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Support grows for development impact fees

by Cathy Thomas

Development impact fees may be the major issue decided by the 1989 Delaware General Assembly.

Such fees have been proposed to finance the infrastructure needs — roads, water and waste water — of growing areas in the state.

Money would be collected

from developers building the houses and stores which place additional burdens on that infrastructure.

"I think, frankly, that the political reality is the public wants us to do a better job of managing growth," said State Rep. Steven H. Amick, R-Newark.

A member of the House Land Use and Economic Development Committee, Amick will likely co-sponsor legislation to imple-

ment such fees in the state.

Impact fees were first considered nearly two years ago when Gov. Michael N. Castle's "quality of life" legislation was introduced.

Since that time, the state has hired a consultant to study the feasibility of impact fees in Delaware.

"Delaware is a little unique in that counties are not responsible for roadways," said State Rep. Steven C. Taylor, R-Pike Creek,

chairman of the House Land Use and Economic Development Committee.

Many other governments across the country have already implemented impact fees. In many of those cases, it is county and not state governments charging the fees.

Exactly how Delaware might implement impact fees on a state level will have to be decided by the legislature. The fees would pay for services provided

by both the counties and the state.

It is possible the state could charge one fee to a developer and then, in turn, reimburse the counties for services provided to that new development.

What is more likely, however, is state lawmakers will consider two pieces of legislation. One bill would enable the state and local governments to assess impact fees. The other bill would set up a state impact fee to pay for

needed highway construction in an area of new development.

The enabling legislation would allow governments, such as New Castle County, to charge impact fees for the services it provides.

According to Philip Cloutier, New Castle County Council president-elect, impact fees imposed on a development must have a nexus with that develop-

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Draped in greenery, a Newarker helps dress up the downtown business district for the holiday shopping season.

Photo/Robert Craig

School redistricting: Parents say 'whoa'

by Cathy Thomas

Slow down. That's the message Christina School District parents sent the system's New School Redistricting Task Force during a public hearing Monday night at Shue Middle School.

Parents want more time to digest the task force's proposed redistricting plan, one that will alter the school assignments of thousands of students in 1989-90.

Parents also want the task force to step back and allow more time for consideration of a better plan than that on the boards.

"I'm aghast that educators on this panel voted for this plan," said Paul Clark, spokesman for a newly-formed parents' coal-

ition. "I feel that, as intellectual people, you must realize there hasn't been adequate time to discuss the issues."

Monday's public hearing was the first of three at which the task force will hear comments on the proposed school redistricting plan. The task force held another public hearing last night, with its final hearing scheduled at 7:30 p.m. this evening (Thursday, Dec. 8) at Glasgow High School.

The plan, known as Option 2-I, was finalized by the task force last week. After the public hearings, the task force will make a recommendation to the Christina Board of Education at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in Pyle School.

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AT A GLANCE

Following are key dates in the Christina School District redistricting process:

- Thursday, Dec. 8 — The final public hearing of the New Schools Redistricting Task Force will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Glasgow High School. The task force will hear and review comments and vote on a redistricting plan, either as it stands or with amendments.

- Tuesday, Dec. 13 — The task force will make its formal recommendation to the Christina Board of Education at 7:30 p.m. at Pyle School in Wilmington.

- Tuesday, Dec. 20 — The school board will hold a public hearing on the redistricting plan at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Cobbs-Gauger School in Scottfield. The board may also vote on the plan.

Some fear CSD plan will lead to 'gentrification' of Newark High

by Neil Thomas

The Christina New Schools Redistricting Task Force voted 12-2 Thursday to approve Option 2-I, which would correct an imbalance noted in previous redistricting plans by feeding more students to Newark High School.

Christina School District must redistrict to provide for the opening of two new schools — Brader Elementary in Four Seasons and Palmer In-

termediate in Wilmington — during the 1989-90 academic year.

The task force has been meeting for six weeks to draft a plan which will alter school attendance boundaries.

Its work has been complicated by a charge from the public school system to redistrict so that set feeder patterns are established for Christina's three high schools, Christiana, Glasgow and Newark.

District officials hope to promote increased bonds among students, who theoretically will

be grouped from kindergarten through their senior year of high school.

However, the redistricting plans have drawn fire from parents who believe Christina is acting hastily.

As of last week, the task force narrowed its focus to three options. It approved a modified version of Option 2 during a meeting Thursday at Kirk Middle School.

Opponents of the original Op-

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KEEP POSTED

• Newarkers will go a caroling Friday evening, Dec. 9 as the Newark Business Association sponsors its most ambitious holiday event to date, Caroling on the Lawn. Activities will take place on the lawn of the Academy Building on Main Street, and will last 6-9 p.m. For details, see page 1c.

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Castle formalizes \$9.7 million duPont purchase

by Neil Thomas

With a pond full of contented geese and acres of rolling, undeveloped hills at his back, Gov. Michael N. Castle took action Monday to preserve northern Newark's duPont tract.

Castle, sitting at a desk in an open field off Paper Mill Road, made formal the state's agreement to purchase 157 acres of the Samuel Hallock duPont Jr. estate for \$9.7 million.

This is the first of two duPont tract purchases proposed by the state. The second purchase, involving another 164 acres, is contingent upon New Castle County rezoning and will probably be made in 1990.

The state has an option on that land, which would cost an additional \$1.6 million.

When the package is completed, the state will own 321 pristine acres which form a "land bridge" between Middle Run Natural area to the south and Walter S. Carpenter State Park to the northwest.

Castle, bundled against the cold as occasional snow flurries

drifted down from the gray sky, told persons gathered for a press conference off Fairhill Schoolhouse Road that the purchase has implications beyond its use as a land bridge.

"This is clearly more than just the land bridge we have been talking about," Castle said. "This means this section of northern Delaware will be protected against overdevelopment."

Protecting open lands for the enjoyment of future generations of Delawareans is "one very excellent way to spend our money," Castle said. "We want each and every person to appreciate the lifestyle we've had in Delaware for many, many years."

The duPont parcel is one of eight tracts being purchased by the state as part of an open space procurement project begun in June. The state will purchase a total of 1,429 acres, and the total purchase price is expected to exceed \$20 million.

"I thought it was a fabulous idea when we began this process

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Gov. Michael N. Castle, in a makeshift open air office off Paper Mill Road, signs an agreement to purchase two parcels of the duPont tract.

NEWS

Committee studies rental complaints

by Cathy Thomas

Buildings are not painted, the grass is not trimmed, cars are left vacant and trash piles up.

Those are among complaints received about some rental properties in the city of Newark.

In the past, the complaints have gotten tangled up in red tape as city officials tried to decide which department should address the problem.

Now, however, a newly-formed committee will coordinate efforts among departments and hopefully get problems solved quickly.

"We're able to coordinate and focus the proper resources on the problem," said Junie L. Mayle, city building director and a committee member.

The committee is headed by Fred Herald, city administrative assistant. Police Chief William Hogan is also a part of the three-member team.

Herald said some of the unmaintained rental property is owned by absentee landlords. In many cases, the property is rented to college students.

"A lot of people came in and bought houses in areas that had traditionally been residential," said Herald. "Lo and behold, we end up with this problem of com-

plaints."

Committee members will review the problems and decide how they should be handled. "Our philosophy is first to get willing compliance," said Herald. "If we don't get willing compliance, we refer the matter to the court and prosecute."

Since the committee was formed a few weeks ago, Herald said it has already investigated more than 800 complaints.

Mayle said most of the property owners have cooperated in solving problems. "We actually have a very high compliance rate," said Mayle. "Less than 10 to 15 percent actually end up in court."

With the formation of this committee, there are more cases going to court, Herald said. "It is certainly going to provide an extra burden on the court," he said.

Herald said the committee will be studying methods to speed up cases in the court system. They may also recommend changes in city codes for long-term solutions.

But Mayle does not expect any complete answer to rental property problems. "I don't feel there is a final solution," said Mayle. "The best we can do is to strengthen the process and respond as soon as possible."



Cyclocross competitors climb hilly course at Iron Hill Park during a weekend race.

Photo/Robert Craig

Pennell faces 3 charges

Thirty-one year old Steven B. Pennell of Glasgow now faces murder charges in the deaths of three women.

Pennell was arrested last week and charged with first-degree murder in the death of Catherine A. DiMauro, one of four women found dead in the U.S. 13/U.S. 40 corridor during the last year.

Monday, a New Castle County grand jury indicted Pennell on first-degree murder charges for the deaths of DiMauro, Shirley A. Ellis and Michelle A. Gordon.

Police have said they believe one person is responsible for the murders because of similarities in the size and coloring of the victims, and because all were known to walk along or hitchhike along the highways.

However, no charges have been filed in the death of Margaret Lynn Finner, 27, of Wilmington. Finner's body was found Nov. 10 in a grassy area near the St. Georges Bridge.

A fifth woman, Kathleen Anne Meyer, 26, of Brookmont Farms was reported missing in September. She has not been found.

It was exactly a year before Pennell's arrest that the body of Ellis, 23, of Brookmont Farms was found in the Old Baltimore Pike Industrial Park near U.S. 40.

UD student injured in rail mishap

An 18-year-old University of Delaware student was shocked and severely injured Saturday night when he accidentally touched a high voltage wire along railroad tracks near South College Avenue.

James E. Schiller was in critical condition Wednesday at

Christiana Hospital.

According to Newark police, Schiller was shocked about 11 p.m. at the now-closed South College Avenue train station.

Police said Schiller and two other students were walking on top of a railroad car when Schiller touched a live wire. The

charge knocked Schiller unconscious and he fell 20 feet to the ground.

The other two students, Donald Smith, 18 and Gregory Bates, 18, escaped injury.

Police are unsure why the students were at the train station. The investigation is continuing.



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NEWS



Enjoying the season's mild weather, a youngster climbs on the elaborate castle at Brookside Elementary School playground.

Photo/Robert Craig

County plan implementation will involve civic leaders

by Cathy Thomas

New Castle County civic leaders will likely be involved in the implementation of the county's new comprehensive plan, according to Harry Shipman, co-president of Citizens Advocacy Possum Park Area (CAPPA).

"I anticipate that a number of us are going to be involved with the implementation stage," said Shipman. "We're certainly going to continue to stay involved with the process."

The plan was approved by New Castle County Council last week. Wayne Grafton, county planning director, said a consulting firm will now design ordinances to put the plan into use.

"We have the implementation program to proceed on," said Grafton. "For the first time in 25

years, we now have an updated plan."

The implementation of the plan is expected to take as long as two years.

Shipman and other civic leaders have been involved in the development of the comprehensive plan itself.

In particular, CAPPA pushed for protection of the 170-acre Acierno/Stopyra tract along Kirkwood Highway at Possum Park Road. The effort succeeded.

Originally, the county's land use concept map designated that tract and the 300-acre University of Delaware Judge Morris Estate on Polly Drummond Hill Road as medium-intensity mixed use.

CAPPA members were concerned that such designation would allow for heavy development of the land and were suc-

cessful in having the property designations downgraded to low-intensity residential use.

Shipman said he found county leaders very willing to listen to citizens' concerns. "I hope the county will continue to stay as open as they have been," said Shipman. "There are a lot of dollars at stake for the developers."

Shipman is pleased with what has been proposed for the CAPPA area through the plan. However, he does believe there are areas where the plan falls short.

"All the teeth have been taken out of the natural resources chapter," said Shipman. "It now is a chapter with a lot of noble words about how the environment is glorious."

Shipman said he expects to be involved in the process for the "long haul."

Nobel Prize winner to speak at UD

Dr. Eric Chivian, winner of the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize as a Founder of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, will discuss "American Teenagers Today — A Sense of Futurelessness" on Monday, Dec. 12, at the Univer-

sity of Delaware.

Scheduled at 2 p.m. in Room 204 of the Kirkbride Lecture Hall on the University's Newark campus, the talk is free and open to the public.

In his talk, Chivian will focus on research in the larger con-

texts of East-West relations and enemy stereotyping.

Chivian is the author of a recent article in the New England Journal of Medicine on "American and Soviet Teenagers' Concerns About Nuclear War and the Future."

NEWS FILE

• **Three Middletown residents** were killed and another person injured Thursday in a late-night crash south of Newark on Del. 896.

According to police, Christopher L. Shipley, 21, Kimberly Ann Spohn, 20, and Krystal Marshall, 18, were pronounced dead on arrival at Christiana Hospital.

The three were passengers in a car driven by Jay Brackin Jr., 21, of Townsend. Brackin was in critical condition Wednesday at Christiana Hospital.

Police said Brackin was driving his car at an apparent high rate of speed when he tried to pass a truck on the right side. Brackin then lost control of the car, which hit three trees before coming to rest.

• **Planning issues will be discussed** during a meeting of the Greater Newark League of Women Voters tonight (Thursday, Dec. 8).

Wayne Grafton, New Castle County planning director, will talk about the new comprehensive plan and how it relates to the Newark area. Other issues to be

addressed include open space and growth philosophies.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Newark City Council chambers.

• **Delaware Gov. Michael N. Castle** will host a holiday open house at Woodburn on Saturday, Dec. 10. Visitors will be given tours of the governor's house, which has been decorated for Christmas by the Smyrna Garden Club. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be on hand for the festivities, which will last from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Free refreshments will be available for all visitors. Woodburn is located at 151 Kings Highway in Dover.

• **A Newark man was arrested** and charged with burglary following an early morning incident Nov. 30 in the Kimberton Apartments.

According to New Castle County Police, Kevin V. Bordley, 28, allegedly entered the Kimberton Apartment of Doris Tilghman through an unlocked door.

Police said Tilghman was not home at the time, but other people were asleep in the apartment.

Tilghman came home and called police after finding Bordley in her apartment.

Bordley was being held in Gander Hill Prison in lieu of bond.

• **Delaware residents interested in serving as Justice of the Peace** may now apply with the Governor's Magistrate Screening Committee.

Magistrate is a full-time, four-year position entailing eight-hour rotating shifts to handle arraignments and other court proceedings on a 24-hour-a-day basis.

Persons interested in the post must be over 18 years of age and submit application to the committee by Jan. 15, 1989.

A written examination will be administered to applicants in Dover on Saturday, Feb. 11, at Delaware State College.

The annual salary for the position is \$33,400.

Application forms and other information are available by writing the committee at the O'Neill Building, P.O. Box 1401, Dover, DE 19903 or by calling Shelia Wolfe at the committee office in Dover at 1-736-4522.

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• **The December A Better Newark Award** has been given Dr. Jerome C. Kayatta, owner of a newly-renovated dentist office at South Chapel Street and East Park Place.

The Newark Conservation Advisory Commission selected the property because of the landscaping and overall outside appearance of the property.

The Commission established the award to recognize property owners of homes and businesses who attempt to improve the appearance of their property through structural renovations and landscaping.

Nominations for the award can be submitted to Patricia Bodley in the City Secretary's office.

• **A horticulturist for the city of Newark** has received recognition from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Richard A. Colbert was presented the Society's Certificate of Merit Award for 1988 during its annual meeting last month.

• **A University of Pennsylvania professor** will discuss propaganda during a visit to Newark next week. Dr. Edward Herman of the Wharton School of Finance will address "The Mass Media as a Propaganda System: The Case in Central America."

Herman's talk is part of the Delaware Nicaragua Network's fall forum series. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Willa Road.

• **Three Newark men** have become Delaware State Police officers. Laurence D. Corrigan, John R. Evans and Craig P. Thomas graduated this week from the 56th recruit class.

Graduation ceremonies complete the final step in a 24-week training process which includes extensive classroom study and field training.

\$1 million plant to meet water needs

by Cathy Thomas

A proposed \$1 million water treatment plant on White Clay Creek is viewed as the key to meeting increasing water demand in Newark.

"It is the most important thing we can do," said Joseph A. Dombrowski, city water director. "We've seen our water demand increasing because of development."

City Council recently appropriated \$172,000 to an engineering firm to design the facility, which officials are hoping to build behind the Curtis Paper Company plant on Paper Mill Road.

A unique aspect of the proposed plant is that it will be designed to treat both surface and

ground water.

Dombrowski said the city will follow a "conjunctive use strategy."

Under normal conditions, the city will pull water from the White Clay Creek and allow area ground water supplies the opportunity to build.

When the creek is low or is polluted by a spill, officials will begin pumping water from four wells in the vicinity of the plant.

Two of the four wells are already in place. Because of minerals in the groundwater, Dombrowski said they do not want to rely on the wells alone.

"We don't turn them on because of the iron and manganese," said Dombrowski. "Maybe in an emergency, we go about a week with the wells."

The plant will be designed to treat about a million gallons of water a day.

However, Dombrowski believes that water demand will grow beyond the million gallons a day. "The one million gallons a day would only hold us over for a year or two," he said.

The city wants a modular treatment plant, one that can be easily expanded in the future to increase treatment capacity.

Part of the plant, such as water mains, will be designed for ultimate capacity, which may be up to 5 million gallons a day.

The treatment plant itself is a package design. When additional water treatment capacity is needed, the city can purchase additional modular units.

Dombrowski believes the city must look to surface water in order to meet the growing water demand.

"The groundwater is used up in this area," said Dombrowski. "There's none to be found that's economically worth developing."

The design of the plant should be completed in February, according to Dombrowski.

In the meantime, the city is awaiting approval to take water out of the White Clay Creek from the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DENREC) and the Delaware River Basin Commission.

The city currently purchases water from Wilmington Suburban Water Corporation to supply customers north of the city. Dombrowski said they will still purchase water from Wilmington Suburban, but will be able to lessen their dependence on them somewhat.

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The contract impasse between the City of Newark and FOP Lodge No. 4 has been extremely long and frustrating for both sides. Over the past number of months alternatives have been reviewed by both bargaining committees in hopes of reaching a settlement. The City has presented yet another proposal to the FOP for consideration by its membership.

The fact sheet below has been prepared to clarify the City's position on issues surrounding the impasse. Information on the type, costs and proposed increases to fringe benefits is provided to promote an understanding of the financial impact of the City wage and benefits proposals.

MEDICAL INSURANCE

The City provides full medical benefits to each police officer and their dependents at no cost to the officer except during their first year of employment when they must contribute toward their dependent's coverage.

LIFE INSURANCE

The City provides life insurance equal to two years of their annual salary at no cost to the officers. If accidentally killed, this benefit increases to four times their annual salary. During their first year of employment this amount is reduced to one-third of the above benefit.

RETIREMENT

The City provides a normal retirement at age 50; however, an officer may retire earlier with at least 20 years of service. The current retirement formula is 2% of their last three years average compensation times years of service. The City has agreed to increase this formula to 2.5% for all future service years after 01/01/88. The F.O.P. has requested that the formula be increased to 2.25% not only for all future service years but all prior service years. We are opposed to this formula for the following reasons.

- By increasing the formula to 2.5% for future service years, it will bring future pension service credits in line with other larger police jurisdictions.
- It costs more than twice as much to provide past service credits as it does future service credits.
- The Newark Police Department personnel roster consists of 15 officers with more than 15 years of service. It will cost the City over \$400,000 in the future to provide the requested increased pension on prior service to these 15 officers. Nine of these officers will be eligible for retirement before this proposed contract will expire on 12/31/90.

DISABILITY BENEFITS

An officer who is disabled in the line of duty will be provided one of the following:

- Reassigned to a position with equal pay and equal benefits, or
- Placed on disability pension at which time they will receive 75% of their prior December 1st compensation reduced by 50% of any benefits collected under Social Security.

SURVIVOR'S BENEFITS

The dependents of an officer who is killed in the line of duty will receive the following:

- Life insurance cash payment equal to four times their annual salary if the officer has more than one year of service. During the first year this amount is one-third of the above.
- A survivor's pension equal to 50% of the officer's prior December 1st compensation and 10% for each child under 18 years of age up to a maximum of 25% for three or more children, reduced by 50% of Social Security benefits received.

WAGES

The City has agreed to provide the following annual wages.

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| Starting | | | |
| Police Officer | \$20,003 | \$20,903 | \$21,844 |
| Police Officer After 5 Yrs. Service | 24,927 | 26,049 | 27,221 |
| Corporal After 10 Yrs. Service | 30,219 | 31,562 | 32,968 |
| Sergeant After 12½ Yrs. Service | 32,787 | 34,234 | 35,745 |
| Captain After 15 Yrs. Service | 40,216 | 41,981 | 43,824 |

These wages include all longevity and annual service awards but do not include overtime which averaged \$4,000 per officer in 1987.

VACATIONS

Officers accrue vacations as follows:

- 1 to 4 years service — 2 weeks
- 5 to 9 years service — 3 weeks
- 10 to 20 years service — 4 weeks
- 20 years or more — 5 weeks

Officers on rotating shifts receive an additional two days vacation each year.

HOLIDAYS

Officers receive eleven fully paid holidays each year. Each officer required to work on a holiday receives time and one-half for time worked on the holiday plus an additional day off.

SOCIAL SECURITY

It provides survivors, disability and health benefits as well as retirement benefits. Social Security is designed to provide a "floor of protection". Newark provides Social Security and builds other benefit programs around it.

SICK LEAVE

Each officer accrues 15 regular days sick leave per year up to a maximum of 90 days.

This proposal is not only comparable to other police jurisdictions but, when you consider that Newark participates in the social security program, it exceeds most other municipal benefit programs for police officers.

We believe our position is extremely fair and in the best interests of our citizens and employees.

Newark City Council

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NEWS



Mark Grasher chats with Santa Claus during special city parks department program Saturday morning at West Park Place Elementary School.

Avon program teaches kids true spirit of Christmas

by Cathy Thomas

A double dividend is in store for several children who are participating in community service projects through the Girls Clubs of Delaware.

Not only are the children learning the joys of giving, they are also earning "points" through an Avon Products program that will help them purchase Christmas gifts for family members.

"What we're hoping to teach children is the spirit of community service," said Carol Scott, director of the Girls Club Newark branch. "It's the idea that they are doing service projects."

About 25 Newark-area children have made holiday decorations for elderly residents

of the Little Sisters of the Poor home near Newark.

"We're making wreaths and different decorations they can hang on their doors," said Helen Henry, Newark Girls Club senior staffer.

The children will deliver the decorations Friday. As they present the wreaths, they will sing Christmas carols.

It is through this and other community service work that about 250 children here and across New Castle County have earned points through Avon's nationally-heralded Christmas is for Children program.

Those points will be converted into holiday coupons which the children will spend during a party 5-6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 at the Avon plant in Newark. In exchange for the coupons, the children will be able to purchase gifts for family members.

The children have the opportunity to give to their family at Christmas and to others through community service.

"They are learning to share with others," said Henry.

And that's the main idea, according to Nancy Drumheller, East Coast consumer affairs manager for Avon. "This program really supports helping children learn how satisfying it can be to give to others," she said. "They experience such tremendous pride in themselves as they complete their good deeds and then shop for the Christmas gifts with their very own special Christmas money they've earned."

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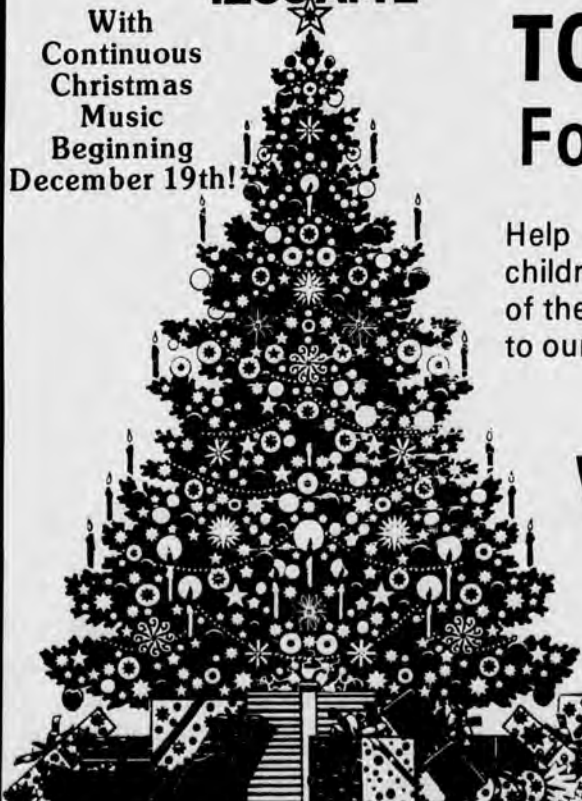
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IMPACT FEES

ment. "Impact fees are viewed very suspiciously by the courts when they are challenged," he said. "If you're going to assess a fee for highways, then you'd better well show there's a need for highways."

Amick said impact fees differ from taxes in that the revenues cannot go into a general fund. Governments must be able to show that the money is being spent on the projects for which it was collected.

Amick said a government may or may not charge impact fees on all new development depending on the infrastructure needs.

"I would like to see it (fee) help us direct development," said Amick. He said a government could charge impact fees only in areas in which infrastructure needs are great, and waive fees in areas where the roadways and water services are sound.

Despite all the recent development in northern New Castle County, Amick said it is not too late to charge impact fees. "There's a perception that all the property has been developed, but that's not the case," he said.

Wayne Grafton, New Castle County planning director, said most infrastructure in the county is stretched to meet current demands. He believes impact fees can finance improvements.

"There are very few, if any, facilities that are not taxed at their limit or near their present limit," said Grafton.

Montgomery County in Washington, D.C.'s Maryland suburbs, has imposed impact fees on developers for the past year and a half, according to Bud Liem, Montgomery County transportation coordinator.

"Principally, it was intended to take care of transportation needs," said Liem. "It's provided additional funds."

Liem said the county has seen unusual growth during the last three years.

According to Liem, two "im-

act fee zones" were identified. A development moratorium had been placed on the two areas because they lacked needed infrastructure for development.

"They were two big areas with capacity problems and no roads coming along that would take care of those problems," said Liem.

He said although there was some "grumbling" among developers, they have accepted the impact fees because they recognized them as necessary to develop land in the two zones.

Strongly opposed to impact fees in Delaware is Leon N. Weiner, owner of Leon Weiner and Associates and past president of the National Home Builders Association.

"Impact fees are very, very unfair method of putting fees on people buying new homes," said Weiner.

Although impact fees are imposed on developers, Weiner said it is ultimately the consumer who pays the cost.

"We're imposing on a whole new young generation who are starting to buy their houses," said Weiner. "We're saying to our children, let's make them pay for things that everybody else got for nothing."

Weiner believes that infrastructure needs should be financed through bond programs, instead.

Amick agrees that part of the impact fees may be passed onto the consumer, but some will have to be paid by developers.

"Clearly, the builders wouldn't be complaining as loudly as they are if they didn't see themselves as paying part of the bill," said Amick.

Taylor also believes that the developers will not be able to pass on all of the fees. "The developer will not outprice his product," he said. "In Delaware, he's got to be very competitive."

Taylor said prospective home buyers will look to neighboring states if Delaware builders overprice their homes.



Alonzo the Clown entertains children gathered for a special performance last week on Main Street.

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TRACT

a year ago," said State Rep. Steve Taylor, R-21st District. "To see it come to fruition is just tremendous."

"It doesn't take a crystal ball to predict what would have happened to this land," Taylor added. "It's an example of us being proactive, of seeing what will happen down the road rather than reacting to development. This land wouldn't have been here tomorrow; we had to get it today."

Combined with Middle Run and Carpenter, the duPont tract will provide about 2,100 acres of open space in northern Newark.

The duPont family, heirs of Samuel Hallock duPont Jr., have to sell a portion of the estate to protect their financial interests.

The family decided to offer a portion of the tract to the state for use as a land bridge.

Of six parcels, four will be sold to the state and one will be transferred to the DuPont Company, which operates its Louviers Building nearby.

The sixth parcel is subject to New Castle County jurisdiction, and the family will seek rezoning from medium density residential to office. That land will then be developed as office space.

State purchase of the two remaining parcels earmarked for open space is contingent upon that rezoning.

If it is approved, state parks officials expect the land will be open to the public by 1990 or 1991.

As Monday's press conference, Castle thanked Richard duPont and the entire duPont family for their cooperation "in putting this together."

He also noted the strong support for the purchase shown by Newarkers. "A lot of people in this community felt we needed to do something; this is something," Castle said.

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PARENTS SAY WHOA

The board will hold its own hearing Dec. 20 at the Cobbs-Gauger complex in Scottfield. A decision on the plan is expected that night.

School administration officials have said the redistricting is necessary because two new schools — Brader Elementary in Four Seasons and Elbert-Palmer in Wilmington — will open next year.

James E. Johnston told the task force that he "naively assumed that the best interests of our children are being looked after."

"It seems to me it has to do with protecting special interests," said Johnston. "I urge you to slow down this process."

According to Christina officials, one aim of the redistricting plan is to improve the socio-economic mix of students in each of the schools. "There seems to be no clear statement as to whether socio-economic status is being addressed," said Mary Ellen Trusheim.

The redistricting plans are based on establishing feeder patterns for Christina's three high schools — Glasgow, Christiana and Newark. Feeder patterns would group students who would attend specific schools together from kindergarten through graduation.

Some parents complained that the proposed feeder plans are not equitable. "All the feeder patterns should share the burden of redistricting," said Barbara Evancho. "Some of the feeders, shall we say, are staying intact while others are not."

Some parents complained that Option 2-I is not as disruptive to the Newark High feeder pattern as it was to the Christiana and Glasgow feeder patterns.

Because the district's population is expected to grow in the next few years, Darlene Yancey said the district may soon face the redistricting problem all over again. "What is done in haste may need to be undone in a couple of years," said Yancey. "Make a long-term plan that is fair."

AT A GLANCE

A coalition of parents opposed to the Christina School District's proposed redistricting plan has been organized.

The coalition met Sunday night at White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church, and drew representatives of Bancroft, Drew-Pyle, Pulaski, Kirk, Shue, Wilson, Christiana-Salem and Christiana schools, according to Paul Clark, spokesman.

Clark said the group is "hoping to reach out and touch (representatives of) other schools" in the district.

Yancey said the Christina administration has been remiss in not making all parents aware that redistricting is being considered.

John Kohari said many parents had pride in their neighborhood schools and indicated that parents are organizing to fight the issue. "We are united," said Kohari. "We will continue to fight this process until fair and equitable conclusions are reached."

Monday's hour-long hearing got off to a rough start when Dr. Capes Riley, Christina director of special projects and chairman of the task force, announced guidelines for the hearing.

Riley told the parents that the task force would not respond to their concerns at the meeting. That announcement angered some parents, who asked when their questions would be answered.

Initially, Riley did not respond. However, at the end of the meeting, he said the comments would be studied by the task force.

"Every comment tonight will be taken under consideration by this committee prior to submitting a plan to the board for consideration," said Riley. "I don't think it would have been fair to take your questions and try to answer them here tonight."



Soon, decisions concerning the Christina School District redistricting plan will fall to the board of education, led by board president Dr. James Kent (left) and the administration, headed by superintendent Dr. Michael Walls.

CHRISTINA REDISTRICTING PLAN

QUOTES OF NOTE

- "It is happening much too fast and it appears, at times, to be arbitrary." R. Dennis Macaleer.
- "There seems to be no clear statement as to whether socio-economic status is to be addressed." Mary Ellen Trusheim.
- "We object with the speed and manner with which these deliberations have and are taking place. This plan does not adequately account for future growth." Carl German.
- "We are united. We will continue to fight this process until fair and equitable conclusions are reached." John Kohari.
- "What is done in haste may need to be undone in a couple of years. Make a long-term plan that is fair." Darlene Yancey.
- "All the feeder patterns should share the burden of redistricting. Some of the feeders, shall we say, are staying intact while others are not." Barbara Evancho.
- "I'm aghast that educators on this panel voted for this plan. I feel that, as intellectual people, you must realize there hasn't been adequate time to discuss the issues." Paul Clark.

\$150,000 to \$250,000 range.

By contrast, both Christiana and Glasgow high schools pick up new growth in the U.S. 40 corridor, where housing is much more moderately priced, in the \$85,000 to \$120,000 range.

"I still feel you've not addressed the growth area (along U.S. 40)," said Geneva Frick, one of the two members who voted against Option 2-I. "All that's happened is you've taken a nice

big hunk and put it in Newark (the Newark High feeder pattern). I don't think you've addressed the socio-economic issues."

"You pick and choose what Newark gets," added Marge Tansley, the other task force member to vote against the option.

Frick added, "I understand this is not a simple problem but we must come up with

something that is fair and equitable to all the children in the Christina School District or the education of our children is going to suffer."


Dr. Capes Riley, district planning director and task force chairman, said he believes the plan is fair and does address concerns about growth.

Under Option 2-I, Newark High will be fed by Wilmer E. Shue Middle School, by Bayard and Palmer intermediate schools, and by Downes, Maclary, West Park and Brookside elementary schools.

Christiana High will be fed by Kirk Middle School, by Stubbs and Drew-Pyle intermediate schools, and by Gallaher, Etta J. Wilson, Christiana-Salem and Jennie Smith elementary schools.

Glasgow High will be fed by Gauger Middle School, by Bancroft and Pulaski intermediate schools, and by Brader, McVey, Cobbs and May B. Leasure elementary schools.


Redistricting will touch a large percentage of the district's students at one level or another.



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SCHOOL CALENDAR

• **Christina School District's** New Schools Redistricting Task Force will hold the last of three public hearings at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8 at Glasgow High School.

• **"AIDS Education in Our Schools"** will be the topic of discussion during a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8 in the Wilmer E. Shue Middle School, Kirkwood Highway, Newark. Guest speaker will be Karen Gregson, AIDS education coordinator for the Delaware Division of Public Health. The program is sponsored by the Shue PTA, and all interested parents are invited to attend.

• **Glasgow High School** will host a representative of Widener University on Friday, Dec. 9. John VanNamen, Widener admissions counselor, will visit the school to discuss the university's programs with interested students.

• **Padua Academy** is accepting preregistration for its placement test, open to any eighth grade female student interested in attending the academy during the 1989-90 school year. The test will be held at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the test and an interview. For an application, call the school at 421-3739.

• **Christina Board of Education** will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Pyle School in Wilmington.

• **Christina Board of Education** will hold a public hearing on the proposed school redistricting plan at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20 at the Cobbs-Gauger complex in Scottfield.

• **Newark High School** will hold a winter concert at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21. Featured will be the 120-member symphonic band, the string quartet, the wind ensemble and the jazz ensemble. The concert is free and open to the public.

• **Newark High School Class of 1979** is planning its 10-year reunion for the summer of 1989. Class members interested in helping or attending should send current address to: Reunion '89, P.O. Box 12182, Wilmington, DE 19850.

• **Project ASSIST**, an established volunteer program serving dyslexic children, will hold a 30-hour training program beginning Jan. 18 at Carrcroft Elementary School in the Brandywine School District. The class will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every Wednesday morning for 10 weeks. Volunteers will be trained to teach dyslexic children to read, write and spell using an alphabetic, sequential, multi-sensory approach. At the conclusion of training, each volunteer will work one morning per week in a public elementary school. For information, call 239-7705, 368-2330 or 239-0954.



Lloyd Ross directs the Newark High School band, which is preparing for its annual winter concert.

Newark High sets winter concert

The Newark High School bands will present a winter concert at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21.

Featured will be a variety of music, from the classics to a jazz version of "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

The evening will begin with pre-concert music by the school's string quartet, and the

wind ensemble will open the on-stage program with selections including Symphony No. 1 by Jared Spears, "Pas Redouble" by Saint-Saens, "Greensleeves" by Alfred Reed and the overture to the "Messiah" by Handel.

Next on the program will be the jazz ensemble, which, besides "Rudolph," will perform a Stan Kenton-like arrangement called "Polka Dots

and Moonbeams, and I'll Be Home for Christmas."

The concert will close with the 120-member symphonic band playing "Christmas Fugue," "Sleigh Ride" and "Alleluia! Laudamus Te."

Lloyd H. Ross will direct the program. "We want to thank the community, friends and families for their support of the

marching band this past fall," he said. "We hope that this free concert will help show our appreciation."

Before the concert, the Newark High Band Boosters will host the annual band awards banquet during which students will be recognized for their contributions. Also, parents of seniors will be honored.

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• **"Lovers,"** the humorous and touching study of Irish folkways by award-winning playwright Brian Friel, will be staged by University Theatre at 8:15 p.m. Dec. 8-10 in Mitchell Hall. Tickets cost \$5 for the general public, \$4 for UD faculty and staff and \$3 for students and senior citizens. For tickets, call 451-2204. The show has a number of Newark connections. Kate Brennan is in the cast; scenery, lighting and properties were designed by Peter Vagenas; and costumes were designed by Andrea Barrier.

• **The University Singers,** conducted by Ruth Oatman, will perform a concert of traditional and modern Christmas music at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 in Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Featured will be traditional carols and "Hodie Christus Natus Est" by Palestrina. Also on the program is William Mathias' work, "Salvator Mundi," a Christmas carol sequence for choir and piano duet. That work, first performed in 1982, uses texts selected from 15th and 16th century poetry. The Singers will be accompanied by pianists David Reuschel and Carolsue Davis.

• **An afternoon program** of instrumental music will be performed by the University of Delaware Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in Loudis Recital Hall. The concert is free.

• **Dr. Eric Chivian,** winner of the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize as a founder of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, will deliver a lecture at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12 in Room 204 of Kirkbride Lecture Hall. Chivian will speak on "American Teenagers Today — A Sense of Futurelessness." The talk is free and open to the public.

• **"An Evening of Jazz"** will be held at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12 in Loudis Recital Hall. The free concert will feature a variety of University jazz groups, including the jazz ensemble, jazz combo and faculty jazz ensemble.

• **Delaware Choral Union,** conducted by Andrew Cottle, will present a holiday concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in Newark's First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St. Featured works will be Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms," Beethoven's "Ah, Perfido," Brahms' "Marienlieder" and traditional carols.

• **Auditions for the University Theatre** production of Larry Gelbart's bawdy comedy, "Sly Fox," will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in Hartshorn Gym at Academy Street and Park Place. Speaking and non-speaking roles are available. Actors and actresses can come with a three-minute monologue or can request audition material from director James Cunningham. Callbacks will be Dec. 14. For details, call 451-2202.



Alan Hamant will perform his composition, "Melissamba," during the University's "Evening of Jazz" at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12 in Loudis Recital Hall. The concert is free.

Miles to head
UD commission

Jack Miles of Wilmington, a customer service supervisor at Delmarva Power & Light Co., will become executive director of the University of Delaware's Commission to Promote Racial and Cultural Diversity, effective Dec. 12.

In announcing the appointment, University President E.A. Trabant said, "Mr. Miles brings a broad range of experience and in-depth knowledge of the Delaware community to this new post. I look forward to the results of his leadership in this important endeavor."

The 18-member Commission to Promote Racial and Cultural Diversity, which is appointed by the reports to the University president, was created last spring to guide the University in several major areas as it works to increase the racial and cultural diversity of the student body, faculty and staff.

In his new position, Miles will provide staff support to the commission, assist in maintaining liaison with local, state and national organizations, develop a repository of data and

resources, assist in the production of reports and work closely with the University's affirmative action officer and director of women's affairs.

Working with the vice president for employee relations, he will develop and implement activities on racial and cultural diversity for the University community.

Miles, who is currently supervisor of Delmarva Power's Christiana Walk-In Office, a customer service facility, joined the company in 1976.

While there, he developed the company's community relations plan and contribution and in-kind service policy, and he coordinated the development and implementation of a company-wide speakers bureau and customer service program.

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OPINION

EDITORIALS

Redistricting: Let's reconsider

When the Christina Board of Education receives the New Schools Redistricting Task Force report next week, it should consider that the plan is overly ambitious, hastily drafted and would appear to be prejudicial to Newark High School.

The plan is overly ambitious in insisting on feeder patterns, the grouping of students through a specific set of schools from kindergarten through graduation. Feeder patterns are sound socially and educationally, but many question whether for Christina they are either valuable or viable. Christina and its predecessor, the Newark School District, got along quite well without feeder patterns. Then there is also the question of developing clean feeder patterns in a school district already cut-and-pasted through federal court-ordered desegregation.

The haste is clearly evident. The task force has worked just six weeks on the plan, this in a school district which has a reputation for meticulous planning. It took Christina longer just to draft a student conduct code than it did to devise a plan to shift 17,000 students hither and yon. Most Christina committees, working on far less important project, work much longer than six weeks.

The beneficiary of the plan as it stands would appear to be Newark High School. In drawing feeder pattern boundaries for the high schools, the others being Christina and Glasgow, the task force gave each a chunk of western New Castle County's growth areas. Curiously, while Christina and Glasgow were given areas along U.S. 40 where housing is moderately priced, Newark was given the northern tier of the city where prices range upwards of \$200,000.

Some parents are calling it the "gentrification" of Newark High, fearing it will be Christina's answer to the Red Clay School District's A.I. duPont High School. (As an aside, that problem could have been corrected by drawing boundaries vertically, giving each of the three high schools growth areas in the north and the south.)

The Post recommends that the school board step back, take a deep breath and buy itself some time by seeking development of a less ambitious plan that would simply redistrict for the original purpose of opening Brader and Elbert-Palmer schools. That redistricting was expected, even welcomed by parents in those areas.

Then, if the board decides that feeder patterns are something it wants to pursue, it can appoint a committee to devise a fair and equitable solution. Let the committee take the time to get it right.

Neil Thomas

I love the Christmas glitz

OK, so it's overcommercialized, overglitzed and listing out of control.

I love Christmas. Take that, all you Bah-Humbuggers.

I love Christmas with all its pre-Thanksgiving advertisements, with all its store-stuffing mobs, with all its traffic and lines and commercialism and glitz and craziness.

What's not to love? It's the one time of year when people make an effort to show they care even when they don't. Given the state of mankind in the 20th century, that alone is worth celebrating.

• Lights. Decorations.

Action! One of the best things about Christmas is the way people decorate their homes. There is something sublime about this seasonal silliness, as normally reserved neighbors go berserk, tacking 200 strings of blinking, blinding lights along rooflines, around trees and over mailboxes.

Yards are filled with bright Santas and banding Rudolfs, with 8-foot candy canes and toy-filled sleighs.

The holiday season is young, but already I have spied several houses worthy of visits.

by Neil Thomas



POSTSCRIPT

One is located in the Small K section of Brookside, just south of Chestnut Hill Road. If you're heading past Castle Mall at night, you can't miss it.

Another is on Pa. 896 just north of the state line, and another is on the Alcorn Court cul-de-sac in Deacons Walk.

(If you have any favorites, please feel free to let me know for inclusion in future issues.)

• Christmas? It's tubular!

You know the season is upon us when the holiday specials start to air. Who could pass up a chance to watch "White Christmas" for the 90th time? Or any one of the numerous "Christmas Carol" retellings, from Mickey Mouse and Mr. Magoo to the more weighty film versions?

Having grown up a member of the television generation, my favorite holiday programs tend to be not old movies but made-for-TV specials.

Topping the list is "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas" by Dr. Seuss. That green goblin is so charmingly evil, and his dog Max so innocently loyal. And every two year old in the world looks a little like Cindy Lou Who.

I am also a sucker for "A Charlie Brown Christmas," although its place in my heart has been overtaken by the show featuring John Denver and the Muppets. Close behind is the original Waltons story, for which I have a sentimental weakness because John Boy is an aspiring writer.

• **Wallets aweigh!** I even enjoy shopping. Well, maybe a little. Much of shopping is sheer drudgery, but every Christmas there is that one present that you really get right, that one you know will make someone very, very happy.

You know the one. The idea hits you like the light bulb clicking on in a cartoon character's head. Like the year we got my brother-in-law, a Carl Yasztremski disciple, that official, genuine, real-thing Boston Red Sox warmup jacket.

• **The real reason we celebrate.** Underlying everything is the true spirit of Christmas, the spirit of love, of caring, of giving.

When the lights are dimmed, the shows over and the shopping done, there is little more satisfying than an evening of caroling with friends. Or a warm cup of cheer with family. Or a live nativity, Mary and Joseph and baby Jesus sitting passively as bundled onlookers reflect on the gift of life. Or a Christmas Eve service, with churches resounding with joyous music and candles casting warm light across crowded sanctuaries.

Christmas? I love it.

POSTBOX

Save White Clay valley

To the Editor:

The Delaware Group of the Sierra Club opposes the suggested upgrading of Hopkins Road. For 20 years, New Castle County and the state have moved to preserve the White Clay Creek watershed north and west of Paper Mill Road. With recent development on all sides, the need for this substantial open space as a refuge for us and other living species is self-evident, yet we find ourselves here faced with a proposal that is directly at odds with the enlightened and long-term effort.

Since Hopkins Road already is bordered for most of its length

on both sides by state parkland and the bi-state White Clay Creek Preserve, the proposal's sole purpose must be to provide a commuter thruway. The purpose does not justify the consequences.

Roads ruin natural areas. The damage they do far exceeds the space they take up because they cut off one section from another, like cutting a large cross-section out of the middle of a Persian rug.

To enlarge Hopkins Road to make it a viable corridor is dangerous to both humans and wildlife, as it will inevitably increase speeds over the road as well as increase traffic.

It will be additionally dangerous because of the significant incline to the road, which I doubt even an Interstate-level construction plan could significantly modify.

An expansion of Hopkins Road

would also take it through the proposed storage pond area for New Castle County water supply. Have the planners taken that complication into consideration?

In sum, there is no way a commuter road is compatible with the values of the land which the state and county have recognized for the area.

Because of the unique resources of this area, including its scenic values, its wildlife, flora, clean air and water supply, all of which a thoroughfare through the valley would severely undermine, no transportation corridor can be permitted to traverse the valley either at Hopkins Road or anywhere else along its currently projected length.

Land is finite. Greater Newark is rapidly filling up. The syndrome of building more roads to accommodate the growth

and in the process only stimulating more development can be let to run until there is no more space.

But to create your Jersey City, you will have to confront and subdue a citizenry that is fed up, not stupid, and committed to salvaging what little there is now left of our natural environment.

There is only one permissible direction for altering Hopkins Road that the public will accept; that is, by including speed bumps, posting park road status signs, reducing the speed limit and erecting a gate at the bridge to be open only during park hours.

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OPINION

Gorbachev's startling revolution

This week an important visitor will arrive in our country. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is coming to New York, but his visit is not at the invitation of President Reagan or President-elect Bush. It is at his own initiative to address the 43rd session of the United Nations General Assembly.

President Gorbachev's decision to speak at the United Nations is the first time since Khrushchev's famous shoe pounding episode that a leader of the Soviet Union has come to the United States to speak at the General Assembly's opening session. His appearance is another in a long list of high publicity and politically well-timed attempts to promote himself and his policies in world public opinion.

One of the featured items on his agenda will be a meeting with President-elect Bush. We don't need a crystal ball to know that Gorbachev will use the opportunity both to affirm his commitment to improved U.S.-Soviet relations and advance his standing in the global community.

Less clear is what else he hopes to accomplish, what surprise proposals he will offer, and most important from the U.S. perspective, how President-elect Bush will respond.

by U.S. Senator Joseph Biden

WEEKLY REPORT



Some startling things have occurred in the Soviet Union for the first time in its modern history. First and most welcome, is the realization communism as an economic model has failed. The recent reforms instituted by Gorbachev have dramatically underscored the fact that the Soviet system is unable to produce the promises of socialism.

Nothing highlights this shift more dramatically than the announcement that there will soon be a vote by the Soviet leadership on whether to abandon the collectivization of agriculture in the Soviet Union. When Stalin forced millions of Soviet citizens onto collectives in the 1920's and 1930's, he intended these farms to be the cornerstone of the Soviet economic system. The Soviet people paid a high price for the plan through imprisonment and

execution. Now the Kremlin admits that collectivized agriculture has totally failed.

Another stunning change is that economic well-being has become a priority, taking on an importance that may someday displace military prowess from the top of the Soviet agenda. New emphasis is being given to directing resources into the production of consumer goods. At the same time, Soviet citizens have been granted broader freedoms to speak out and challenge authority. While the Soviet people are a long way from achieving the freedoms guaranteed all Americans by the Bill of Rights, the Soviet leadership has made surprising strides in this area.

No Soviet leader since Peter the Great has attempted so much on so many fronts at one time. President Gorbachev is

playing high risk poker both at home and abroad. This is a period of great opportunity for the Soviet Union and the world, but with every opportunity there is also the potential for failure. Only time will tell if his venture pays off.

Unfortunately, American foreign policy has not changed sufficiently to take into account the new challenges and opportunities that will close out this century and take us into the next. We are at a watershed period in American history, particularly with respect to our dual position as military and economic superpower. Not since the end of World War II has a President been faced with the possibility of redefining the diplomatic and economic map of the world.

Tremendous opportunities lie ahead for President-elect Bush in forging more comprehensive arms control agreements, resolving regional conflicts and in working with the Soviets on shared problems of environmental pollution, drug abuse and nuclear non-proliferation. From my position on the Foreign Relations Committee, I am prepared and committed to join hands with President Bush and try to work out a bipartisan policy that meets these challenges and the needs of our nation.

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Considering campaign reform

Few people think back on the long election campaign we have just completed with fond memories — not even the winners.

Here in Delaware and throughout the nation, political campaigns set new records for their length and cost. But rather than spending that time and money focusing on the critical issues which face our country, many of those campaigns resorted to negative tactics which often had little to do with issues.

The idea of reforming the way congressional campaigns are run isn't new. Teddy Roosevelt was a reform advocate way back at the turn of this century. And we have reformed the system since his time. As recently as 1974, Congress enacted changes to prevent a few fat cats from contributing huge sums of money to win an election, and buy themselves a congressman. Along with those reforms, Congress created what are now seen by many as a new threat: political action committees or PACs.

PACs were originally envisioned as a way for average citizens to pool their resources and increase their clout in the electoral process. Today, most PACs do just that. But taken together, the influence of PACs has helped fuel the explosion in the cost of congressional races. And more and more, PACs are contributing to incumbents making it harder for challengers to unseat them. Rather than being part of the solution by making elections

by U.S. Rep. Tom Carper

CAPITOL COMMENT



fairer, PACs are now viewed as part of the problem.

But simply eliminating PACs isn't the answer. Other troublesome issues must be addressed simultaneously if we are to succeed in reducing the cost of campaigns and making our political system more democratic.

What should a reform package include? To begin with, it should set an overall limit on the amount that congressional campaigns can spend. Legislation I cosponsored in the last Congress set a limit of \$400,000 for House races, and capped the total amount of PAC money which could be accepted by a candidate at \$100,000. That bill also placed a \$40,000 limit on the amount of a candidate's own money that can be spent on his

or her campaign. Other problems, including so-called "independent expenditures" which are made on a candidate's behalf but are counted separately from the campaign, must also be remedied.

There is a catch, however. In order to be constitutional, the limits on overall spending and the use of personal resources must be voluntary. To get candidates to abide by the limits, a campaign reform package will probably include a public financing incentives. One idea is to give candidates whose opponents exceed the spending limits public funds equal to the amount by which the limit is violated. If no one ex-

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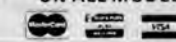
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NEWS

Local Stream Watch volunteers honored by governor

by Cathy Thomas

Several Newarkers have been honored for their contributions in monitoring the quality of water in area streams.

Gov. Michael N. Castle Tuesday presented Stream Watch awards to Ed O'Donnell and his Fantastics 4-H Club, Kathy Valimont, and Nicholas and Barbara Fina.

O'Donnell and the 4-H Club

members have "adopted" a portion of the Middle Run Creek through the Delaware Stream Watch program.

The program is a joint effort of the Delaware Nature Society and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DENREC).

About once a month, O'Donnell and a group of children visit the creek. "They learn a little bit about the environment and things that concern stream

quality," said O'Donnell. "I get enjoyment being out there with them in the environment."

During their visit to the creek, the group conducts simple methods to determine water quality and locate pollution sources. The findings are then reported to local authorities.

According to Amy White, Stream Watch coordinator, the volunteers conduct three surveys during each visit.

The first is a visual test. White said the volunteers walk or

canoe their area and watch for "obvious signs of pollution."

Secondly, the volunteers conduct a biological survey. In particular, they check for aquatic insect population to determine the health of the stream.

The last part of the test is chemical. Volunteers check the acidity and temperature of the water.

Besides the obvious benefit of spotting pollution problems, White said the Stream Watch program promotes awareness of

the need for clean water.

"One aspect of it is education, educating people about the importance of clean water," said White.

She said children make up most of the Stream Watch volunteers through school groups and other youth organizations. "I think for them to learn these values is very important," said White. "They have a lot of fun with it, too."

More than 1,000 Delawareans

have become Stream Watchers for 12 of the state's 36 major watersheds.

While many Newarkers have become Stream Watchers during the first three years of the program, White said many more local volunteers are needed.

There are training workshops for volunteers, many of whom enjoy the chance to get outdoors. "They do all enjoy the outdoors," said White. "That's almost a prerequisite."

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B Section

Newark swimmers set sights on state title

by David Woolman

This might be the year for the Newark High girls swim team to win the state championship. Then again, it may not.

"We're a good team," says coach Chris Collier. "The problem is that there are two other teams just like us, A.I. duPont and Ursuline."

Despite the loss of three-time state champion diver Val Davis and Beth Collier, second in the state in diving, Collier looks to

have a stronger, deeper team than last year.

Returning to the squad are seniors Anita Schwendt, third in the state in diving last year and heir apparent to the championship this year; Wendy Henderson, state champion in the 200 and 500 freestyle; Heather Tumlin and Kara Packard. Juniors Erin Paulitis, fifth in the state in the backstroke, and Tara Schooley return, as do sophomores Deni Rudy, third in the 100 and fifth in the 50 freestyle, Susan Craig, fifth in the butterfly, and Catie Cronin.

Cronin and Paulitis were part of the medley relay team that finished seventh in the state, as were Kim Reeder and Emily DelNegro, who graduated. Henderson, Craig, Rudy and Cronin made up the freestyle relay team that finished third in the state.

To this already impressive lineup come Jen McIlvaine, a transfer from Dickinson who finished second in the state in the 100 and 50 freestyle, freshman backstroke Shelby Sokol, and freshman Missy Dalrimple, who is simply very

good, according to Collier.

"We could use a little more depth in diving," says Collier, who has four divers, all but Schwendt a freshman. "It's an uncharacteristic weakness for Newark. We're a little stronger. Basically, we lost a second and third at states, and getting someone (Dalrimple) who could be the best ever."

The 'Jackets came in second in the states last year on the shoulders of their sweep in the diving, finishing behind A.I. but just ahead of Ursuline. Their only two losses in the dual meets

came to those teams.

Collier's goal for the team is to be undefeated in the dual meet season, something he feels is possible with the depth of his team this year. As far as the states are concerned, it will be the same as always.

"It'll come down to the free relay, just like last year," says Collier. "I just hope it's us instead of them."

The Glasgow High team has also experienced an increase in numbers, despite losing eight swimmers to graduation. Jennie Darden, who is helping Jody

Albright coach the team, says the 28 girls out makes this the biggest team she's seen at Glasgow since she's been coaching there.

Among those back are seniors Phoebe Folke, seventh in the states in the 100 and eighth in the 50; Daria Reuhle, a distance swimmer; Debbie Woodside, a sprinter; Jenny Grayson, distance; and Cindy Caldwell, breaststroke.

The team will have five

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St. Mark's earns reputation for 'D'

by David Woolman

Put into the position of proving what it could do as a team, St. Mark's High played a fine defensive basketball game to come just so close to upsetting eventual champion Wilmington in the state tournament last year. That game could be a peak for the program, or it could be a cornerstone.

"I think we're still working on establishing a reputation," says coach Steve Johnson. "We've built a reputation of playing good defense, playing hard, and being a fairly intelligent team. I think no one can take us for granted."

"People are going to be scared of our defense this year," says junior Ray Grimes. "This year's team is faster, more experienced and more aggressive. I can tell that in practice already."

"We're going to surprise them, too," adds senior Mark Hendrix, who believes the Spartans will have a powerful transition game to take advantage of the defense. "We're going to be in shape, and be there the whole game."

"I think we'll go farther this year than Wilmington," says Grimes. "I think we can go to the Field House."

"I think the kids have a positive attitude, which is fantastic," says Johnson, "and as far as work, the kids who have

AT A GLANCE

This is going to be an interesting week in boys high school basketball, with one local team playing at the Spectrum in Philadelphia and two squaring off against national power Oak Hill Academy of Virginia.

Taking the same hardwood floor as heroes Charles Barkley and Maurice Cheeks will be the Christiana High School basketball team.

The Vikings will play Chester,

Pa. at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13. To gain entrance, fans must purchase a ticket to the Philadelphia 76ers game that night. Tickets are available from Christiana coach Ron Hollis.

Battling Oak Hill will be the teams from Newark High and Caravel Academy.

Newark will host Oak Hill at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 and Caravel will host the team at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10.

Ricevuto and Drew Mathews — will probably fill out the varsity.

"I think we can be good but as a coach, you always look at the other team, and they always look better than they really are," says Johnson. "It makes you cautious, especially with a team like us."

"Our biggest guy is 6' 3". We don't have any great scorers or great athletes. We're very fragile in the sense that if we have our thing together, we can be pretty good, but we don't have one or two dominant players who can carry you when things aren't going well," Johnson said. "I expect a lot of the kids. It's tough on them, because they have to play well all of the time."

The personnel will force some change in approach for the

been here before realize that hard work pays off. They know that if they work as hard as they can, they're going to be really good. The question is how good."

The team loses a fine defensive center in Craig Bilinski, starting forward Dave Kucharczak, and sixth man Joe Duca to graduation. Returning starters include Hendrix, a forward and center who is still not fully recovered from a knee injury which ended his last season early, forward Lance Howard and point guard Gary Lynch.

Grimes, who received significant time at the end of last season, will move up to a starting role, as Jerel Morton and Steve DiGennaro move up from the junior varsity. Senior Jason Mathews, a transfer from California, should make his presence felt as he learns the new system. Three sophomores — Paul Pinckney, Vince



Photo/Robert Craig

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Ray Grimes believes St. Mark's will make its mark this year.

Newark is perfectly confident

by David Woolman

Only one question hangs over the Newark High girls basketball team as it prepares to defend the Blue Hen Conference Flight A championship — can it replace point guard Lena Saunders?

Other than that, it appears that the Yellowjackets face few problems in their title defense.

Coach John Holland will have an overflow crowd on his varsity bench this year, as seven seniors

return to the team. Junior Marie Roundtree pushes the number of players with varsity experience to eight. Add to that the young players Holland wants to work into the lineup, and that's a lot of bodies.

It shouldn't surprise that their confidence is high.

"On a scale of one to 10, it's 10," says Roundtree. "Our whole squad has confidence. I guess it will boost us up and make us happy. It's great to have everybody back. There's nothing negative about this team. We just need to get a point

guard as good as Lena, and that'll be no problem."

Even Holland will admit to being optimistic, with a little...OK, a lot...of prodding. Outside of a very well-considered respect for Brandywine, Delcastle and William Penn, not to mention the Catholic Conference teams, the Newark coach's only apparent worries relate to replacing Saunders.

Candidates for the position include Andria Miller, who received some varsity time at off guard last year, Rae Johnson, and underclassmen Christy

Ward and Maureen Donovan.

At the other guard position will be seniors Suzanne Sysko, who recently signed a national letter of intent to James Madison University, and Emily Ludman. Roundtree will share the forward positions with Tiffany Wiggins and Jennifer Ferguson. Donna Pettyjohn will hold down the center.

"The chemistry hasn't changed," says Holland. "They're awfully tight on and off the floor."

See NEWARK/5b

Spartans field a solid squad

by David Woolman

Sue Ridge admits to being optimistic before every season; it's a weakness allowed every coach in every sport. And yet there is a different tone about her optimism this year, and a different strength to her argument supporting her St. Mark's High girls basketball team.

It's a good one, the argument

and the team.

"I'm not afraid of anyone this year," says Ridge. "This team would not surprise me in the least if we made it to the Field House (Delaware Field House, site of the state championship.)"

Remember, this is a team that plays in the Catholic Conference, meeting teams like Ursuline and St. Elizabeth on a weekly basis. Note also that All-Catholic guard Rhonda Sim-

mons, the core of last year's team, graduated.

What balances those negatives is the return of six seniors who have started for the varsity, including co-captain Sue Thursby, an All-Catholic selection last year. Jess Janicki, Erica Sneed, Danielle O'Brien, Michelle O'Brien and Amy O'Neill all bring a year's worth of experience, leadership and maturity to the team.

Janicki will start at point

guard, Michelle at off guard, Danielle at swingperson, Thursby at power forward, with Sneed as the first guard off the bench and O'Neill as the first forward off the bench. Junior Missy Burris, a 6' junior, will take over the center position.

Janicki, a co-captain, will be the first pure point guard the team has had in a number of

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Angel Payne shoots for Christiana.

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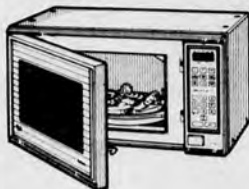
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SPORTS

Hens overcome Shoremen, 77-72

by David Woolman

Last Tuesday was supposed to be an opportunity for the young University of Delaware basketball team to recover from its 0-2 season opening California road trip with an easy win at home against Washington College.

Except the Hens at times played like the freshmen and sophomores that they are, and the senior-dominated Shoremen (3-1) from that tiny Division III power in Chestertown, Md. played like they'd been together for three years, which they have.

A determined late effort by Delaware helped the Hens come back from an 11-point deficit at halftime to win 77-71 at the Field House in front of a crowd of 949. It wasn't easy, but as the coaches and players all mumbled to themselves after the game, a win's a win.

"We knew it was going to be a tough game," said forward Ellsworth Bowers (20 points and a career high 16 rebounds), the lone senior on the team. "In the first half, we weren't as ready to play as the coaches told us to be. It was just a matter of getting mentally into it."

"Throughout the course of the game, we realized how important this win would be at home, so we knew we had to regroup," said sophomore guard Erik Perry (16 points). "We started executing and doing the things we were supposed to do. We were trying to use (the home game) as a motivational factor tonight. Nobody's going to come into our territory and dominate. You're invited, but you're not leaving with anything."

Delaware opened up a 5-0 lead early, but watched it dissolve as Washington overcame a cold beginning to shoot effectively, outrebound the Hens and take

"It's finally coming back. I never thought I'd find that baby again. I thought it was lost." — Delaware's Ellsworth Bowers, on regaining his shooting touch.

advantage of numerous Delaware turnovers. The Shoremen took a 10-9 lead at 15:28, and slowly extended it to 15 points by late in the half before a pair of free throws by Mark Haughton (seven points, six assists) and a dunk by Perry brought the score to 41-30 as the half ended.

Though Washington shot an unimpressive .400 from the field, they bettered the woeful .364 (12-30) that was all the Hens could manage.

Bowers returned as an inside force in the second half, helping to push the rebounding back to Delaware's favor. While mistakes of inexperience continued to crop up, the Hens slowly chipped away at the deficit by staying with their strengths and going inside to score against the shorter Shoremen.

The Hens also kept up their aggressive defense and running offense in hopes of tiring Washington, and it was ultimately successful. Perry was fouled while stealing an in-bounds pass with 1:48 remaining and made both halves of the one and one to give Delaware its first lead, 69-68, since early in the first half.

Freshman forward Alexander Coles (five points) made the score 71-68 with an inside shot half a minute later, and Coles and freshman guard Rob Jackson made free throws near the end to insure the win. Forward Curtis Dudley had 16 points and 12 rebounds on the night.

"I was trying to get the team



It's Ellsworth Bowers for the dunk in game earlier this year.

up," said Bowers of his play in the second half. "At halftime, we came into the lockerroom and our heads were down because a team like that shouldn't be ahead of us. I had to show some leadership."

"We gave up an awful lot of long rebounds," said coach Steve Steinwedel. "We just weren't reacting to the ball. We were standing and watching.

Not only are our players young, but they haven't played a lot of minutes together. That leads a little bit to our lack of execution and the turnovers that we make. As we play more basketball together, we'll start to eliminate some of that, hopefully."

"We're not together yet," said Bowers. "After things start falling, we'll get there. Tough games bring you closer."

Going back to Cali? Just maybe!

by David Woolman

Hey, coach Steinwedel.

Goin' back to Cali, to Cali, to Cali? Goin' back to Cali?

"We don't have anything set right now," says University of Delaware basketball coach Steve Steinwedel about making another regular season trip to California, "but if the opportunity presents itself, I'm sure we'll do that in the future."

Delaware lost to both the University of Southern California and San Diego State, but Steinwedel said the trip was valuable nonetheless. "It's a good recruiting tool, because players like to travel. We talked with some of the players we have in the program now about making a trip like this when we recruited them."

"It's a chance to play a premiere team like Southern California in the PAC 10, and a very good San Diego State team, and to see a different part of the country. I think all of these things are important educational experiences, as well as giving our university some exposure out there."

With the loss of Taurence Chisholm, Barry Berger, Tony Tucker, and Steve Jennings, this year's Blue Hen team is dominated by freshmen and sophomores, making this the first team made up of a majority of players recruited by Steinwedel since his becoming coach in April of 1985. Steinwedel's affect on Delaware's program as a whole should begin to manifest itself soon.

"With the exception of a Chisholm, our level of ability recruiting-wise has improved," says Steinwedel. "The biggest opportunity there was when we got a bigger recruiting budget and we got scholarships."

The Hens return two starters, senior forward Ellsworth Bowers and sophomore guard Erik Perry, from last year's school-record 19-9 team. Sophomore Mark Houghton and freshman Rob Jackson, from Dale City, Va., take over Chisholm's point guard role, with VMI transfer Renard Johnson also competing for the spot when he becomes eligible in January.

Junior Curtis Dudley and freshman Mark Murray, from Asbury Park, N.J., help fill out the front court until Wichita State transfer Ted Williams becomes eligible. Freshman Alexander Coles, from Richmond, Va., will also see some time up front.

Almost by default, the smooth shooting Perry and the crowd pleasing, slam dunking Bowers have been saddled with the leadership roles, but have picked them up willingly.

"I was really trying to accept the primary role and there was a little pressure at first because, being a sophomore, you expect more juniors and seniors ahead of you to lead," says Perry. "Graduating the large class from last year means having to step up as a sophomore. It was a challenge, but I was willing to accept it."

The leadership comes from actions as well words, and few things could be more eloquent than the momentum building slams and sticky fingered rebounds of Bowers.

"Leadership isn't only telling the guys that they have to do something," says Bowers. "I have to do it so they can see it. To tell you the truth, I'm not the best leader, but I'm trying."

The season should prove to be a learning experience for everyone, with the young players learning to play varsity without the shelter of a bench full of seniors.

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SPORTS

For St. Mark's, 3 is lucky number

by David Woolman

Do good things come in threes? The effort of three swimmers has allowed the St. Mark's High boys swim team to finish third in the state three years in a row.

Two of those swimmers — Mark Kolman, two time state champion and record holder in the 200 and 500 freestyle, and Brian DiPietro, second in the breaststroke and third in the individual medley — are back.

Also back is Bill Rash, who, with Ross Blanchard, filled out the medley relay that just barely failed to defend its title last year. All three made prep-school All-America last year.

With most of the supporting cast back, including Jeff Vanderpole, Rob Bartholomew, Steve Franklin and diver Dan Kucharcz, and the addition of freshmen Steve Maydroda and Ryan Law, the team looks a bit like last year's edition, except for being somewhat deeper and more experienced.

"We have a lot of good older swimmers back," says coach Sue Doyle. "We should be a little bit more balanced than last year. We'll be a better dual meet team."

Though Newark High loses James Williams, second in the 50 freestyle and third in the backstroke, and David Leedle, fifth in the diving, some good things could be in store for first year coach Ed Crowder.

"We've got a bigger team than we had last year," says Crowder, who has worked with Gary Henderson at the Cecil County YMCA and assisted Fred Freibot, Newark's former coach. "We're going to be able to win seconds and thirds in dual meets. We don't have a superstar; we're just going to have to do it on teamwork."

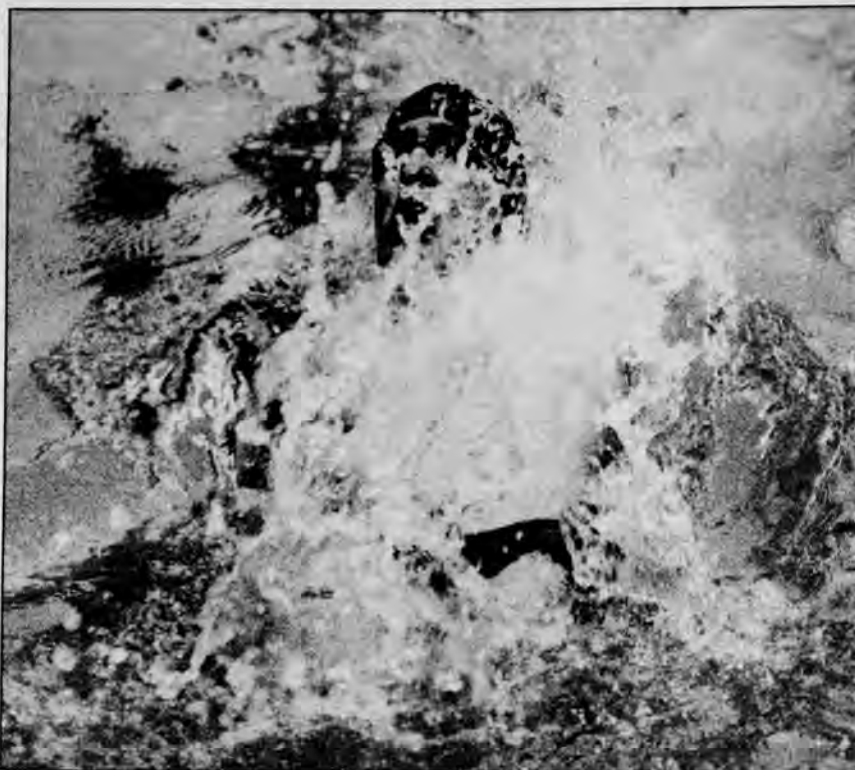
Returning swimmers include Jim Housty, seventh in the state in breaststroke last year; Mike Hutton, eighth in the breaststroke; backstroker Russell Brill; Chris Dohl, butterfly; Guy Wellman, individual medley; Dave Black, freestyle; and Andy Stewart, freestyle. Freshman sprinter Matt Benin should also contribute.

Crowder figures he can probably put together a top free relay team with Housty, Brill, Black and Stewart.

"We'll at least be second in (Blue Hen Conference) Flight A," says Crowder, "and we'll be nipping at A.I.'s heels. I think we can probably take Sallies. We'll be a heartbreaking team."

Things are also shaping up well at Christiana, where Mike Martin has everybody important returning, and more of them. With 19 wet bodies, the Vikings lose last year's numbers problem.

"The program is definitely on its way up," says Martin. "This is probably the largest participation we've ever had in a single year. I think we're going to be good in the breaststroke and the freestyle, including the



Ross Blanchard of St. Mark's in 1987 meet.

relay (which finished eighth in the state last year). We'll be better in everything this year."

Among those returning are Steve Fausey, eighth in the individual medley in last year's state swim meet, Ken Snyder, Andy Lennon and Mark Puican. Freshman Dan Van Dyke comes from good swimming stock; sister Danielle dominated Delaware swimming the past four years. The team only lacks divers.

Glasgow's Jennie Darden br-

ings back the bulk of last year's team, and figures to do better than last year's two wins, but how much better she doesn't know. At least the 16 swimmers she has presently betters last years nine.

"They're doing a lot better," says Darden. "It's improving, but it's still pretty tough. We'll be able to fill our events."

The lone swimmer to place in the states last year, Greg Ruark, seventh in diving, returns, but as a coach. Seniors

John McLaughlin (breaststroke, 200 freestyle), Dave Kohan (200, 500 free) and Andy Settles (butterfly, medley) will lead the team.

Three sophomores, Pete Hall, Mike Hall (200, 500, diving) and Chris Kohan (diving, breaststroke, relays), also return. New to the team are seniors Bob Arehart, Chris Drayton, and Dave Swaney, junior Chuck Tucker and freshman Phil Hall.

SCHEDULE

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- Oak Hill Academy at Newark, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9.
- McKean at Glasgow, Friday, Dec. 9.
- Oak Hill Academy at Caravel, 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10.
- Chester vs. Christiana at the Spectrum in Philadelphia, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13.
- Caravel at Tatnall, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13.
- Glasgow at Middletown, Tuesday, Dec. 13.

Girls Basketball

- Dickinson at Christiana, 3:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 9.
- Caravel at Claymont, 3:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 9.
- Glasgow at McKean, Friday, Dec. 9.
- Christiana at Wilmington, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13.
- Middletown at Glasgow, Tuesday, Dec. 13.
- Dickinson at Caravel, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13.

Wrestling

- Caravel at Claymont, 3:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9.
- Christiana at the Middletown Tournament, Dec. 10.
- Glasgow at Oxford, Pa., Wednesday, Dec. 14.
- Howard at Caravel, 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14.

Swimming

- Padua at Newark, Glasgow High pool, 6:15 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 8.
- St. Elizabeth at Glasgow, 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9.
- Glasgow at Archmere, 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12.
- Ursuline at Newark, Glasgow pool, 3:15 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12.
- Christiana at Padua, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13.
- Glasgow at Newark, Glasgow pool, 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14.
- Christiana at Brandywine, 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15.

SWIM

divers, led by Folke, and sport two good freshmen in Diana Welch and Bonnie Bowman. The irony of the situation is that Glasgow's pool will only have four lanes this year due to a broken starting block, compromising the advantage of the depth.

St. Mark's only loses a few to graduation this year, specifically Danna Valla and Pam Masso, but will still lack experience in places.

"We're going to be real young this year," says coach Sue Doyle. "We're going to need a few meets to have everything fall into place."

Tina and Elissa Austria return, as do Kara Franklin,

Megan Fox, Tricia Anderson and Renee Valla. Freshmen Kathleen Evancho and Elise O'Neil look good to Doyle.

"It should be a lot of fun," says Doyle of her enthusiastic team. "It's a real good group."

Mike Martin has an even tougher row to hoe at Christiana, returning only one state-placed swimmer from last year's powerful team.

"I have the same team as I had last year without the three big guns," says Martin. "It's an upward battle. It's basically an instructional year."

Last year marked the end of Danielle Van Dyke's reign over Delaware swimming, during which she won four different in-

dividual state titles and set three state championship records. The team also lost Kim Huggins and Krista Kendall, who with Van Dyke made up the state champion freestyle relay team two years ago.

The lone state-place swimmer returning is Jami King, who swam the relay with the above three. Sandy Huggins, Kim's sister, is part of a contingent of seven freshmen who join the team, which numbers 14.

The squad will lack stars, but should put forth a good, workmanlike effort, says Martin. "We're going to be reasonably solid by the middle of the season."

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SPORTS

GIRLS

years, according to Ridge, which gives the team a great deal of stability. Thursby is another player who adds stability. Having both on the court should take some of the pressure off of Burris, and complement her raw talent.

Filling out the varsity are guards Sue Rowlik, and Jennifer Negley, swingperson Rochelle Wojcik, an forward Ann Lloyd.

Coming into the pre-season, the team's weaknesses were the things Simmons did the best — rebounding and scoring inside. Passing also suffered with Simmons; she was such a big target inside, no real sharpness ever developed.

"We were spoiled in a lot of areas by Rhonda," says Ridge, "but we knew we were spoiled, and we're working on it. We're working hard to be balanced this year. We're asking them to become a complete basketball team, and they responded very well."

The offensive stress will probably be very balanced between inside and outside shooting, moving away from last year's predominantly inside game. The team will also run the ball more often, taking advantage of St. Mark's traditionally tenacious, complex defense that can get nothing but better with age.

The six seniors were pretty much the whole team at the end of last year, and they capped their season with upset victories over William Penn and Padua. Quick and intelligent, if this team plays together as well as Ridge says they do in practice, her optimism is well placed.

Christiana has a new coach, Charles Carter (last year's coach, Jim DiStefano, will coach the JV team), a new system, and a core of skilled players from last year — guards Angel Payne and Dawn Clark, and forwards Wanda Brown and Karen Reese. How it all fits together is the question.

"I'm a little optimistic," says Carter, who coached at William Penn from 1979-1981, and has worked with boys coach Ron Hollis. "They're learning a new system, and they have to make that adjustment. It's going to be tough for the girls. I'm hoping we'll be respectable. We'll just try to be competitive."

Filling out the team will be freshman Maggie Rivers, a center-forward who could start, Lecretia Lewis, a transfer from Chester, Pa. who could see significant time at guard, and Melanie Hackworth, Christy Payne and Debbie McClain, all up from JV.

"I'm relying on some of our veterans for leadership," says Carter. "Hopefully we'll have a strong inside game."

Larry Walker returns to coaching Glasgow's team after a two year absence. He too has a core of talent to work with.

Point guard Niki Tarantino, guard Laura Mazza and forward Donna James, all juniors, return from last year's squad, which lost Kizzie Cobb, Kenya Saunders and Nina Potts to graduation. senior guard Tracy Records and junior forward Stacia Salvucci complete the starting lineup.

"I'm impressed with the way those five play together," says Walker. "They all have a really good attitude. I hope I can make it a winning attitude."

Other likely varsity players include senior guards Morita Wright and Paris Taylor, sophomore guards Nona Cunane and Kinisha Thomas, and sophomore forwards Cori Jones and Kelly Ann Bruno.

"I have to get the kids to be basketball court wise," says Walker. "They're young is a court sense."

"We're going to be a learning team. I hope we can play good defense and stay out of foul trouble. Putting the ball in the basket will be our main pro-



Marie Roundtree (23) of Newark battles Christiana in game played last season.

blem. We don't have any pure shooters."

The Dragons lack height as well, but they do show enthusiasm and teamwork, and that's a good sign.

Jack Lemley becomes the new coach at Hodgson after eight winning seasons at Caravel. He feels he can create a winning program at Hodgson as well, if he can get the kids out.

Seven players, including senior returning center Kim Black return, and all, says Lemley, are athletes. With a few more girls, he has no doubt the team could be a contender in it's first year in Flight B.

NEWARK

I think they'll do well. There's going to be a couple of surprises who are very young out there, but this is a mature team. We are adding a few more wrinkles to the offense, things we weren't able to do last year."

The icing on the cake are the numerous and talented freshmen Holland reports have joined the program, the ranks of which have swelled to 39. Knowing Holland, they'll be out there at the end of the year as well.

Medical problems will keep Sysko and Roundtree on the sidelines for the first few weeks of the season. The rest of the season should at very least be educational for them — such is Holland's way.

"Part of my responsibility as coach is getting (Sysko) ready for college basketball," says Holland. "Now that she's signed a national letter of intent, I think she should play guard. I don't think she'll be able to play inside (in college), and I think she should have every weapon available to her."

"If any of them decided to go to school, I think they should have the same opportunity. Marie will have to play small forward and guard (in college). When we get an opportunity, we'll certainly do that."

"We're a good all-around team," says Ward, who intends to make a serious challenge for the starting point guard position. "We all went to camp and participated in the summer league. We've been working hard."

"We played the Catholic schools and Penn last year. We know how good they are, and we know how good we have to be."

SPARTANS

team, which may well open up a bit more this year. Regardless, the concentration will remain on defense.

"We take a lot of pride in that," says Johnson. "Hopefully, we can add to our offense without taking away from our defense. I think we'll have a better outside threat this year, but we're going to miss Craig in the post. He just played tremendous defense."

"We're going to bring guys up from the JV and freshman team. That takes a lot of teaching. I'm concerned about rebounding and stopping the other team."

"We all feel this is it," says Grimes. "This is the year St. Mark's will finally come into the spotlight. This is the beginning."

KIRKWOOD

• The NorDel Soccer League completed its schedule this week with two makeup games involving Kirkwood Soccer Club representative teams.

• '79 Kirkwood Wildcats 1, '79 Concord Cruisers 1. The Wildcats finish in third place in the under 12 B division.

• '77 Kirkwood Flyers 5, '78

YMCA Stars 1. The Flyers finish in first place in the under 12 A division.

The '79 Kirkwood Wildcats and the '79 Kirkwood Destroyers traveled to Shepardsdown, W.Va. for the Christmas Invitational Indoor Soccer Tournament over the weekend. The two teams met in the finals, with the Destroyers

defeating the Wildcats 3-1.

Jason Scruggs had four goals for the Destroyers over the course of the tournament. Corey Sagles and T.J. Harris had three each. Goalkeeper Steven Scruggs had 18 saves, and Harris had four. Kurt Ludenslager, Chris Scheve and Brooks Buckingham completed the roster for the Wildcats.

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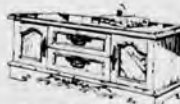
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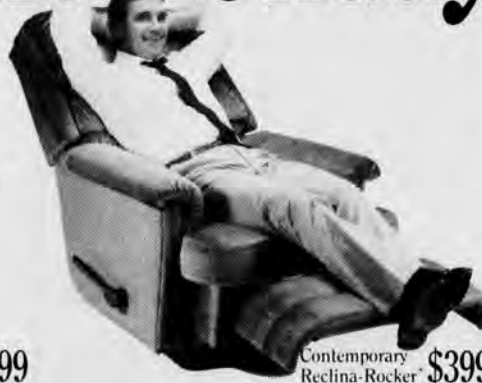
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TO
NANCY RUTH PRITT
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Nancy Ruth Epperson
Petitioner(s)
Dated: 11/12/88
np11/23-3

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE
IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Ahna Sue Robbins
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Ahna Sue Pressly
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ahna Sue Robbins intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change her name to Ahna Sue Pressly
Ahna Sue Robbins
Petitioner(s)
Dated: 11/29/88
np12/8-3

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE
IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Carolyn Ann Bittenbender
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Carolyn Ann Cordivano
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Carolyn A. Bittenbender
Petitioner(s)
Dated: 11/7/88
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE
IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
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PETITIONER(S)
TO
Garry Gabriel Avis
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Garry Gabriel Avis 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 name to Garry Gabriel Avis
Garry Gabriel Avis
Petitioner(s)
Dated: 12/5/88
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December 12, 1988 - 8 p.m.
1. SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. CITY SECRETARY'S MINUTES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL:
A. Regular Meeting held November 28, 1988
3. ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA - Time Limit 20 Minutes
*1. Others
4. ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:
A. Discussion re Reimbursement for Sewer Backup (Tabled 11/28/88)
5. VOUCHERS PAYABLE REPORT - Next Meeting
6. RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:
A. Contract 88-32 - Installation of Chain Link Fences at Dickey, Kells Avenue, and Lumbrook Parks
B. Contract 88-33 - Vehicle Towing & Impounding Services
7. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:
A. Bill 88-39 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 19, Minors, By Correcting the Age Reference in Section 19-7 to Make It Consistent With the Rest of the Section As Well as the State Code.
B. Bill 88-41 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Adopting Personnel Rules
7. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION/DEPARTMENT: None
8. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:
A. Bill 88-42 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Revising the Pay Plan for Management Employees, 2nd Read, 01/09/89
9. ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:
A. COUNCILMEMBERS:
1. Resolution No. 85 - Providing for Administratively Amending Personnel Rules for City of Newark Employees
B. COMMITTEES, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:
1. Recommendation from Community Development Advisory Committee to Amend Current (14th Year) Community Development Budget
2. Appointment to Newark Alcohol Abuse Commission
*C. Others:
10. ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA (As Time Allows & As Council Determines)
A. Council Members:
*B. Others:
11. SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:
A. Special Reports from Manager & Staff: None
B. Alderman's Report & Magistrate's Report
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np 12/8-1

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE
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TO
Jamall Raheem
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BRIAN L. Barbour
Petitioner(s)
DATED: November 14, 1988
np11/23-3

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE
IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
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Laura Roberta Cullen
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Laura Roberta Wright
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Laura R. Cullen
Petitioner(s)
DATED: 11-30-88
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Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter of the Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, Notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware on Monday, December 12, 1988 at 8 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Final Action and Passage the following proposed ordinances:
1. BILL 88-39 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 19, Minors, By Correcting the Age Reference in Section 19-7 to Make It Consistent With the Rest of the Section As Well As the State Code
2. BILL 88-41 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Adopting Personnel Rules
Susan A. Lamblack
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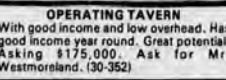
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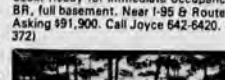
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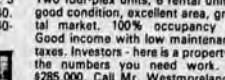
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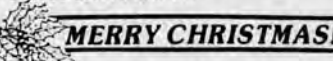
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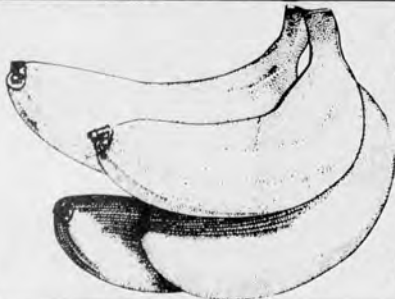
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Weird science: The sequel

Remember last week's column? I discussed the confusing intricacies of science and gave my explanation for matters scientific — like why eggs aren't square, why there are electrical short circuits, and why helium-filled balloons rise.

My adventures in science began in high school when I measured the speed of light at 105 miles an hour. At that point my physics teacher agreed to give me a passing grade only if I promised to avoid scientific laboratories at all costs; I have kept that promise. However, I did not promise him that I wouldn't think about scientific issues.

Which brings me to this week's topic — science and the housewife. Some male physicist gained immortality with the following observation: for every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction — which is the law that rocket engines work on.

Not to take away any glory from science, but every mother since the first toddler drew on a freshly scrubbed cave wall has known that. What she hasn't been able to do is take time from fighting off saber-tooth tigers, planning meals, driving carpools, and building the balloon booth at the PTA fun fair to write a weighty tome or hold a news conference — the kind that has dozens of microphones attached to the speaker's stand — to announce her history-making discovery.

Ask a three-year-old not to talcum powder the upstairs hall, and before you can say Jack Robinson, he has. Tell a kid not to put a pussy willow up his nose, and sure as shooting he will. If the little darling is nodding off in your arms, and you tell her she's a tired little muffin and its time to be tucked into her cozy bed, through yawns that could break her jaw, she maintains that she's not tired, never has been, never will be, and is ready to start the Boston Marathon as soon as she finds her Reeboks.

If those aren't examples of every action having an equal and opposite reaction, I don't know what are.

As long as I have discussed rockets, I might as well move on to what keeps airplanes aloft. My encyclopedia tells me that airplanes fly because lift and thrust overcome drag and gravity. My explanation is clearer: drag and gravity are the bad guys who play every dirty trick they can to keep an airplane from taking off and staying airborne. Lift and thrust are the white hats doing their darndest to get the passengers and mail from New York to Minneapolis via Atlanta.

Then there's that old conundrum: if a tree crashes to the ground in a forest and no one is there to hear it, is there any noise? A silly question! Forests are never empty. That's where the three bears, Red Riding Hood's grandmother, the birds that ate Hansel and Gretel's crumbs, and the seven dwarves live.

Let's finish up with the Third Law of Thermodynamics which states that the universe's entropy will inexorably increase — thereby ending the universe — unless the ambient temperature drops to absolute zero. In my scientific book, if it's absolute zero outside, the universe has ended. And if it hasn't it should've, because it will be too cold to start the car that is supposed to ferry a 7th grade violinist, an 8th grade timpanist, and two giggling 6th grade flutists to orchestra practice.

For those of you who do not understand entropy, the dictionary says entropy means unusable energy or chaos and the universe will eventually fall apart because all the energy it needed to hold itself together will be used up.

My domestic example is much clearer. Picture a teen's room just after some one has spent 8 hours cleaning and disinfecting it. Now picture that very same room after the teen has been in it for 20 minutes. That's entropy.

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Martha Stewart amidst the holiday splendor of her well-decked halls.

Photo courtesy Martha Stewart Inc.

Holiday with Martha Stewart

by Nancy Turner

When she isn't plundering through yards of satin ribbon in New York City, buying vegetable seeds in London or building miniature Viennese mansions of gingerbread, Martha Stewart writes books, produces videos, develops her own line of wares for K mart, and, oh yes, whips up cozy dinners for a couple hundred friends.

The high priestess of the hostess set, Stewart has planned fancy affairs for Ralph Lauren, Robert Ludlum, Estee Lauder and Dr. Seuss. She has put on the pot for her Connecticut neighbors, the Paul

Newmans. And she has overseen hundreds of weddings and wingdings for corporate clients like American Express, Whitney Museum and Sotheby's Galleries.

Recently, Stewart touched down in Delaware, inspiring guests at the annual Delaware Antiques Show held in the DuPont Country Club.

She fueled the holiday decorating imaginations of more than 300 local followers with innovative entertaining ideas that ranged from how to make soup tureens out of fresh pumpkins gilded with copper and 23 karat gold leaf paint, to how to transform household junk into decorating treasures.

"I'm never afraid of being extravagant," Stewart said, noting the

400 paper luminaries she used to light a path for dinner party guests visiting her 1805 "farmette" home, Turkey Hill, last month.

A self-proclaimed workaholic, Stewart said, "I love the challenge of starting at zero every day and seeing how much I accomplish. I love it if I can write four columns, a chapter, or even five chapters a day."

To fit everything into her busy schedule, Stewart awakens at 5 a.m. and stops working about midnight.

"Every day, I try to get an inspiration from some place, some thing or somebody," she said. "If I don't, I feel that I've been cheated that day."

Stewart's best-selling publications

include "Entertaining," "Quick Cook," "Pies and Tarts," "Hors d'Oeuvres" and "Weddings." The latter, which retails for \$50 nationally, is being sold for \$39.95 in K mart stores and will be available at the Castle Mall K mart in January.

She prepares videos for her "Secrets for Entertaining" series.

Among many other projects, Stewart is currently writing a Christmas entertaining book and here shares a few easy tips on yuletide decorations.

Table decorations. "Consider using table and mantle decorations that offer dual service," she said.

See MARTHA/3c



Jenny Smith tacks greenery to storefront in preparation for Caroling on the Lawn.

Here we go a caroling!

Wilmington has Caroling on the Square, a traditional gathering of Delawareans to sing in the holiday season.

Now Newark has its own version, Caroling on the Lawn.

The Newark Business Association has organized a festive evening of caroling, music and entertainment to be held Friday, Dec. 9 on the lawn of Main Street's Academy Building.

Activities will begin at 6 p.m. when the McDonald's Grimace character arrives to meet and hand out gifts to the children.

Through the next three hours there will be music by the Newark Community Band's brass ensemble, a carol sing and an appearance by the Phillie Phanatic.

There will also be prize drawings, and many downtown businesses will be holding open houses complete with edible treats and hot drinks.

There will be free parking in Newark Parking Authority lots.

This is the most elaborate holiday event yet staged by the

Newark Business Association, according to Anita Puglisi of the merchants' group.

"We are trying to start an event that in future years will enlarge," she said.

Puglisi said it is possible that if the event is a hit and continues in 1989 and beyond, the city may someday agree to close Main Street and turn it into a pedestrian mall for the evening.

The association is hoping a large number of Newark area residents will turn out for the event, in part to build community spirit.

"This is the community's focal point," Puglisi said. "People need to feel there's a spirit. We hope this gets people enthused about the downtown area."

The association is also encouraging participation by students, with Puglisi pointing out that caroling would make a great break from exams.

"Hopefully, people will be in the spirit," she said. And if not when they come, perhaps when they leave.

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COMMUNITY FILE



Ralph B. Farabaugh of Newark, state 4-H award winner for wood science projects, is attending the National 4-H Congress in Chicago this week.

• **Newark Jaycees** have been active in the community, sponsoring a Christmas bazaar Nov. 12 and delivering Thanksgiving food to the Emmaus House on Nov. 22. In addition, the Jaycees have been selling roses to benefit the Just Say No to drugs program. For information on Jaycees programs, call 368-8415.

• **First State Unit 10 of WAVES National**, a veterans organization for women in the sea services, recently installed officers during a luncheon at the DuPont Country Club. Serving two-year terms are: Jeannette W. Hurd, president; Pauline C. Wilson, vice president; Kristine Ottinger, secretary; Audrey C. VanGilder, treasurer; and Jeanne P. Rainer, state representative. WAVES National has more than 4,500 members in 57 units nationwide. The local unit is open to all women in Delaware and surrounding states who have served in the Navy, Navy WAVES, Navy Nurses, Naval Reserve, Coast Guard or Marines. For details, call Pauline Wilson at

737-6883 or Jeanne Rainer at 478-7004.

• **Contestants are being sought** for the 1989 Mrs. Delaware American Pageant, to be held April 2 in Wilmington. The pageant recognizes the accomplishments of married women who successfully balance the roles of wife, mother, professional and volunteer. Entrants must be married at least one year, live in Delaware and be between the ages of 18 and 60. Competition involves evening gown, swimsuit and interviews with celebrity judges. The reigning Mrs. Delaware is Kay Arden Noll of Newark. For information, call the pageant office at 475-1789.

• **Quota Club** is seeking nominations for its 10th annual Deaf Woman of the Year award. Nominees must be working women who have overcome their hearing difficulties and made a contribution to the community. For information or a nomination form, call 652-4088.

Books to brighten Christmas season

by John Micklos Jr.

CHILDREN'S BOOK BAG



There are any number of children's books that effectively capture the wonder of the holiday season. Here are a few of my favorites.

• **"The Polar Express,"** Chris Van Allsburg, published by Houghton Mifflin, 32 pp., 1985.

If I were able to share just one book with a child during the holiday season, I would choose "The Polar Express." This book, which won the Caldecott Medal as the best children's picture book of 1985, truly captures the magic of Christmas.

Told as a first person remembrance, the book describes a young boy's Christmas Eve journey to the North Pole aboard a mysterious train called the Polar Express. At the North Pole, the boy receives a special gift — one that has a very special magic for those who truly believe in the spirit of Christmas. Wonderful pastel drawings give a dreamlike quality to "The Polar Express." Adults will enjoy this book as much as children.

• **"The Clown of God,"** retold and illustrated by Tomie dePaola, published by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 48 pp., 1978.

In this beautiful retelling of an old legend, an orphan nam-

ed Giovanni becomes a famous juggler. Dressed as a clown, he brings joy to many people through the years as he shares his talent. As he grows older, however, his skills fail him and he is reduced to begging and sleeping in doorways.

On Christmas Eve, he watches people bring presents to a statue of Mary and the Holy Child. Then he offers the Holy Child the only gift he has, and a miracle occurs. Masterful artwork complements the text.

• **"Peter Spier's Christmas!"** illustrated by Peter Spier, published by Doubleday and Company, 36 pp., 1983.

This wordless picture book captures the joy and spirit of the holiday season through

more than 90 full-color paintings. The pictures show three young children and their parents as they shop, decorate, and finally exchange gifts on Christmas day.

The book paints a nostalgic yet modern picture of Christmas as we'd all like it to be. The illustrations contain lots of details that parents and children can discuss together.

• **"The Twenty-four Days Before Christmas: An Austin Family Story,"** Madeleine L'Engle, illustrated by Joe De Velasco, published by Harold Shaw Publishers, 48 pp., 1984.

Seven-year-old Vicky Austin is excited about her role as an angel in the Christmas

pageant, and she hopes that the baby her mother is expecting won't interfere with the family's Christmas plans.

Then on Christmas Eve day, a blizzard strikes, and the pageant is cancelled. The baby comes early and must be delivered at home, arriving just in time to make it a very special Christmas for the whole family.

• **"Amahl and the Night Visitors,"** Gian Carlo Menotti, illustrated by Michele Lemieux, published by William Morrow and Company, 64 pp., 1986.

In this handsome book version of the famous opera, the Three Kings stop at the home of Amahl, a crippled shepherd boy, on their way to Bethlehem. Seeing the gifts the kings are taking to the Christ Child, Amahl offers the only gift he had — his crutch. And then a miracle happens. Stunning watercolor artwork adds to the beauty of this book.

• **Tip of the Month.** — Make reading with your children a part of your holiday celebration. The reading of a favorite Christmas book can become a tradition that your family will cherish throughout the years.

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- **Caroling on the Lawn** will be held 6-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 at the Academy Building on Main Street. The event, sponsored by the Newark Business Association, will feature carols, music by the Newark Community Band Brass Ensemble and visits by the McDonald's Grimace and the Phillie Phanatic. There will be free parking in Newark Parking Authority lots, and many businesses will be holding open houses.
- **The University Singers**, conducted by Ruth Oatman, will perform a concert of traditional and modern Christmas music at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 in Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Featured will be traditional carols and "Hodie Christus Natus Est" by Palestrina. Also on the program is William Mathias' work, "Salvator Mundi," a Christmas carol sequence for choir and piano duet. That work, first performed in 1982, uses texts selected from 15th and 16th century poetry. The Singers will be accompanied by pianists David Reuschel and Carolsue Davis.
- **Saturday With Santa** will be held 9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 at the Newark Center YWCA. There will be caroling, light refreshments, ornament making, tree decorating and a visit by Santa. Fee is \$2. Call 368-9173 to register.
- **Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co.** and local entertainers will join Santa Claus on Main Street after 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10. Children will have an opportunity to climb aboard a fire engine. Also, there will be prizes from TCBY.
- **"Farmer's Christmas"** will be held 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 at the Delaware Agricultural Museum, North duPont Highway, Dover.
- **"Nutcracker"** will be performed by the Bridgeton, N.J. Symphony and the Vineland Regional Dance Company at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 at Bridgeton High School. Tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$7 for children 12 and under. Call (609) 451-1169 or (609) 691-6059.
- **"Nutcracker"** ballet music will be performed by the Newark Symphony Orchestra during its concert at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in John Dickinson High School, Milltown Road. Story narration will be by Ray Braun, operations manager of the orchestra. The program will focus on the story and the music, with no choreography. There will be a drawing for a "Nutcracker" soldier, and parents are encouraged to bring their children. Tickets cost \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for students and senior citizens, and will be available at the door.
- **Santa Claus** will visit the Newark Adult Day Care Center Monday morning, Dec. 12.
- **Delaware Choral Union**, conducted by Andrew Cottle, will present a holiday concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in Newark's First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St. Featured works will be Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms," Beethoven's "Ah, Perfido," Brahms' "Marienlieder" and traditional carols. The Delaware Choral Union is composed of University of Delaware students and residents of area communities.
- **Santa Claus** will make a special visit to the Stone Balloon at 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, giving away prizes and gifts. At 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, Santa will team up with the Phillie Phanatic for a special presentation at The Hamper. Santa will also visit Space II restaurant at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, and Klondike Kates at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16.
- **Newark's Banjo Dusters** will stroll along Main Street, offering a variety of Christmas songs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17 and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24. The Banjo Dusters will be joined by Santa Claus, who will give candy canes to the youngsters. The public is invited to join the holiday stroll, and to sing along.
- **"Gift of the Magi,"** a First Stage production, will be presented at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18 at the Grand Opera House, Wilmington. Tickets cost \$5. Call 652-5577.
- **Delaware Dance Company** will present a production of "Nutcracker" Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 17 and 18 in the University of Delaware's Mitchell Hall. For details, call 731-9615.
- **Santa Claus** will make house calls in Fairfield Crest on Monday, Dec. 19.



A youngster carefully unwraps candy cane presented by a Main Street Santa Claus.

Photo/Robert Craig

MARTHA STEWART

Some of her favorites are antique, animal-shaped ice cream molds, assortments of clay kitchen crocks and young potted spruce trees that can be planted outdoors later.

Small potted evergreens can be scattered throughout the house. Stewart has dressed them with pastel carnations set in individual water vials and use them as centerpieces. A graceful garland of gold organza ribbon emphasizes their elegance.

Trees may also be hung with painted cookies that can, themselves, dictate decorative formality or informality.

Also consider putting large, fancy cookies, one each, in clear corsage bags and hanging them from a special tree with bright ribbons as gifts for visiting children.

When the poinsettias are popped after Christmas, ornamental kale from a cold frame or hot house is a nice match with both topiaries and prim roses during harsh winter months.

Table coverings. Silk raglan, clean oriental rugs, quilts and ornate antique tapestries make extraordinary and exciting table dressings. Printed cotton fabrics of the 1950s that have recently returned to vogue show up at yard sales every day and can be bought for almost nothing.

Dishes and flatware. While Stewart encourages entertainers to pull out the sterling silver and put it to good use during the holidays, she also explains that it isn't always necessary to have the most expensive china and flatware to set the most attractive table.

Heavy stoneware, like the kind that has been used in diners for decades, is inexpensive and can be found in some fairly unusual patterns. Stewart is currently overseeing the reproduction of her favorite pine cone patterned "diner-ware" that will be available soon in K mart stores nationwide.

A large batter bowl can be a rustic alternative to a punch bowl. Imagine one that is filled with hot mulled cider and garnished with blanched almonds, cloves, lemons and orange peel.

Gingerbread houses. Stewart described the four-inch baroque Viennese Cathedral, detailed in lacy white icing and boasting numerous edible window panes made of melted sugar, that she created at the request of the American ambassador to Austria.

She has been catering his Christmas parties for many years and each Christmas vows never to make another gingerbread mansion. "That one took me seven days to make," she said.

Although it was the focal point of the ambassador's dessert buffet last year, Stewart said, "The guests wandered around the table for about two hours before anyone ate anything, while my heart nearly stopped because I was afraid that after weeks of work, no one would taste a bite."

"They began the dessert buffet at 7 o'clock. Before they let the children in to devour the gingerbread cathedral about 30 minutes later, I made a point of leaving."

"I got the bare board and lights back the next day and didn't inquire about the details."

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by Phil Toman



THE ARTS

'Brandywine Christmas' is wonderful show

This is the second in a series of four columns I am devoting to making your holidays happier. I hope I succeed.

Today I will turn to the Brandywine River Museum located on U.S. 1 in Chadds Ford, Pa. It is only a short, and beautiful, drive from Newark. At this time of year, the museum offers something for every age group.

"A Brandywine Christmas" is an opportunity to move back in time to a slower, quieter, more peaceful observance of this most joyous of seasons. My favorite is the gallery at this time of year. It is filled with a working display of 0 gauge model trains. There are the very old, and the ones we remember from our childhoods. Who wants to admit that he or she is old enough to have played with "antiques?"

The gallery is alive with the time that trains were the central toy in many families' Christmas celebrations. The museum volunteers who operate the trains are interested in talking to the old and young alike.

But there is more to "A Brandywine Christmas" than the model trains, much more.

Christmas comes naturally to the Brandywine River Museum. Nature has so many shapes, forms and lives, but few of us take the time to see them. Thank goodness that the volunteers at the BRM do just that. Throughout the year they

forage in nearby fields and woods searching for the basic elements for handmade natural ornaments. They have been busy since the colors changed combining twigs, cones, pods and seeds to fashion fanciful angels, glittering stars and hundreds of other charming ornaments for the giant tree at the museum and dozens of other spots in the old mill turned museum.

"A Brandywine Christmas" is a delightful way for a family to really see the things of nature which are native to our area. The whole family can see the diversity of form that exists in something as unassuming as a stand of wild grasses and to enjoy the artistic creations that come from the imaginations of the BRM volunteers.

Each year I marvel at the choirs of angels fashioned from teasel and cornhusk; stars made from pine cones, milkweed pods and grass, and the ever growing variety of Brandywine "critters."

"Noah's Ark" will be back again this year by popular demand. The museum volunteers will again create the display of finely crafted animal figures they began last year and, according to PR director John Sheppard, "It will be significantly expanded."

"A Brandywine Christmas" has been a favorite in this area since its inception about 15 years ago. It gained national attention in 1984 when the



The excitement and beauty of "A Brandywine Christmas" at the Brandywine River Museum, with dolls from a time gone by and timelessly popular trains run by Engineer Steven Clarke.

museum volunteers were asked to decorate the Christmas tree in the reception area of the White House by President and Mrs. Reagan. In 1986 it was recreated with hundreds more ornaments when it became the featured tree in the Smithsonian Institution's "Trees of Christmas" exhibition.

By the way, if you are look-

ing for a very special gift for a person who is hard to buy for, may I suggest the museum store at the BRM? There are so many beautiful and unusual offerings, it would be hard to imagine that you couldn't find something that was "just right."

The Brandywine River Museum is open every day but

Christmas from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children 6 to 12. For more information you may call (215) 388-7601 or (215) 459-1900.

"A Brandywine Christmas" is also a great way to introduce younger members of your family to this museum rich in art treasures. A trip this Christmas vacation can pay life long dividends for your children. Go and enjoy!

ENTERTAINMENT FILE

• Arden Music Gld will present its annual Alt Wein at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 in the Arden Gild Hall. The fund raising event will take visitors back in time to the era of the "waltz king," with the Arden Strauss Orchestra performing the composers most popular polkas and waltzes. For details, call Rae Gerstine at 475-7094 or Allen Tweddle at 475-1323.

• Auditions for the University Theatre production of Larry Gelbart's bawdy comedy, "Sly Fox," will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in Hartshorn Gym at Academy Street and Park Place. Speaking and non-speaking roles are available. Actors and actresses can come with a three-minute monologue or can request audition material from director James Cunningham. Callbacks will be Dec. 14. For details, call 451-2202.

• Auditions for "South Pacific," the Artists Theatre Association's spring production, will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Dec. 11 and 12, and at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Grace Episcopal Church, Concord Pike. Auditioners should bring music and be prepared to sing. For information, call Steve Gross, director, at 475-3014.

• Auditions for "1776," the spring production of the West Chester and Barley Sheat Players, will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 and Tuesday, Dec. 13 in the Lionville, Pa. playhouse. For information, call (215) 363-7075.

• Auditions for "Talley's Folly" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19 and Tuesday, Dec. 20 at the Wilmington Drama League, 10 W. Lea Blvd., Wilmington. Needed are on actor to portray a man in his early 40s and one actress to portray a woman in her late 20s to early 30s. For details, call 764-1172.

• The Austrian American Society is accepted applications from qualified music students for participation in its 1989 music scholarship competition. First prize is a scholarship to attend the summer term at the Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria. For details, call Cornelius B. Tyson at 655-4747. Application deadline is Jan. 21.

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ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

THEATER

• **"Lovers,"** an affecting study of Irish folkways by Brian Friel, is being staged by University Theatre at 8:15 p.m. Dec. 8-10 in the University of Delaware's Mitchell Hall. Tickets cost \$3-\$5. Call 451-2204 from noon to 5 p.m. weekdays and until curtain performance days.

• **"Sleeping Beauty"** will be performed Dec. 9-11 by the Young Peoples Theatre Program at Covered Bridge Theatre, 105 Railroad Ave., Elkton, Md. The script has been written and will be performed by young peoples, ages 5-17. Show times are 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9; 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11. Tickets cost \$4. Call (301) 392-3780.

• **"A Holiday Celebration at Barley Sheaf,"** three one-act holiday plays, will be presented Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 9-17 at the West Chester and Barley Sheaf Playhouse, 29 Whitford Rd., Lionville, Pa. The plays are "The Mouse Who Didn't Believe in Santa Claus," "The Littlest Angel" and "Gift of the Magi." Show times are 8:15 p.m., with matinees at 2 p.m. Dec. 10-11 and 17-18. Tickets cost \$5. Call (215) 363-7075.

• **"Rumpelstiltskin,"** the Candlelight Dinner Theatre children's luncheon production, will be staged Dec. 10, 17, 28 and 29 in Ardentown. Tickets cost \$6, and include lunch and show. For reservations, call 475-2313.

• **"Something Different,"** a Newark Senior Players production, will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9 and 10 in the Chapel Street Playhouse.

• **"Annie"** is being performed through Dec. 11 by the Delaware Children's Theatre. For information, call 656-3767.

• **"A Chorus Line"** is being presented through Dec. 17 at the Candlelight Music Dinner Theatre in Ardentown. Tickets cost \$16 to \$18.50. For reservations, call 475-2313.

• **"White Christmas"** is being staged until Dec. 31 at the Three Little Bakers Dinner Theatre in Pike Creek. Tickets cost \$22.95 to \$24.95. Call 368-1616.

• **"Master Harold...and the boys,"** Athol Fugard's powerful drama about life in South Africa, is being performed through Dec. 17 at the Delaware Theatre Company, Wilmington. For information, call 594-1100.

• **"Gift of the Magi,"** a First Stage production, will be presented at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18 at the Grand Opera House, Wilmington. Tickets cost \$5. Call 652-5577.

• **"The Turtle and the Hairy Hare"** will be performed through Dec. 30 by Children's Luncheon Theatre in the Candlelight Music Dinner Theatre, 2208 Miller Rd. Call 475-2313.

• **"A Christmas Carol,"** the Charles Dickens classic, will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 22 and 23 at the

Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, Baltimore. The Nebraska Theatre Caravan production will include authentic English carols, dancers, period costumes and special effects. For ticket information, call (301) 783-8000.

MUSIC

• **Delaware Symphony Orchestra** will perform works by Corigliano, Sibelius, Schubert and Kodaly during concerts at 8 p.m. Dec. 9-10 in the Grand Opera House, Wilmington. Dong-Suk Kang, hailed for his artistry, virtuosity and charismatic presences on stage, will be violin soloist. Tickets cost \$18-\$30. Call 652-5577.

• **The University Singers,** conducted by Ruth Oatman, will perform a concert of traditional and modern Christmas music at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 in Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Featured will be traditional carols and "Hodie Christus Natus Est" by Palestrina. Also on the program is William Mathias' work, "Salvator Mundi," a Christmas carol sequence for choir and piano duet. That work, first performed in 1982, uses texts selected from 15th and 16th century poetry. The Singers will be accompanied by pianists David Reuschel and Carolsue Davis.

• **University of Delaware Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble** will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue. The concert is free.

• **Newark Symphony Orchestra,** conducted by Roman Pawlowski, will perform the "Nutcracker" ballet music of Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky during a concert at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in John Dickinson High School, Milltown Road. The story will be narrated by Ray Braun, operations manager of the orchestra. Emphasis will be on the music and story; the performance has not been choreographed. Parents are encouraged to bring children, and there will be a drawing for a carved "Nutcracker" soldier. Tickets cost \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens and students, and will be available at the door.

• **Madrigal Singers of Wilmington** will present a Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 8th and Shipley streets, Wilmington. The concert will be in two parts. The first will feature Bach's "Magnificat in D." Soloists will be Barbara Tilton, soprano; Bettie Scott, contralto; Robert Grenfel and Frederick Zumsteg, tenors; and Laurence Ferris, baritone. David Anderson will be accompanist and Virginia Vaalburg will conduct. The second will feature Renaissance entertainment and costumes, with music from five nations spanning five centuries.

• **Handel's "Messiah"** will be performed at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in Delaware State College's Education and Humanities Theatre, Dover. Admission is free.



Jon Cooper of Leola, Pa. and Kate Brennan of Newark are featured in the University Theatre production of Brian Friel's "Lovers." The show will complete its runs with performances at 8:15 p.m. tonight through Saturday, Dec. 8-10. For tickets, call 451-2204.

• **LanChester Chorus** will perform at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 at the Brandywine River Museum, Chadds Ford, Pa.

• **"An Evening of Jazz"** will be presented at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12 in the University of Delaware's Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Featured will be a variety of University jazz groups, including the jazz ensemble, jazz combo and faculty jazz ensemble. The program includes "Skating in Central Park," "How High the Moon," "Cafe Royale" and "I'm Beginning to See the Light." The concert is free.

• **St. Andrews School Concert Choir** of Middletown will perform at 7 and 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12 at Longwood Gardens.

• **Delaware Choral Union,** conducted by Andrew Cottle, will present a holiday concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in Newark's First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St. Featured works will be Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms," Beethoven's "Ah, Perfido,"

Brahms' "Marianlieder" and traditional carols. The Delaware Choral Union is composed of both University of Delaware students and residents of area communities.

• **New Ark Chorale** will perform at 7 and 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Longwood Gardens. The chorale will perform songs from Renaissance Europe to 20th century America, including selections by Germany's Praetorius, Italy's Vittoria and America's Pinkham.

• **A Christmas celebration in song and verse,** featuring the Center City Chorale, will be held at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 at First and Central Presbyterian Church, Rodney Square, Wilmington.

• **Vienna Choir Boys** will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 in the Grand Opera House, Wilmington. Tickets cost \$14-\$20. Call 652-5577.

• **Unionville Chorale and brass Choir** will perform at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 at the Brandywine River Museum.

ART

• **"Winter in the Wedge,"** an open studio by Newark artist Wynn Breslin, will be held 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, Dec. 10-11 and 17-18. The studio, located on Terrapin Lane off Del. 896 just north of Carpenter State Park, will also be open by appointment. For details, call 731-5738.

• **Panoramic photographs by Al Greening of Newark** will be displayed through Jan. 6 in the Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Rd. Panoramas will include the University of Delaware campus, historical New Castle, and scenes from Alaska and the West Coast.

• **Newark photographer Joseph Redden** is displaying his works through Jan. 3 in the Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. The photographs can be seen during regular library hours.

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Sharing spirit of Christmas presents

by Nancy Turner

"It just doesn't seem like Christmas anymore," was what Liz and Jose Principe heard from their six children after moving to Delaware from Miami in 1985.

The Principe children, who then ranged in age from 5 to 14, didn't intend to complain. Their father had a good job with ICI Americas and they had a nice new home in Salem Woods with a decorated tree and presents. Life was good in Newark.

So why wasn't Christmas? "We weren't sharing," said Liz Principe.

Prior to the move, the Principes had enjoyed an ongoing family project of collecting and repairing toys for needy children in Miami.

"When we came here, we didn't know anybody to help," said Principe. However, that minor technicality was easily remedied with a couple of calls to government agencies in the area.

In 1986, Principe received the names of a handful of needy children and immediately began buying toys from The Goodwill Stores, the Salvation Army and summer yard sales.

One week she brought home a doll; the next week, a tea set, some clothes and a bicycle. And within a few short months, there was a small branch of the North Pole in the Principe basement on Risa Court, staffed by a family of eight of the best "elves" around.

Every member of the family took part in carefully washing, repairing, mending, painting, and gluing the things Liz Principe brought home. They hunted for extra wheels, made hats for dolls without hair and worked wonders with stuffed animals. By the time December arrived,

dozens of toys, and the Principe Christmas spirit, were as good as new.

"I always wanted my children to be thankful for their blessings and know how to care about others," said Principe. "Children today are growing up in world that teaches them to take. This teaches them to share."

Last year, the Principes gave toys to the children of 50 families, but after getting involved with the youth group of the newly-formed Abundant Life Christian Church of Newark and dropping fliers around Salem Woods asking for toy donations, the project really boomed.

The elf staff grew to over 30 Christian young people. Neighbors responded by dropping off their extra toys at the Principe residence where a stuffed hound could get a tunic made from a child's dicky and blind teddy bear could get shiny black button eyes.

The newly-formed congregation of the Abundant Life Church doesn't have a church building yet, so Risa Court is still "operation headquarters" but this fine organization of young people hopes to make Christmas bright for over 200 area needy children this year.

Under the leadership of Rev. David E. Frain, senior pastor, and Rev. Thomas Gayton, associate pastor, the Abundant Life Church supports year-long projects through its Extended Hands Outreach Program. Projects range from getting individuals warm beds to sleep in, jobs, and housing, to working with the Emmaus House of Newark and Mother Mary House in Wilmington. Most of their referrals come from Catholic Charities and the Delaware Children's Bureau.

"We have about 45 families in our church and every family sponsors a specific child and



Helpers in Santa's Salem Woods annex, the Principe home.

buys him or her a Christmas present," said Principe.

"It works fine because we will give the child two toys, a small used toy and a new toy. He will get the used toy at our party. The new toy that was purchased by the sponsoring family is given to the child's mother to put under the tree for Christmas morning."

"We could just give the child both gifts, but we have found that no matter how poor or rich a mother is, she will always want to do something for her child at Christmas, even if she can't do anything else all year. The new gift will be from her."

"We are in a position where we are blessed today, but we don't know what might come

tomorrow," added Principe. "I would hope that if I were in the same position as these people are, someone would care enough to give my child a coat or a meal. I have six children and I know how hard it is to buy clothes and food."

"We have this expression that says, 'we complain about not having shoes to match our clothing until we go down to the corner and see someone who has no legs.' Who are we to complain about anything?"

On Dec. 17, the Abundant Life Church will hold its Christmas party at old Asbury Methodist Church in Wilmington. Three of the four shelters they serve are in the city.

While the adults are preparing

a nice meal, the youth group will focus on entertaining their guests with a play, music and games.

They have collected 60 lovely new gifts from their small congregation to give to the children and repaired many more.

They anticipate that 200 needy children will attend. This year, of the used toys that were donated, there were only four used dolls.

Anyone wishing to donate children's clothing, toys or financial contributions may send them to: Abundant Life Christian Church, Meadowood II, Suite S 2644 Capitol Trail, Newark, DE 19711. Or, deliver them directly to Jose and Liz Principe, 4 Risa Court, Salem Woods, Newark.

CHURCH CALENDAR

• **Project Angel Tree**, a Christmas ministry to the children of Delaware inmates, will hold its annual holiday parties Saturday, Dec. 10. The Prison Fellowship program needs "angels" to provide gifts for 125 additional children. For information or to volunteer, call Peg or Bob Laird at 478-1208.

• **White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church**, Polly Drummond Hill Road, will offer a special Christmas presentation by its chancel choir at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services on Sunday, Dec. 11.

• **United Campus Ministry** will host Dr. Marc Ellis, noted novelist and lecturer, at a covered dish dinner at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 in the ministry building, 20 Orchard Rd. Ellis is an associate professor at Maryknoll School of Theology, where he directs the Institute for Justice and Peace. The topic of his talk here will be "The Palestinian Uprising and the Future of the Jewish People." Ellis was recently in the Middle East and has some dynamic and thought-provoking comments to share about the Jewish experience and options for the future. The discussion is open to the public. There will be a \$5 fee to help defray costs.

• **"Dreams, A Doorway to Heaven,"** an introductory Eckankar program, will be held 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17 at the George Wilson Community Center, New London Road. The program is sponsored by the Delaware Satang Society, a chartered affiliate of Eckankar. For information, call 322-7673 or 731-4164.

• **White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church**, Polly Drummond Hill Road, will hold its Christmas pageant at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18. Nursery will be provided.

• **Newark's First Presbyterian Church** will hold candlelight Christmas Eve services at 7 and 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24. The church is located on West Main Street.

• **White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church**, Polly Drummond Hill Road, will hold Christmas Eve services at 7 and 11 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24. The 7 o'clock service will be a family service, and the 11 o'clock service will be a communion service. The church will hold Christmas day service at 11 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

• **Body and Soul**, a ministry in Christian fitness, will begin its winter session on Tuesday, Jan. 3. The program offers high and low impact aerobics for women, with exercises performed to contemporary Christian music. Classes will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesdays and 9 a.m. Saturdays in Newark United Methodist Church, and at 9:45 a.m. Thursdays at White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church. Child care will be offered during the Thursday sessions. For more information, contact Karen Macaleer at 366-8573.

• **Chesapeake Theological Seminary** will offer two evening courses — "Teaching in the Spirit" and "Writing for Ministry" — during its January term. They are open to lay men and women throughout the region. For details, call (301) 788-7646.

Project Angel Tree in need of additional donors

Throughout Delaware, indeed throughout the nation, forgotten victims of crime will receive gifts at Christmas from people they have never met.

These victims are the children of men and women held in the nation's prisons, and they will benefit through the Project

Angel Tree program of Prison Fellowship.

Prison Fellowship is a Christian outreach to inmates, ex-offenders and their families.

Many Newark area churches have been participating in Project Angel Tree, and their members may have seen the

special Christmas trees decorated with paper angels that bear the first names and gift wishes of the children of inmates.

Individuals select angels, purchase the gift listed and present the item to Angel Tree

volunteers.

Gifts will be distributed to children at parties or hand-delivered to their homes in time for Christmas.

This year, parties will be held Saturday, Dec. 10.

Peg and Bob Laird estimate

that 1,000 Delaware children will be assisted this year. Still, there are about 125 gift wishes yet to be filled, 96 in New Castle County alone.

To participate in Project Angel Tree, call the Lairds at 478-1208.

Maryknoll professor to discuss 'Palestinian Uprising'

"The Palestinian Uprising and the Future of the Jewish People" will be discussed by Dr. Marc Ellis Sunday, Dec. 11 at the United Campus Ministry, 20 Orchard Rd.

The covered dish dinner and

discussion will begin at 6 p.m.

Ellis, a noted novelist and lecturer, is associate professor at Maryknoll School of Theology and directs the Maryknoll-based Institute for Justice and Peace. He recently visited the Middle

East and has some dynamic and thought-provoking comments on the Jewish experience and options for the future.

In a paper presented at Northwestern University, Ellis wrote, "We can only move

ahead by affirming the Holocaust and Israel as important parts of Jewish identity while insisting that they are not and cannot become the sum total of what it means to be Jewish."

That paper was later published by the American Arab Affairs Council.

Sunday's discussion is open to the public. A \$5 admission charge will be used to defray costs.



White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church
15 Polly Drummond Hill Road, Newark, DE 19711
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A GUIDE TO AREA WORSHIP SERVICES

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY

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• **"Holiday Fashion Extravaganza"** will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Newark's George Wilson Community Center on New London Road. Featured will be fashions from local designers and stores. Tickets cost \$2 in advance, \$3 at the door, and are available from Fashion Bug and Tuxedos Unlimited in College Square, Rlenzi's Formal Wear on South Chapel Street, Kismet Boutique and Headlines on Main Street and 16 Plus in Castle Mall. Tickets are also available at the community center and at the Newark Department of Parks and Recreation office in the Newark Municipal Building. For details, call 366-7069 or 366-7060.

• **Newark Senior Center, 9 a.m.**, preregistration for food distribution, bowling at Blue Hen Lanes; 9:30 a.m., shopping; 10 a.m., Signing Group; 10 a.m., Signing Group; 11 a.m., trip to Bethlehem, Pa.; 1 p.m., Senior Players; 8 p.m., Senior Players perform "Something Different" at Chapel Street Theater.

SATURDAY

10

• **YWCA of New Castle County** will sponsor a **New York holiday shopping** bus trip today. The bus will leave the Newark center at 8:30 a.m. and return about 10 p.m. Cost is \$26 for YWCA members, \$26 for non-members. For details or reservations, call Jackie Katz at 658-7161.

• **Saturday With Santa** will be held 9:30-11 a.m. at the Newark Center YWCA. Featured will be ornament making, tree decorating, caroling, light refreshments and a visit with Santa. Cost is \$2 per person for anyone over age one. To register, call 368-9173.

MONDAY

12

• **Registration begins today** for the Newark Center YWCA's

Winter session. That session will start Jan. 3 and includes exercise, aquatic and special interest classes for adults and children. Call 368-9173 for details.

• **Sierra Club's Delaware Group** will hold a holiday dinner party at 6:30 p.m. in the Ashland Nature Center on Brackenville Road. There will be a buffet, slide show and door prizes.

• **Newark Coin Club** will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of Faith City School, Frontage Road, near Christiana Mall. There will be a program on U.S. proof sets, a hobby update and refreshments. For information, call Carl Riethe at 322-2822.

• **Newark Senior Center, 9 a.m.**, preregistration for food distribution; 10 a.m., knitting instruction; 11 a.m., Bend and Stretch; 12:30 p.m., canasta; 12:40 p.m., bridge.

TUESDAY

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• **Preschool story hour** will be held at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave. Featured will be the filmstrips "Mousekin's Christmas Eve," "Bear's Christmas" and "Cranberry Christmas." Story hour is for children ages 3½ to 6. For details, call 731-7550.

• **Families Caring for Elderly Relatives** will meet this evening at the University of Delaware Adult Day Care Center, located in Newark Hall on Academy Street at Lovett Avenue. There will be an open discussion of concerns. The program, sponsored by Delaware Cooperative Extension, is for families who have older relatives living independently, with them or in a nursing home. For details, call 451-1239.

• **Newark Senior Center, 9 a.m.**, bowling at Blue Hen Lanes; 10 a.m., Over 60 Fitness; 12:30 p.m., 500, shuffleboard, Tuesday After Lunch program on "Having a Happy Holiday," with a

representative of the Mental Health Association; 1 p.m., appliance repair; 6 p.m. food distribution.

WEDNESDAY

14

• **American Association of Retired Persons, Newark Chapter** 3517, will meet for its annual Christmas party at 1 p.m. in St. Nicholas Church, Old Newark Road and Chestnut Hill Road. If you have not already signed up, call 368-3169 to find out what to bring to the luncheon.

• **Newark Senior Center, 9 a.m.**, chess; 9:30 a.m., Radio City trip; 10 a.m., art class, needlepoint; 12:30 p.m., pinochle; 12:45 p.m., bingo.

THURSDAY

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• **American Association of Retired Persons, New Castle Chapter**, will hold its annual Christmas luncheon at 12:30 p.m. in the Village Station restaurant, Hares Corner. Reservations are due Monday, Dec. 12. Call Frances Joseph at 994-6437.

• **Newark Network**, a program for single parents and their children, will hold its holiday meeting this evening in Calvary Baptist Church, 215 E. Delaware

Ave. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. with dinner. Participants are asked to bring a favorite topping for baked, stuffed potatoes. Beverage and dessert will be provided. Following dinner, there will be activities for the children — child care for preschoolers and homework help for older children. For adults, there will be a discussion on managing holiday stresses. To register for child care and dinner, call 737-4711. Newark Network is sponsored by Delaware Cooperative Extension, New Ark United Church of Christ and the Newark YWCA.

• **Delaware Nicaragua Network** will complete its fall forum series with a lecture by Dr. Edward Herman of the University of Pennsylvania at 7:30 p.m. in the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 420 W. 11th St. Herman will speak on "The Mass Media as a Propaganda System: The Case of Central America."

• **Newark Senior Center, 10 a.m.**, Blue Cross, ceramics, discussion group; 12:30 p.m., duplicate bridge, shuffleboard, Caravel Academy party; 1:30 p.m., dancing, Scrabble; 7:30 p.m., Alzheimer Support Group.

FRIDAY

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• **Newark Senior Center, 9 a.m.**, bowling at Blue Hen Lanes;

9:30 a.m., shopping; 10 a.m., Signing Group.

SATURDAY

17

• **Irish Culture Club of Delaware** will hold a Christmas dance 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Maryland Avenue and Rodney Street, Wilmington. Cost is \$5 per person at the door. There will be live Irish music, Irish tea and scones and cash bar.

SUNDAY

18

• **"A Brief Tour of the Universe"** will be offered at 2 p.m. by the Delaware Museum of Natural History, Del. 52, Greenville. The tour, an illustrated presentation for children and adults, will be led by Sheila Vincent, museum staff member and technical associate at Mt. Cuba Astronomical Observatory. The tour will "visit" various parts of the universe, and will conclude with tips on which constellations and planets to look for in coming months. The program is free with regular museum admission of \$2.50 for adults, \$1.75 for senior citizens, students and children three and older. For details, call 658-9111.

FUTURE EVENTS

• **A variety of trips** are being offered by the Newark Department of Parks and Recreation. They include: "Nutcracker" at the Academy of Music, Dec. 21; "Mickey's Diamond Jubilee" on ice, Dec. 29; Philadelphia 76ers versus Boston Celtics, Jan. 18; Montage ski trip, Jan. 20; Philadelphia Flyers versus Montreal Canadiens, Feb. 16. For fees, information and registration, call 366-7060 or visit the department office in the Newark Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Rd.

• **Newark Jaycees** is selling tickets to a magic show to be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21 at Christiana High School. For tickets or details, call 368-8415 or contact any Newark Jaycee.

• **Holiday bowling** for youths in grades one through seven will be held 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27 at Brunswick Blue Hen Lanes in the Newark Shopping Center. The program is sponsored by the Newark Department of Parks and Recreation, and registration fee includes two games, shoe rental and snack. Fee is \$6.50 for city residents, \$7.50 for the general public. Registration is due by Dec. 21. Call 366-7060.

• **Newark High School Class of 1979** is planning its 10-year reunion for the summer of 1989. Class members interested in helping or attending should send current address to: Reunion '89, P.O. Box 12182, Wilmington, DE 19850.

MUSEUMS

• **"Very Victorian,"** an exhibit of Victorian clothing and accessories, is on view through Dec. 31 in the Meetinghouse Gallery of the Delaware State Museum, 316 S. Governors Ave., Dover. Victorian items are displayed in such settings as a milliner's shop, a skating scene, a fancy ball and a turn-of-the-century office. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday.

• **"Presidential Possibilities"** is on view through Jan. 20 at the

Historical Society of Delaware, 505 Market Street Mall, Wilmington. The exhibit examines Delaware's role in presidential campaigns, past and present. Documents, photographs and memorabilia date from 1789. Included are buttons and posters of the 1988 primary campaigns of favorite sons Joseph Biden and Pierre S. duPont IV. Hours are 1-9 p.m. Monday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Admission is free.

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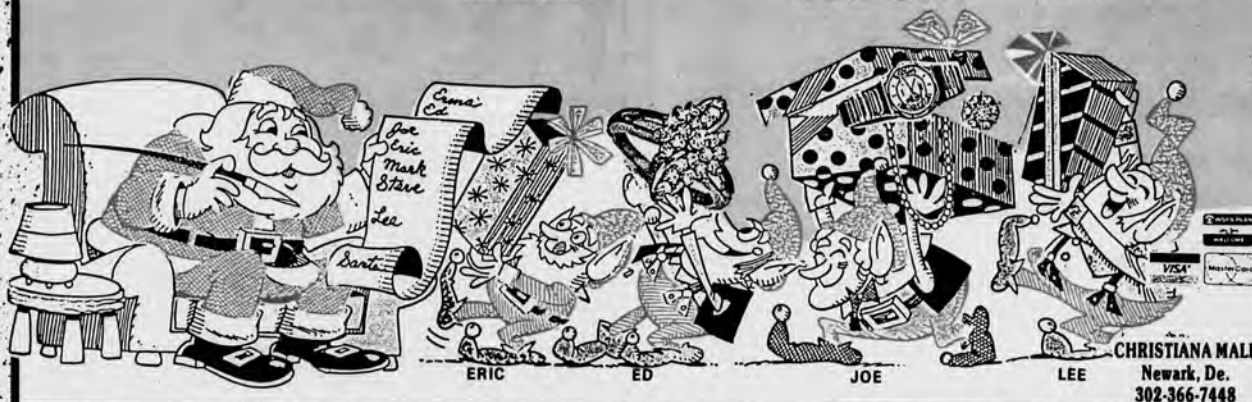
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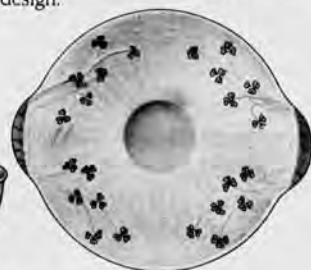
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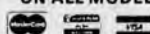
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