Police Department held its second-annual P.A.L. Party at Dickey Park on Saturday evening. Intended to foster better relationships with the community, the event was organized by the newly formed Newark chapter of the Police Athletic League. Police officers grilled up hot dogs and hamburgers, while others gave demonstrations. Meanwhile, kids could play in a mobile video game trailer, cool off on an inflatable water slide or meet police horses from the New Castle County Police Mounted Unit. Local church New Heart Ministries handed out backpacks and school supplies.



Officers Andrew Maiura, Jean Almonte and Nate Graber, of the Newark Police Department, serve hot dogs during a Police Athletic League event in Dickey Park on Saturday.



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# Newark, Clifton sue county officials over tax dispute

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The city of Newark and Mayor Jerry Clifton have filed suit against New Castle County Executive Matt Meyer and county council, the latest salvo in a months-long dispute over a change in the way the county is calculating taxes owed by Newark residents.

Filed in Chancery Court last week, the lawsuit alleges that the county is charging Newark residents for fire protection services they already pay for through their Newark property taxes.

The suit asks the court to force the county to pass a new budget rescinding the changes and to refund "any revenue collected by way of its illegal revenue ordinance."

The city alleges that the county is poised to over-collect a total of \$170,000 from Newark residents this year. County tax bills went out last month and are due Sept. 30.

The dispute revolves around a change in the way the county calculates the taxes owed by residents of municipalities, which typically pay a lower rate than residents of unincorporated areas.

Both sides say their concern is fairness, but the two governments have a fundamentally different idea of what is fair.

All county residents pay for general operating costs, like libraries, the recorder of deeds, regional parks, etc. Residents also pay a local services rate, which varies based on what services they receive from the county. For instance, those who live in unincorporated areas pay for services

like county code enforcement, 911 dispatchers and police, while Newarkers do not, because they receive those services from the city and pay for them through city taxes.

This year, the county discovered the local services rate had not been updated in at least 15 years and recalculated it to reflect the accurate cost of providing each service. As a result, the rate in some municipalities went up, while the rate in other municipalities went down.

Overall, the change is revenue-neutral for the county. It doesn't bring in more money, it simply realigns the taxes paid by residents of different areas.

As part of the changes, the county decided to start charging Newarkers for fire protection.

Neither the city nor the county maintain their own fire department, but both give grants to the volunteer Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company. The city gives Aetna \$230,000 in financial contributions and free utilities, and the county provides \$350,000.

David Del Grande, finance director for Newark, argues that because Newark residents already contribute to Aetna through city taxes, they should not have to chip in to help pay for the county's grant. However, Meyer argues that because Newarkers benefit from the county's grant to Aetna, it's only fair that they help pay for it.

County officials say the change will cost the average Newark resident an additional \$7 this year, while Newark officials say the average increase is \$19. [As a com-



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

County Executive Matt Meyer explains his reasoning for a tax change as Newark Councilman Chris Hamilton, Newark Finance Director David Del Grande and Newark Councilman James Horning Jr. look on during a meeting at the Newark Free Library in May.

parison, the most recent budget approved by city council raised Newark's taxes and fees \$69 for the average resident.]

In May, city council passed a resolution calling on the county to rescind the changes and, when that was unsuccessful, the council voted a month later to hire special counsel to pursue legal action.

"In our opinion, what the county has done is illegal," City Manager Tom Coleman said at the time. "It's time to stand up on behalf of our residents."

City Solicitor Paul Bilodeau said that Clifton is listed as a plaintiff

because the lawsuit needed to include a city resident with standing to sue. The lawsuit alleges that Clifton "has been harmed by the conduct" of Meyer and the county council.

According to public records, county property taxes on Clifton's condo at the Village of Fountainview increased \$16 this year, part of which is due to an across-the-board tax hike that affected all county taxpayers.

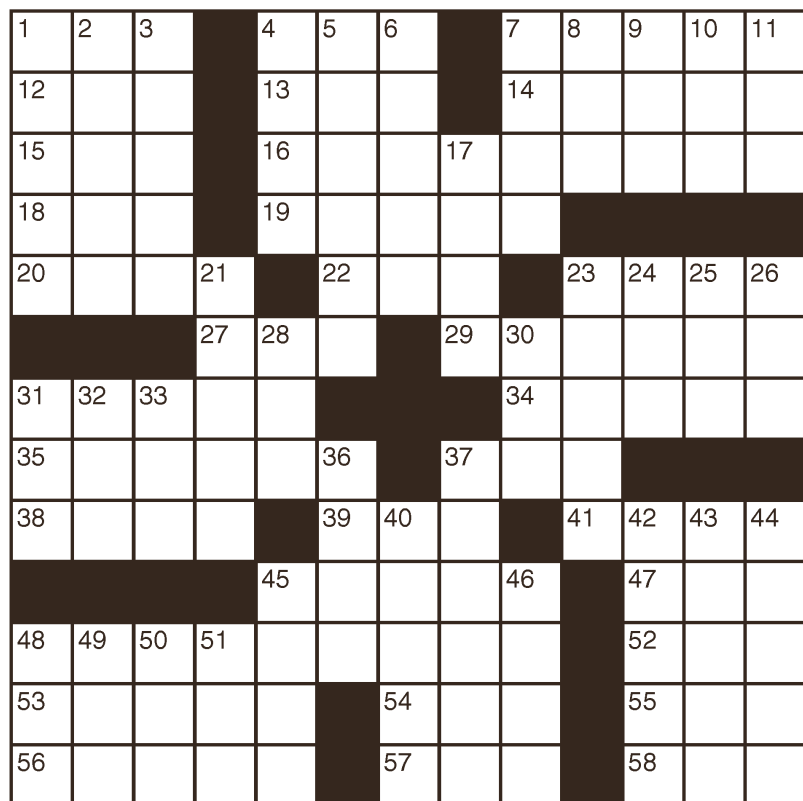
In a written statement in June, Meyer called the city's pending lawsuit frivolous.

"The City of Newark is demand-

ing that taxpayers outside the city pay for fire services provided within the city. This is not fair to taxpayers and we will fight any lawsuit vigorously," Meyer said. "This turn of events is particularly troublesome as it threatens the state task force created to study this very issue. Newark's decision will only divert funds that could instead be used to support the local fire service or meet other important public needs. We should be working collaboratively to focus on fairness for our taxpayers and not wasting city and county taxpayer money on frivolous litigation."

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# Indictment: Woman stole \$300,000 from her employer

By CARL HAMILTON

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A federal grand jury has indicted a woman who allegedly stole more than \$300,000 from a Newark medical practice during a six-year period while working there as the business director, according to the U.S. Office of the Attorney General.

The defendant, Kimberly Sponaule, 41, of Port Deposit, Md., is charged with one count of wire fraud after the federal grand jury handed up the one-count indictment last week.

Investigators allege that Sponaule "engaged in a scheme to defraud" her now-former employer by using a corporate credit card to make approximately \$322,652 in unauthorized, personal purchases from January 2012 through March 2018.

Sponaule was the business's office manager from 2005 through 2010 and then worked as the business' director from 2010 through March 2018, when she was fired, outlined Kimberly Reeves, an OAG spokeswoman.

While the federal indictment does not identify the victimized business, Sponaule's profile on LinkedIn identifies her former employer as All About Women, an OB/GYN medical practice located on the campus of Christiana Hospital. She was also listed on All About Women's website staff page as director as recently as 2017, according to archived internet records, and noted as so in Delaware civil court records. References to her on the current All About Women website have been removed.

On Tuesday, Rhonda Burke, office manager of All About Women, said, "We believe that any employee that is found to have stolen money from her employer should be held accountable for her theft."

Sponaule allegedly used funds from the medical practice's bank account — money earmarked to pay corporate credit card bills — to make

those personal purchases and then she hid her fraud by making false entries in the company's financial accounting system, Reeves explained.

"Through this scheme, Sponaule used the business' funds without authorization to purchase, among other items, vacations, jewelry, and limousine services, as well as to make personal charitable contributions using the corporate credit card," Reeves reported.

In her statement, Burke also addressed possible concerns that All About Women patients may have after learning about the federal indictment against Sponaule.

"Our patients should rest assured that the crimes alleged to have been committed against All About Women did not involve the misappropriation of any patient health or financial data. All About Women has and will continue to carefully monitor all information covered by HIPPA to ensure that patient privacy is protected and remains secured," Burke said.

If convicted of the wire fraud charge, Sponaule would face up to 20 years in prison, according to Reeves, who qualified that "actual sentences for federal crimes are typically less than the maximum penalties" and that all defendants charged are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Reeves further explained that, if Sponaule is convicted, the federal judge assigned to the criminal case would take into account U.S. sentencing guidelines and other statutory factors at sentencing.

"The defendant abused her employer's trust and repeatedly diverted corporate funds for her own personal use through a years-long scheme. My office is committed to investigating and prosecuting fraudulent conduct, like the defendant's, that hurts Delaware businesses," David C. Weiss, who is the U.S. Attorney for the District of Delaware, said in a prepared statement.

# Man faces gun charges after unruly motel party

By JOSH SHANNON

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A Newark man is facing numerous charges, including two weapon offenses, after police busted an underage party at the Red Roof Inn early Tuesday morning.



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The arrest came just two days after a man was killed and another was wounded in a shooting at the same motel, though police were quick to note the two incidents are not related.

Tuesday's incident happened around 1:30 a.m. at the motel on South College Avenue, according to Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

Officers responding to a call of a loud and disorderly party found a group of 12 people smoking mari-



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO

A Newark man is facing numerous charges, including two weapons offenses, after police busted an underage party at the Red Roof Inn early Tuesday morning.

juana, drinking alcohol and being loud in one of the motel rooms, Rubin said. All but one were under age 21, including five juveniles. There was a "thick cloud of marijuana smoke throughout the entire room," according to court documents.

The only person of legal drinking age was Deonte Lewis, 21, who was the registered guest of the hotel.

Police searched the room and found a handgun with the serial number removed in Lewis's backpack, according to court records.

Lewis admitted to police that he smoked marijuana in the presence of the juveniles and supplied alcohol to the minors, court records indicate. He added that the juveniles were aware of the gun and had asked to see it.

Lewis was charged with possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, endangering the welfare of a child, providing alcohol to a minor and possession of marijuana. He was jailed after failing to post \$25,002 cash bail.

Meanwhile, Brandon Hagler, 19, of Newark, and a 17-year-old Newark boy were charged with underage drinking and possession of marijuana and were released on their own recognizance.

# Police seek man who stole dropped wallet inside a Newark Wawa

POST STAFF REPORT

Police are looking for a man who stole a wallet from a Wawa in Newark.

The incident occurred at 7:23 p.m. on July 24 but wasn't disclosed by police until Wednesday because they were waiting to release the surveillance photo, said Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

While at the register at the Wawa on Ogletown Road, the

victim's wallet fell from the counter, but the victim didn't realize it right away. When the victim returned later, the wallet was gone, Rubin said.

The suspect is described as a black man wearing a backwards baseball cap, which may be leather. Surveillance footage shows him taking the wallet.

Anyone with information about the identity of the man is asked to contact Cpl. Matthew Coughlin at 302-366-7100, ext. 3143 or mcoughlin@newark.de.us.



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Surveillance footage shows a man who is suspected of stealing a wallet that was dropped in Wawa.

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# 'We are one. We have each other's backs'

Interfaith vigil promotes diversity, calls for an end to gun violence

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Chanting "We are one. We have each other's backs," members of Newark's various faith communities came together Sunday to promote diversity and call for an end to gun violence.

Held at Calvary Baptist Church on Delaware Avenue, the interfaith vigil was organized in the wake of the mass shootings in Texas and Ohio earlier this month. In El Paso, a white nationalist gunman targeting immigrants opened fire in a Walmart, killing 22 people. Less than a day later, a gunman killed nine people outside a bar in Dayton.

While the vigil had been planned well in advance, it took place just 12 hours after a man was killed and another was wounded in a shooting at the Red Roof Inn on South College Avenue.

"There was someone shot just here in Newark just last night," the Rev. Corey Fields, pastor of Calvary Baptist, told the crowd. "And so we gather in concern for violence and in concern for each other."

Fields said that in one sense, vigils like the one Sunday – and similar gatherings the Newark faith community has organized after other mass shootings – can seem futile.

"Yet a gathering like this also says something powerful and eternal," he said. "A gathering like this



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Sally Milbury-Steen, of the New London Friends Meeting, speaks Sunday at a vigil calling for an end to gun violence.

says that we all share a desire to live in peace, and that we do not accept the status quo. A gathering like this says that even though our religious and political beliefs may differ, we are all beloved children and we are all fellow travelers on the sometimes treacherous journey of life."

Charito Calvachi-Mateyko, from the Delaware Hispanic Commission, said Latinos are hurting in the wake of the El Paso shooting and President Donald Trump's anti-immigrant rhetoric.

"You need to know what a difference you have created here today for Latinos," Calvachi-Mateyko told the crowd. "You all need to know we feel you are holding us in the midst of shock and trauma."

She gave a blistering rebuke of Trump, who she described as "the

distractor-in-chief" intent on using divisive policies and language to distract the American people from other controversies.

"Mr. President, against all your distractions, against all the negativity you incite, we have something to tell you: We are one. We have each other's backs," she said.

Irfan Patel told the crowd that he came on behalf of the Islamic Society of Delaware to express sympathy for the victims in El Paso, Dayton and of all gun violence.

"More than that, I'm standing here today as a concerned citizen of this nation, against the backdrop of all this senseless violence and killing of innocent lives that were wasted by these senseless acts of violence, violence that was and is rooted in deep hatred towards those who look different,"



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State Rep. Paul Baumbach speaks Sunday at a vigil calling for an end to gun violence as the Rev. Cynthia Robinson, pastor of New Ark United Church of Christ holds an umbrella to shield him from the sun.

Patel said.

State Rep. Paul Baumbach attended the vigil wearing a large red F pinned on his lapel, proudly showing off the grade the National Rifle Association gave his voting record on gun issues.

"We live in dangerous times, but the danger isn't from career criminals. Crime has fallen steadily over the past 20 years," Baumbach said. "The danger is tied to guns. In Dayton, Ohio, the gunman shot 26 people in 32 seconds. His firearm had a 100-round magazine."

He called for "common-sense" gun control and urged the crowd

to reject bigotry and white supremacy.

"Hate cannot drive out hate. Only love can do that," he said. "So we're here today, we're here together. We're here united to stand up for love, to stand up for light, to stand up against racism, to stand up against white supremacy, to stand up for people and communities of color, to stand up against isolationism, to stand up against nationalism and to stand up against an unchecked gun culture. Do not let darkness consume you, do not let hate consume you, do not let hopelessness consume you."

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The Bristol County Fifes and Drums, from Rhode Island, performs at Pencader Heritage Museum last Friday night.



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The 1st Delaware Regiment Fife and Drum Corps performs at Pencader Heritage Museum last Friday night.

# Colonial fife and drum corps perform at battlefield

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Visitors to Pencader Heritage Museum were treated to the sounds of Revolutionary War-era fifes and drums as three colonial-inspired groups “mustered” there last Friday night for a joint performance.

The museum, near the intersection of Old Baltimore Pike and Del. 72, is located on the historic Cooch’s Bridge Battlefield, the

site of Delaware’s only Revolutionary War battle. Two-dozen colonial soldiers who fell during the battle are thought to be buried in unmarked graves somewhere on the battlefield.

“It’s in honor of those brave soldiers that we perform here tonight,” said Chris Mlynarczyk, commander of the 1st Delaware Regiment.

The Newark-based 1st Delaware Regiment Fife and Drum Corps was joined by Monumental City

Fife and Drum Corps from Baltimore and the Bristol County Fifes and Drums from Rhode Island. The groups performed separately and then joined together for a few songs during the one-hour patriotic concert.

For the Bristol County group, Newark was just one stop on its tour of Delaware and Pennsylvania.

Director Jenay Evans founded the group in 2000 with the modest goal of playing “Yankee Doodle”

in her hometown’s Memorial Day parade. The organization quickly grew and now tours different areas of the country each summer. The group has performed in Williamsburg, Jamestown, Disney World and as far away as Mount Rushmore and London.

“We work hard making money doing parades and put that toward our annual trip,” Evans explained.

This was the group’s first time performing in Delaware, and

the significance of the Cooch’s Bridge site wasn’t lost on Evans.

“It’s fantastic,” she said. “That’s why we do what we do – we love history and we love music.”

Meanwhile, the colonial spirit at Pencader will continue next month when the museum hosts its annual Battle of Cooch’s Bridge memorial service at 10 a.m. Sept. 7, followed by a Revolutionary War re-enactor encampment from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 7 and noon to 3 p.m. Sept. 8.

# Courtyard Apartments ready for first year of UD ownership

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Since the University Courtyard Apartments officially came under the University of Delaware’s ownership last month, many of the changes have been “behind the walls,” said Michele Kane, senior associate director of residence

life and housing.

The university gained access to the apartment complex off Delaware Avenue in July, after ranking city officials when the university indicated its intentions about a year ago.

The University Courtyard Apartments, which holds 880 beds, are intended to

replace the 17-story Christiana Towers, which closed last spring, creating a loss of 1,250 beds.

When building the Courtyard complex in 1999, a private developer used bond funding from a nonprofit with the stipulation that the complex would be deeded to the university in 30 years

after the bonds are paid off.

However, university officials said the university had the option of acquiring the property early. When the university made the decision last year, city officials raised concerns over the loss in tax revenue.

“That is something that is near and dear to me because I was there when that was approved and I supported that idea and concept,” Mayor Jerry Clifton said at the time. “What’s disconcerting about this in my mind is that they want to take it off the tax rolls next year and, just over the 10 year period by itself, that means a loss of about \$770,000 over the 10 year period. \$77,000 a year.”

During the transition in ownership, Kane said that 65 tenants stayed on. “We do know that this past year, we received a record number of applications and we have a hunch that that was in part due to having University Courtyard Apartments in our inventory,” she said.

Since acquiring the property, Kane said that changes have encompassed safety and security, like additional cameras being added, sprinkler heads being cleaned or replaced, new fire doors, and bringing the apartment complex online with UD cable and internet service.

Under private ownership, the complex came with amenities many other on-campus dorms lack – like a pool, fitness center and parking – and the university is grappling with how to maintain those elements.

The gym equipment was removed from the fitness center, Kane said, and the university is undecided on whether to maintain the area as a gym. Officials are still deciding what to do with the pool, though it remained open this summer.

The complex will now be staffed by UD’s residence life personnel. Kane said the previous Courtyard employees were offered an opportunity to interview, but all declined the offer.

Kane said that the university tried to make sure it was well known to students that the property would become on-campus housing in the fall.

“One, it means that we will staff and provide engagement opportunities in there, the same way that we would in any of our on-campus properties, and that’s something that we know our students and their families value,” she said. “And the other is also a financial piece for students. When students live on campus, sometimes their financial aid packages are different than if they live off campus in a more beneficial way for them.”

The parking lot, which was previously free for tenants, is now marked as a gray lot, which requires a parking permit from the university. That permit costs between \$300-\$460 annually and will be available to students who live there, as well as UD employees. Members of the public can also use a parking app to pay for parking there by the hour.

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## Newark traffic stops lead to drug, weapon charges

In two instances last week, traffic violations led to drug-related charges. In one case, the driver was illegally in possession of a gun, police said.

In the first, on Aug. 10

just after midnight, police stopped a vehicle on Bellevue Road after the driver was speeding and disregarded a stop sign, said Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

The odor of marijuana was noticeable from outside of the vehicle, and the officers

saw marijuana within the car. After a search, they found that the driver, Brandon Norman, 27, had a loaded handgun, in addition to a small amount of marijuana, Rubin said.

Norman, of Eighty Four, Pa., was charged with possession of a firearm during

the commission of a felony, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, possession of marijuana and traffic offenses. He was released on \$70,000 unsecured bail.

The second incident occurred on Aug. 16, at 11:57 p.m., when police stopped a vehicle for failure to use a

turn signal on South College Avenue.

Again, the officer smelled the odor of marijuana and conducted a search of the car, Rubin said.

The search uncovered heroin and crack cocaine packaged for sale.

The driver, identified as

Jamar Merrit, 18, of Elkton, Md., was taken into custody and charged with possession with intent to deliver heroin, possession with intent to deliver crack cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia, Rubin said. He was released on his own recognition.



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Campers meet Paws for People partners during Parks and Recreation's inaugural Volunteer Camp, which endeavors to connect kids to local organizations for volunteer opportunities.



In Volunteer Camp's first summer, campers got to meet Paws for People partners and learn more about local organizations like the Newark Senior Center, Tri-State Bird Rescue, Newark Arts Alliance and more.

# Volunteer Camp connects Newark kids with local organizations

By BROOKE SCHULTZ

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For their second activity of the day, campers at the city of Newark's inaugural Volunteer Camp were able to pet dogs.

The dogs – and their owners – were there for the first day of the camp to introduce the kids to Paws for People. The local nonprofit provides therapeutic visits to those who would benefit from spending time with well-trained pets.

Paws for People is one of several organizations that the campers learned about

this week through the camp, which seeks to introduce local kids to different volunteer opportunities in the Newark area.

"I wanted to do a volunteer camp because we love our volunteers, we really appreciate our volunteers, but there's also a lot of really great volunteer opportunities throughout the city of Newark," said Chrissy Holubinka, recreation supervisor for the Newark Parks and Recreation Department.

In its first year, the camp has 12 campers participating, but Holubinka noted that there was a waitlist.

Each day, the campers were dropped off at a different site – like Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company, the Newark Arts Alliance, the Newark Senior Center, the Tri-State Bird Rescue and others.

"If the kids really love the Arts Alliance tomorrow, or really love Tri-State Bird Rescue, their parents are kind of familiar with where it is," Holubinka noted. "The parents also have the opportunity to ask questions too. If the kiddo gets in the car, and they're like, 'That was so cool, and I want to go back there,' then the parent is ac-

tually there and can go and find out some more information if they need to."

On Monday, the campers got started by helping out at the George Wilson Center, where they painted the railing to the steps outside. Later, they got to meet with the Paws for People partners, learn more about the organization and spend some time with the dogs.

"Every time I look at it, I can think I was a part of that, I helped paint it," said Megan Germack, 12.

Germack said she enjoys volunteering and regularly attends summer camps,

which makes this an easy fit.

"It's just a fun experience," she said. "I volunteer other places and I like helping people out and I like dogs, so Paws for People is a good place to volunteer."

Liam Dilks, 15, said that he used to participate in the camps hosted by Parks and Rec through the summer.

"I volunteered here earlier this summer, so I wanted to help out more," Dilks said.

Kash Lawler-Okonkwo, 13, said that because he will be headed into eighth grade, he is already thinking about high schools and knows he will likely be volunteering when he once he gets there.

"It gets me ready for when I grow older and when I get a job. It helps me learn different types of work," he said.

Holubinka said volunteers

play a crucial role in the activities that Parks and Rec organizes, mentioning the annual Thanksgiving Day breakfast as one that emphasizes what volunteers do best. During the event, volunteers cook and serve breakfast, spend time with the people there and then clean up.

"In general, we could not be the organization we are without the volunteers that we have," she noted. "If we can introduce that volunteer aspect to these kids, and give them a sense of 'Oh, this is something I'd like to do and devote my time to,' either with our organization or another organization, I'm just kind of hoping I can light that spark for them, so that they feel excited about getting involved with a local organization."



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# Newark Police investigating several car, house break-ins

## POST STAFF REPORT

Several car break-ins around Newark have resulted in the loss of property, including a firearm, according to police.

Within a six minute window between 12:54 and 1 a.m. on Aug. 10, a suspect – described as a white man,

wearing a long-sleeved shirt and gloves – broke into two vehicles and stole property, including a gun, said Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

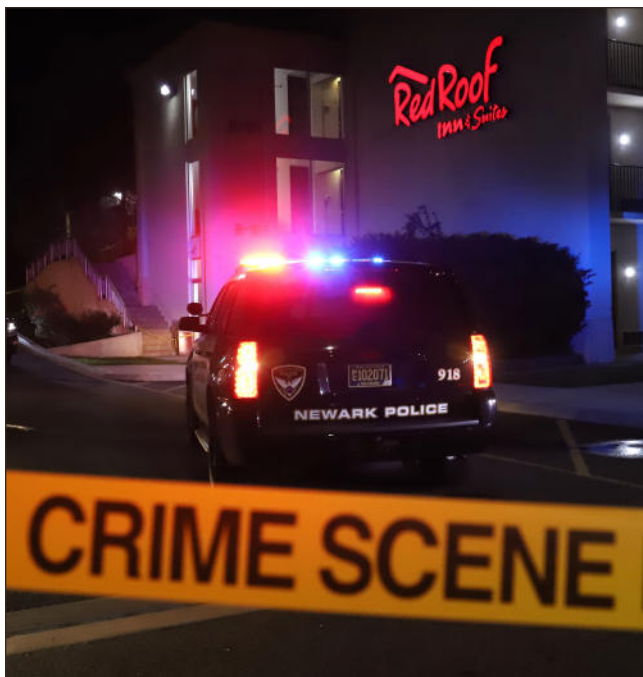
The incident occurred at Rockwood Court in the Woods at Louviers neighborhood.

A week later, between Aug. 17 at 10:30 p.m. and Aug. 18 at 11 a.m., someone entered three vehicles parked in the 1200 block of Wharton Drive. The cars were rummaged through, and property was taken from one of the vehicles.

Rubin said that no vehicles were damaged, and one was

unlocked during the theft.

Also on Aug. 18, between 11:45 a.m. and 3:56 p.m., someone burglarized a residence at the 100 block of Woodlawn Avenue by breaking the rear door. The suspect stole property from the residence. No one was home during the time of the burglary.

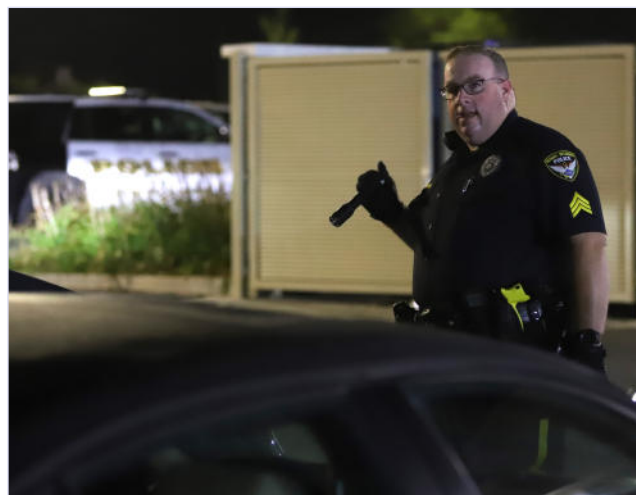


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Police investigate a shooting at the Red Roof Inn that left one man dead and another injured early Sunday.



Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, speaks to the media early Sunday as police investigate a shooting at the Red Roof Inn that left one man dead and another injured.



Sgt. Jay Conover searches the parking lot for evidence early Sunday as police investigate a shooting at the Red Roof Inn.



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO

A large portrait of fallen firefighter Jerry Fickes adorns the stage at during an October 2016 memorial service at the Chase Center on the Riverfront.

## Woman pleads guilty in arson that left 3 firefighters dead

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A Delaware woman has pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and other crimes in a residential arson that left three Wilmington firefighters dead.

Beatriz Fana-Ruiz pleaded guilty Tuesday to one count each of second-degree murder, arson and assault. She faces at least 17 years in prison when sentenced in December.

Fana-Ruiz, 30, had been charged with six counts of first-degree murder, which carries a mandatory life sentence, as well as assault, three counts of arson, and nine counts of reckless endangering.

Her plea came just days after a judge set restrictions on expert testimony regarding whether a confession Fana-Ruiz gave investigators was false or coerced. The judge also noted in his ruling that there was no basis to conclude that authorities violated her Miranda rights.

Lt. Christopher Leach and Senior Firefighter Jerry Fickes of the Wilmington

Fire Department died at the scene of the September 2016 row house fire after the first floor of the home collapsed. Senior Firefighter Ardythe Hope was hospitalized in critical condition for several weeks before she died.

Fickes was a Newark resident and was also a volunteer with Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company, where he was a former assistant chief.

Attorney General Kathleen Jennings' office said in a statement that officials met with families of the victims before the plea deal with Fana-Ruiz.

"While her motivation in setting the fire was a reaction to her living conditions and was not intended to physically harm anyone, her actions were reckless, dangerous, and tragically, fatal," the statement read.

Authorities said Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have filed a detainer against Fana-Ruiz, seeking her deportation to her home country of the Dominican Republic when she is released from custody.



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public," Rubin said. "When officers arrived, there were multiple vehicles leaving the scene, and there were multiple people around. Officers made contact with some of those witnesses."

Rubin said Tuesday that the two victims were in the same room when they were shot, but police are still investigating if or how they knew each other. Neither man was a registered guest of the motel.

There were additional people present in the room when the shooting happened,

Rubin said, adding that detectives are still investigating the circumstances of the shooting and why the two victims were at the motel.

He declined to say how many times the men were shot or what type of gun was used.

Sunday's shooting is the city of Newark's first homicide since September 2017. There was a shot fired outside the Red Roof Inn in March 2018, but no one was injured.

Anyone with information about Sunday's shooting is asked to contact Det. William Anderson at 302-366-7100 ext. 3469 or wanderson@newark.de.us.

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# Mike James takes over as Newark High boys soccer coach

By JON BUZBY

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Mike James is no stranger to soccer at Newark High.

James has spent the past five years coaching the Yellowjackets girls team. He's also served as an assistant coach for boys teams at Newark, Glasgow and Middletown, and was the head coach of the boys and girls teams at Newark Charter.

James is now the head coach of the boys squad at Newark, taking over for Diego Ruiz, who coached the Yellowjackets for four seasons.

"I took three years off to concentrate on running the girls team but I still have been active on the boys side," James said of relinquishing his assistant coaching role with the boys a few years ago. "I make it a point to go to several of the boys games each season, and it has been great to see players I coached a few years ago as freshmen, as well as taught at school, develop into great players from a distance."

Those young men are no longer seen from a distance as James looks forward to the challenge of getting

Newark back into the state tournament after missing it last season for the first time in three years.

"I must make my team rules and expectations clear from the start and pride myself on being organized, motivated and well-prepared for practices," said James, who was an all-state player at Glasgow and went on to play at West Chester University. "I expect my players to do the same – hold themselves to a high standard on and off the field."

James is a firm believer that being a teacher in the building gives him an advantage compared to if he was not, as is often the case at high schools around the state.

"I have a big advantage as a teacher in the building," he said. "As a driver education teacher, it is a great way to get to teach them valued life skills and get to know them personally. These relationships are something that drew me to want to coach both the boys and girls teams, as I got to know what great student-athletes they are."

James' basic coaching philosophy hasn't changed over the years from one team to the next, boys or girls,

and has always centered around the importance of building individual relationships.

"I will coach with the same philosophy and coaching style, and I feel that knowing your players individually is the most important thing, whether they are male or female," he said."

James is relying heavily on a recent Newark High graduate to help him make sure the team gets off to a solid start as a cohesive unit, and not just on the pitch.

"Another early season focus will be coming together as a team," James said. "With new coaches and several new players, it will be important that we gel quickly. To help me with this, I have a great assistant, Jesus Hernandez. Jesus volunteered with my girls' team last spring and so I knew he would be a great fit."

Newark lost several starters to graduation but does have a core group of seniors who will be relied on to "bring along" the new and inexperienced players.

"The strength of this team is going to be our senior leadership," James pointed out. "This includes returning all-state players Michael Aullon

and Maddyana Ata as well as Adam Voigt, Nate Catts and Scott Looby. This team has some lofty goals, including a long overdue conference championship and return to the state tournament. In order for that to happen, some underclassman will have to step up. It is already clear that sophomores Alexis Casteneda, Noe Lopez and Ben Elko have the ability to be one of them."

While many might assume Newark's move to Division II this season will make it easier to pick up the necessary wins for a tournament berth, James disagrees.

"It is important for the players to know that dropping to Division II will offer little relief," he stressed. "Within our conference, both Brandywine and Glasgow were tournament teams last season, and our nonconference schedule is very strong. It includes D-II state champion Caravel and D-I powers Appoquinimink and Caesar Rodney, as well as Delcastle and Sussex Tech, which were both D-I tournament teams last year."

As the end of the first full week of preseason practice ended, James said he was pleased with how his

team looks so far.

"I think the first thing I noticed is the motivation and positive attitude of the team," James said of a group that spent the summer playing in leagues and attending captains' practices. "They have worked hard these first few days, and I see a lot of potential in some players who are new to Newark, including some freshmen that show the ability already to play at the varsity level. I also think a return to games in the stadium on a newly renovated Bermuda field has created a lot of excitement."

James is hoping that excitement carries over into the regular season, which begins at Caesar Rodney on Sept. 4.

"I think that in the midst of all the hard work and my competitive nature, it is important to make sure the players have fun and laugh a lot," James said. "I want to make sure that playing high school soccer is a fun, memorable experience that hopefully they will continue to enjoy well after high school. Among all the 'goals' we will make this season, this is probably the most important to me."

## Newark High School football team adjusting to new coach and system

Buzz from the Hive



An insider's look at Yellowjacket football

By JON BUZBY

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The Newark football team has completed its first week of preseason practice and has one scrimmage under its belt with two remaining.

Head coach Jody Russell welcomed 43 players on the first day of preseason practice and anticipates that number could grow to 50 or more once school begins after Labor Day. "Overall, my first week was a relief to get back to the grind of football," Russell said. "Getting the kids used to our routines and schedules and trying to take care of all of the logistics that go in to high school football."

Senior Donald Burton, a two-way starter since his

sophomore year, has now been part of the first week of preseason for the fourth straight year.

"First week of practice went good," Burton said. "A lot of young guys came out who will most likely be playing varsity."

### New system and schedule

Anytime there is a change in the head coach position, it also brings along other staffing changes. The influx of new coaching philosophies often results in the implementation of new systems and schemes and with that, a natural learning curve. It's no different at Newark High. Russell is pleased with how the players are reacting to the changes.

"I guess as far as surprises go, it's how quick the kids are getting some new concepts and such," he said. "They have been very receptive to coaching and are eager to learn."

For the first time in recent history, the Christina School District is starting classes after Labor Day. This enables fall sports teams an extra week of double sessions until when teachers report the week of Aug. 26. This is a benefit that Newark and other Christina schools did not have in the past, but are now enjoying the opportunity for more practices prior to Game 1.

"We definitely need the extra week of doubles to improve conditioning and understanding of the schemes," Russell explained. "We have to be able to expand the offense and defense."

### Players standing out

While it's tough to single out players so early in the preseason, Russell did mention two returning starters and a third player, who hasn't played since his freshman year, who look impressive right out of the gate.

"Senior lineman Donald Burton has been dominant on

both sides of the ball," Russell pointed out. "Senior quarterback Mele Stallings has done a nice job managing the offense and he has also been a pleasant surprise on defense in the secondary. Junior Kamau Lately has emerged as the top receiving target at wide receiver."

### Scrimmage at William Penn

The Yellowjackets got their first taste of contact against an opponent on a blistering hot and humid Saturday at William Penn. The Colonials are a Division I team hoping to return to the playoffs after a disappointing 2018 season.

"The William Penn scrimmage was a tough opening contest against a quality D-I opponent," Russell said. "We got to see what it was going to take to compete with a playoff level team. Our kids struggled with the heat on a hot day."

Burton said the team started out a bit sluggish, but is

confident that can be fixed.

"We feel great about our O-line this year as well as our D-line," he said. "We have a good team. We just have to find a way to put everything together and I know that will happen."

The coaches are already focused on just that.

"We need to develop more depth, which will help with a deeper rotation of players," Russell added. "We did have a few tough runs but couldn't get any consistent ball movement, which we need to find. Defensively, the focus of the week will be on improving tackling."

### Bermuda grass ready for home opener

One of the reasons all three scrimmages are away this year is that the field inside Hoffman Stadium got an off-season makeover with the addition of Bermuda grass. Russell is happy to report that it is "coming along nicely and

will be ready for the home opener."

The home opener is against Glasgow on Friday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. There will be a pregame ceremony honoring former coach Butch Simpson, as the field is being named in his honor.

### Upcoming scrimmages

Newark travels to Wilmington Friends on Saturday for a 3 p.m. scrimmage. The final scrimmage of the preseason takes place at Tower Hill on Aug. 29 at 6 p.m.

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# Blue Hens to kick off season in renovated stadium



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

A construction crew works on Delaware Stadium last weekend. Workers have since completed installation of most of the new seats, which will be ready for the season opener on Thursday.

By JOSH SHANNON

jshannon@chespub.com

With less than a week before the Blue Hens kick off the 2019 football season, construction workers are racing against the clock to put the finishing touches on the long-awaited renovations to Delaware Stadium.

Most of the new seats have been installed over the past couple weeks, but crews are still completing elevators, railings and other parts of the work.

The \$60 million project, which began in earnest in February, involves upgrades to the west (home) side of the Delaware Stadium, including chair backs for all seats in sections C, D and E; upgraded restrooms and concessions, a new press box, and a stadium club.

Meanwhile, the Whitney Athletic Center is being built in front of the stadium and will include a

student success center with space for tutoring, guest lectures and career preparation; a health and wellbeing center with a strength and conditioning space; athletic training facilities; food options; sports psychology areas and hydrotherapy tubs.

While officials are confident everyone will have a seat Thursday evening, some things may not be complete, Athletic Director Chrisi Rawak wrote in a letter to fans.

"While the stadium will be ready to host our first game, it will still be an active construction site throughout the season," Rawak said. "On Aug. 29, there will be temporary items that will become permanent throughout the season; most notably the railing systems. With each gameday, things will change and parts will become set in place."

While officials initially said the press box would be done by the start of the season, it has barely

been started, and UD instead installed two temporary press boxes in the east stands, forcing the relocation of some season-ticket holders.

As planned all along, the stadium club and Whitney Athletic Center won't be ready until next season.

The concourse under the west stands will remain closed, and temporary concession stands and bathrooms will be located around the rest of the stadium.

The capacity of the 67-year-old stadium, which formerly accommodated approximately 22,000 people, will drop to 16,730 this year. It will increase to a permanent capacity of 18,309 once the temporary press boxes are removed next year.

Seeking a return to the postseason after breaking their seven-year playoff drought last year, the Blue Hens will kick off the season at 7 p.m. Thursday against Delaware State.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

Grain Craft Bar + Kitchen bartender Katie Calio pours a beer during Parks on Draft at Olan Thomas Park.



Dori Capretta, Laura Johnson, Judy Christensen and Maria Argain enjoy Parks on Draft at Olan Thomas Park.

## DRAFT

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happen until three days before the event began.

Based on a similar event series in Philadelphia, the Parks on Draft initiative is intended to capitalize on the trend of outdoor beer gardens, bring new people to town, support businesses during the Main Street construction and raise money for charity. It will also serve to highlight the city's various parks, like Olan Thomas, which City Manager Tom Coleman called a "hidden gem" that

is often overlooked.

Jim Miro, who spent last Thursday evening enjoying some beers with friends as their kids played cornhole nearby, said he had never given the park a second thought before hearing of the beer garden.

"It's not somewhere you'd normally come hang out," Miro said. "This makes it not a walk-through park but a stop-through park."

Dori Capretta came to the event with friends Laura Johnson, Judy Christensen and Maria Argain.

"We love outdoor concerts and getting together with friends," Capretta said.

"We didn't even know this park had a name," Christensen added.

Throughout the weekend, four local musicians played acoustic sets at the beer garden, Empowered Yoga sponsored a free yoga in the park class, and a DJ from Rainbow Records spun records. Grain sold beer and food, and take-out was also available from Wood Fired Pizza, which is located next to the park.

"We had people here from the minute we started tapping the beer," Jim O'Donoghue, another co-owner of Grain, said. "It's just been a cool vibe."

Once the city and Grain

deduct their expenses, the proceeds will be donated to the Newark Parks and Recreation Department and the Ronnie Williams Foundation, which supports police officers and their families. The amount to be donated has not yet been calculated.

Coleman said the city is still evaluating the event, but all indications are that officials will move forward with plans to hold more pop-up beer gardens next summer. The events will alternate between various parks, and the city will partner with different businesses each time.

"It looked like it turned

out how we had hoped it would, with the families coming in," he said. "It was pretty laid-back, with people listening to music or doing yoga or whatever else."

Mikles said that next time, he would like to partner with more businesses to bring more activities to the beer garden – such as an activity geared toward kids and a partnership with Rita's Italian Ice or the UDairy Creamery to sell sweet treats.

Overall, though, the event was a success, Mikles said, recounting the comments of one of the attendees.

"They came over and

said, 'Thank you for doing this. We don't have to go to Wilmington; we can stay in Newark,'" Mikles said. "I'm glad it went well, and I'm glad Newark did it."

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DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
WING YAN CHEUNG  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
WINNIE YAN CHEUNG  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WING YAN CHEUNG 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 WINNIE YAN CHEUNG.  
WING YAN CHEUNG  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/16/2019  
2865076  
np 8/23,30,9/6

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF  
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
PATRICIA G. MORRISON  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
PATRICIA A. GIMA  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PATRICIA G. MORRISON 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 PATRICIA A. GIMA.  
PATRICIA G. MORRISON  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/1/2019  
2863032  
np 8/9,16,23

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF  
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
MORGAN ASHLEY MORELLI  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
MORGAN MORELLI PATEL  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MORGAN ASHLEY MORELLI  
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 MORGAN MORELLI PATEL.  
MORGAN ASHLEY MORELLI  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/2/2019  
2863102  
np 8/9,16,23

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF  
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
ANGEL MIGUEL COLON  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ANGEL COLON FAZAL  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RUBY FAZAL intends to present  
a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware  
in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor  
child's name to ANGEL COLON FAZAL.  
RUBY FAZAL  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/5/2019  
2863124  
np 8/9,16,23

**Public Notice**  
Ole Tapas Lounge LLC has on August 12, 2019, applied with the Al-  
coholic Beverage Control Commissioner to extend its current restau-  
rant license for the sale of alcoholic liquor for on-premise consump-  
tion, located at 1126 Capitol Trail, Newark, DE 19711, to include an  
additional 1,675 square feet, into the adjoining unit, 1128 Capitol Trail,  
Newark, DE, (formerly Unit D). It is, also, adding eight (8) bar stools  
to the extension and 32 seats at tables. Persons who are against  
this application should provide written notice of their objections to the  
Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hear-  
ing to consider additional input from persons against this application,  
the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a  
total of at least 10 signatures of residents or property owners located  
within 1 mile of the premises or in any incorporated area located with-  
in 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alco-  
holic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd Floor, Carvel State  
Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The  
protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before  
September 11, 2019. Failure to file such a protest may result in  
the Commissioner considering the application without further notice,  
input, or hearing.  
np 8/9,16,23,30 2862875

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF  
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
ERIN G. SMITH  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ERIN G. ZEISLOFT  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ERIN G. SMITH 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 ERIN G. ZEISLOFT.  
ERIN G. SMITH  
Petitioner  
Dated: 6/6/2019  
2853824  
np 8/9,16,23

**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 19-T**  
**FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A HEARING ON THE  
VACATION OF A PORTION OF WASHINGTON STREET**  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Newark, Del-  
aware, pursuant to Section 409 of the Charter of the City of New-  
ark and Chapter 26, Article IV, Sections 26-33 through 26-36 of  
the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, will meet on the 9th  
day of September, 2019, in the Council Chamber, in the Newark  
Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street, Newark, Delaware,  
at 7:00 p.m., at which time and place persons interested may be  
heard with respect to the vacation and abandonment of a portion  
of a street within the City limits known as Washington Street.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Secretary shall see  
to the publication of this resolution and its mailing to the owners  
of all lands touching upon such portion of Washington Street as  
required by Section 26-34 of the Code of the City of Newark,  
Delaware.  
RESOLVED at a Regularly Scheduled Meeting on July 22, 2019.  
VOTE: 6 to 0.  
George J. Clifton, Mayor  
Attest:  
Renee K. Bensley, CMC  
City Secretary  
np 8/23,30 2865272

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2017 MOPED.....VIN#L9NTELKD4H1053565  
2018 DODGE JOURNEY.....VIN#3C4PDCAB9JT273950  
2015BUICKVERANO.....VIN#1G4PP5SK3F4127697  
2012 FORD FIESTA.....VIN#1FTFW1EF9CFA33141  
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2014 NISSAN ALTIMA.....VIN#1N4AL3AP1EC281424  
2010 TOYOTA CAMRY.....VIN#4T1BF3EK4AU580104  
2009 MITSUBISHI GALANT.....VIN#4A3AB36F69E040253  
2011 FORD FIESTA.....VIN#3FADP4AJ4BM131529  
2016 HYUNDAI ELANTRA.....VIN#5NPDH4AE4GH794199  
2012 NISSAN ROUGE.....VIN#JN8AS5MTXCW275218  
2010 DODGE CARAVAN.....VIN#2D4RN4DE8AR282159  
np 8/23 2864216

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF  
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
JUDITH WAIRIMU LALONDRIZ  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
JUDITH WAIRIMU GACHINGIRI  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JUDITH WAIRIMU LALON-  
DRIZ 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 JUDITH WAIRIMU GACHINGIRI.  
JUDITH WAIRIMU LALONDRIZ  
Petitioner  
Dated: 7/19/2019  
2860327  
np 8/9,16,23

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF  
DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
SEAN MICHAEL DERMOTT  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ELIZA MICHELLE DERMOTT  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SEAN MICHAEL DERMOTT  
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 ELIZA MICHELLE DERMOTT.  
SEAN MICHAEL DERMOTT  
Petitioner  
Dated: 7/30/2019  
2862430  
np 8/9,16,23




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THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
DANE WINSTON DONALD HALIDAY  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ELISHA WINSTON DONALD HALIDAY  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SOPHIA MCLEAN-HALIDAY intends to present a Petition to the court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her minor child's name to ELISHA WINSTON DONALD HALIDAY.  
SOPHIA MCLEAN-HALIDAY  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/25/2019  
np 8/16,23,30 2863686

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
VERONICA NICHOLSON  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
VERONICA FERNALD  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that VERONICA NICHOLSON 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 VERONICA FERNALD.  
VERONICA NICHOLSON  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/8/2019  
np 8/23,30,9/6 2863855

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY  
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF  
ARTHUR WAYNE ALLEN  
Petitioner(s)  
TO  
ARTHUR WAYNE CROSS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ARTHUR WAYNE ALLEN 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 ARTHUR WAYNE CROSS.  
ARTHUR WAYNE ALLEN  
Petitioner  
Dated: 8/8/2019  
np 8/16,23,30 2863869

**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE**
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Council of the City of Newark, at its regular meeting held August 12, 2019 adopted the following Ordinances:

- Ordinance 19-18 An Ordinance Annexing and Zoning to RH (Single Family Detached Residential) 7.4 Acres Located at 1089 and 1091 Elkton Road
- Ordinance 19-19 An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Rezoning from MOR (Manufacturing/Office/ Research) to RH (Single Family Detached Residential) 0.61 Acres Located at 0 Elkton Road

Renee K. Bensley, CMC  
City Secretary

np 8/23

2865273

**LEGAL NOTICE**

RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Catherine Marie Henry, residing at 9 Natalie Ln., Newark, DE 19713, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.

Catherine Marie Henry  
8/14/19  
2864690  
np 8/23

**LEGAL NOTICE**

RE: DEADLY WEAPON  
I, Frederick James Haley, residing at 2 Putnam Pl., Newark, DE 19702, will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.

Frederick James Haley  
8/15/19  
2864853  
np 8/23

**CITY OF NEWARK  
DELAWARE  
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

August 26, 2019 – 6:30 P.M. – CC

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

**MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (2) for the purposes of preliminary discussions on site acquisitions for any publicly funded capital improvements, or sales or leases of real property

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

**RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**
**SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**
  - Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers (3 minutes)
  - University
    - Administration (5 minutes per speaker) (3 minutes)
    - Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker) (3 minutes)
  - City Manager (3 minutes)
  - Council Members (7 minutes)
  - Public (5 minutes per speaker) (15 minutes)
- APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** (1 minute)
  - Approval of Council Meeting Minutes – August 5, 2019
  - Approval of Council Meeting Minutes – August 12, 2019
  - Receipt of Alderman's Report – August 9, 2019
  - Recommendation for a Change Order to the Contract for the Removal and Disposal of Material Containing PCBs at the Rodney Stormwater Pond and Park Project
  - Recommendation to Award Contract No. 19-05 – Furnishing Labor and Equipment for Yard Waste Processing
- APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:** None
- ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None
- SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
  - Resolution No. 19-\_\_:** A Resolution in Support of the Delaware Land and Water Conservation Trust Fund Grant Application on Behalf of the City of Newark to Fund the Construction of ADA Compliant Restrooms for Preston's Playground in Newark Reservoir Park at 240 Old Paper Mill Road (**See Items 5-B and 5-C**) (10 minutes for Items 5-A, 5-B and 5-C)
  - Resolution No. 19-\_\_:** A Resolution in Support of the Delaware Land and Water Conservation Trust Fund Grant Application on Behalf of the City of Newark to Fund Phase I of the Old Paper Mill Park Design Plan and Parking Lot Installation (**See Items 5-A and 5-C**)
  - Resolution No. 19-\_\_:** A Resolution in Support of the Delaware Land and Water Conservation Trust Fund Grant Application on Behalf of the City of Newark to Fund the Construction of the White Clay Creek Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge (**See Items 5-A and 5-B**)
  - Recommendation to Amend the Budget to Transfer Funds to CIP N1801 for the Completion of Concrete Deck and Stairs Repairs (10 minutes)
- RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS OVER \$75,000:**
  - Recommendation to Award Contract No. 19-06 – Water Main Replacement 2019 (10 minutes)
  - Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process in Accordance with the Code of the City of Newark for the Purchase of Replacement Vehicles (5 minutes)
  - Recommendation to Waive Bid and Contract Award – Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) Lining 2019 (5 minutes)
- ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**
  - Bill 19-21** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, Regarding Locations of Meetings of City Public Bodies (**See Item 7-A-1**) (30 minutes for Items 7-A and 7-A-1)
    - Resolution No. 19-\_\_:** A Resolution Approving Meeting Locations for the Public Bodies of the City of Newark (**See Item 7-A**)
  - Bill 19-22** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 25, Sewers, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Expanding the Sanitary Sewer Service Territorial Limitation (15 minutes)
- RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:**
  - Request of Kandra Group Inc. for the Minor Subdivision with Site Plan Approval of 0.47 Acres in Order to Demolish the Existing Single-Family House, Divide the Existing Parcel into Two Parcels and Construct a Semi-Detached Structure Containing Two Single-Family Homes at the Property Located at 511 Valley Road as Part of the Existing Briarcreek Development (**Agreement and Resolution Attached**) (60 minutes)

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np 8/23

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A114 - Brounce, Aaron; A136 - Overbey, Lauren; A141 - Wade, Tyler; A149 - Mowbray, Franklin; A170 - Cruz-Acevedo, Jose; A174 - Harris, Neil; A175 - Monroe, Tranise; A205 - Roy, Shaana; A217 - Robins-Thompson, Nikita; A248 - Smith, LaVone; A270 - Smith, Ryan; B312 - Hopkins, Danyelle; B440 - Simpson Jr, Joseph; C502 - Davis, Jamel; C536 - Phillips, Charles; C613 - Patel, Pramod; C629 - Martin, Jean; C639 - Nawab, Azhar; D733 - Martin, John; D803 - KELLEY, JAMES OTIS; D822 - Graham, Terrance; E1002 - Hoyle, Franklin; E1024 - Canty, Ashley; F1044 - Posey, LaWanda; F1055 - Everett, Shandrea; F1090 - Kaminski, Jennifer; G1123 - Mensah, Chrystina

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**Time: 10:00 AM**

C004 - Johnson-Ford, Likaisha; C027 - Brady, Durrell; C035 - Johnson, Kadaesha; C038 - Ackerly, Genevieve; C062 - Jenkins, Arielle; C118 - Neal, David; C176 - Ryle, Novine; D007 - Paul Jr, Stephen; D014 - Potter, Stephanie; D018 - Sykes, Rita; D036 - Heusner, Dizza; F013 - randall, russell; F046 - Campbell, Carolyn; F054 - Thomas, Dominique; F092 - Mongare, Innocent; F094 - Hall, Quondora; F142 - Hairston, Stefan; G006 - Lark, Kathy; G016 - Stewart, Lee; G037 - Turner Jr, Donald; H004 - Gontarz, Minda; H007 - Reaves, Catherine

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