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## UP FRONT

### It was 'best ever'

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

OUR sports editor Marty Valania, never one to let an opportunity to get a leg up on someone pass him by, annually chides me for promoting Newark Nite or Community Day as the "best ever."

Well, Marty, this year's combo event was, in fact, the best ever.

I admit at first I was skeptical when the prospect of rolling Community Day, Downtown With The Arts and Freshman Parents Weekend into one grand event surfaced. (And this was before midget motorcycle racing came into the picture.)

History has proven that Community Day is an annual success on its own. Parents weekend is a special-interest event not of concern to most Newarkers. Downtown With The Arts, while limited in scope, was growing and had potential.

So why throw them all together?

Community Day traditionally has had two goals.

First, to bring the Newark community onto the University of Delaware campus to interact with students. The citizens-on-campus part works. And you see a few students during the day.

The second goal has been

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## OUR COMMUNITY HAS ITS DAY!

ALL the traditional favorites were there — scarecrow-making, crafts, funnel and crab cakes, civic groups, and live entertainment. But there were many new twists to Community Day 2003. Rainy weather disappeared to create a near-perfect backdrop for Newark's fall festival. In addition to the events on the University of Delaware's Green, shown below, the Newark Arts Alliance hosted "Downtown With The Arts" while freshman parents strolled Main Street. Mini-moto racing, top right, drew enthusiastic crowds at the Newark Shopping Center.

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## Surcharge on tap

New fees suggested for alcohol-related charges to help pay for initiative

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

BEEFED up alcohol enforcement in the City of Newark requires additional income and City Council will be asked to consider an ordinance that would provide more dollars at its regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building on Elkton Road.

A public hearing will be held on an ordinance that would "levy an additional ten percent of every fine or monetary assessment for the alcohol-related crimes or offenses" as imposed by the alderman. If a fine is suspended in whole or in part, the penalty assessment would not be suspended. The mandatory penalty assessment collected would go to the city to help pay for the Alcohol Beverage Control Program.

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## A gap on Main Street?

Phone campaign not successful in preventing departure of The Gap

By ELIZABETH COE

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

THE GAP store on Main Street will close at the end of this month, despite protests from residents during a 'Save The Gap' campaign.

During the past weeks, area residents voiced their displeasure about the closing by calling Gap national offices and either leaving messages or speaking to a Gap representative.

According to Maureen Feeney-Roser, the city's assistant planning director and administrator for the Downtown Newark





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## SWAT team makes arrests

**ARMED** with search warrants, the New Castle County Police's SWAT Team arrested one armed robbery suspect here while another remains at large.

Police were seeking two alleged gunmen wanted for armed robbery. On Friday, Sept. 12 at approximately 9:15 a.m., the SWAT Team acted on two search warrants simultaneously in the Admiral's Club Apartments.

Police said that Antwine Horta, 27, who lives in the complex, was found inside his home and was arrested. Officers said he and a second suspect are accused of robbing a man of his cell phone at gunpoint in the parking lot of the Admiral's Club apartments in May.

The second suspect, a juvenile, was not present inside the home in Building 2. The youth is wanted for three robberies that have occurred in the apartments. He is accused of committing two robberies on Sunday, Sept. 7. One of the alleged victims was his neighbor and the second was a man he accosted in the parking lot, police reported.

Horta has been charged with robbery in the first degree, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, assault in the second degree, possession of a firearm-ammunition by a person prohibited, and conspiracy.

At press time, the 16-year-old remained at large. He is considered armed and dangerous.

Persons with information about the incident are asked to contact the New Castle County Police Department, 395-8171.

County police reported they are investigating a series of additional burglaries that have occurred over the same time period in the Admiral's Club apartments.

## Police come upon fight with knife

Newark police officers working alcohol enforcement on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 12:29 a.m. came upon an altercation on South Chapel Street at Cleveland Avenue.

Police said officers approached two men in an altercation, one waving a knife. The two were taken into custody.

Police investigation is continuing and charges are expected soon.

## Wanted by police

While investigating a traffic

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## Student charged with Rx forgery

**A** 20-year-old University of Delaware student was charged with forging a prescription for Vicodin on Sunday, Sept. 7.

Police said the student was issued a prescription for 30 pills by the UD health center but a pharmacist at Happy Harry's in Newark noticed the paper had been altered to read

80 pills.

Police were notified and after a short investigation arrested Drew Eric Kamil, 20, of Newark. He was charged with forgery.

He was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 20 and released on \$750 bond, police said.

accident at Tyre and East Delaware avenues on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 7:48 p.m., Newark police took a 31-year-old Newark man into custody.

Police said Guy J. Francois, of Newark, was wanted by the New Castle County Court of Common Pleas for an outstanding warrant for failure to pay on a possession of controlled substance charge.

Francois was taken to NPD headquarters and later to Justice of the Peace Court 11, where he posted \$300 and was released, police said.

## 12-year-old charged

A 12-year-old Maryland youth was arrested and hit with 10 charges after a car was stolen.

Police were told on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 4:31 p.m. that the youngster was driving the 1995 Ford Escort in the area. The car was seen in the West Branch area and Newark police set up a roadblock on West Mill Station.

Police charged the 12-year-old with unauthorized use of a motor

vehicle, criminal mischief, failure to obey a traffic device, unreasonable speed, reckless driving, operating a motor vehicle without a license and other traffic charges.

The youth's father refused to take custody of the boy, police said, so the youngster was taken to the Camelot youth detention facility.

## UD student loses purse

A University of Delaware student told Newark police that on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 7 p.m. she lost her purse.

The woman told officers she forgot that she had set her pocketbook on the trunk of a friend's car before they headed to Delaware Stadium for a football game.

Her friend later told the victim that she remembered seeing a black object fall as the car turned onto South College Avenue from West Park Place.

The victim returned to the area and was told by a passer-by that a

car had stopped and the occupants picked up the purse, then left the area.

The woman told police on Sunday that her credit card bank told her someone had unsuccessfully tried to use her card.

ID, credit cards, checks, a camera and dorm key were in the missing purse, police were told.

## Shoplifting arrest

Employees at Superfresh, 401 New London Road, had to chase and forcibly hold a man who shoplifted two cartons of cigarettes at 12:45 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 14, Newark police were told.

Store employees chased a suspect into the lobby of nearby apartments where a struggle took place. One store employee told police he was struck in the jaw.

Michael J. McDowell, 36, of Newark, was charged with shoplifting goods valued at \$64 and offensive touching, police said.

During processing at NPD headquarters, police learned that McDowell was wanted by Kent County Superior Court for violation of parole. He was transported to Gander Hill prison.

## Car damaged

A homeowner in the 300 block South College Avenue told Newark police that someone used a piece of metal to damage the passenger window of his car sometime Saturday night, Sept. 13.

Damage was estimated to be \$200.

## Graffiti arrest

A 14-year-old Newark High School student was arrested by Newark police after he was seen writing graffiti on the rear of a building at the Newark Shopping Center on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 7:10 p.m., police said.

## Man assaulted

A 20-year-old University of Delaware student told Newark police he was punched and knocked to the ground as he walked on East Cleveland near North College Avenue at midnight, Saturday, Sept. 13.

The victim told police a black male got out of a passing car and attacked him without provocation. Witnesses confirmed the victim's recollection.

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## Weekly crime report

STATISTICS FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 24-30, 2003 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

INVESTIGATIONS	CRIMINAL CHARGES					
	2002 TO DATE	2003 TO DATE	THIS WEEK	2002 TO DATE	2003 TO DATE	THIS WEEK
<b>PART I OFFENSES</b>						
Murder/manslaughter	0	0	0	0	1	0
Attempted murder	0	3	1	0	1	0
Kidnap	1	3	0	4	2	0
Rape	8	4	0	0	2	0
Unlawful sexual contact	8	7	0	1	9	3
Robbery	32	46	1	34	28	2
Aggravated assault	5	15	1	9	16	0
Burglary	125	120	2	23	10	1
Theft	661	675	33	168	171	3
Auto theft	106	94	1	2	9	0
Arson	5	3	0	0	2	0
<b>TOTAL PART I</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>PART II OFFENSES</b>						
Other assaults	277	207	3	217	171	2
Receiving stolen property	3	3	0	24	27	0
Criminal mischief	509	485	15	72	65	4
Weapons	8	11	0	55	62	0
Other sex offenses	9	10	0	3	3	1
Alcohol	241	336	6	488	523	21
Drugs	93	101	2	21	194	14
Noise/disorderly premise	389	339	4	238	168	4
Disorderly conduct	838	815	19	84	100	3
Trespass	111	100	1	39	19	1
All other	659	553	17	260	285	3
<b>TOTAL PART II</b>	<b>3137</b>	<b>2960</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1701</b>	<b>1617</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>						
Alarm	1269	1050	34	0	0	0
Animal control	506	527	21	26	30	6
Recovered property	218	173	3	0	0	0
Service	6844	6494	181	0	0	0
Suspicious person/vehicle	793	660	17	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>9630</b>	<b>8904</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>THIS WEEK 2002</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>2002 TO DATE</b>	<b>21489</b>	<b>THIS WEEK 2003</b>	<b>2003 TO DATE</b>	<b>20735</b>
<b>TOTAL CALLS</b>						



# Binge drinking down at UD, study says

By **DARREL W. COLE**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**B**INGE drinking and the effects on others from alcohol abusers has significantly declined at the University of Delaware, according to a survey from the Harvard School of Public Health.

"The latest set of data is the most positive we've seen," said John Bishop, UD's associate vice president for counseling and student development, in a Sept. 16 announcement.

The recent survey, conducted each year with several other participating universities, was sent to the schools for review.



Bishop

The results show that 54.3 percent of students surveyed said they drink to get drunk, the lowest since 1993. Meanwhile, students reported a 57 percent binge drinking rate, less than 2002's 63 percent but still higher than the record low of 56 percent in 1999 and 2000.

Bishop said the results show "record lows" in the percentages of students who drink to get drunk, and among students whose drinking caused them to have a hangover, miss a class, get

behind in school work, do something they regret, forget where they were and what they did, argue with friends, engage in unplanned sexual activity, damage property or suffer an injury.

In addition, there were record lows in the percentages of students who report being bothered by actions of drinkers through insult or humiliation, an argument, an assault, property damage, interrupted study or sleep, sexual assault or date rape.

Ten years ago UD was perceived as a party school, and Bishop said the results of the Harvard survey show much progress has been made since that time thanks to cooperative efforts between the city, university and the community. Now, Bishop said UD "is perceived as a strong academic institution that is attracting record numbers of applications."

Major reasons for improvement include the contributions of the non-profit Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. In 1996, the foundation awarded UD a five-year \$700,000 grant to battle "high-risk drinking." In 2001, the foundation awarded a five-year \$468,000 grant.

Other factors for change include the formation of the Building Responsibility Coalition, student-led campaigns to educate others about the dangers of drinking and the university's leadership in supporting

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Eric "Broadway" Jones, of the Harlem Wizards, goes one-on-one in a game of catch with Deonte Strange. Much to the delight of his fellow classmates, Strange won.

## Harlem Wizards visit Marshall Elementary School

By **SCOTT MCALLISTER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**T**HERE'S more than just having athletic skills to help a team win on the basketball court. That's the message sent to students at Thurgood Marshall Elementary School.

Early into their school year, the youngsters got a lesson in teamwork and sportsmanship when two members of the Harlem Wizards, the minor league team of the Harlem Globetrotters, paid a visit to the school last week.

Seth "Solo" Franco and Eric

"Broadway" Jones wowed the kids and faculty with the wizardry of the basketball, whether it was spinning the ball on one finger through their legs and around their backs or their ability to switch the ball back and forth in their hands without even looking. And spinning two balls at the same time was even more impressive.

The message sent to the students - that teamwork and fair play are important to winning and having fun - was driven home in a game of "catch basketball," involving several students in each class and their teachers.

The "catch" was that no one

knew who Jones was throwing the ball to and they had to keep their eyes on the ball at all times. Drop the ball and they were out of the game.

It came down to Jones and one student, Deonte Strange. Much to the surprise and delight of everyone, Strange won.

When the students returned to their classrooms with lots of smiles on their faces, they were amazed at the magic the two basketball stars could perform with the ball but they also had a better understanding of the value of teamwork and doing their best, no matter if they are on the winning or losing side.

## City residents receive flood insurance discounts

**R**AIN, rain, go away. Come again another day. At least that's what Newark residents have been thinking this past spring and early summer with the constant barrage of thunderstorms and torrential downpours that have been occurring in the region.

Robert Mark, a resident in Arbor Park, has seen the worst flooding and five highest water marks in the area in the last few years. His mortgage company no longer requires flood insurance, but that's not a chance Mark wants to take.

The good news is that residents of Newark now pay 15 percent less for flood insurance due to the city's recent promotion to the Federal Emergency

Management Agency's Community Rating System (CRS) Class 7. According to FEMA, there were 91 flood insurance policyholders in Newark paying an average of \$564 per year as of December 2002.

Newark is the only community in Delaware to receive this much of a discount in flood insurance.

Six other communities in the state participate in the CRS and receive discounts of up to ten percent.

The CRS evaluates state and local flood hazard reduction and planning activities and awards



Youths tube down Rahway Drive in the Cherry Hill section of Newark off Barksdale Road during Hurricane Floyd.

credit for eligible activities. Newark receives CRS credit for the following activities:

■ Requiring elevation certifi-

cates for any construction in the floodplain;

■ Providing floodplain map information for all property purchasers;

■ Including flood hazard information in annual outreach projects;

■ Comprehensive local flood hazard disclosure process for property transfers;

■ Maintaining a flood protection library;

■ Flood study and stream bank protection measures on the Christina River; preserving 97 percent of the floodplain in Newark as open space;

■ Adopting higher regulatory construction standards by City Council;

■ Maintaining historical flood data and maps;

■ State and district local stormwater management and erosion control regulations; and

■ Regular inspection and maintenance of drainage systems.

Property owners who carry flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program automatically received the 15 percent discount when their policies were renewed.

For more information on the Community Rating System or the National Flood Insurance Program, contact Roy Lopata, Newark planning director at 366-7030.



# On Campus

NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

## BRIEFLY

### UD prof part of TV expert panel on racism

THE Fox Movie Channel, responding to concerns voiced by a coalition of Asian American organizations, plans to televise four restored Charlie Chan films this month but will do so in conjunction with roundtable discussions addressing racial stereotypes, the casting of non-Asians in Asiatic roles and race relations in America.

Among the panelists will be Peter X Feng, University of Delaware associate professor of English and women's studies and author of the book "Identities in Motion: Asian American Film and Video."

Feng was recommended as a panelist by the Asian coalition. Other panelists include the actor George Takei, best known for his per-

formances in "Star Trek," who moderates the discussions; Helen Zia, author of "Asian American Dreams"; Stephen Gong, associate director of the Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive; Yvonne Lee, former member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights; Frank Wu, law professor at Howard University and author of "Yellow: Race in America Beyond Black and White"; and actors Parry Shen, Roger Fan and Ken Narasaki.

Although Feng has not seen the edited version of the discussions, he said the conversations were engaging.

"I have mixed feelings about Fox Movie Channel's decision to show these movies," Feng said. "I do not believe in burying our history and pretending these things never existed, and showing the movies with some historical context is an excellent solution. That said, I still think that the decision to show these movies reveals insensitivity to Asian

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PHOTO BY KATHY ATKINSON

Feng

## 9/11 blood drive one of UD's best

UD's Sept. 11 blood drive began at 10 a.m., with a little crowd of donors waiting outside the multipurpose room of the Trabant University Center.

By mid-afternoon, all the donor stations were full, and dozens more were waiting up to an hour to do their part to make the first blood drive of the fall semester at UD a success.

Shay Robb, school program and blood drive coordinator for Blood Bank of Delaware/Eastern Shore, said that as of 3 p.m., donations from more than 100 donors had been processed.

"This is on track to be one of the biggest blood drives ever at UD," Robb said. "It is going great. People are patient about having to wait, and everybody has been great in doing their part."

Kevin Hazleton, a senior criminal justice and philosophy major from Port Jefferson, Long Island, N.Y., and president of Sigma Chi, sponsor of the blood drive, said that this is the third straight year that the fraternity has sponsored the event and worked the canteen where donors take a 15-minute rest and have a bit to eat and drink before heading out on campus.

"We just happened to be scheduled to be the sponsor on Sept. 11, 2001," Hazleton said. "Nearly all of our 45 brothers have turned up here during the day to take half-hour shifts. We



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Phlebotomist Megan Crum collects a unit of blood donated by freshman Kathryn Smith.

love doing it, and we are excited about doing it."

While Sigma Chi volunteers were assisting donors who had already given blood, students waiting to donate shared their thoughts on why they turned out for the day's event.

"I like to do something that helps the community," Melissa Ames, a sophomore from Lansdale, Pa., said. "I do this a

couple of time a year. I just like doing it. I feel like I'm doing my good deed."

U.S. Marine Pvt. 1st Class Travis Duke, a sophomore sociology major from Gibbstown, N.J., said he sees participating in the blood drive as a way to support fellow Marines serving in places like Iraq and Afghanistan.

"A lot of Marines have shed their blood overseas, and this is

my way of doing what I can back here," Duke said. "As a Marine, I want to do everything I can for my country."

Duke also said he was glad to see the large number of people turning out for the blood drive on Sept. 11.

"I'm glad that people still remember Sept. 11," Duke said. "I'm glad to see the American spirit still lives on at UD."

## Peace vigil here offers solace two years

ON Thursday evening, Sept. 11, hundreds of students, faculty and community members gathered on The Green at UD for a 7 p.m. peace vigil held to mark the two-year anniversary of 9/11.

Following opening remarks by Kim Zitzner, a representative from the Thomas More Oratory, the Catholic ministry on campus, The Green filled with tiny points of light as approximately 1,500 participants—most of them students—lit each others' candles and joined together in a period of quiet reflection.

"Candlelight vigils are a way people gather to be in community," Ms. Zitzner said in her opening address. "In doing so, we express our faith,

our concerns, our spirituality, and we show our support for loved ones as well as for issues of social justice.

"Tonight, we have gathered in front of Memorial Hall. Many of you know this building as a place where classes meet or professors' offices may be found. However, Memorial Hall was built to remember those who gave up their lives in war in our history. The Green has become a sacred place on many evenings throughout the years for students, faculty, staff, administrators and community members to gather and share in times of remembrance [and] healing, and to be in community through the critical times in our lives," Ms. Zitzner said.

The interfaith vigil, which

included comments from Catholic, Jewish, Muslim and Protestant representatives, continued with remarks from Grant Wolf, a representative from the Baha'i community; Father Michael Szupper of the Catholic campus ministry; S. Ismat Shah of the Muslim Student Association; Susan Dittwiler of Hillel; and Rabbi Eliezer Sneiderman of Chabad Center for Jewish Life.

Rabbi Sneiderman made the point that a tidy closure to 9/11—however much it might be hoped for—isn't really possible, and that healing is an ongoing process. "I thought I was over 9/11. I thought I had moved on," he said. "I thought I agreed with my colleagues that we need to pause, reflect, but that the focus should be about

moving on."

He said he realized he was not over 9/11 when he experienced a strong emotional reaction to the sound of the campus carillon chiming Thursday morning, to mark the times when planes crashed into the World Trade Towers in New York City and the Pentagon in Virginia.

"We have done a good job of moving on. There are few images to remind us of what happened. On the other hand, it feels like there is more bloodshed, more hate, more violence. We need a peace vigil because there is so little peace. Conflict seems to be increasing, solutions seem farther away. How can we change things that seem so out of our

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## Newarkers invited to free lectures

The University's fall "History Workshop in Technology, Society and Culture" lecture series continues through Nov. 18.

The free public lectures are held from 12:15-1:45 p.m., Tuesdays, in 203 Munroe Hall. Participants are invited to bring a brown bag lunch.

Upcoming speakers include:

■ Sept. 23 — Gabriella Petrick, a Hagley fellow, "Frozen Fantasies: The Development of Freezing Technology from the Depression to the Baby Boom";

■ Sept. 30 — Warren Belasco, University of Maryland, "Three Perspectives on the Future of Food"; and

■ Oct. 7 — Paula Viterbo, Bryn Mawr College, "Counting the Days: The History of Natural Birth Control in the United States."

## White actors no longer play 'yellow' roles

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Americans.

"Fox Movie Channel and other networks are sensitive to the African American community," Feng said. "Can you imagine what would happen if they announced plans to show a series of movies with a white actor portraying a caricature of a black man? They know it would be controversial; they know it would be insensitive. But it took protest from the Asian American community to bring these issues to light. So ultimately, I think the decision to show these movies in the first place reveals that Asian Americans are not accorded respect in the public arena."

"I don't hate the Charlie Chan films, I enjoy some of them," Feng said. "Chan is a great character. But the films are very condescending toward his American-born children. While Charlie Chan may get some respect, other Chinese American characters are still derided."

Feng noted that in the 1930s and 1940s, Asian characters typically were played by white actors, particularly for lead roles involving interracial romance plots.

Feng said that while a number of actors from Hong Kong—notably Jackie Chan, Chow Yun-Fat and Jet Li—have had some success in Hollywood, they rarely portray American characters and are almost always clearly foreign.

"Of course, these actors are all cast for the physical abilities rather than their acting skills," he said.

# 'Love must conquer hatred'

► VIGIL, from 4

control?"

Mr. Wolf continued this reflection with his remarks. "The events of Sept. 11, 2001, were motivated by hatred and anger—an anger born of a sense of separateness, of 'otherness,' a feeling that we can somehow separate ourselves into adversarial groups of nationalities, cultures and, worst of all, religions, and that we can somehow 'defeat' the other group and thus achieve our goals," he said. "A thought of hatred must be destroyed by a more powerful thought of love. The Earth is but one country and mankind its citizens."

Father Szuppper added to the reflective theme. "We wonder: 'Why are people of good will so estranged?'" he asked. "Is it not possible to follow the God of

**“What can I do to preserve the beauty and wonder of our world and to eliminate the anger and hatred?”**

love without hatred of others?"

Prof. Shah read from Khalil Gibran's poem "The Path," which tells the story of doubt and the discovery of faith, and Jordan Ballard sang "This Is My Song," that praises nature and asks for peace.

The service concluded as it began, with remarks from Ms. Zitzner, followed by a moment of silence.

"We come together on the anniversary of great tragedy and sorrow—yet we have hope for the future, and seek peace in our

hearts and in the world," Ms. Zitzner said. "As we look with hope toward a future of peace, we also look for words of comfort and wisdom to guide us."

"Today the human soul asks the question: What can I do to preserve the beauty and wonder of our world and to eliminate the anger and hatred?" she quoted. "A central teaching in most spiritual traditions is: What you wish to experience, provide for another. Look to see, now, what it is you wish to experience—in your own life, and in the world. Then

see if there is another for whom you may be the source of that. If you wish to experience peace, provide peace for another. If you wish to know that you are safe, cause [others] to know that they are safe. If you wish to better understand seemingly incomprehensible things, help another to better understand. If you wish to heal your own sadness or anger, seek to heal the sadness or anger of another. Those others are waiting for you now. They are looking to you for guidance, for help, for courage, for strength, for understanding and for assurance at this hour. Most of all, they are looking to you for love."

As darkness fell on The Green, small clusters of students remained seated, their candles still flickering in the breeze. An American flag fluttered between the columns of Memorial Hall.

**We'll do everything  
for your wedding reception  
except catch the garter.**



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# Opinion

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AMUSED, CONFUSED, BEMUSED

## Does excellent really mean stinky?

By MARVIN HUMMEL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

GIVING recommendations that will help a worthy person get a job that he or she seems to be an excellent "fit" for has long been a vital part of the hiring process.

To give a helpful recommendation has always been a daunting task, privilege, and responsibility for the writers of them and never could be taken lightly.

It has always required not only an in-depth knowledge of the person's skills and the person's character, work ethic, and ability to work with others—knowing the job for which you are recommending that person is also essential.

Thus, a minimum of an hour's informal discussion between the recommender and the recommendee is required. (Even if the company has sent the recommender a rote form replete with adjectives to circle, the accompanying letter is most valuable. It shows the recommender "cared enough" to take his or her expensive time to write an additional personal statement.)

However, serious people must be jealous of their reputations as recommendation writers. One enthusiastic letter for a candidate who proves to be a "loser" will invalidate future references given to that company by that particular writer. It makes sense, no matter how unfair it may be to the next person for whom you are asked to write to that company.

Thus, I told students to always ask the potential recommender whether he or she knew them and their work well enough to give them a strong recommendation. Anything less, of course, damned them by faint praise.

To my considerable annoyance, I discovered that many firms discount or ignore recommendations from clergy! Why? The answers varied from "Clergy want to help an unemployed parishioner get a job!" all the way to "They're liars! We've been burned too often by preachers!" A letter from a clergyman has to be loaded with hard, factual data to overcome the credibility gap which, justly or unjustly, does exist.

■ A retired clergyman and a teacher since 1972, Hummel has contributed to the Newark Post for more than two decades. He has lived in Delaware since 1959.



Hummel

“...can you be doing ‘excellent’ work and still be fired?”

Don't worry in your recommendation about including the "magic" words that are considered necessary to give your candidate half a chance. They vary from company to company and are replaced by new "magic" words with every seminar that members of a personnel department attend. And, as you know, nothing is more trite than last year's "in" words. (That is why, for instance, teachers trying to sound "cool" in class by using the kids' jargon receive unexpected snickers for their genuine efforts to be "with it" and "identify.")

It has always been a crapshoot, but Dr. Sissela Bok's book, significantly entitled "Lying," makes clear in the section on recommendations that the dice are sometimes loaded. She writes that the U. S. Army asks those who rate officers to give the candidates scores of "outstanding," "superior," "excellent," "effective," "marginal," or "inadequate." She goes on to claim that anything less than "outstanding"—even "superior" or "excellent"—put the candidate at "a great disadvantage and become likely candidates for discharge!"

Apparently the evaluators know that "superior" and "excellent" are negative words and will get the candidate not only passed over for promotion but very likely cashiered from the service! (There goes the old dictionary and its silly meanings!)

How widespread is this? Is it limited to the U.S. Army? The other services? Do other branches of the federal government do the same thing? Do civilian corporations also use "superior" and "excellent" as kiss-off words? The recommender better know—but how to find out? I don't know.

Upon reflection after reading Dr. Bok's book (revised edition 1999), I remember two things the downsized men and women all told me: their obvious shock and hurt about the downsizing itself, and the fact that their last evaluation/fitness report with the company had been "excellent." "How," one of them asked me, "can you be doing 'excellent' work and still be fired?" The others "looked" the same question instead of saying it.

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## OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, "Out of the Attic" features a photograph lent by Skip Scott, manager of the Newark Chinese Laundry on Main Street. This photo comes from his father's collection. Like his son, Charles Scott was a lifelong Newarker. For many years, Scott was a local house painter and paper hanger. According to Bob Thomas, local historian and president of the Newark Historical Society, the Newark Public School was located at Academy Street and Delaware Avenue, where the University of Delaware composites building now stands. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's history, recent and long ago. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. For information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

## PAGES FROM THE PAST

### ■ Sept. 19, 1928 Will build \$100,000 theater for Newark

On October 1, Louis Handloff will break ground for the construction of a modern motion picture theatre, which, when completed and equipped, will cost approximately \$100,000.

Newark will have one of the most complete and best equipped theatres in the state, and a beautiful new building will be added to the business section of the town.

The theatre proper will have an orchestra and one balcony. Upstairs there will be a promenade and a ladies and a gentlemen's retiring room besides offices, projection and flasher rooms. The inside walls will be of oriental finish and will have mural decorations and draperies.

### Freshman Week starts Thursday

Freshman Week at both Delaware College and the Women's College starts

tomorrow and students entering the University of Delaware will register on that day. Students in the other three classes of the both colleges will arrive here Monday for registration.

### German relics

At the regular monthly meeting of the Newark

Post, American Legion, held on Monday night in the Post rooms, an application was forwarded to the War Department at Washington, requesting trophies for the local Post.

Negotiations were opened some time ago by C.C. Hubert, through Senator T.C. du Pont for a captured German field piece and other smaller German trophies.

It is hoped that the War Department will allot a field piece which will be mounted on the Academy lawn, and also smaller trophies which will be used to decorate the Post rooms.

### ■ Sept. 16, 1983 Kaleidoscope program

The University of Delaware Sunday Kaleidoscope program which began with a few arts-related events last fall has now been expanded to include dozens of new and continuing programs, not only in the arts but also on travel contemporary living, personal organization, pop-

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# City sells land for parking

► PAGES, from 6

ular animal sciences and writing.

## Gershwin featured

George Gershwin's captivating "Rhapsody in Blue," especially arranged for piano and organ, will be the highlight of a concert at Longwood Gardens on Sunday afternoon.

■ Sept. 18, 1998

## Traffic, traffic go away

Mayor Harold Godwin wants the Department of Transportation to deliver promised improvements on time- but it's uncertain if that will solve Newark's traffic problems any

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time soon. "The tone of what we're doing here should be that we're interested in getting what we're promised," said Godwin after the city council meeting on Monday night. "This is not meant to be a confrontation."

## City sells land for parking

Usually Newark residents want the city to provide maintenance of roadways-demand it

actually. But this week, residents of Cherry Hill Manor successfully petitioned council to sell the parking spaces adjoining their streets to the community's maintenance association.

## Catch the spirit

This Sunday, the University of Delaware Mall is once again the setting for Newark's Community Day as thousands of people arrive for the annual event.

As many as 20,000 residents and visitors could be strolling the mall even more depending on how beautiful the weather is- from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This is the place to go for any and all information about the local community.

# Send along a CD of 'Hallelujah Chorus'

► HUMMEL, from 6

If the new meanings of "superior" and "excellent" have been adopted by their former employers, then they were being told in code, "Your work stinks. Start looking."

Is there any way to discover whether "excellent" is used to

mean "excellent" or "stinky" and "superior" actually means "superior" or "dead-wood" with a particular company? I don't know.

And I doubt very much if a personnel officer would be willing to give a straight answer to an outsider. (Perhaps a recommendation accompanied by a disc of "The Hallelujah Chorus" per-

formed by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir would override such demeaning words as "excellent" and "superior."

On second thought, that might be considered politically incorrect and, therefore, the kiss of death).

What's a recommender to do?

# A poetic tribute to Mrs. Bing

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To: The editor

From: Ginny Craig

I discussed compliments anonymously referring to Mrs. Bing in Mr. Streit's August column, and she said there are many nice people in Newark and the compliments did not refer to her.

Then she told her staff to give me my favorite Bunker Hill sticky buns.

I have been a regular patron of Bing's Bakery since the 1950's and anyone who knows me is aware of my passion for their pastries. Mrs. Bing reads your publication from cover to cover and it will make her smile, for she is a Newark treasure.

Last month, I was led to pen the following poem upon being on the receiving end of Mrs. Bing's continuing generosity.

## Bing's On Main

*The delightful bakery in Newark on Main contains such confections that will drive you insane. The strudels and pies and cookies galore*

*beckon to you as you walk in the door.*

*Bunker Hills, sticky, rest in the case. And just over there, cakes garner space.*

*The petit fours shine, and wait, there's more.*

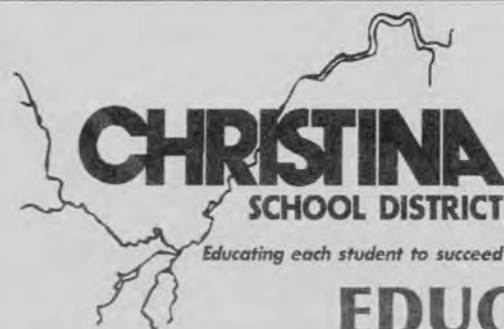
*I can't seem to get all the bags out the door.*

*Over it all, resides Mrs. Bing, A tiny, attractive slip of a thing. Fifty years or more, she's been at the store, and watched all the patrons come in the door.*

*If you have never been there, you need to go now to taste all the sweets and give her a bow.*

*To know her is to love her, remark all her staff. And they all warmly watch her enmeshed in her craft.*

*It just seems so fitting to be offered a treat from a wonderful lady who, herself, is so sweet!*



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# Lifestyle

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## OUTLOOK

### Stop, look and listen

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

“STOP, Look, and Listen” is the motto of the Safety Town program offered to pre-schoolers in the City of Newark and in New Castle County during the summer months. These young children are taught how to safely interact with traffic. This is the rhyme they learn to set the basis for all traffic rules — “Stop, Look, and Listen

before you cross the street; Use your eyes, Use your ears, and then Use your feet.”

This rhyme and its three-pronged message is

advice that we all can learn from regardless of our age and it can be applied to all users of the highway. It provides a good reminder for safe driving by motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians on how to interact with traffic — especially during peak times of congestion.

When school starts back in full swing, our highways are very, very busy transporting adults to work, students to college, high school or elementary school, and children to pre-school or daycare. Of course, 100,000 of those students will be traveling on 1,600 school buses, which make 4,600 trips per day. Other students will be driving vehicles, walking or biking to school. No matter how you look at it, our roads will be more congested at peak traveling hours. Commuters also seem to be in more of a hurry — any day of the week.

Stop, Look and Listen is the best advice I can offer to all drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians to arrive safely to their

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By Cindy Genau

## BIG SHOES TO FILL

UD graduate becomes new voice in Delaware Stadium

STORY & PHOTO BY SCOTT McALLISTER

ANew, yet familiar voice has been heard for the first time over the public address system this football season at the University of Delaware.

Kevin Linton, 25, the PA announcer for the UD men's and women's home basketball games has become the new voice at UD football games following the retirement of Elbert Chance, who served in that role for 50 years.

The University of Delaware has had its share of legends within the athletic department over the years. When the time comes for those legends to retire, it's not always easy to find replacements who can fill those big shoes.

University fans have even bigger expectations.

Jim Sherman took over for Bob Hannah, Tubby Raymond for David Nelson, KC Keeler for Tubby Raymond and now Kevin Linton for Elbert Chance.

Linton is no stranger to the university community.

He is a 1999 graduate with a degree in recreation and park administration with a concentration in sports management. He started his public address announcing career in 1993 while still in high school at

Manheim Township High School, in Lancaster, Pa.

Linton seemed to be the logical choice to take over for the retiring Chance. He showed an interest right from the start and had the experience to fill the void. Coming in behind a legend like Chance was not going to be easy.

“The expectations are high to fulfill the job that Elbert had done so well for so many years,” Linton said. He hopes that his approach to announcing will continue to equal what Chance has done for so many years and at the same time to be different in a positive way.

“I'll start with game one and try and implement my own style which will be trial and error but I hope to be consistent at what I do,” he said. “I would be very content to finish out my career here and stay as long as my health and mental faculties are intact.”

Kevin has a passion and a comfort level to being in front of people and a microphone. Through the years he has been encouraged by his family to pursue his opportunities in announcing.

There has been a standard set by Elbert Chance and Linton has accepted that challenge and now has risen to his own level.

“It is an honor, a privilege, and an excellence in tradition to carry on,” Linton added.

The only advice that Chance gave to Kevin was “good luck.”

Now that two games are under his belt, Linton said there are a few bugs to work out in his delivery but over all was very pleased with how it sounded.

“In football you go with the flow,” said Linton after the game, and that is exactly what he did, go with the flow for his first game as PA announcer. “Another game or two and I'll have things worked out.”

Besides being the public address announcer Linton works behind the scenes with the Wilmington Blue Rocks as assistant media director.





# Brandywine museum is perfect venue for exhibit

IT was Horace Greeley who urged the youth of the 19th century to "Go West!" Well, in the 21st century I can urge youth and adults to "Go West!" but not as far. The "West" I have to suggest is the current exhibition at the Brandywine River Museum in nearby Chadds Ford, Pa.

On the sixth of this month a most interesting exhibit was opened to the public at the BRM. It is entitled "Art of the American West." It is truly an extraordinary presentation of distinguished western art from a private collection and not usually available for all of us to see and enjoy. There are 51 paintings and sculptures by world renowned artists now at the U.S. Route 1 galleries.

The art works were done during the 19th and 20th centuries. There are paintings of cowboys, American Indians, wildlife, mountains - you name it. If it is western, it is in "The Art of the American West." Represented are

## THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

such artists as Albert Bierstadt, Thomas Moran, Frederic Remington, Charles M. Russell and, of course, N. C. Wyeth. We have all seen so many copies of Remington's work that it is especially delightful to see the original castings done in his time and under his supervision.

The museum's PR director, Halsey Spruance, reminded me that "Artists played a vital part in the discovery and documentation of the West in the 1800s. Before TV, radio and the Internet, their works served as the main source for public understanding of the land beyond the Mississippi River." (For those of you from New York, you may read that as west of the Hudson River!)

Halsey went on to explain that these artists were known as "expeditionary painters" because these artists traveled thousands of miles into uncharted territory where they experienced the same danger and adventure as everyone else in that new land. Many of these men lived with the Native Americans to get a better

understanding of the life they were living.

I selected from all the photos available of the exhibition a work of Frederic Remington and it appears with my column today. It was done about 1900 and is called "The Bronco Buster." It is cast in bronze by the Roman Bronze Works of New York. If anything says "West" to a city boy like me, it is this work. By the way, there are 19 of Remington's works to be seen in this collection!

It was in 1903 that N. C. Wyeth's first published illustration appeared on the cover of the "Saturday Evening Post." It was a picture of a bronco rider. One year later, after much encouragement by his teacher Howard Pyle, Wyeth traveled to Colorado and New Mexico where he worked as a cowhand and lived with Native Americans. Many of his paintings were the result of his sojourn such as "Invocation of the Buffalo Herds," "The Navajo Herder in the Foothills," "The War Clouds" and "Nothing Would Escape their Black Jewellike, Inscrutable Eyes." The last one is in the show and is not to be missed.

It is a superb collection of outstanding works of art in a number of media and I think can serve as a testament of a bygone, but not forgotten, era. These artists creat-

ed visions that we Americans have enshrined in our collective minds.

The Brandywine River Museum is the perfect venue for this exhibit. It is a lovingly restored 19th century grist mill. Walking through the galleries with rough hewn wood just adds so much to the experience of "The Art of the West."

This is a great show for adults and children. This would make a great "first" museum trip for younger members of your family. They can not only enjoy superb art, but they can see scenes of some things they know from other sources. This familiarity can help make that first visit the basis for many more to come in their young lives. Gaining an appreciation of museums early in life can bear rich harvest later.

Be sure to visit the Museum Store so you may "take home" your favorite parts of the exhibit for your personal enjoyment or for the youngsters to share at an elegant Show and Tell. There is a great catalog for the exhibit in the store in case you want to take home all of the exhibit.

The Brandywine River Museum is located on US Route 1 where it crosses the Brandywine River. It is an easy drive from this area. The museum is open every day from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more informa-



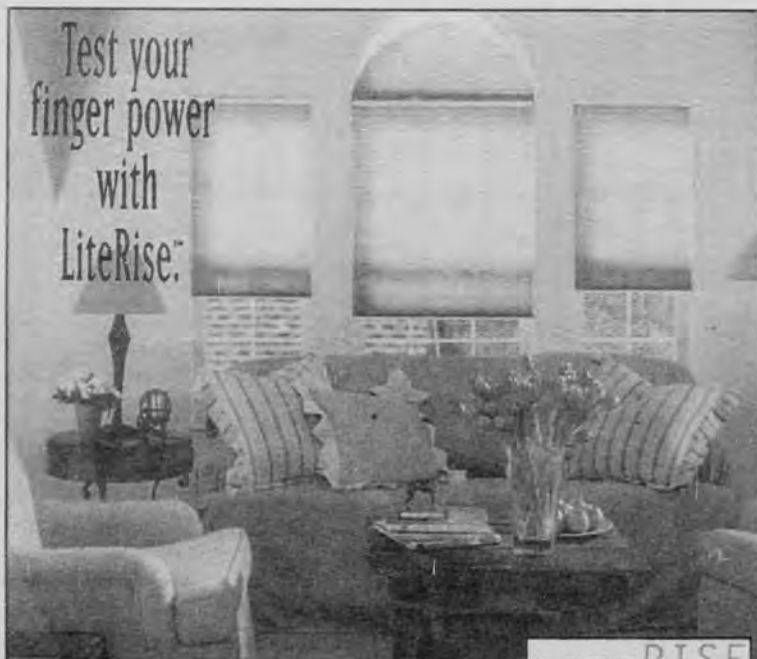
This bronze sculpture by Frederic Remington, "The Bronco Buster," is one of 51 works of art now being shown at the Brandywine River Museum in an exhibition called "Art of the American West."

tion you may call 610-388-2700 or go to their web site [www.brandywinemuseum.org](http://www.brandywinemuseum.org).

Enjoy!

■ Toman has written this column for more than four decades.

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FRIDAY

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**OKTOBERFEST** Through Sunday. Festivities begin with a parade on Friday night at 7 p.m. Unlimited free amusement rides, dancing to German music, German food, and souvenirs at the Delaware Saengerbund, 49 Salem Church Rd., Newark. Admission \$5 per person. Info., 366-9454.

**FRIDAY NIGHT OWL PROWL** 7 p.m. adventure to listen for the hoots and calls of several species of owls at White Clay Creek State Park. \$2 per person. To register, call 368-6900.

**BASKET BINGO** Doors open at 6 p.m. with games beginning at 7 p.m. at the Delaware City Fire Co. \$20 for 20 games. Info., 834-7681.

**NURSE JANE GOES TO HAWAII** Fridays and Saturdays through Sept. 27. 8 p.m. comedic performance by The Chapel Street Players. For more information, call 432-0795.

**SHOUTFEST** 4 p.m. Traveling exhibit to include 10 bands, extreme games, food tents, and band concessions at Faith City Family Church, 179 Stanton-Christiana Rd. Tickets, \$20; \$12 groups of 10 or more. Info. and tickets, 800-861-0850.

**BILBO'S BIRTHDAY** Through Sept. 22. Celebrate the enchantment of Bilbo's birthday at The Days of Knights on Main Street. Free cake, punch, door prizes, music and more. For more information, call 366-0963.

**MUSIC MASTERS** 7:30 p.m. 2003-2004 Kick-off concert at the Wilmington Music School. Tickets \$20; \$10 for students and age 60+. Info. and tickets, 762-1132.

**HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING** Saturdays through Sept. 27. Pulitzer Prize winning musical about a window washer who climbs the corporate ladder at the Wilmington Drama League. Tickets and times, 777-7969.

**I SIGNED THE CONSTITUTION** Through Sept. 24. Visitors to Winterthur can sign a replica of the United States Constitution and take home a pocket-size copy of the document. Info., 888-4600.

**SAMUEL BECKETT: A CELEBRATION** Through Dec. 19. Exhibition of works by one of the twentieth century's most acclaimed writers at the University of Delaware's Morris Library. Info., and directions, 831-2231.

**BUTTERFLY HOUSE** Through Sept. 28. Explore Delaware Nature Society's Butterfly House at Ashland Nature Center where 15 species of butterflies and moths including great spicebush twig lives. Weekdays 2-4 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Info., 239-2334.

**THE FELLOWS** Through Dec. 31. Exhibit showcasing contemporary glass works by past and current CGCA fellowship recipients at Wheaton Village in New Jersey. Info., 856-825-6800.

**LAND OF ICE, HEARTS OF FIRE** Through Dec. 14. Rare Canadian Inuit drawings from the Frederick and Lucy S. Herman Native American Art Collection at the University Gallery, 114 Old College. For more information, call 831-8242.

**GARDENFEST** Through Sept. 28. A miniature garden railway takes the scenic route to horticulture and history during this celebration of gardening pleasures at Longwood Gardens near Kennett Square. Info., 610-388-1000.



**FRANKIE AND JOHNNY** Through Oct. 5. Comedy performance at the Delaware Theatre Company, 200 Water Street, Wilmington. Tickets and times, 594-1100.

**ART OF THE AMERICAN WEST** Through Nov. 23. Western art exhibit at Brandywine River Museum. Info., 610-388-2700.

SATURDAY

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**STAR PARTY** 7 p.m. evening program with James Morgan, an amateur astronomer, leading the way to look at constellations, planets, and deep space objects at White Clay Creek Preserve. Info., 610-274-2471.

**TIMES SQUARED** 8 p.m. performance of a new form of jazz by the Yellowjackets at the Grand Opera House. Tickets and times, 652-5577.

**NICOLE ALDRICH CLOUSER** 8 p.m. recital, accompanied by pianist Betsy Kent in Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Rd. Admission \$10 adults; \$7 seniors; \$3 students. Info., 831-2577.

**ALIEN INVASION** 10 a.m. exotic plant walk to identify non-native plants that are invading White Clay Creek State Park. Meet at Chambers Rock

## IN WILDWOOD

Luck of the Irish will be in the air in Wildwood, N. J., from Sept. 18 - 21 with the Irish Fall Festival. Irish dancing, music and piper competitions will create a festive celebration. It's possibly the biggest Irish Festival in the United States, drawing about 250,000 people and more than 100 vendors. On Friday, there will be a concert featuring one of the biggest Irish bands in the U.S., The New Barley Corn. Saturday will be a big exhibition of bagpipes and Sunday will have a huge parade at 1 p.m. For information, call (609) 522-1407 or visit [www.wildwoodnj.com](http://www.wildwoodnj.com)

parking area. Info., 368-6900.

**HARVEST MOON & AUCTION** 6 p.m. to midnight live and silent auctions, catered dinner prepared by Gallagher & Gallagher, dance to jazz performed by the Melton brothers with Alfie Moss at Ashland Nature Center in Hockessin. Tickets and reservations, 239-2334.

**CARILLON CONCERT** Saturdays through Oct. 4. Bring your blanket and enjoy the music on the lawn at Longwood Gardens. Info., 610-388-1000.

**THREE LADIES SHOW THEIR STUFF** Through tomorrow. Exhibition of paintings, photographs and handmade herbal wreaths at Franklin Hall Gallery in Chesapeake City. Info. 410-392-5740.

**COMEDY CABARET** From Comedy Central, Pete Black; with comedians Ed McGonigal, Dave Rose and Corey Alexander at 9:45 p.m. at Air Transport Command, 143 N. DuPont Hwy. \$15 at the door. 652-6873.

**SATURDAY TOURS** 10 and 11 a.m. Tours on varying exhibits at Delaware Art Museum, 800 S. Madison St., Wilmington. Free. Info, 571-0220.

**CASINO NIGHT** 6 p.m. to midnight second Saturdays. Poker and wheel at Newark Elks #2281, 42 Elks Trail, New Castle. Free admission for players. Info. 328-2281.

**THE ENGLISH MUSIC HALL** 7:30 p.m. sing along with David Jones during an evening of musical entertainment at Wheaton Village in Millville, N.J. \$5, children under 5 free. Info., 856-825-6800.

SUNDAY

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**DAVID HERMAN** 3 p.m. recital on the Jefferson Organ in Bayard Sharp Hall, at the corner of Elkton Rd., and Delaware Ave. Admission \$10 adults; \$7 seniors; \$3 students. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Trabant or Bob Carpenter box offices. 831-2577.

**FABULOUS FUNGUS** 1 p.m. hike at White Clay Creek Preserve to find wildflower colorful mushrooms that grow in the valley. London Tract Meeting. Info, 610-274-2471.

**FREE SUNDAY MORNINGS** Through Sept. Complimentary admission to enjoy the special exhibition Art of the American West, and a children's Discovery Game at the Brandywine River Museum. Info., 610-388-2700.

**MARCA** 7 p.m. performance of Latin and Cuban style music by Orlando Valle at the Grand Opera House. Tickets and times, 652-5577.

**MT. CUBA EXPRESS** 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. ride the Wilmington & Western Railroad's restored railcar to Mt. Cuba and take a relaxing walk or picnic before your return trip, no reservations necessary. Info., 998-1930.

## MONDAY, SEPT. 22

**NATURE NUGGETS** 10:30 a.m. discovery program for children ages 3-5. A special craft or activity will be sure to intrigue your child. \$2. To register, call 368-6900.

**LINE DANCING** 1 p.m. beginner class; and 2 p.m. advanced class every Monday at Newark Senior Center. 737-2336.

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## FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

**STRENGTH TRAINING** Fridays and Mondays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

**SETON SENIORS** 6 p.m. dinner meeting for ages 50-and-over at Gardiner Hall, 345 Bear-Christiana Rd. 834-8632.

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

**PWP** 7:30 p.m. dance at Nur Temple, 198 S. DuPont Hwy., New Castle. Open to the public. Info., 998-3115, ext. 1.

**ADHD** Learn about the educational rights of students with disabilities in the Brandywine Towne Center, Route 202 and Naamans Rd. Info. and time, 737-5063.

**HEAD TO TOE: ALL ABOUT YOUR BODY** Through Jan. 4. Take a closer look at the human body using a hands-on model at Delaware Museum of Natural History. Info., 658-9111.

**DETACHMENT GARAGE SALE** To be held at the Reserve Center, 3920 Kirkwood Highway. Info., 988-6695.

**SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT** 9 a.m. registration followed by 11 a.m. shoot to benefit the Scholastic Scholarship Program. Onmelanden Hunter Education Training Center on Route 9 between Old New Castle and Delaware City. Info., 323-5334.

**PWP DANCE** 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. newcomers orientation; 7:30 p.m. Parents

Without Partners Dance at Minquas Fire Hall, Newport. Open to the public. 998-3115, ext. 1.

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

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

**DIVORCECARE** Saturdays and Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info, 737-5040.

## SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

**JEWEL OF A HOUSE TOUR** Noon-4 p.m. tour of 7 preselected homes filled with antiques and country furniture mixed with contemporary pieces. All homes offer a view of the Brandywine River. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. 478-9411.

## MONDAY, SEPT. 22

**THE PENN-MARYDEL QUAKERS** 7:30 p.m. demonstration by Gene McDowell showing his old tools and explaining how they were used. Bring an old tool along for explanations at the New London Academy Building, on State Rd off Route 896. Info., 610-268-2048.

## MEETINGS

**MONDAY NIGHT LECTURE** 7:30 p.m. lecture by Al Webber at Mt. Cuba Observatory, Greenville for adults and students 5th grade and above. \$2 for adults and \$1 per student. Reservations required. 654-6407.

**NEW DIRECTIONS** 7:15 p.m. meeting and presentation by Dr. Christine Hannafin and Dr. Margaret Keenan speaking on the "Making Wellness Programs a Part of Mental Health Treatment at Downs Cultural Center, 1005 N. Franklin St. in Wilmington. 286-1161.

**DESIGNING YOUR LANDSCAPE** Mondays through Sept. 29. Learn to personalize your property using basic design principles at the College of Agriculture Sciences Fisher Greenhouse, U.S. Ag College. \$55. Info., 831-2667.

**ESL** Afternoon and evening classes for English Conversation held every Monday at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street. Registration required. 292-2091.

**SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE** Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 737-2336.

**CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE** 7:30 p.m. Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA

Bowman Conference Center, Ogletown. All are welcome. 655-SING.

**NEWARK ROTARY CLUB** 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn, Route 273. 453-8853.

**NCCo STROKE CLUB** noon at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. For information, call Nancy Traub at 324-4444.

## TUESDAY, SEPT. 23

**NEWARK DELTONES** Every Tuesday. 7:45 p.m. For men who like to sing at Newark Church of Christ, East Main Street. For more information, call Will at 368-3052.

**ENVIROTHON** 5 p.m. orientation workshop in the Department of Agriculture building on Route 13 in Dover. Info., 832-3100.

**SWEET ADELINES** 7:30-10 p.m. Singing group at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark. Listeners and new members welcome. Info, 999-8310.

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

**MS SUPPORT** 4-6 p.m. at MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Road, Wilmington. Info, call 655-5610.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 24

**ANXIETY DISORDER** 2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Support

group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware To maintain the privacy of members, support group locations not be published. To register, call 365-9740.

**SKY SERIES** Wednesdays through Oct. 15. 8 p.m. Introduction to Astronomy at the Mt. Cuba Astronomical Observatory on Hillside Mill Rd. in Greenville. \$35. Preregistration necessary. 654-6407.

**DIVORCECARE** 7 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 737-3544.

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

**NEWARK DELTONES** 7-10 p.m. at Newark United Church of Christ, Main Street. For information, call 737-4544.

**TAI CHI** 2:30 p.m. Wednesday or Monday; 11:15 a.m. Friday, at Newark Senior Center. \$20/month. 737-2336.

**BINGO** 12:45 p.m. at Newark Senior Center. Lunch available for \$2.25/platter at 11:45 a.m. 737-2336.

## THURSDAY, SEPT. 25

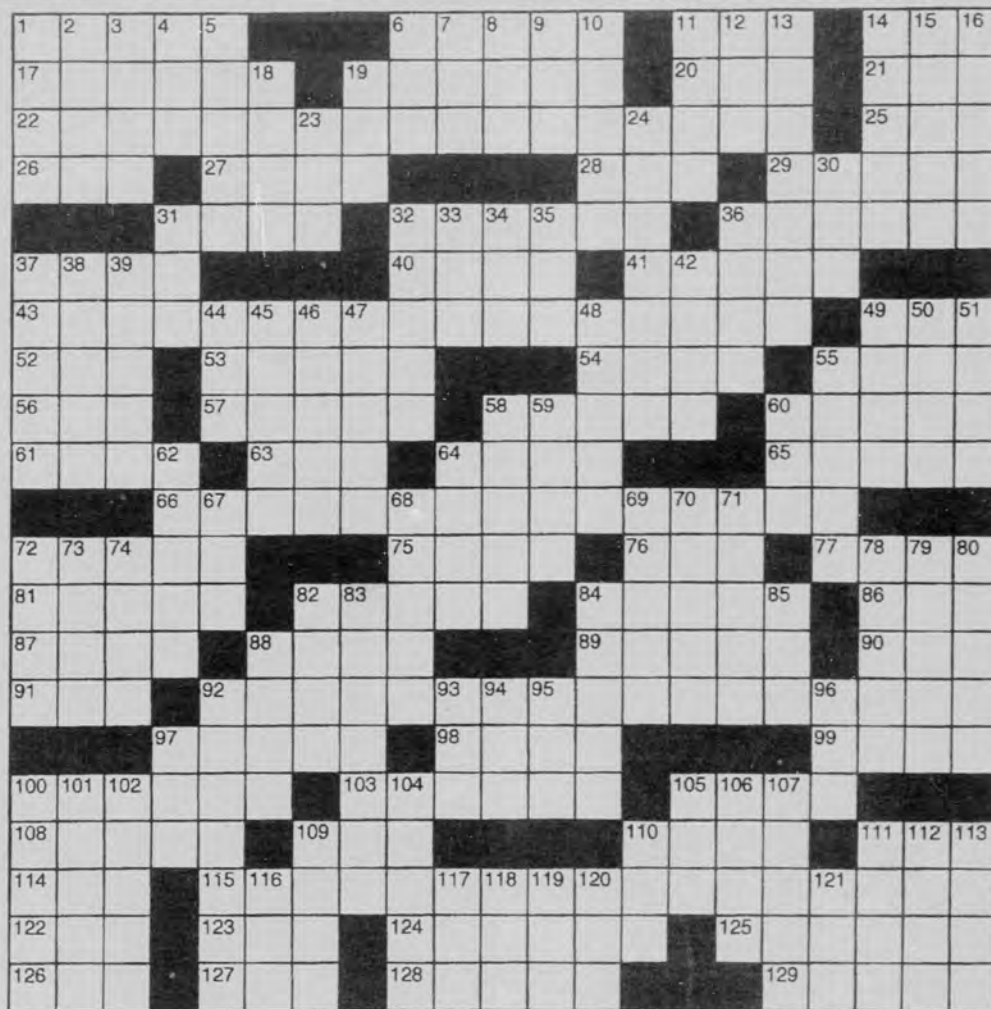
**PWP** 7:30 p.m. orientation at Brandywine Hundred Library, 1300 Foulk Rd., Wilmington. Info., 998-3115, ext. 1.

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## ▶ HAPPENINGS, from 10

## ■ TUESDAY, SEPT. 23

**UD FACULTY JAZZ ENSEMBLE** 8 p.m. contemporary and jazz performance in Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. \$10 adults; \$7 seniors; \$3 students. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Trabant or Bob Carpenter box offices.

## ■ WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 24

**TWILIGHT FITNESS** Every Wed. evening until Oct. 15. 6:30 p.m. "almost power walk" lasting about an hour at London Tract Meetinghouse on White Clay Creek Preserve. 368-6900.

**ARTFUL LIVING** Through Jan. 4. Exhibition showcasing paintings and decorative arts from the home of Sewell C. Biggs at the Biggs Museum in Dover. Free and open to the public. Info., 302-674-2111.

**BINGO** 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center. Lunch available for

\$2.25/platter at 11:45 a.m. 737-2336.

## ■ THURSDAY, SEPT. 25

**STORY TIME** 10:30 a.m. animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit at the Brandywine Zoo. In case of inclement weather, call 571-7747.

**HAWK MIGRATION** Selected Saturdays and Thursdays through Nov. 29. 8:30 a.m. hawk identification and observation at White Clay Creek State Park. Binoculars needed. A limited number of binoculars will be available by reservation. 368-6900.

**LET'S DANCE CLUB** 4 to 6 p.m.

Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band Music at Newark Senior Center. Info., 737-2336.

**BEGINNER LINE DANCE.** 6 p.m. beginner classes at the Newark Senior Center. Info. 737-2336.

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# Web site promotes town-gown relations

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

A new Web site combines for the first time current events and general information for the city of Newark and the University of Delaware.

The Web site, [www.udel.edu/towngown/](http://www.udel.edu/towngown/), was unveiled at a Sept. 15 meeting of the Town & Gown Committee. University officials expected it to be accessible by Sept. 19.

While much of the information on the site is mostly available through the city and university sites, the new site allows people to access information that affects the city and university. In addition, browsers can view Town & Gown meeting minutes.

City and university officials said the site is just one more way to communicate with the public and to each other.

"The purpose of the committee is to serve as a conduit for the community, and I think this is an extension of that," said City Manager Carl Luft.

Joan Odell, chairperson of the committee and the assistant university secretary, said this is another way to communicate with the city.

"We all want to make sure we are informed on issues and events," Odell said.

Odell said the university will maintain the site on a periodic basis and publish information the city provides.

The site has six sections, including an opening page with artwork of Main Street and The Green at the university. The sections are:

■ People, with information on the committee, Newark city officials, e-mail contacts and the Downtown Newark Partnership.

■ Resources, with links to various Web sites, including employment opportunities, the city and university, the Building Responsibility Coalition and the Newark Arts Alliance.

■ What's Happening includes information on city and university events and a link to the university newspaper.

■ Housing includes an apartment guide and the city's landlord/tenant code.

■ Issues, with general topics such as alcohol, parking and links to the law enforcement agencies.

■ Getting Involved features links to community services.

The site was designed by Lane McLaughlin, art director in the university's Office of Public Relations, with assistance from other city and university officials.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY GINNI BUONGIOVANNI

## REMEMBERING 9/11

If you were driving south on I 95 on Sept. 11, you might have seen a large flag being waved from the Rt. 213 overpass. For the second year in a row, on the anniversary of 9/11/01, Morris Bunch, of Elkton, took his stand high over the fast moving traffic below. "I believe that we all have to do our part to stand up for America, to get rid of terrorists and evil and bullets in general," Bunch said. "I love my country and so I try to do my part." Tape on the bridge marks the spot where Bunch stood last year so he knows where to return. "I was here last year and I'll be here next year and the year after and the year after that, as long as I am living and able."



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More information and other screening times/places can be found by calling the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345.



# Gap will be closed by Lieberman's books

## ► GAP, from 1

Partnership, people are upset Gap is closing the store as part of a national plan to reduce the number of smaller stores.

The Gap on Main Street is valuable, residents say, because there are no similar clothing stores downtown. Gap representatives insist the store in Christiana Mall will be a sufficient replacement for the one downtown.

"Unfortunately, I think they [Gap officials] believe that since [a Gap store] is in the Christiana Mall, they are in Newark," Feeney-Roser said. "And that is not true, many customers who shop in Newark don't even go to the mall."

Feeney-Roser said she thinks the 'Save the Gap' campaign was

a good thing to do.

"We showed overwhelming support in the campaign," she said. "Even if we weren't successful in preventing the store from closing, we were successful in showing our support for the store."

Feeney-Roser said having a mixture of national and local stores is needed for a diverse downtown shopping experience.

"We will continue to try to attract more national retail stores to Main Street," she said.

Jordan Benjamin, spokesperson for Gap, Inc., said although the store, which was first opened in 1996, has been successful in meeting its business goals, Gap Inc. made the decision to close the store because it is no longer beneficial to keep it open.

The eleven full-time employees of the store were informed of the decision to close at the end of August and will be re-located to other Gap store locations.

"We're appreciative that the customers are showing support for our store and we encourage them to continue shopping in our stores," Benjamin said.

The Gap space will be filled by a new tenant, Lieberman's University Bookstore, which

expects to move in at the end of September. In addition to the clothing store, Donna's Delights candy store is also moving out of its Main Street Galleria space to make room for Lieberman's.

Donna's Delights is opening a new store in Wilmington's Trolley Square and hopes to increase its corporate customers, said a store employee.

Lieberman's owner Daniel Lieberman said he has been wanting to move to a larger space for the past two years.

"I think they were looking for

the type of tenant that could revitalize the building a little bit, and we definitely do have that large traffic flow, which will help bring more people into the building," he said.

The new location across the street from his current store is much larger and will allow Lieberman's to expand to be able to offer more of a variety of services to its customers.

Right now Lieberman's sells mainly textbooks, but with the new location, the store will be able to hold school supplies,

clothing, and other merchandise.

"Our goal is to be able to meet the needs of not only students but all members of the community," Lieberman said.

Additional managers and employees are already being hired in preparation for the move.

Lieberman said his store is expected to open in November or early December.

■ Coe is a communications student at the University of Delaware and is interning at the Newark Post this semester.

## FOR THE RECORD

The photo of the plaid art car on the cover of last week's Newark Post was taken by Harrod Blank. The "Plaidmobile" is owned and created by and copywrited to Tim McNally.

## ► MEETINGS, from 10

**STORYTIME** Every Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

Animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit, weather permitting at Brandywine Zoo.

**LIGHT UP THE NIGHT 5:30 p.m. golf event** to support

**WOMEN'S DEPRESSION** 7-9 p.m. support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 765-9740.

**DIVORCECARE** 7-8:30 p.m.

Separated/divorced persons meet at Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jenersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7 and up get to swim. 610-869-2140.

**EVENING YOGA** 6:15 p.m. class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month at Newark Senior Center. Info., 737-2336.

**NEWARK MORNING ROTARY** 7-8:15 a.m. every Thursday at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. For information, call 737-1711 or 737-0724.

**BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM** 7:30-10 p.m. Thursdays at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue. Any skill level wel-



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Above, another foursome waiting to tee off includes, from left, Joe Farina, William Wills, John Suchanec and Phillip Lee. Players at all holes started swinging at the NSC Golf Classic shotgun start. Right, Dennis Barba shows his partners how it's done.



## 10th annual golf classic raises funds for center

**M**ORE than 50 golfers participated in the Newark Senior Center's Tenth Annual Golf Classic on Wednesday, Sept. 10, helping to raise more than \$16,255 to support the programs and services offered at the Center, located on White Chapel Drive in Newark.

According to Lynn Balfour, spokesperson for the center, the success of this year's event was due in part to major backing from Conectiv Energy, Insurance Associates, Inc., R. C. Fabricators, Patterson Price Real Estate and The Trap Restaurant. The golf classic committee included Robert Cox and Guy Cunningham from Wilmington Trust, Joseph Farina from Joseph Farina, AIA Architect and Bob Milkovics.

All proceeds from the event go toward programs at the center which serves adults over the age of 50.

## 'Still work to be done'

*Students fail to see same drop that UD officials boast*

► **BINGE, from 3**

those efforts.

"From the beginning of the project ... we have attempted to focus attention on the negative secondhand effects of heavy drinking, both on the drinker and those around him or her, rather than emphasizing a prohibitionist or moralistic position on the use of alcohol," Bishop said.

Ron Gardner, co-chair of the Building Responsibility Coalition and former Newark mayor, said he's pleased with the results of the survey, but

emphasized that reducing heavy drinking among students is a massive educational process that takes years.

"This problem isn't solved, but it shows we are making students and the community aware, and that people are getting involved and the message is getting out there," he said.

Several UD students said they haven't seen a decline in heavy drinking by their peers, but acknowledge enforcement of liquor laws has increased, and that they have been subjected to public relations campaigns promoting responsible drinking.

"From my freshman year to now, I haven't seen much of a difference," said Andrew Wasmer, a junior majoring in criminal justice. "It's just as intense for some of the students who do take it [drinking] to another level."

Many of the freshman he knew who partied too hard are now out of school, Wasmer said.

Eric Erdahl, a senior majoring in political science, said excessive drinking might not have gotten worse, but he doesn't think it's declined.

"I haven't noticed a change, at least in the people I know," he said. "There's not as many way out of control parties but people now just party with smaller groups."

Erdahl said law enforcement agencies have cracked down more on parties, underage drinking and making sure bars and stores check IDs.



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By SCOTT MCALLISTER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**F**EW people ever get to meet their heroes, but the third graders at Keene Elementary met theirs.

Last spring, as second graders, the students wrote letters to 1st Lt. J.P. Budd, a former Newark area resident, and other Marines while they were on active duty in the Middle East. Much to the surprise of the letter writers, Budd paid them a visit last week to thank them for their efforts and for helping to raise the moral of his fellow soldiers. Being typical 9-year-olds, the students were full of questions about life in the military.

Budd, a 1995 graduate of St. Marks High School, joined the Marines in 2002 after graduating from the University of North Carolina - Wilmington campus.

Stationed with the combat service battalion which supplies the needs for the 2nd Marine Brigade on the frontlines, Budd served one month in Iraq.

His main job, as watch officer,

was ordering the "beans, bullets and bandages" and keeping inventory of the supplies.

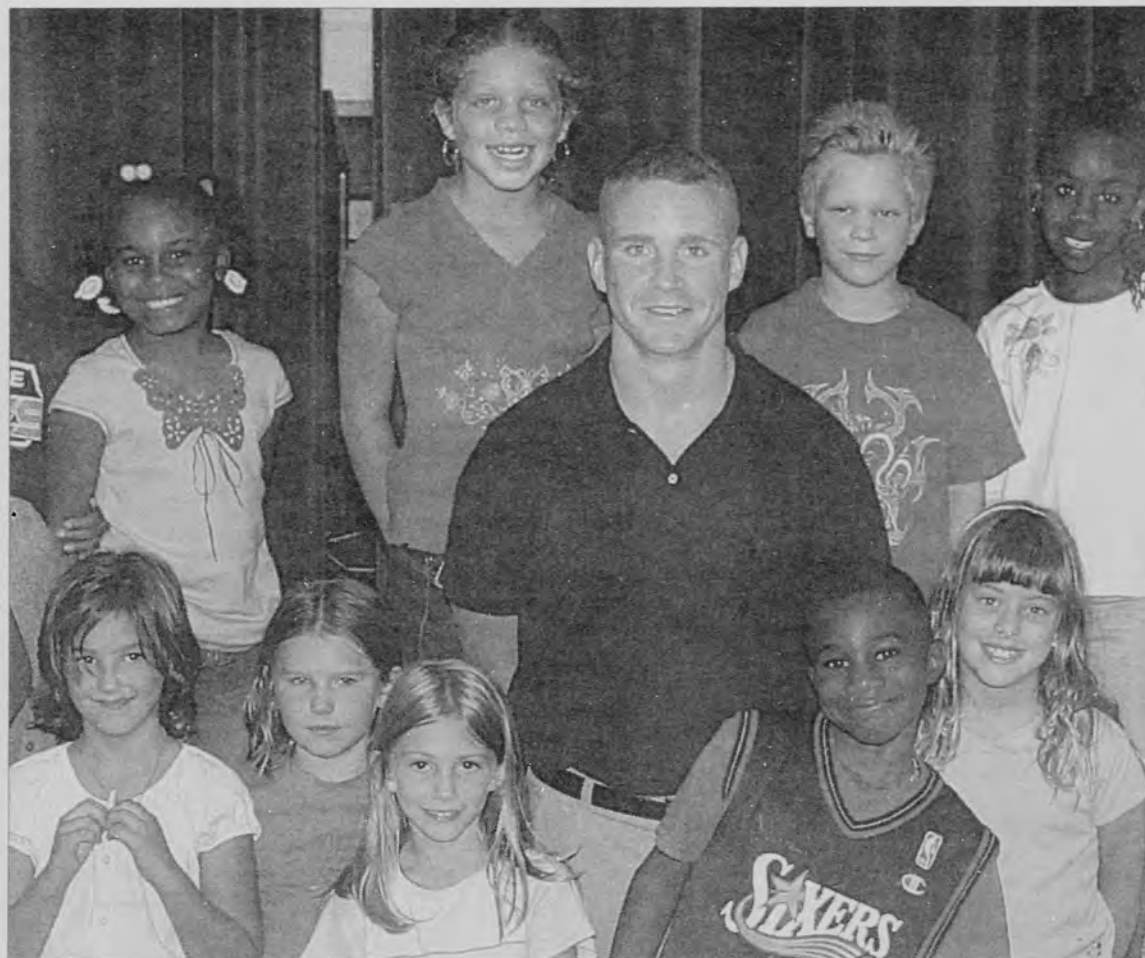
When a student asked if he was ever scared, Budd never answered the question directly, but did say they had a mission to accomplish and they did. They were given a job to complete and went about doing their work. Doing the job was not scary but being in an unfriendly location at times caused some concern. Still, the Marines never let that emotion show through in their work, he said.

Was it hot? Absolutely, but whenever they had the chance the soldiers stayed in the shade to keep cool.

Budd admits he loves being a Marine but is unsure whether or not he will re-enlist when his tour of duty is up in March 2004.

Budd is a hero to the students and they are heroes to him for the kindness and concern they showed to the soldiers while they were away from their families, friends and loved ones.

Budd was returning to active duty the following day.



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1st Lt. JP Budd meets some of the students who wrote letters to the Marines last spring. Front row, from left: Amanda Shoemaker, Brittany Leighton, Destiny Evers, Budd, Malcolm Watson, Devon Turner. Back

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The Little Sisters of the Poor, Jeanne Jugan Residence based in Newark, Del., will celebrate its centennial later this month — 100 years serving elderly residents from all over the country, including Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The group home admits people age 60 and older who have a demonstrated financial need.

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The Jeanne Jugan Residence helps them cope with their loss.

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Stories & photos, below,  
by Katy Ciamaricone



In her room at the Jeanne Jugan Residence, Margaret Hill shares memories with Sister Dorothy.

**The Little Sisters of the Poor will host a centennial celebration dinner with cocktails at the Hotel DuPont Sept. 25, starting at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Mark Shields of CNN's "The Capital Gang" will be the guest speaker.**



In this Rockettes photo from the mid-1940s, Marilou Duffy is standing in the center, since she was the tallest.

## Dancer made her way from Ohio, to Radio City Music Hall, to this area

Marilou Duffy can't quite kick the way she used to.

Her legs are still long and lean and she now does low-impact aerobics, but years ago she faced the fact that her cancan days are over.

At 78 years old, she now needs a cane to stroll down the halls of the Jeanne Jugan Residence, the Newark, Del., nursing home where she's lived for the past year. It's a far cry from the glitz and glamour Marilou once embodied, with sparkles on her sleeves and feathers in her hair.

She was 21 years old when she strapped on silver tap shoes and stormed the stage at Radio City Music Hall with the world's most famous chorus line.

Kicking off her 12-year career with the Rockettes in 1946, she earned \$80 a week to entertain a nation that had just begun to pick up the pieces following World War II.

Growing up in Ohio, Marilou's mother and aunt co-owned a dancing school, where they taught Marilou to dance around the same time she learned to walk. As a teen, Marilou taught at the school.

She remembers traveling to New York City with her mother to watch the Rockettes perform their Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall. Her mother cherished watching the dancers.

"She would sit there and cry, she thought it was so beautiful," Marilou said.

Watching the tears roll down her mother's face, Marilou had no idea that one day she would be one of the girls up on stage doing the eye-high kicks.

Her mother died of breast cancer at age 38, when Marilou was just 17.

"She never got to see me dance on that stage," Marilou said. "I always felt bad about that."

After her mother's death, her aunt urged her to take over the dancing school. But Marilou, always independent, didn't want to stay stagnant. She didn't want to spend her whole life teaching; she

yearned for a space the spotlight.

In the early '40s, with thousands of men fighting overseas in World War II, the nation needed a pick-me-up. After high school, Marilou moved to Washington, D.C., and joined the Roxettes, a dancing group where

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Marilou chats about her days on the stage.



# DELAWARE VS. WEST CHESTER

## Former Hens to face each other for first time

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The Delaware-West Chester football game has always been a neighborhood rivalry. This year the game has even more of that feeling.

Like UD coach K.C. Keeler, the Rams new head coach Bill

Zwaan is a former Blue Hen, who played quarterback under Tubby Raymond and helped lead the Hens to the 1974 Division II national championship game. In addition, Keeler and Zwaan are friends that had success at the Division III level (Zwaan at Widener and Keeler at Rowan).

That friendship, however, will mean little when the two 2-0

teams tee it up Saturday night at Delaware Stadium.

"I'm pretty excited about it," Zwaan said. "But I'm trying not to make it a bigger deal than it is. We still have our conference games to worry about and they really are more important for us."

"It will be the first time I've been on the field since I played. There's no question I'll have

some butterflies and be excited about it. It would even be more intriguing to me if Tubby was still coaching, since that's who I played for."

No matter how Zwaan tries to downplay the game, there's also no question of the importance his players and fans place on the game.

"It's a big rivalry for us," he said. "I know the players look forward to playing against a big-time program in a big-time stadium in front of a lot of fans. Our fans always want to talk about Delaware."

The Rams are off to a good start under Zwaan, winning their first two games convincingly over perennial power New Haven (28-17) and Glenville State (56-7).

"So far, so good," Zwaan said. "I'm happy with the way we've played and I'm happy with the way the kids have responded (to the coaching change). I'm pleasantly surprised with the attitude."

Zwaan knows his team has a tough task this week.

"The first thing you see is that they are much more confident offensively than they were last year," he said. "They've picked up the system and are much better offensive football team."

"Defensively, they are not as big as I thought, but they're fast. I think this is a pretty good Delaware football team."

Keeler knows West Chester is Delaware's most-played rival. He also knows the Hens lead the series by a wide 37-6-1 margin.

"They're a good football team, no question," Keeler said.

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9/6	CITADEL	W 41-7
9/13	RICHMOND	W 44-14
9/20	W. CHESTER	7
9/27	at Hofstra	12
10/4	WM. & MARY	7
10/11	at N. Hampshire	12
10/18	R. ISLAND	12
10/25	at Navy	1:30
11/1	MAINE	1
11/8	at Northeastern	12:30
11/15	UMASS	1
11/22	at Villanova	4

"But it's not the kind of game, as a coach, we're excited about. If you win, you're supposed to win. If you lose, you're an idiot. We're trying not to be idiots."

The coach has spent all week pointing to the example of Montana. Montana is always one of the top five teams in I-AA. The Grizzlies are 2-1 this season with a big win at Maine. Their lone loss was in their home opener to a Division II team (North Dakota State).

"I'll know more about this team on how well we prepare this week," Keeler said. "Last year we didn't prepare well and didn't play well. We were immature. I think we're more mature this year."

"If we don't prepare well, it might not bite us this week, but it will down the road. We need to get better every week."



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# Sports

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## POST GAME

### Not a lot of love from Sports Illustrated

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

I have some good news and some bad news.

For those of you that don't know, Sports Illustrated is doing a weekly feature on each state. Delaware, the ninth in the 50-week series, appeared last week with two nice articles. The centerpiece was on a Delaware football game. It was written by former University of Delaware student and former Sports Illustrated (SI) writer Jeff Pearlman. It was well done.

The other was written on the annual Blue-Gold football game by Orlando Magic vice president Pat Williams. It was also a nice piece.

Don't get the impression, though, that the magazine held a high opinion of our state from an athletic point of view.

SI also felt compelled to mention that Bill McCartan's in-state record marathon time of 2:29:04 was the slowest for any state.

It was also deemed necessary to state that Delaware is ranked No. 50 among U.S. states in great athletes produced (that's, of course, according to one of its own studies).

The memorable quote was a winner as well. It was Ben Wright's infamous, "Lesbians in the sport hurt women's golf." His comments created brouhaha that CBS tried to

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Valania

## Cotton leads Newark past CR

Lanouette, Perkins have big games

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Try as he might, Butch Simpson is going to have a hard time convincing people his football team is anything but a good one.

Sam Cotton rushed for 195 yards and scored two touchdowns to help lead Newark to a

26-14 victory over No. 2 Caesar Rodney Monday night in Camden. The win improved the Yellowjackets' record to 2-0 on the young season. It was the second straight week that they upset a higher ranked opponent.

Newark dominated the game physically and statistically, but a blocked punt, two turnovers deep in Rider territory and one successful CR drive left the Jackets trailing 14-13 with 11:13 to play in the game.

Showing the mettle of a much more battled tested squad, Newark responded with an eight-

minute, 14-play, 80-yard touchdown drive to regain a 19-14 lead.

Four plays later, Estherville Cotton picked up a CR fumble and sprinted 60 yards for a game-sealing touchdown.

"No doubt that's a sign of a team that has some of the competitiveness that's needed when you play against a real good football team," Simpson said. "We rallied back with some big plays."

Cotton and John Lanouette were two of the players most responsible for those big plays.

Lanouette was often the target of quarterback Dan Perkins, especially in important situations. Lanouette caught eight passes for 122 yards and the winning touchdown. Perkins completed 12-of-20 passes for 140 yards and two touchdowns.

The 6-foot, 160 pound Cotton combined his track speed with a fullback-like determination to pile up many of his yards. He scored once on a 33-yard run and again on a nine-yard pass from Perkins.

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## UD rolls past Richmond, prep for WCU

Bennett has a career night

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Quarterback Andy Hall threw for three touchdown passes for the second straight week, Germaine Bennett scored on three short touchdown runs, and the University of Delaware scored off all four University of Richmond turnovers on the way to a 44-14 Atlantic 10 Conference football victory Saturday night at Delaware Stadium.

The Blue Hens (2-0, 1-0), ranked No. 8 in this week's The Sports Network poll, piled up 25 first downs and 450 total yards on the way to the win in their conference opener. Richmond (0-1, 0-1), which lost three fumbles and was intercepted once, was playing in its 2003 season opener.

Delaware posted consecutive 40-point performances for the first time since the 2000 season and defeated Richmond for the eighth straight time at Delaware Stadium. The Hens also avenged a 15-13 setback to the Spiders last season in Virginia.

Bennett, making his first career start in place of Antawn Jenkins who was resting a sore ankle, carried 26 times for 121 yards and touchdown runs of three, two, and one yards. Bennett, who rushed for 109 yards vs. The Citadel, became the first running back at



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Delaware running back Germaine Bennett ran for 121 yards and three touchdowns against Richmond.

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# Glasgow football tops Dickinson in opener

## Dragons win 21-6

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Glasgow opened up its 2003 football campaign Saturday morning with a 21-6 road victory over Dickinson in a steady, and sometimes driving, rainstorm.

The Dragons put together two scoring drives in the second quarter to build a 14-6 lead by halftime, and then clinched the win with another TD in the final quarter.

"It was a good, tough game, and we are happy with the win,"

said Dragon coach Mark DelPercio. "I was a little disappointed with our fumbles, but some of that has to be attributed to first game jitters, and, of course, the bad weather," he said.

The two teams slipped and slid through a scoreless first quarter, but Glasgow began to find its offensive rhythm near the end of the period.

The Dragons' first scoring strike on the slippery turf was set up by several tough runs by senior halfback Barry Worthy. Pete Folke's playmaking was also a key part of the drive. On the second play of the second quarter, A.J. Willis punched in from the two, and Ryan Wallace added the point-after to make the lead 7-0

in favor of Glasgow.

Dickinson's only score of the day was set up after the Dragon's score, as Ram senior Matt McCallister ran the kick-off back to about the 28-yardline. Six plays later, D'Von Stallings scampered around the right side for 24-yard touchdown, making the score 7-6. The Rams couldn't tie the game, as the snap on the point-after sailed high over the holders outstretched hands.

Midway through the second period, the Dragons mounted another scoring drive, mostly on the ground. Worthy again provided the firepower, bursting through the Ram defense for a 44-yard gainer. Folke then found the end zone on a 10-yard run

around the left side, to build a 14-6 lead before halftime.

Throughout the second half, the Rams defense showed good pursuit on a number of running plays, but didn't get a lot of pressure on Folke on the few times he passed.

Folke stayed mainly with basic ground game because of the weather conditions.

"Pete ran the offense very well, especially considering this was our first game of the year," said DelPercio. "But we passed our first test, and I hope to see steady improvement throughout the season," he said.

Glasgow squandered a good scoring opportunity in the third quarter.

Worthy intercepted a pass from Ram quarterback Mark Rutter, setting up the Dragons inside the Dickinson 30. On the next play, Glasgow coughed up a fumble, and Dickinson recovered.

Worthy finally got into the end zone early in the fourth quarter, as he scored from 68 yards out to wrap up the scoring.

The 0-2 Rams travel to Wilmington next week to play St. Elizabeth Friday night at Baynard Stadium at 7:30. Glasgow's next game is also Friday night on the road against Chichester, Pa.

## Experience key to Glasgow soccer

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The Glasgow soccer team is poised, loaded with returning players, and appears to be ready to score plenty of goals this year.

Dragon coach Bob Bussiere, now in his 12th season, said the team has 16 seniors on the squad.

"We have a veteran group, and I expect a lot of leadership and a lot of maturity from them," Bussiere said. "If all goes well, we could make some noise this year."

The squad features four returning All-State players, including forward Tolu Olowolafe. Now a senior, Olowolafe is a four-year varsity starter, and was named a Regional All-American a year ago.

"He's a dangerous player with the ball, and he's capable of scoring a lot of goals," said Bussiere.

Senior Keeper Billy Sturdivant returns in goal for the Dragons. He was also a first team All-State selection last year.

"He's an outstanding keeper

who will be solid for us in every game," Bussiere said.

The Dragons should be very strong in the midfield, as seniors Matt Lewis and Matt Santo return to those positions. Lewis made the second team All-State team, and Santo, who's considered a top possession player, was a third team selection.

While many high school coaches constantly preach and teach defense, Glasgow will be very offensive minded this season.

"We have some dangerous players who have the ability to defeat defenders all over the field, and then score goals, so our attitude this year will be 'the best defense is a good offense,'" said Bussiere. "If we're striking at their goal, then they won't be able to strike at our goal."

Glasgow is looking to defend its Blue Hen Flight A title, which the team has won three consecutive years. The team finished with a 10-5-2 record after losing in the first round of the state tournament to eventual state Champion Salesianum.

The Dragons hosted McKean Tuesday night.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Delaware quarterback Andy Hall rolls out with a lot of protection from his offensive line.

## Keeler looks for more mature UD team

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Delaware with consecutive 100-yard games since Pat Williams in 1995.

### Bennett honored by A-10

Senior running back Germaine Bennett was named Atlantic-10 Offensive Player of the Week for his 122-yard and three-touchdown performance against Richmond.

His 25 carries and 122 yards were both career highs and they came in Bennett's first career start.

Bennett is the first Delaware player to earn conference Offensive Player of the Week honors since Matt Nagy in 2000.

### 3-0 starts

The Hens are 2-0 for the first time since the 2000 season and will be looking for their seventh 3-0 start since the 1986 season. Delaware went on to post winning seasons in each of the years and advanced to the I-AA playoffs in all but one.

### Sandwich game

Coach K.C. Keeler is worried about making sure his team prepares the same way for West Chester as it did the first two games.

"This is a sandwich game for us," Keeler said. "And you can get sandwiched in those games.

We played a conference rival from the south (Richmond) last week and we play a conference rival to the north (Hofstra) next week. I think we are a more mature team than last year. We'll find out."

### O-line depth

Despite having suffered several injuries along the offensive line, the unit has performed well in the first two games.

"It's just so much further along than last year," Keeler said. "To think we have a number of bodies in there that we didn't expect and they're really doing a pretty good job. That says a lot about the coaches and how they're coaching that position."

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## NEWARK POST ♦ SPORTS

# St. Mark's tops Concord for second straight win

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

St. Mark's started slowly, but finished with a strong second half, to defeat Concord 34-12, Saturday afternoon in the Fourth Annual "Kickoff Classic" on the Spartans home field.

The play was affected by intermittent showers, with occasional heavy downpours in between breaks of bright sunshine. The teams combined for 10 fumbles on the wet, slippery field, with Concord losing the ball six times.

It appeared Concord had a chance to knock off the highly rated Spartans, as the Raiders jumped out to a 6-0 lead early in the first quarter. Concord gained possession on the Spartan

two, after a snap from center sailed high over the head of punter and quarterback Joe Wright. The Raiders' running back Shakoor Nickens scored on the next play. The two-point attempt was no good.

After an ineffective first quarter, the Spartans scored on a 21-yard pass from Wright to Split End Andrew McKeefery. The touchdown came just 15 seconds into the second quarter. Much of the drive was played in one of the many driving downpours. Wright's PAT made the score 7-6.

St. Mark's developed another scoring drive midway through the quarter. After Wright hit Tight End Mark Lemon for a first down at the Concord 25, Halfback Adam Blocker, filling in for the injured Jonathan Heydt, ran for a

first and goal at the five. But the Concord defense sacked Wright on third down, and a fourth down pass was incomplete, thanks to a strong Raider pass rush.

The Spartans extended the lead to 13-6, with 23 seconds left in the half.

Wright tossed several passes to Lemon, before Blocker scored on a one-yard plunge. The extra-point attempt was blocked.

Spartan coach Vinnie Scott complimented Blocker's running.

"We didn't know he could play halfback, but he's a real tank, and ran his plays very well, filling in at a new position," he said.

St. Mark's pulled ahead to stay when junior running back Cody Van Trease scored on a short run off the left side to build a 19-6 lead with 4:30 left in the third

quarter.

Later in the quarter, Concord scored on another short drive. After recovering a Spartan fumble, quarterback Ryan Costa scored on a keeper with 56 seconds remaining. Again Concord's extra point attempt was no good, leaving the score 19-12.

St. Mark's then put together two long, time consuming scoring drives in the fourth quarter to wrap up the contest.

Spartan Linebacker Phil Aviola recorded a number of tackles, and had a very busy fourth quarter.

"I knew we were getting tired, but I wanted to set a good example, especially to the younger guys. It was a tough game, but we beat a good team today," he said.

The Spartans defense again did the job, holding an opponent

to less than 100 yards total offense for the game. Last week McKean managed 92 yards, but the Raiders managed only 88 yards against an improving young squad.

Lemon grabbed seven passes for 120 yards, and Blocker ran for 64 yards on 13 carries for the Spartans, and Wright was 18-27 for 225 yards through the air.

Lemon said the team pulled together after getting down early.

"After a couple guys got hurt, we knew we had to play better, and told each other to step it up," he said.

Concord drops to 1-1 with the loss, and takes a week off before hosting St. Elizabeth's at the end of the month. The 2-0 Spartans travel to Bel Air, Md. for a 7 p.m. kickoff Friday night.

## Villanova's Talley hated by state

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wiggle its way out of by bad-mouthing a local reporter. It certainly wasn't a high-water mark for Delaware sports.

Also, did you know that former NBA all-star forward Walter Davis attended Sanford in HOCKESS - not Hockessin?

Lastly, the magazine rated Delaware the lowest of any state (behind such powers as Maryland, Rhode Island and South Carolina no less) that has been featured so far on its "Enthuse-o-meter," something that supposedly rates each state's enthusiasm for sports, relative to other states.

I guess since we live in such a small state, the results shouldn't be that surprising. It does

sting a little, though, to see them in a national magazine.

### More SI notes

It was interesting to see that Villanova football coach Andy Talley came in just one percentage point behind Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones as the "Enemy of the State."

Talley has been made well aware of his distinction and, publicly at least, took it in a good-natured way.

He only could dream of having such passionate football fans at Villanova.

Delaware-Delaware State was listed as the state's biggest rivalry - even though the two schools don't play each other in football.

## Simpson surprised with Jackets

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"Sam ran hard," Simpson said. "He was battling some cramps but still showed his strength on some of those runs. I also thought the offensive line did a nice job against what I consider to be a very physical defense."

Newark's domination was evident in the total yards where the Jackets out-gained CR 354-134.

Newark came out strong, marching 80 yards for a touchdown on its first drive of the game. All nine plays in the drive went to either Cotton or Lanouette. Perkins capped the drive with the nine-yard pass over the middle to Cotton. Jen Baird added the extra point and Newark led 7-0 with 4:56 to play in the first quarter.

Caesar Rodney answered two possessions later when it blocked a Newark punt and fell on the bouncing ball in the end zone to tie the score with 2:17 left in the opening quarter.

The Jackets came right back on their next possession with Cotton sprinting 33 yards for a touchdown. Baird's extra point attempt hit the upright and Newark led 13-7.

Newark was poised to stretch the lead in the second half, however, two turnovers inside the 10-yard line kept the game close.

One of those turnovers came after an apparent Newark touchdown. Cotton, who was tripped in the backfield, kept his balance and made his way into the end-zone for what looked like a two-yard touchdown run. The official, though, ruled Cotton's knee

touched the ground in the backfield. The touchdown came off the board and the Riders recovered a fumbled snap on the next play.

Driving on its next possession, Perkins had a pass intercepted at the five-yard line.

That's when CR mounted its lone offensive burst of the game. The Riders moved 86 yards in five plays to score a touchdown. The successful extra point gave the Riders a 14-13 lead and all the momentum.

That's when Newark mounted its game-winning drive.

"I really have no idea how this is happening," Simpson said of his team's surprising 2-0 start. "We start 14 guys that have never started a football game before this season. I'm very proud of this group. I'm happy with the way they've responded."

Newark is off this week before returning to action with a Flight A game against Delcastle next week.

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Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their Socceroos, ages 3-6, every Saturday from Jan. 24, through March 6, at the West Park Elementary School. Classes for 3-4 year-olds will run from 1 to 1:45 p.m. and 5 - 6 year-olds from 2 to 2:45 p.m. Fee is \$21 residents/\$26 non-residents.

Information and registration, 366-7060, 366-7033, ext. 200, after 5 p.m. and on weekends, or at parksrec@newark.de.us.

**Co-Rec Volleyball offered**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their Co-Rec Volleyball pick-up games at West Park Elementary School from 8-9:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday from Sept. 23, through Oct. 30. Advanced registration required. Fee is \$25 residents/\$30 non-residents.

Information and registration, 366-7060, 366-7033, ext. 200, after 5 p.m. and on weekends, or at parksrec@newark.de.us.

**Pint Size Basketball offered**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their Pint Size Basketball for kids ages 4-7, that will run every Saturday from Jan. 3, to March 6, at West Park Elementary School. Classes for 4-5 year-olds will run from 11 to 11:45 a.m. and 12 to 12:45 p.m.; 6 - 7 year-olds from 9 to 9:45 a.m. and 10-10:45 a.m.

Fee is \$31 residents/ \$36 non-residents.

Information and registration,

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**Winter Volleyball League starting**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their adult winter volleyball league. The league will begin the week of Oct. 20, and end in March, playing 12 matches. Last year's teams will be given priority.

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**Newark Basketball in Action offered**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their two Newark Basketball in Action sessions: the first begins on Jan. 5, through March 17, with games held every Monday and Wednesday from 8 to 9:30 p.m. at West Park Elementary School; the second begins on Jan. 11, through March 28, with games on Sundays from 10 a.m. to noon at Pearson Hall. Teams are formed daily for informal games. Participants may register in advance. Fee is \$33 residents/\$38 non-residents for Monday/Wednesday session and \$30 residents/\$35 non-residents for Sunday session.

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**Youth Basketball offered**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their basketball leagues for boys and girls ages 8-9, 10-11, 12-14 and 15-18. Practices begin in November with games beginning in early December.

Fees are \$42 for 8-9 year-old residents/\$47 non-residents; \$49 for 10-11 years-old residents/\$54 non-residents; \$54 for 12-18 year old residents/ \$59 non-residents. Proof of age required.

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**Girl's Field Hockey**

Newark Parks and Rec and the Girl Scout Council is accepting registration for field hockey for girls ages 9-14 years old, every Saturday, beginning Sept. 22, through Oct. 25, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Lumbrook Park. Fee is \$20 for Girl Scout members/\$27 non-members. Fee includes membership in Girl Scouts and equipment usage. Shin guards and mouth guards will be provided.

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**Horseshoe Tournament scheduled**

Newark Parks and Rec is hosting a horseshoe tournament on Saturday, Oct. 4, at 10 a.m. at Dickey Park. Awards will be presented to the top three finishers. Fee is \$8 residents/\$11 non-residents. Rain date is Oct. 5.

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**Tennis lessons offered**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their fall tennis lessons for ages 4 through adult, from beginner to advanced, beginning the week of Sept. 8 and running for six weeks. Fee is \$20 residents/\$25 non-residents for ages 4-5; \$30 for residents/\$35 non-residents for ages 6-11; and \$35 for residents/\$40 non-residents for ages 11-15 and adults 16 and over.

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**Adult Fitness Classes offered**

Newark Parks and Rec is accepting registration for their Strength Training and Yoga classes both open to persons 18 and over. Strength Training is held Tuesday, Sept. 23, to Nov. 11, from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. at the Newark Senior Center. Fee is \$35 residents/\$40 non-residents.

Yoga is held Wednesdays, Sept. 24, to Nov. 19, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Newark Senior Center or Fridays, Sept. 19, to Nov. 14, at the George Wilson Community Center from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Fee is \$55 residents/\$60 non-residents.

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## NEWARK POST • POLICE BLOTTER

## ► BLOTTER, from 2

Police were unable to obtain a complete description of the suspect's vehicle.

## Peeping Tom incident

Newark police report that a Peeping Tom was reported in the 200 block South Chapel Street at 2:20 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 13.

A 28-year-old woman told officers she was startled by a man wearing a knit cap staring into her bedroom window.

The woman yelled and the man fled before police arrived.

## Traffic charges

During a traffic stop on Friday, Sept. 12, at 10 a.m. at East Cleveland Avenue and Capitol Trail, a 29-year-old man was issued several charges by Newark police.

Robert Franklin Oakes, of Newark, was cited for fictitious registration, driving an unregistered motor vehicle, driving while license is suspended, and having no insurance, and was released pending court appearances.

## Jewelry disappears

Jewelry valued at \$21,125 was taken from a room at the Sleep Inn, 610 S. College Ave., Newark police were told at 9:02 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 12.

The items were taken while



## Weekly traffic report

STATISTICS FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 24-30, 2003; COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	Year to date 2002	Year to date 2003	This week 2002	This week 2003
Moving	2746	2736	90	49
Non-moving	1826	1644	37	45
Total	4572	4380	127	94

PARKING SUMMONSES	Year to date 2002	Year to date 2003	This week 2002	This week 2003
Meter tickets	30438	21458	784	757
Parking summonses	5918	5492	93	182
Total	36356	29950	877	939

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	Year to date 2002	Year to date 2003	This week 2002	This week 2003
Fatal	1	0	0	0
Personal injury	194	140	3	6
Property damage (reportable)	216	353	10	9
Property damage (non-reportable)	430	338	15	11
Total	841	831	28	26
Hit-and-run reports	193	155	6	3
DUI cases	169	122	8	2

the renters were out of their motel room for dinner.

## Laptop taken from car

A laptop computer and school books were stolen from a car parked outside Bennigan's restaurant, 601 Ogletown Road, it was reported to Newark police on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 9:43 p.m.

Thieves smashed a window of the car while the owner was inside for dinner.

The loss was estimated to be \$2,200.

## Wet cement damaged

A 21-year-old man was cited for criminal mischief after he was seen writing on wet cement in the unit block Center Street, Newark police were told on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 9:26 p.m.

The man said he was only looking at what others had written in the still-soft pavement.

Jacob D. Downing, of Newark, was summonsed and released pending a court appearance.

## Forgery charges

A 16-year-old Newark High School student has been charged

with five counts of forgery and six counts of theft, Newark police reported on Thursday, Sept. 11.

The missing checks were taken from a home in the 900 block Devon Drive in July or August and were forged and cashed at local banks. In all, \$1,200 was illegally withdrawn from the checking account, police said.

The crime was noticed when the victim was reconciling her bank statement.

## \$700 in cash gone

A woman helping her parents move into a new home in the unit block Hidden Valley Drive told Newark police on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 2:07 p.m. that \$700 cash had been taken from her purse. The victim told police she had placed the purse inside a bedroom of the home. Movers were in and out of the home at the time of the theft. Investigation is continuing.

## Items seized at NHS

An 11-inch wooden club with a metal rod inside and a knife were seized from a 16-year-old student at Newark High School at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 11.

Newark police charged the youth with multiple counts of carrying a concealed deadly weapon in a school safe zone.

The student was released to a parent pending an appearance in Family Court, police said.

## Bike stolen

In less than three minutes, a bicycle belonging to a 13-year-old Newark youth disappeared from an alley at 173 E. Main St., police learned on Sunday, Sept. 14.

## Unofficial car lots closed

THE days of citizens using prime state property at intersections and other heavily traveled locations as "used car lots" has come to an end.

The Department of Transportation and the Delaware State Police are now enforcing Senate Bill 118 that prohibits vehicle sales activities from being conducted on roadside right-of-ways.

State officials have said that it specifically addresses a growing problem. There are many situations in which persons park their vehicles on state right-of-ways with signs showing these vehicles for sale, essentially using state property as a car sales lot.

The bill permits police or appropriate staff of the Department of Transportation to have such vehicles immediately towed from the right-of-way at the registered owner's expense, in much the same way it is now permitted for those who abuse the designated handicapped parking zones. In addition, the registered owner would face the same fines (between a minimum of \$11.50 and \$28.75) and penalties as now provided in the Motor Vehicle Code for other unattended vehicle violations.

The bill does not apply to vehicles parked on state right-of-ways because they are disabled or otherwise lawfully parked on the right-of-way.

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# Police enforce alcohol, noise ordinances

**O**FFICERS of the Newark Police Department have continued their stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws with the return of University of Delaware students.

Marked units and special plainclothes details operated here during what police describe as peak party periods. Officers out of uniform also conducted "Cops In Shops" details in Newark liquor outlets.

Some of the recent arrests include:

- Clayton E. Bailey, 19, of New Castle, underage possession of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 2:01 a.m. at the 7-Eleven, 235 E. Delaware Ave.;
- Joseph A. Burket, 20, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 1:40 a.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave.;
- Christopher M. Hynson, 19, of Bear, underage consumption of alcohol, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 1:40 a.m. at 13 N. Chapel St.;
- Brian A. Sackey, 19, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 19 a.m. at 58 Thompson Cir.;
- Frank L. Schaefer, 21, of Clayton, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 12:57 a.m. at 9 Courtney St.;
- Aaron M. Brodsky, 20, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 1:01 a.m. at 4 Prospect Ave.;
- Richard E. Nash III, 20, of Newark, maintaining a disorderly premise, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 12:23 a.m. at 33 E. Cleveland Ave.;
- Lisa M. Rmand, 20, of Morganville, N.J., possession of an open container of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 12:55 a.m. at 700 Scholar St.;
- Domenick F. Schiavoni, 21, of Newark, and Benjamin R. Woodward, 21, of Newark, noise violation, on

Sunday, Sept. 14, at 12:20 a.m. at 281 Beverly Road;

- Brandy Lynn Ash, 19, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 12:27 a.m. in the roadway at Courtney and Haines streets;
- Scott Joseph Chandler, 19, and Matthew Paul Resch, 20, both of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 12:05 a.m. at 8 Prospect Ave.;
- Suzanne C. Eckhart, 19, of Newark, and Lindsay K. McMinn, 19, of Columbia, Pa., underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 11:53 p.m. at South Chapel Street and Wyoming Avenue;
- Julia R. Fine, 20, of Henniker, N.H., and Jill Nicole Rotanelli, 20, of Hastings, N.Y., underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 11:50 p.m. at Delaware and Independence circles;
- Jason Williamson, 25, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 11 p.m. at 20 Benny St.;
- Rachel L. Harris, 22, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 10 p.m. at 326 Delaware Cir.;
- Kyle Elliot Haynes, 19, of St. Michaels, Md., underage entry into a liquor store, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 7:55 p.m. at Peddlers Liquors, 110 College Square;
- Joshua Michael Smolka, 18, of New Castle, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 3:05 a.m. on Center Street near East Main Street;
- Stephen C. Brohawn, 21, of Catonsville, Md., possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 3 a.m. on New Street near Choate;
- Nathan K. Esh, 20, of Strasburg, Pa., and Jason C. Kraska, 20, of Somerville, N.J., underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 2:36 a.m. at 500 Scholar Dr.;
- Dale Aaron Jones, 20, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 2:40 a.m. at Main Street Courtyard apartments, 329 E. Main St.;
- Kellen Patrick Phelan, 20, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 2:18 a.m., at Main Street Courtyard apartments, 329 E. Main St.;
- Rebecca L. Woolf, 20, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 2 a.m. on East Delaware Avenue near Farmers Lane;
- William N. Holley Jr., 22, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 2:03 a.m. at 218 E. Main St.;
- Mark Brian Werrell, 18, underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 1:40 a.m. on South College Avenue near Amstel;
- Andrew D. Demaio, 20, of Hillsborough, N.J., underage possession of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 1:29 a.m. at 212 E. Park Place;
- Dustin Dean Richie, 19, of New Castle, and Sara Frances Collins, 21, of Bear, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 1:05 a.m. at 105 Kershaw St. Richie also was cited for underage consumption of alcohol;
- Christopher P. Talley, 20, of Wilmington, and Ashley M. Gicker, 21, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 12:50 a.m. at East Cleveland Avenue and Kershaw Street;
- Elijah Scott Walters, 23, of Bear, possession of an open container of

alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 12:48 a.m. on East Cleveland Avenue near Wilbur Street;


- Arismendy Crime, 19, of Claymont, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 12:31 a.m. on East Cleveland Avenue at Wilbur Street;
- Danielle Kristie Hanlon, 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 12:10 a.m. at 308 E. Park Place;
- Jason Scott Vecchione, 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 11:45 p.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave.;
- Cory Allen Ross, 18, of Bear, underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 11:46 p.m. at North College and East Cleveland avenues;
- Hayden P. Budds, 18, of Newark, underage possession of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 11:25 p.m. at North College Avenue and Ray Street;
- Justen Derek Coulson, 19, of North East, Md., underage consumption of alcohol, and Luis Rosalez, 23, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 10 p.m. on the Burger King parking lot, 30 S. Chapel St.;
- Robert J. Burnett, 18, of Newark, and Benjamin Stephen Stranzl, 20, of Cherryville, Pa., underage possession of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 9:20 p.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave. Police seized a keg of beer;
- Ryan Scott Dragity, 20, of Newark, underage entry into a liquor store, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 7:41 p.m. at Peddlers Liquors, 110 College Square;
- Kristi L. Leonard, 19, of Claymont, and Barry D. Smith Jr., 20, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 2:03 a.m. at 64 E. Cleveland Ave.;
- Jason A. Collier, 20, of Moorestown, N.J., noise violation, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 1:21 a.m. at 213 E. Park Place;
- Jay Krukowski, 19, of Owings Mills, Md., maintaining a disorderly premise, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 12:45 a.m. at 1103 Blair Ct.;
- Brian T. Jones, 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 11:45 p.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave.;
- Harris G. Shapiro, 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Friday, Sept. 12, at 12:14 a.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave.;
- Justin D. Laforgia, 21, of Newark, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 11:45 p.m. at 400 Wollaston Ave.;
- Matthew W. Mahoney, 21, of Wilmington, and Thomas C. Dzielak, 22, of New Castle, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 10:52 p.m. at 10 Center St. Police said Mahoney was wanted for failure to appear, was arraigned via videophone and released on \$2,335 bond.

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to draw persons to downtown Newark who normally don't visit, save a drive through to another destination. Community Day is a reason to stop, walk around, casually take in the sights and enjoy Newark's downtown. Hopefully visitors will be favorably impressed and will return at another time to patronize businesses.

For some time, a goal has been to draw visitors to all of Main Street, not just the mall...err...excuse me...the Green area.

Combination of the events into one proved to be the ticket. As early as 9 a.m., the sidewalks along Main Street were a sea of bobbing heads as you looked east and west. The crowds heavy all day.

And my amateur observation is that attendance at Community Day held its own, possibly affected primarily by the terrible Saturday night weather.

**WEATHER** is the hot topic this week and last weekend seems forgotten amid all the hurricane talk.

However, for the best forecast, you don't need Accuweather or the Weather Channel. Just ask Joe Spadafino over at city hall.

Joe is the city's recreation superintendent and got saddled with making the call on Community Day.

You'll recall the heavy rains all Saturday day and night.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

**Not only did the mini-moto racers entertain Sunday, efforts of organizer Marco Rizzo raised \$1,000 for the CSX bridge mural project.**

People were calling me asking if Community Day was on or not. I'd answer, "probably not from the look of things" as I gazed out into my backyard lake Saturday evening.

But Joe said it was a "go" at 4:15 a.m. Sunday and he was right on the mark. It was humid, for sure, but mostly sunny and a great day for a street festival.

Joe said he consulted weather resources in the pre-dawn hours.

"I realized it was a 50-50 shot," Joe said proudly Monday.

The forecast called for mostly sunshine with some intermittent showers "but no thunderstorms, so I went with it." He said he was

influenced a bit by the then-long-range hurricane forecast but primarily went with his hunch.

Joe was a hero Sunday because he called it right. If it had poured, he would have been the villain of a soggy Community Day.

Now, Joe can you tell us about Isabel?

**IN** a bold political move that pales in comparison to the Green Party's attempt to commandeer my green Corvair when Ralph Nader came to town, another presidential hopeful was in Newark Sunday.

But this Democratic contender came not to campaign or pontificate political agendas. He came simply to eat.

Now you can make your own judgment as to whether he is a serious presidential candidate or not, but nonetheless the Rev. Al Sharpton had brunch at Ryan German's Caffé Gelato shortly after 2 p.m. Sunday.

German called Sharpton's Delaware host Norman Oliver and invited the entourage to Main Street.

Sharpton gobbled down a couple of turkey sandwiches, toured Ryan's kitchen, and had what I'm told was "hundreds" of pictures snapped of him in the Newark eatery (one of which is printed in this paper).

Whether it's wine nights, valet parking or Best of Delaware ratings, German keeps his business in the news.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOHN LLERA

**Presidential candidate Rev. Al Sharpton made time for lunch at Caffé Gelato Restaurant Sunday, dining on two turkey sandwiches. Above, restaurant owner, Ryan German greets Sharpton. "It was great to see a presidential candidate take time to visit Newark, Del.," German said. "Rev. Sharpton toured our kitchen, greeted our entire staff and enjoyed brunch." Sharpton visited Newark after making a 10 a.m. address at Delaware State University. Sharpton, of New York City, has previously run for the New York State Senate, U.S. Senate, and the mayor of New York City. The 48-year old candidate is a licensed minister and is currently among a field of 10 candidates vying for the Democratic presidential nomination for the 2004 election.**

Does any person, save the artists, not think the mobile works of art are strange?

**L**T. Tom LeMin is the City of Newark's top biker cop and he loved the mini-moto motorcycle races Sunday on the Newark Shopping Center lot.

Racers, from ages 6 to 60, whirled around the hairpin track at times seeming like King Kong atop a rancher in Binns.

Leaning against his shiny white police Harley, which was about eight times as big as the bikes on the track, LeMin marvelled how fast the midget bikes sped by and how spills were simple and quick to recover from. "They just kind of roll over, get back on the track, and keep going," LeMin said.

Tom wasn't the only person who liked the mini-moto races.

The enthusiastic race organizer Newarker Marco Rizzo, too, was pleased.

So was Susan Rowlands, who heads up the Partnership's fundraising effort to transform the CSX bridge into a welcome mural.

Rizzo hustled enough event sponsors to be able to present Rowlands and Mayor Henry Godwin, a DNP board member, a check for \$1,000 toward the bridge painting fund.

Marty, it was the best Community Day ever.

**When not bailing water from the basement of his home on Rahway Drive, the writer is publisher of this and two other Delaware newspapers. He still complains that Community Day is the "longest day of the year."**



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**The many Main Street strollers had to step around contestants in the sidewalk art chalk contest hosted by the Newark Alliance.**

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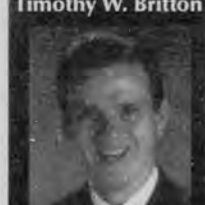
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# Fine surcharge could generate \$20,000 per annum for city

## ► COUNCIL, from 1

According to George Sarris, finance director for the city, the surcharge could generate approximately \$20,000 annually, based on the number of alcohol-related fines levied in 2001 and 2002.

New revenues from the surcharge, in addition to revised business license fees, rental per-

mit fees for fraternities and sororities and increased apartment license fees would offset most of the ABC program costs, which are projected to be more than \$215,000, according to a report from Sarris to Carl Luft, city manager.

The ABC program, initiated earlier this year following several months of council discussions and a workshop including busi-

ness and restaurant owners, required the hiring training and outfitting of three new police officers to deal with alcohol-related issues in the city, as well as office equipment, radios, surveillance vehicles and legal fees to prosecute violators.

Also on council's agenda are two more public hearings.

Council will consider approval of pay increases for themselves and the mayor, raising the compensation for coun-

cilmembers from \$5,400 to \$6,600 and the mayor from \$7,000 to \$8,400. The effective date of the pay increases would be May 1, 2004.

Council will also be asked to pass additional requirements for towing and parking signs for private lots that are larger than 250 parking spaces. The minimum size would be three square feet and the minimum size lettering would be one inch in height. Additional phrases would be

required, such as who may park there, during what hours and the towing policy for that lot. This change in the ordinance, if passed, would be effective 60 days after adoption.

At a second reading and public hearing, the public is invited to speak before council and voice their opinions. Council chambers are located on the first floor of the City Municipal Building at 220 Elkton Road.

## Free ice cream cones here Monday

The ice cream cone turns 100 years old on Sept. 22. To celebrate, the Newark Dairy Queen at Rt. 4 and Marrows Road will give away free 5 oz. ice cream cones on Monday, Sept. 22. Dairy Queen employees will also be collecting donations for the Children's Miracle Network.

"The ice cream cone, like the Dairy Queen, is an American

icon," says Butch Read, operator of the Newark restaurant, which recently celebrated its 50th year in the area.

"So it's natural for Dairy Queen to take the lead in this celebration. At the same time, this great occasion allows us to make a difference in the lives of so many by raising money for the Children's Miracle Network.

## Dancer takes circuitous route to this area

### ► DANCER, from 16

she and the other girls traipsed across the stage on big balls and on slow-gear bikes. Then the war ended, and the Roxyettes were canceled.

Marilou set out to New York, for the stage that was so beautiful it made her mother cry.

She was an understudy for the Rockettes until the day a dancer got sick right before a show.

"I was about her height and luckily I knew the moves, because they said, 'You're going in the next show.'"

And the rest, as they say, is history.

At 5 feet, 8 inches tall, she was one of the tallest girls in the line, which put her in the center, four shows a day, 28 shows a week, wearing shimmering pastels in spring and the famous white fur-covered costume at Christmastime.

"Now I'm 5'6"; I've shrunk a little since then," she says. "I look back now and I wonder how I did it."

She became pregnant with her only son in 1957 and left the line to raise him, while her husband, a recording industry executive, kept working. Then in 1960, she bid adieu to the Big Apple, settling for a quieter life in Elkton so her husband could live closer to his family. Her husband died in 1995.

The last time Marilou shuffled down the sidewalks of New York was during a visit there in the 1970s, and even then, it was a far cry from the city she once knew.

Marilou has outgrown the place she once called home. Perhaps more exactly, New York City has outgrown her.

Her performances with the

world-famous dancing group have been replaced by Bingo in the lounge; her once-auburn hair has given way to gray. She's hung up her fishnet stockings for good.

Now, while sitting on the bed inside her one-room apartment at the nursing home, a stream of sunlight shining on her from the window, Marilou smiles, recalling those steamy Manhattan nights of her youth.

"I remember sitting in the window and just praying for a breeze," she says.

The stifling heat inside her un-air-conditioned studio apartment often sent her crawling up the ladder to sleep on the sooty roof, ambulance sirens and taxi horns singing her a moonlit lullaby.

That rickety old four-story complex on top of which she spent so many nights is now a skyscraper, home to the CBS Corporation.

Radio City Music has just undergone a \$70 million restoration, and now boasts brighter colors, bolder patterns and shinier metals. The Radio City Web site warns, "The exuberant color may startle those grown accustomed to Radio City as a dull brown dowager."

Marilou doesn't know if she'll ever see New York City again.

"New York is kind of a walking city; I can't really walk as good as I used to," she says.

And though her hip replacement slows her down a little, she still makes flash appearances on stage at the dozens of smaller-scale productions her fellow residents put on each year.

"If only I could still kick," she said, and then smiled. "I haven't done much dancing lately."

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### James Hodges Jr., 30

Newark resident James M. Hodges Jr. died on Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2003. Mr. Hodges, 30, was a loving son, father, and brother.

He is survived by his parents; James M. Sr. and Carol Hodges of Newark; daughter, Heather M. Hodges of Newark; sisters, Tina M. Szymanski and her husband Matthew of Elkton, Md., and Amanda T. Hodges of Newark; brother, Joseph W. Hodges of Newark; paternal grandmother, Lena Uniatowski of Newport; and two nephews.

Services were held at the chapel of Gracelawn Memorial Park in New Castle.

Burial was in the adjoining memorial park.

### Frederick Cooling Jr., Coast Guard during World War II

Newark resident Frederick B. Cooling Jr. died on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2003.

Mr. Cooling, 81, was known as "Pete" by his family and friends.

He was born in Wilmington.

He spent his entire 36-year working career at the former Delaware Power and Light Company, retiring in 1982 as a roving operator.

Mr. Cooling served his country during World War II in the Coast Guard.

He was a member of Armstrong Lodge 26 AF&AM and a member of American Legion Post 10 in Newark.

In his leisure time, Mr. Cooling enjoyed fishing, camping and traveling.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Stein Cooling, with whom he would have celebrated 55 years of marriage in October; sons, Frederick B. "Bud" III

## Ralph Grant Bateman, World War II Army vet, supervisor of engineering at W. L. Gore

BEAR resident Ralph Grant Bateman died on Saturday, Aug. 30, 2003, of cancer. Mr. Bateman, 77, was born in Akron, Ohio.

He retired from W. L. Gore and Associates in 1989 after serving as the Supervisor of Engineering in the Wire and Cable division.

Mr. Bateman was a World War II Army veteran serving in the Pacific.

He was president of Bateman Farms Inc. in Millington, Md., and was cited in 1989 with the Kent County Maryland Conservation Award and in 2003 Mr. Bateman was the recipient of

the Maryland State Stream Releaf Award; his was the only farm in the state of Maryland to receive the award.

Mr. Bateman was a past master of the Hiram Masonic Lodge 25 A.F. & A.M. in Newark, and a member of Nur Temple Shrine in Wilmington.

He was also a member of the Newark United Methodist Church in Newark.

Mr. Bateman was a member of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club in Chestertown, Md., where he sponsored the Bateman Invitational twice a year.

He was a member of the Cleveland Browns Backers Club.

Mr. Bateman loved Civil War History and enjoyed collecting memorabilia from that era.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Mary S. Bateman; son, Ralph Bateman III of Millington, Md.; daughter, Brenda and her husband Brian Liton of Newark; three grandchildren; and his grand dog, Jake.

Services were held at the Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown, Md.

Interment was in the Crumpton Cemetery in Crumpton, Md.

She was a homemaker. She is survived by her husband of 21 years, Kirby D. Alexander; son, Brian M. Alexander, at home; stepson, Michael D. Alexander of Sacramento, Calif.; father, Reverend Everett Blevins of Salisbury, Md.; and her sister, Patricia Wallace of Seaford.

Services were held at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in Newark.

Interment was in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear

### Nan J. Whall, active at St. John's Church, New Century Club

Former Newark resident Nan J. "O'Boyle" Whall died on Saturday, Aug. 30, 2003.

Mrs. Whall, 95, was born in Avoca, Pa.

After her retirement from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1972, she moved to Newark, where she became active in St. John's Church and the New Century Club.

Mrs. Whall was an avid reader and a dedicated bridge player.

She was residing in Salisbury, Md.

She is survived by her children, Raymond A. Whall Jr. and his wife Carol of Salisbury, Md., Joseph J. Whall of Manchester, N.H., Catherine E. Blake and her husband Robert of North Merrick, N.Y., Nancy M. Rothman and her husband Robert of Newark, and Margaret Goedecke and her husband Paul of Lakewood, Colo.

She is also survived by 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister, Kay Richards of W. Pittston, Pa.

Services were held at St. John's Church in Newark.

Burial was held privately.

### Edward Duvall, groomed horses at Delaware Park

Bear resident Edward Anthony Duvall died on Saturday, Aug. 30, 2003.

Mr. Duvall, 34, was born in Wilmington.

He groomed horses at Delaware Park.

He is survived by his father, William R. Duvall of Pelzer, S.C.; mother, Janet M. Duvall of Newark; his companion, Patricia Harrell of New Castle; brothers, William and Michael Duvall, both of Newark, and Mark Duvall of Daytona Beach, Fla.; sisters, Helen Judefind of New Castle, Susan Adams of Wilmington, Beverly Trotter of Conyers, Ga., Janet Gavin of Delaware City, Scheryl Booth of St. Georges, and Mary Dewitt of Elkton, Md.; and 32 nieces and nephews.

Services were held at the R. T. Foard and Jones Funeral Home in Newark.

### E. Smith Rhea, worked for DuPont

Former Newark resident E. Smith Rhea died on Sunday, Aug. 31, 2003.

Mr. Rhea, 87, was known as "Smitty" by his family and friends.

He was born in Washington, D.C. Mr. Rhea worked for E.I. DuPont Company in Baltimore, Md., and Newport, and retired after 42 years of service.

He belonged to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Newark.

Mr. Rhea was presently residing at the Quarryville Presbyterian Retirement Community in Quarryville, Pa.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte B. Miller Rhea; daughter, Dorothy R. and her husband Gary

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### Marion C. W. Sutton, 72, real estate agent

Bear resident Marion Clare W. Sutton died on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2003.

Mrs. Sutton, 72, was a graduate of Duke University, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, and remained an active alumna.

She was a real estate agent with Patterson Schwartz Associates and later with the Handler Construction Company.

Mrs. Sutton was a superb cook and loved to read and sew.

She is survived by her daughters, Linda Sutton of Park City, Utah, and Renee Sutton of Middletown; one niece; one nephew; and her former husband, Stephen L. Sutton, who helped to ensure she received the best medical care possible.

Services were held at the Chandler Funeral Home in Hockessin.

Burial was at the Hampstead Cemetery in Hampstead, Md.

### R. C. Pierce, 75, worked at Chrysler

Newark area resident R. C. Pierce died on Friday, Aug. 29, 2003.

Mr. Pierce, 75, was born in Virginia.

He had been employed in the maintenance department of the Chrysler Corporation in Newark, retiring on Nov. 30, 1989.

He is survived by his children, Timothy Pierce of New Castle, Karla Diane Dooley of New Castle, Jenny R. Flanagan of Townsend, Michael A. Pierce of Middletown, Allen Pierce of New Castle, and Ray D. Pierce of New

Castle; stepchildren, Elizabeth S. Sampson of New Castle, Theresa Cziraki of Puerto Rico, Linda Embert of Elkton, Md., Edward Cziraki of San Jose, Calif., and Joe Appleton of Georgetown.

He is also survived by his brothers, Clarence Pierce of Wilmington, Darryl Pierce of Irwin, Tenn., and Jerry Pierce of Johnson City, Tenn.; sisters, Omi Markland of Detroit, Mich., and Viola Laws and Cricket Street, both of Johnson City, Tenn.; 13 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and 10 step grandchildren.

Services were held at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home in New Castle.

Interment was in the Gracelawn Memorial Park, also in New Castle.

### Ljubica Slijepcevic, 67

Newark resident Ljubica Slijepcevic died on Saturday, Aug. 30, 2003.

Mrs. Slijepcevic, 67, was formerly of Yugoslavia.

She was a homemaker who loved her family.

She was known as a hard worker and she enjoyed gardening.

She is survived by her son, Simo Slijepcevic of Newark; daughter, Zeljka Preradovic of Newark; sister, Milka Miletic of Yugoslavia; and two grandchildren.

Services were held at the Strano and Feeley Family Funeral Home in Newark.

Burial was in Newark Cemetery.

### Anna M. Alexander, 42

Newark resident Anna M. Alexander died on Sunday, Aug. 31, 2003.

Mrs. Alexander, 42, was born in Maryland.

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Kline of Schenectady, N.Y.; son, Robert C. and his wife Theresa Ellingsworth Rhea of Newark; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Quarryville Presbyterian Retirement Community in Quarryville, Pa.

Interment was in Parkwood Cemetery in Baltimore, Md.

**Doris Mae Donovan, 73**

Newark resident Doris Mae Donovan died on Sunday, Aug. 31, 2003, after a brief illness.

Mrs. Donovan was 73.

She is survived by her sons, James E. Donovan and his wife Wynne and Robert Donovan and his wife Frances; two granddaughters; and one great-granddaughter.

Service and burial were privately held at the Delaware Veterans Cemetery in Bear.

**Joan Lois Piatt, worked for Discover**

Bear resident Joan Lois Piatt died on Monday, Sept. 1, 2003.

Mrs. Piatt, 60, had worked as a customer service representative for Discover Credit Card.

She had a love for animals, especially her pets, Jimmy Dean the pig, Al Capone the pit bull and Cookie the cat. She was a member of the VFW Elkton Post and the New Castle Women of the Moose.

In her leisure time she enjoyed dancing, shopping and collecting pig figurines.

**Walter L. Mickle, Army vet of World War II, worked for DuPont, owned A.Z. Rental in Newark**

**F**ORMER Newark resident Walter L. Mickle died on Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2003.

Mr. Mickle, 85, was born in Collingdale, Pa.

He served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was the first sergeant of a reconnaissance company and participated in many of the campaigns of the European Theatre.

He was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in the Battle of the Bulge and later com-

pleted his military service in Czechoslovakia.

As a veteran, Mr. Mickle was a member of the 90th Infantry Division Association and Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge.

Mr. Mickle attended Drexel University and the University of Delaware, and worked as a design engineer for the DuPont Company at the former Louviers site.

Following his retirement, he owned and operated A-Z Rental in Newark.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn "Burns" Mickle; daughters, Christine Myslenski and her companion Edward Pedrick and Kathleen Mickle-Askin and her husband John Askin; three granddaughters; and one great-grandson.

Services were held at the chapel of the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Interment was in the adjoining memorial cemetery.

She is survived by her mother, Elizabeth Thomas; children, Vivian Langille and her husband Michael of Newark, Charles Piatt Jr. and his wife Julie of Clayton, and William Piatt and his wife Beatrice of Middletown.

She is also survived by her brother, William H. Thomas Jr. and his wife Joanne of Pot Nets; sister, Anna Weaver of Tully, N.Y.; and eight grandchildren.

Services were held at the Gebhart Funeral Home in New Castle.

Burial was in Gracelawn Memorial Park, also in New Castle.

**Robert W. McGowan, served in Air Force**

Bear resident Robert W. McGowan died on Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003.

Mr. McGowan, 41, had been a resident of Delaware since 1988.

He had worked for the Dupont

Company from 1988 until 1997.

He was currently employed at EdgeCraft Inc. in Avondale, Pa., as a supervisor of purchasing and inventory control.

Mr. McGowan served four years in the U.S. Air Force.

He was a member of Holy Family Church.

He is survived by twin sons, William C. and Daniel M. McGowan; daughter, Kathleen M. McGowan; parents, Robert F. and Marie A. McGowan of Brandywine Hundred; and his former wife, Christine M. Lorenz.

He is also survived by his paternal grandmother, Lolitta McGowan of Yorba Linda, Calif.; brother, Thomas McGowan of Freehold, N.J.; sisters, Margaret Friedrich of Lakewood, Ohio, and Katherine Geiselman of Howell, N.J.; and six nieces and nephews.

Services were held at the Holy Family Church in Newark and at the

Chandler Funeral Home in Wilmington.

Interment was in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

**Charles Barr III, vet, worked at News Journal**

Newark resident Charles Barr III died on Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003, after a courageous five-year battle with cancer.

Mr. Barr, 52, was a proud veteran and worked for *The News Journal* for 15 years.

He is survived by his parents, Marion and Charles Barr II; brothers, Alan and Terry; sisters, Sherry and Dena; four children; and seven grandchildren.

He is also survived by his new found family, Michelle and Melissa Zeeb, Tracey Price, and his companion, Sheila Zeeb, who were by his side

throughout his battle all the way until the end.

Service and burial was held privately.

**Mary Jane Warshaw, editor and teacher**

Former Newark resident Mary Jane "Gannon" Warshaw died on Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003.

Mrs. Warshaw, 71, was an assistant editor for the *Contractor and Engineer* magazine in New York City, N.Y., and was later employed as an English teacher at Henry Snyder High School in Jersey City.

She was a graduate and alumni association member of St. Aloysius Academy in Jersey City and the College of St. Elizabeth in Convent, N.J., where she earned a bachelor degree in English.

She was a Rosary Altar Society member and communicant of St. Mark's Church in Sea Girt.

Born in Jersey City, she lived in Carmel, Ind., Newark, Del., Arlington Heights, Illinois, Scotch Plains and Jersey City before coming to Sea Girt in 1997.

She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Peter E. Warshaw; sons, Peter E. Jr. and his wife Maureen of Middletown, and William G. of Chicago, Illinois; daughters, Anne M. of St. Paul, Minn., Mary Elizabeth and her husband Michael Delaney of West Chester, Pa., and Ellen M. of Wilmington; and two grandchildren.

She is also survived by her brother, William J. III and his wife Rosemary Gannon of Chatham; sister, Eileen G. and her husband Joseph Kenney of

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## NEWARK POST ♦ OBITUARIES

## ▶ OBITUARIES, from 27

Yardley, Pa.; and 17 nieces and nephews.

Services were held at the O'Brien Funeral Home in Wall, N.J., and at St. Mark's Church in Sea Girt, N.J.

Committal was in St. Catharine Cemetery in Sea Girt, N.J.

### Edna Stewart Lindell, worked for Continental Diamond Fiber Co.

Newark resident Edna Stewart Lindell died on Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003.

Mrs. Lindell, 81, was a resident of Millcroft Healthcare Center since April 2002.

She was a life member of the First Presbyterian Church of Newark.

A lifelong resident of Newark, she lived most of her life on Cleveland Avenue before moving to Windy Hills to live with her sister.

Mrs. Lindell had worked for Continental Diamond Fiber Company in Newark.

She is survived by her sisters, Elizabeth Taylor, Alice Landau, Nora Edmanson and Mary L. Rose, all of Newark; brothers, Elmer and Randolph; one niece; and seven nephews.

Services were held at the First Presbyterian Church in Newark.

Burial was in St. Georges Cemetery.

### Jeffrey Chaplow, 29, union pipefitter

Newark resident Jeffrey Chaplow died on Thursday, Sept. 4, 2003.

Mr. Chaplow, 29, was a member of Holy Family Church and was a good Christian.

He also was a pipefitter for Plumbers and Pipefitters Local No. 74.

Mr. Chaplow enjoyed music, shooting pool, sports, and loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Harriet and Alan Frank of Newark; father and step-mother, Joe and Carole Chaplow of Landenberg, Pa.; fiancée, Denise Miller of Newark; sisters, Tammy Beeson of Newark, and Lori Chaplow of Landenberg, Pa.; brothers, Joe Chaplow and Kevin Frank, both of Newark; grandmother, Regina Slawter; his favorite Uncle Stevie; and his puppy, Rusty.

Service and burial was held privately.

### Paul Johnson, 74, paint mixer at Chrysler

Newark area resident Paul Johnson died on Friday, Sept. 5, 2003.

Mr. Johnson, 74, was a paint mixer at the Chrysler auto assembly plant before retiring in 1982.

He was also a member of UAW Local 1183.

Mr. Johnson was presently residing in Nottingham, Pa.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Joyce Johnson of Nottingham,

Pa.; brothers, Fred Johnson of Todd, N.C., and John Johnson of Connelly Springs, N.C.; sister, Stella Miller of Todd, N.C.; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at the R. T. Foard Funeral Home in Rising Sun, Md.

Burial was in the Elam United Methodist Church Cemetery in Glen Mills, Pa.

### Charles H. Seth Jr., veteran, worked for Christiana schools

Newark area resident Charles H. Seth Jr. died on Friday, Sept. 5, 2003.

Mr. Seth, 79, was a graduate of Howard High School Class of 1942.

He was employed by the General Tire Company as a road-side mechanic and later retired from the Christina School District as a custodian.

He served in the European Theatre and was honorably discharged.

Mr. Seth was a community activist with the 13th Street Block Association. His most cherished involvement was the Howard High School Reunion Committee, where he served as treasurer.

He was a dedicated member of the Bethel AME Church, the IBOE and the VFW where he served as Commander (1974-76) at Post 2765.

Mr. Seth will best be remembered as a proud father, an avid photographer, good cook and a loyal friend who was always willing to lend a helping

hand.

He is survived by his children, Jean Stephens Cox of New York, Charles Seth Anderson of Florida, Anthony Jerome Seth of Wilmington, and Marcelline Hall of Massachusetts; siblings, Haleeman Yakis and Richard Seth, both of New Jersey.

He is also survived by five grandchildren; four nieces; two nephews; and a host of other relatives.

Services were held at the Bethel AME Church in Wilmington.

Interment was in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

### Dorothy Charlotte Kwoka Larrimore, 71

Newark resident Dorothy Charlotte Kwoka Larrimore died on Friday, Sept. 5, 2003.

Mrs. Larrimore, 71, was born in Wilmington. She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her son, Edward M. Larrimore Jr. and his fiancée Linda of Newark; daughters, Diane C. Savage and her husband Gary of Newark, Gerri Larrimore of Newark, and Maryann Stoppi and her husband Kenny of Wilmington; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Holy Family Church and at the R. T. Foard and Jones Funeral Home, both in Newark.

Burial was in the Cathedral Cemetery in Wilmington.

### Michael T. McNutt, 47, union pipe fitter

Bear resident Michael T. McNutt died on Friday, Sept. 5, 2003.

Mr. McNutt, 47, was a pipe fitter for Local 74.

He previously worked for A. Ralph Woodrow Inc. and the family business, R. R. McNutt & Sons Inc.

Mr. McNutt, a graduate of Dickinson High School, was an avid Harley rider and a music lover.

He was very proud of his Irish heritage and was a Civil War buff.

He is survived by his mother, Brenda C. "Sullivan" McNutt of Hockessin; sisters, Eleanor C. Morris, Mary Pat DeLuca, and Kelly Anne Donahue, all of Wilmington, and Brenda M. Stike of Hockessin; and brother, Lawrence C. McNutt of Newark.

Services were held at St. John the Beloved Church and at Mealey Funeral Home, both located in Wilmington.

Interment was in All Saints Cemetery in Wilmington.

### Alice E. Bradley, 90

Newark resident Alice E. Bradley died on Friday, Sept. 5, 2003.

Mrs. Bradley, 90, was presently residing at The Gardens of White Chapel in Newark.

Prior to moving to Newark, she was a long time resident of Indianfield in North Wilmington.

She was born Alice Williams in Berlin, Md., and was raised on a farm where she learned to be independent and self-sufficient.

Mrs. Bradley was kind and considerate to all others she met in her life. She also sought to instill these qualities into her children.

She enjoyed being a homemaker and mother.

Mrs. Bradley was a renowned cook, extraordinary baker and enjoyed entertaining family and friends at her home.

She is survived by her sons, John Bradley of Landenberg, Pa., and James Bradley of Boca Raton, Fla.; twin daughters, Donna Ruggio of Hockessin, and Diane Erace of Miami, Fla.; and a sister, Margaret Hauser of Smyrna.

She is also survived by three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Chandler Funeral Home in Hockessin.

Interment was held privately.

### Walter A. Walstrum, plant manager for NVF

Newark area resident Walter A. Walstrum died on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2003.

Mr. Walstrum, 80, retired as plant manager at the NVF in Yorklyn.

He is a member and Elder of 50 years of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Newark.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia G. Walstrum of Hockessin; son, Dennis W. Walstrum and his wife Nora of Newark; daughter, Sherry W. Vannoy and her husband David of Wilmington; and four grandchildren.

Services were held at the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Newark.

Burial was held privately in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

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The Career Expo will showcase New Castle County (NCC) employers and training providers. This is an excellent opportunity to obtain employment, learn about employment opportunities in the NCC area, or find out about training resources available to NCC residents.

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# Delaware residence moved to Newark in 1978

## ► HOME, from 16

es, in the company of others and under the care of the Sisters.

"People come here to be surrounded by love when they're dying," Sister Edward Marie

said.

But people also go there to live. The residence is host to nightly bingo games, hallway bowling tournaments, and parties, parties, parties.

"We have a party for almost everything," said Sister Margaret.

They have Mardi Gras festivals where all the residents make their own costumes and floats. Residents take trips to the beaches, concerts and Longwood Gardens. They go see Christmas lights in the winter and on hot days, they visit the creamery in Hockessin for homemade ice cream.

There are 213 Jeanne Jugan homes worldwide, 32 in the United States, including locations in Philadelphia and Baltimore.

The Delaware residence first opened in 1903, resting on the corner of Wilmington's Fourth and Bancroft Streets. Area bakers brought over baskets of bread and muffins each day, local farmers dropped off fresh vegetables and local food banks and shelters would donate food to the home.

In those days, though it admitted men and women, the sexes had to live on opposite sides of the building, even married couples. Facing structural difficulties

in 1978, the home moved to its current location in Newark, where married couples can now live together. But not much else has changed over the years.

Now the Delaware facility has 40 nursing beds, 26 residential rooms and 11 studio apartments with 81 residents all together. The home still subsists entirely on donations, and admits about 12 new residents a year. The nine sisters still go out and beg for donations and supplies.

## Slow down, reduce the numbers

## ► OUTLOOK, from 8

destinations without injury.

**STOP** - Come to a complete stop at all traffic signs and signals.

Drivers of motor vehicles are notorious these days for not stopping at stop signs and running red lights. Failing to yield right of way, passing a stop sign and disregarding traffic signals are some of the major causes of intersection related crashes. There also will be many children walking to school or waiting at bus stops in the morning and during afternoon rush hour traffic. Children ages 5-9 are at the highest risk of injury as pedestrians because they dart into traffic without stopping at all first. Children need to be taught to make a complete stop at the curb of the road before entering any traffic. One of the five most common causes of bicycle and motor vehicle crashes is when a bicyclist enters an intersection without obeying the stop sign. Bicyclists are considered drivers of a vehicle and therefore must obey all traffic signs and signals. Bicyclists are required to come to a complete stop - just like a motor vehicle. At busy intersections, bicyclists can walk their bikes across the road as pedestrians.

**LOOK** - Use your eyes to be alert of all types of traffic.

Regardless of how you travel - by car, by foot or by bike - be aware of your surroundings at all times. Actually being attentive and looking for traffic is an important step in avoiding a collision of any type. Inattentive driving is still the number one cause of motor vehicle crashes in the State of Delaware. Drivers must remember to be observant of bicyclists and pedestrians, as well as, other motor vehicles. Pedestrians must make sure traffic is stopped before crossing in front of traffic. It takes cars a long time to stop in an emergency and the driver may not be able to avoid the collision. Look left, right and then left again to be sure that you have double-checked for the traffic that is closest to you. Whenever possible, using street corners and crosswalks is the best advice because there are signals for the motorists and the pedestrians.

Bicyclists need to share the road and be predictable. Another most common cause of bicycle crashes is the bicyclist entering traffic without checking for traffic or signaling their intention to turn. Many young riders will enter the road from a driveway, alley or curb without slowing or stopping to look left-right-left for traffic.

**LISTEN** - Use your ears so you can hear what is going on around you.

Our ears do provide an additional way to monitor traffic. All drivers need to turn down their radio, and avoid lengthy conversations with passengers or on cell phones. Then drivers can hear other vehicles or children standing at a bus stop, or on a street corner. Drivers will be better prepared to slow down or make a sudden stop if they can hear. Pedestrians need to listen for the sound of the engine of a car. This will indicate that a car has just started, or that it may be moving away from the curb or a driveway and that it could be headed in their direction. Wearing a radio with headphones will prevent a pedestrian from knowing which direction traffic is coming from, which is true for bicyclists as well. Actually, it is against the law for a bicyclist to wear headphones that cover both ears. Drivers of motor vehicles sometimes use their car horn to alert others sharing the same roadway of their location, which can assist in avoiding a collision. Headphones divert the user's attention away from traffic sounds.

Traffic fatalities soared to a total of 42,850 in 2002, the highest since 1990. That number averages out to about 117 deaths per day. The City of Newark through August 22 of this year reported 751 traffic crashes. For that week alone, 26 crashes were reported, which is almost 4 crashes a day! Let's all slow down, concentrate on where we are and what we are doing to try and reduce these numbers. Take time to Stop, Look, and Listen, before using your feet - to power your vehicle; to power those walking shoes; or to power your bicycle - and before you enter traffic. Following this advice will help ensure that everyone who shares the road can travel safely.

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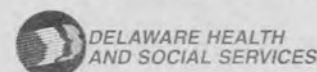
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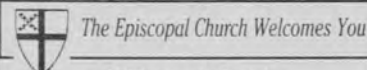
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A young audience listens intently to author John Micklos, of International Reading Association, as he reads "Daddy Poems," stories of family interactions, during International Literacy Day celebration at Bear Library. Micklos reads from memory, holding the books open toward his audience.

## Local families celebrate Literacy Day at Bear library

It was all about reading, listening and understanding as more than 200 children celebrated International Literacy Day, last week at the Bear Library.

The children, from preschoolers up to teenagers, along with their parents and guardians were entertained by professional storytellers, arts and crafts, read-alouds, refreshments and a visit by Mother

Goose, herself.

Sponsored by the Delaware Division of Libraries, the focus was on family literacy, with Parents as Teachers organizing the reading activities, according to Patty Langley, senior librarian with the Delaware Division of Libraries.

The children could listen to as many as six different stories then go to a workshop area to create an art project around the stories' themes.

Free books were given to each child, appropriate for their reading level from hard board books to sixth or seventh grade level.

A literacy fair, with ten organizations present had displays for the children and parents.

Plans are already under way for next year's literacy celebration.

— Robin Broomall



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Eleven members of the Newark Senior Center Table Tennis Club dominated the Senior Olympics, capturing seven gold, four silver, and two bronze medals. Team members, from left, are: Ann McNeil, Barbara Kelly, Judy Smith, Charles Hall, Jane Smith, Joe Pfister, Helene Schmidt, Dexter Worden, Walt Nickelson and John Llera. Not pictured is Roy Brubaker.

## Newark seniors show their stuff

SENIORS all across Delaware are working on their swimming strokes, tennis serves, volleyball spikes and golf swings. For the next six weeks, they will be competing in the Delaware Senior Olympics 2003 Annual Games.

Competition will take place in 27 different events, with everything from archery to bowling, from cycling to line dancing.

And if the rest of the events go like the table tennis competition, Newark Senior Center members will be walking away with many of the medals.

On Saturday, Sept. 6, at the Chinese American Club in Hockessin, the eleven members of the NSC table tennis club dominated the field, taking seven gold, four silver and two bronze medals in the various categories.

The NSC team of five women and six men plays regular tournaments every Tuesday and Thursday and practices on Fridays at the center located on White Chapel Drive, off Marrows Road in Newark.

"It's lots of fun," team member John Llera said. "We don't even keep score most of the

time."

This year 785 seniors across the state have registered for the different competitions, according to Mary Costello, executive director of Delaware Senior Olympics. This number is up from previous non-qualifying years. Competition in every other year qualifies winners to advance to national competition. Those competing in 2004 will qualify for 2005 nationals. Delaware has participated since 1992.

"This year has been difficult with postponements due to the rain," Costello said, "shuffleboard and softball have already been rescheduled."

The newest sport to be added to this year's events is billiards. State competition will take place in Newark at Iroquois Jack's in Presbury Square on Rt. 4, Saturday, Sept. 20 at 10 a.m.

"It should be a very interesting event," Costello said. "We have a 100 year-old participant scheduled to play. He's very excited about it."

For information or competition results visit <http://delaware-seniorolympics.org>

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## BMW's 3 Series ring in the new year early with sharper looks and added features

By MALCOLM GUNN  
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**C**rowned the best of the best — year after year — and a car that the rest of the industry scrambles to match, the BMW 3 Series is already considered the pinnacle of European style and performance prowess.

Now what?  
For 2004, BMW will continue its don't-mess-with-perfection approach, almost daring anyone to spot the subtle changes to its coupe and convertible versions.

When contemplating alterations to the company's most popular model, tweeking, trimming and incorporating mild body revisions is as far as the designers dared to go. Perhaps that's as much as its loyal group of contented buyers — about 150,000 strong in 2002 — are prepared to accept.

In fact, for about the past dozen years, the 3 Series line has steadily, yet almost imperceptibly evolved. At the same time, the variety of body styles has grown to encompass nearly every automotive category. Aside from sedan and coupe, the line includes a wagon, several all-wheel drive variants as well as the high-performance M (for Motorsports) offshoot. Next year, a 3 Series-derived sport-utility vehicle will be added to this burgeoning fleet.

For now, the 325Ci and 330Ci coupes and convertibles have been selected for updating and are being released for 2004 well ahead of the traditional fall launch window. The rear- and all-wheel drive '04 sedans should follow in a few months while the future of the wagon remains uncertain.

Exterior upgrades are limited to a new front and rear fascia, more bulge in the fender flares plus the availability of Xenon headlights that automatically pivot in the direction of a turn. In

addition, the taillights have an adaptive feature that increases their brightness under heavy braking or whenever the standard anti-lock system is on the job.

As a final flourish — and a way for true BMW loyalists to spot 3 Series model years apart — the standard 16- and optional 17- and 18-inch alloy wheels have been redesigned.

On the inside, the climate-control panel on the dash has been revised and the previously optional rain-sensing windshield wipers have become standard.

Those expecting major changes under the hood might be disappointed, although it's tough to find fault with either the carryover base 2.5-liter (in the 325Ci) or the optional 3.0-liter (standard in the 330Ci) six-cylinder powerplants. More power would be always be welcome, but the engines still dish out 2003's 184 and 225 horsepower ratings. These all-aluminum DOHC motors are equipped with BMW's variable intake and exhaust valve timing and are controlled through an electronic drive-by-wire (no mechanical link between the gas pedal and the induction system) throttle.

A five-speed manual transmission is standard on the 325Ci while an all-new six-speed gearbox is included on the 330Ci. Optional with both is a shift-for-yourself five-speed Steptronic automatic.

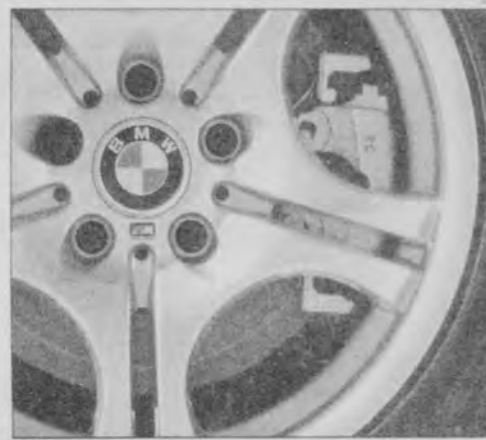
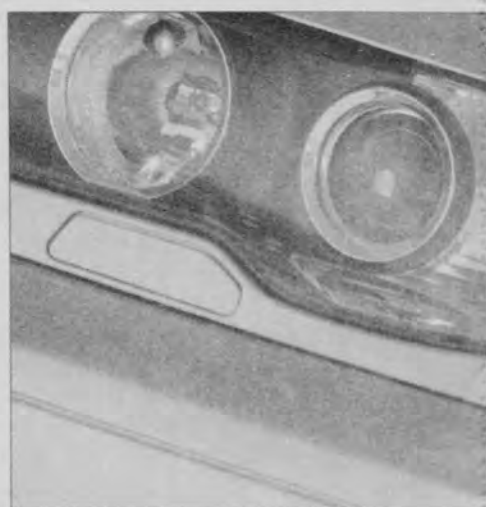
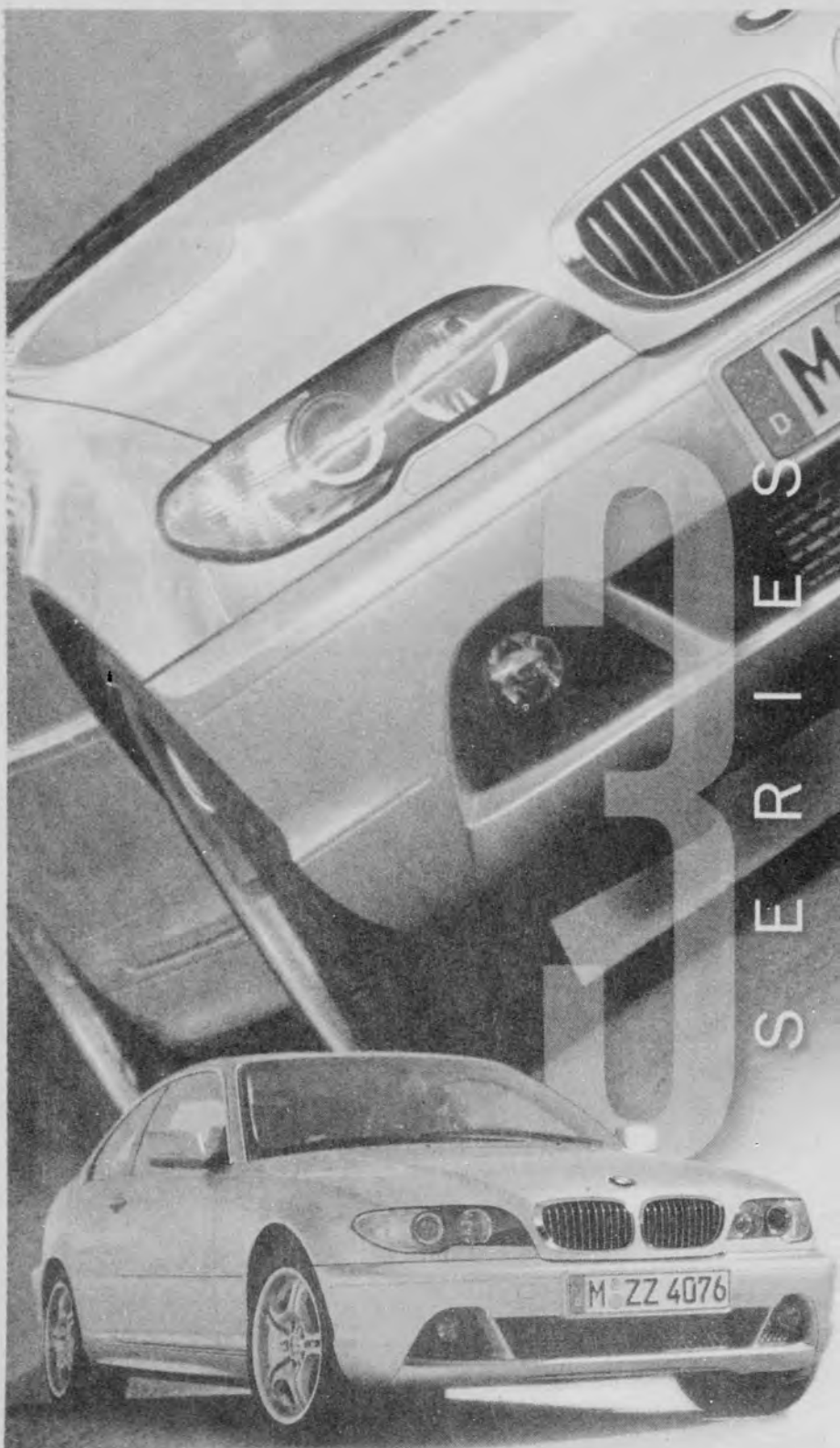
According to BMW, the 325Ci will nail down 60 m.p.h. in about seven seconds while the 330Ci shaves a half-second of that time. Due to their extra weight, the convertibles are a tick slower. All versions are limited to a top speed of 128 m.p.h.

While a full load of comfort, convenience and safety features is the order of the day for the 3 Series, the 330Ci benefits from a

premium audio system and an eight-way power driver's seat (coupe only).

Among the lengthy list of options is a sport package that provides larger specially designed wheels, sport seats and white turn-signal indicators. As well, a premium package adds a moonroof (coupes), leather upholstery and an auto-dimming mirror.

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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 Shaun Clifton

PETITIONER(S)

TO Steven Andrew Ryan  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Shaun Clifton intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Steven Andrew Ryan.  
Andrea Clifton  
Petitioner  
DATED: 8-27-03  
np 9/5,9/12,9/19

#### IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Nicholas Scott Gunzl, Joshua Michael Gunzl, CarolAnn Marie Gunzl  
By their mother/father Elaine & Kevin Gibson  
PETITIONER(S)

TO Nicholas Scott Gibson, Joshua Michael Gibson, CarolAnn Marie Gibson  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Nicholas Scott Gunzl, Joshua Michael Gunzl, CarolAnn Marie Gunzl intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Nicholas Scott Gibson, Joshua Michael Gibson, CarolAnn Marie Gibson.  
Elaine L. Gibson  
Parent  
Petitioner  
DATED: 8-29-03  
np 9/5,9/12,9/19

DATED: 8-29-03  
np 9/5,9/12,9/19

#### CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA September 22, 2003 - 7:30 p.m.

1. **SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **CITY SECRETARY'S MINUTES FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL:**

A. Regular Council Meeting of September 8, 2003

- \*3. **ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:**

A. Public (5 minutes per speaker)

B. University

C. Council Members

4. **ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:**

None

5. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:**

A. Contract 03-08, Purchase of Five Hand-Held Meter Reading Computers

- \*6. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**

A. Bill 03-24 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Increasing the Compensation of the Mayor & Council

B. Bill 03-25 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 20, Motor Vehicle & Traffic, By Expanding the Requirements for Private Parking Signage

C. Bill 03-26 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Providing for an Alcohol-Related Surcharge for Alderman's Court Fines

- \*7. **PLANNING COMMISSION/DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None

8. **ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:**

None

9. **ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:**

A. **COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

1. Resolution No. 03-: In Appreciation to Madeleine Frame

B. **COMMITTEES, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:**

1. Appointment to Downtown Newark Partnership

C. **OTHERS:** None

10. **SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

A. Special Reports from Manager & Staff:

1. Delaware Solid Waste Authority Curbside Recycling

B. Alderman's Report

\*OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The above agenda is intended to be followed, but is subject to changes, deletions, additions & modifications, as permitted under the Freedom of Information Act of the State of Delaware. Copies may be obtained at the City Secretary's Office, 220 Elkton Road.

np 9/19

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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 Sanjiv Guha

PETITIONER(S)

TO Sanjiv Ghosh Tagore  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Sanjiv Guha intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Sanjiv Ghosh Tagore.  
Sanjiv Guha  
Petitioner(s)  
DATED: 9/7/03  
np 9/19,26,10/3

#### IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Jennifer M. Hamm

PETITIONER(S)

TO Jennifer M. Schott

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Jennifer M. Hamm 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 Jennifer M. Schott.

Jennifer M. Hamm  
Petitioner(s)  
DATED: 9/3/2003  
cw 9/12,19,26

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SEPTEMBER 22, 2003 - 7:30 PM

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter and Section 27-13 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, September 22, 2003 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the Council will consider for Final Action and Passage the following proposed Ordinances:

**BILL 03-24** - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Increasing the Compensation of the Mayor and Council

**BILL 03-25** - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 20, Motor Vehicle & Traffic, By Expanding the Requirements for Private Parking Signage

**BILL 03-26** - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 2, Administration, By Providing for an Alcohol-Related Surcharge for Alderman's Court Fines

Susan A. Lamblack, MMC  
City Secretary

np 9/12,19

#### PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at Public Auction on 10/28/03 at 2:00 p.m. at:

**PUBLIC STORAGE**  
425 NEW CHURCHMAN'S ROAD  
NEW CASTLE, DE 19720

the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

F122 - William Tripp Jr, 10+ boxes

F149 - Adrienne R. Berry, 4+ boxes, 4+ totes, 3+ bags

G017 - Matt Pyle, 20+ boxes, misc. furniture

G005 - Melanie Domanski, fishing poles, clothes, misc. furniture, boxes

F023 - Joseph Destefano, misc. furniture, 30+ boxes, electronics

D007 - Sandra Destaffany, toys, 30+ boxes, 3+ totes, rug, car seat

D002 - Yvonne Smith, washer, 50+ boxes, electronics, misc. furniture

G045 - Dianne Ditomasso, 50+ boxes, misc. furniture, electronics

H019 - Bernard Denny Sr., misc. furniture, electronics, 3+ totes

F054 - William Witherspoon, 30+ trash bags, bike

F008 - Aretha Carn, misc. furniture, 20+ boxes, microwave

F083 - Rosia Kelly, misc. furniture

F102 - Lamina Robinson, misc. furniture, electronics

A012 - Mark Terrell, mattress, carpet

C014 - Rose M. Wierzbicki, 30+ boxes, misc. furniture

C161 - Mike Diehl, misc. furniture, 5+ boxes

F049 - Monica Cummings, misc. furniture, electronics

H033 - Pierce Schwenk, 8 tires, 2 cabinets, clothes

H036 - Phillip Walker, 2 Honda automobiles

np 9/19,26

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NEW CASTLE, DE 19720

the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

D014 - Tanya Egan - dressers, table, chairs, boxes

A022 - Kathy A. Smith - boxes, bikes, tubs, end tables

np 9/19,26

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at Public Auction on 10/28/03 at 12:00 p.m. at:

**PUBLIC STORAGE**  
201 BELLEVUE RD.  
NEWARK, DE 19713

the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

A065 - Barbara Allen - misc. furniture, 10+ boxes, cooler

B096 - Denny Woods - 10+ totes, misc. furniture, 10+ boxes

B051 - Kathryn Gray - clothing, totes

B073 - Hermaine Lawton - misc. furniture

B138 - Shawn Wootson - 4+ boxes

C024 - Jonathan Johnson - stroller, car seat, vacuum

F090 - Patricia Miller - 3+ totes, electronics, misc. furniture

G011 - Denise Huss - misc. furniture, 50+ boxes, electronics

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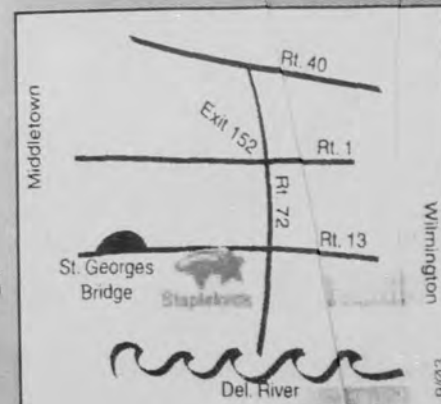
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## MBNA America 400/150 Stacker 200 Presented by YJ Stinger

### Schedule of Events

#### Thursday, September 18

11:00 a.m. ....	Grandstand Gates open
11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. ....	Busch North Practice
1:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. ....	Busch North Practice
3:15 p.m. ....	Busch North Qualifying
	<i>(Two laps all positions)</i>

#### Friday, September 19

8:00 a.m. ....	Grandstand Gates open
8:00 a.m. - 10:55 a.m. ....	Busch Series Practice
11:05 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ....	Winston Cup Practice
1:10 p.m. ....	Busch Series Qualifying
2:35 p.m. ....	Winston Cup Qualifying
4:00 p.m. ....	Busch North Driver Introductions
4:30 p.m. ....	MBNA American 150 Green Flag

#### Saturday, September 20

8:00 a.m. ....	Grandstand Gates open
9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. ....	Winston Cup Practice
11:10 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. ..	Winston Cup Final Practice
12:30 p.m. ....	Busch Series Driver Introductions
1 p.m. ....	Stacker 200 Green Flag

#### Sunday, September 21

5:30 a.m. ....	Infield Gates open
8:00 a.m. ....	Grandstand Gates open
11:30 a.m. ....	Parade Lap Ceremonies
Noon .....	Pre-Race Ceremonies
12:30 p.m. ....	Winston Cup Driver Introductions
1 p.m. ....	MBNA American 400 Green Flag

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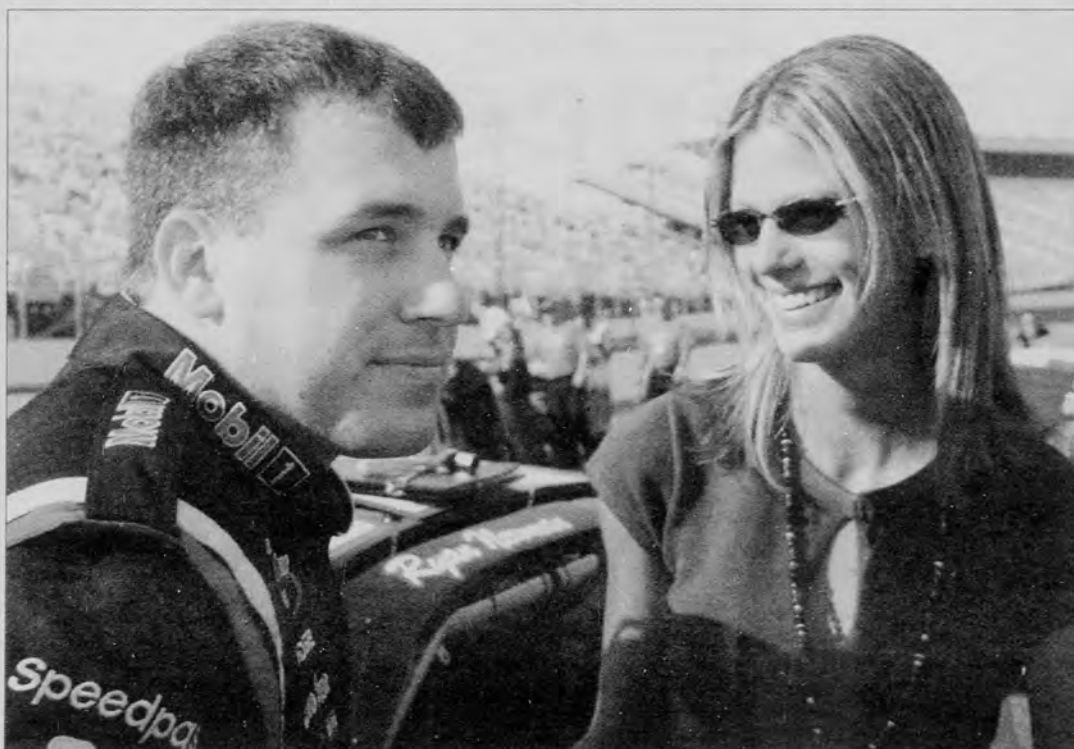
By John Dunlap  
Dover Speedway

DOVER, Del.— The questions about who will win the final Winston Cup 2003 championship grow fewer and fewer with every passing week. Nonetheless, it seems a safe bet that Matt Kenseth, the pride of Wisconsin, would like nothing better than to put a little of the proverbial icing on the cake with a win at one of his favorite race tracks, Dover International Speedway. He's won Busch Series races at Dover, but never a Winston Cup event, and he'll have another chance on September 21 in the MBNA America 400.

While Kenseth, whose first Winston Cup race took place at Dover, would be the first to downplay his 418 point lead over Dale Earnhardt, Jr., the rest of the Winston Cup field understands that the real battle will likely be for other spots in the top 10.

"I just can't see anyone catching Matt right now," said Jimmie Johnson, who knows a thing or two about winning at Dover (he swept both races in 2002). "He would have to experience an awful lot of bad luck and somebody else would have to really get hot. But Matt has been so consistent all year that you just can't figure on that happening."

Thus, the top storylines at Dover are likely to involve the young guns versus the veterans and the racers who have been hot in recent weeks. The young are represented by the likes of Kenseth, Johnson, Ryan Newman, Kurt Busch, Dale Earnhardt, Jr., and Tony Stewart, all racers who have fared well at Dover in their short careers. The veteran racers who also have run well at The Monster Mile include Mark Martin (three wins at Dover), Ricky Rudd (four Dover wins), Rusty Wallace (three wins at Dover)




With fiancée Krissie Boyle, NASCAR driver Ryan Newman looks up to see he won the pole position for the Sylvania 300, Friday at New Hampshire International Speedway.

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and Bill Elliott (four Dover victories).

The hot include Newman (six wins on the season), Busch (four wins), Kevin Harvick (who has climbed from 11th in the point standings as of mid-June to third right now) and Terry Labonte (who has climbed into the top 10, thanks in large part to a recent win at Darlington).

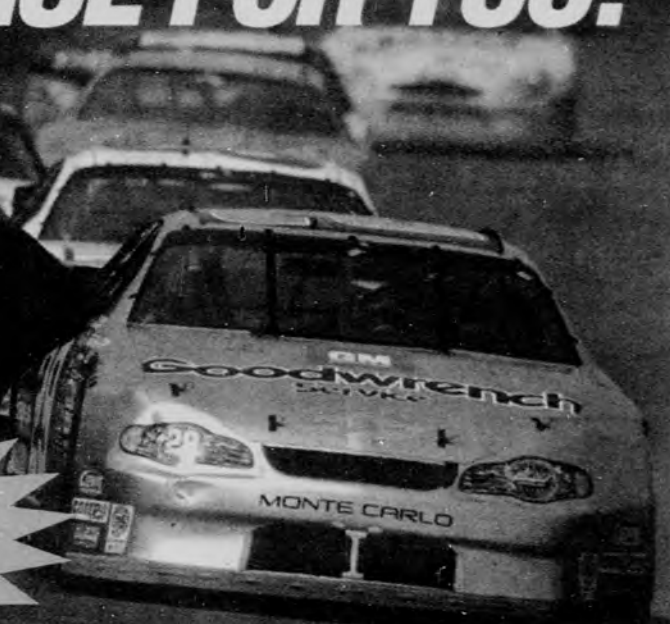
Among these racers, Newman (who won at Dover on June 1), Johnson, Stewart (who swept both races at Dover in 2000 and almost always runs in the top five at The Monster Mile), Martin (also a perennial front charger at Dover) and Jeff Gordon (four wins at Dover) are drivers to keep an eye on when the MBNA 400 takes place.




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# Stewart can't explain his Dover Speedway success

By John Dunlap  
Dover Speedway

DOVER, Del.—You would think that any racer who has pulled a season sweep at Dover International Speedway and finished in the top 10 in eight of his nine Winston Cup races there would have a pretty good idea why he does so well at The Monster Mile. But Tony Stewart, who will no doubt be one of the heavy favorites in the MBNA America 400 on September 21, isn't at all cocky about his success rate at Dover.

So what's the defending Winston Cup champion's secret to success at Dover?

"I honestly don't know," Stewart replies. "We don't have any secrets. It's just a track where my crew chief, Greg Zipadelli, has come up with a setup that compliments my driving style. I wish I knew what makes us so good there."

Still, Stewart knows that he likes racing at Dover. One certainly would

assume as much given that he swept both Winston Cup races at The Monster Mile in 2000 and his worst-ever finish at Dover is 11th. He's cracked the top 5 no less than seven times. Stewart likes running on the one-mile concrete surface, especially as a race evolves.

"It seems as though when the track gets slippery and you have to wrestle the car a little bit more, that it plays into our hands," said Stewart. "When the race track gets hot and slippery, you never end up having a perfect car. You've got to adjust as a driver, and for me that's an advantage."

Unfortunately for Stewart, 2003 has not been as good a season as he might have liked. Three-straight finishes of 40th or worse in the spring California, Richmond and Charlotte races took Tony the Tiger from seventh in the point standings to 20th. He has fought his way back to being on the verge of cracking the Top 10 with some solid finishes, including an eye-opening run at the June 1 race at Dover that saw him

go from a lap down to nearly winning the race.

One can imagine that another win at Dover would be the perfect way to return to championship form. At the very least, for Tony Stewart it would be a return to Dover form.

Stewart and Jeff Gordon are by far the most popular drivers at Dover and each has enjoyed multiple trips to the winner's circle at the Monster Mile.

While Stewart has had his difficulties in the past year, an image makeover and a steadier presence on and off the track have kept his name out of the headlines except when it counts in terms of results. After several temper-induced incidents last season, Stewart has appeared to be a

man more in control of his emotions in 2003, while others like Kevin Harvick and Ricky Rudd have grabbed attention for their emotional outbursts.

It may be difficult for drivers to explain why they have success at certain tracks more so than others, but fan support is certainly a factor. If a driver feels comfortable in a particular location, he may be able to relax a bit and focus more on the task at hand—winning the race.

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Tony Stewart salutes the crowd at Dover Downs during driver introductions before the NASCAR MBNA 400 race in this June file photo.





NASCAR drivers Tony Stewart (20) and Bobby Labonte practice Saturday Sept. 13 for Sunday's Sylvania 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway in Loudon, N.H. Stewart has had tremendous success at Dover Downs Speedway, but can't quite explain why.

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# Despite fines, Harvick remains mad at Rudd

By Mike Harris  
AP Motorsports Writer

LOUDON, N.H. — Kevin Harvick isn't forgiving and forgetting, and Ricky Rudd doesn't care.

Harvick said Friday he regrets tapping Rudd's car and his use of bad lan-

guage during a melee on pit lane following last Saturday night's Richmond race. But the Richard Childress Racing driver still blames Rudd for putting him in the wall late in the race.

"I still feel it was a pretty cheap shot," Harvick said. "The incident started on the racetrack. I haven't heard from Ricky Rudd, and I know the veteran approach

to it is to always call on Monday morning. If it wasn't on purpose, I didn't hear the phone ring.

"I think it was about as intentional as you can get when you wreck going down the straightaway and don't even make it to the corner. ... I'm not going to back off on that part of it."

Harvick was running second and Rudd third with nine laps remaining when Rudd tapped him from behind, sending Harvick's car into the wall. Rudd went on to finish third and Harvick, who is third in the season points and was hoping to gain on leader Matt Kenseth, wound up 16th.

Longtime NASCAR star Rudd on Friday denied he wrecked Harvick on purpose, adding, "If it was intentional, I darn sure wouldn't have hit him square in the bumper. I'd had hit him on the inside corner and moved him out of the way and drove on."

"I've been around this sport long enough, if I want to pick out a place to hit, I know how to do it."

Asked if he plans to speak with Harvick to clear the air, Rudd said, "I would have said I apologize but, after his behavior at the race, I got nothing to say to him."

Rudd said he did try to call Richard Childress, Harvick's car owner, "but he was out hunting."

Harvick never envisioned things getting out of hand the way they did after the Richmond race.

"The part I regret the most is the lan-

guage," said Harvick, who stood on the top of his car and berated Rudd before watching two of his crewmen cave in the hood on Rudd's car.

Harvick then threw his HANS Device at Rudd, who threw it back.

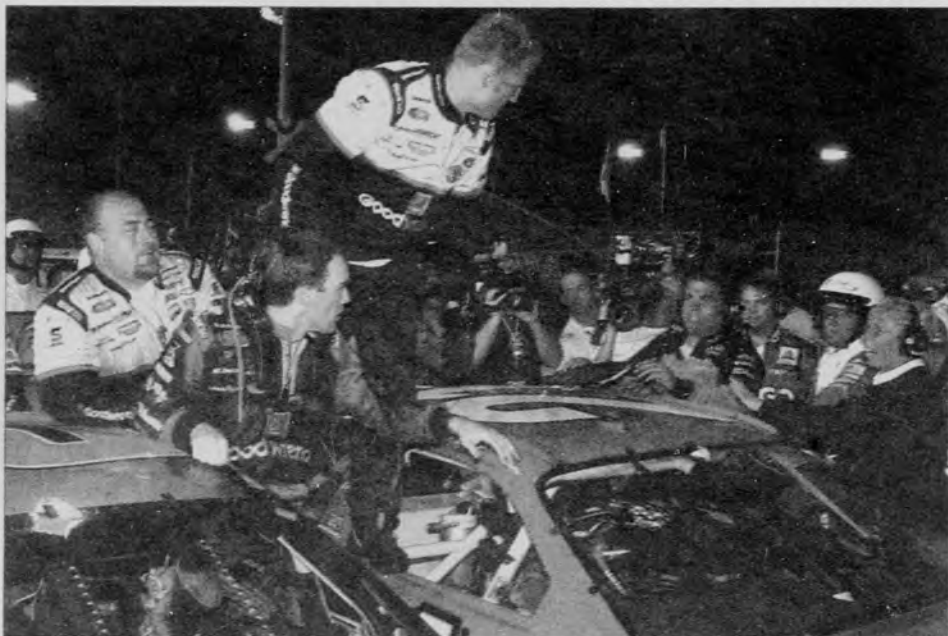
"I can't go back and do things over," Harvick said. "Obviously, things escalated more than I think they should have. I really just wanted to have a conversation with (Rudd). It just didn't work out like that."

NASCAR fined Harvick \$35,000 and placed him on probation until Dec. 31. Two of his crewmen were suspended for 10 days and will miss Sunday's Sylvania 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway, and two other RCR crewmen were fined.

"For the most part, we stuck together as a race team and a bunch of people, and that's very important from a team standpoint," Harvick said. "We got in trouble for some of the things that we did and should have done a little differently. ... People don't realize that we are human and we will make mistakes."

Harvick spent much of 2002 on probation after being suspended for the April race at Martinsville for rough driving. He didn't expect this probation to affect his driving.

"For the most part, you just have to go out and race and, hopefully, it all shakes out," Harvick said. "I'm still racing for first, second, third, fourth, whatever, in the championship. ... This won't make any difference."



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Kevin Harvick, second from left, and his crew yell at Ricky Rudd and his crew after the Chevrolet 400 Sept. 6. Rudd, running third, nudged Harvick on the front stretch.

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# How the NASCAR point system works

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The top five finishers are separated by a five-point margin; positions six through 10 are awarded a four-point separation; three points separate position 11 to the end of the field.

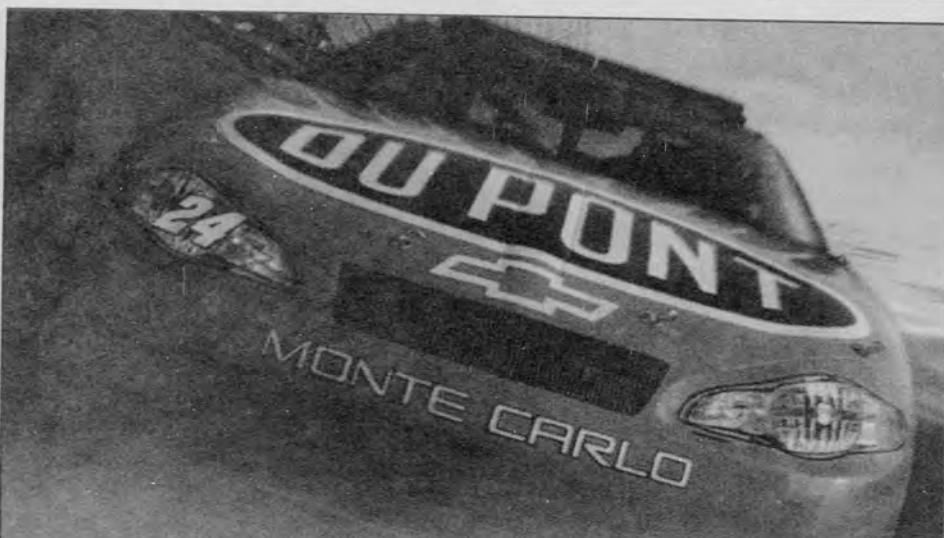
A driver can also receive bonus points by leading a race. Five points are awarded to any driver who leads at least one lap. An additional five points are awarded to the driver who leads the most laps during each event.

Points are awarded to the

starting driver of each car, regardless of who is driving that car at the finish. The starting driver must take the green flag (signifying the official start of the race) and complete at least one lap before turning the car over to a relief driver.

In cases in which two or more drivers finish the season in a tie, the number of wins during the season is used to break the tie. Successive tie breakers are the number of second-place finishes, third-place finishes and so on until the tie is broken.

Because the points system rewards consistency, a driver who finishes several races in the top five may have a better chance at winning the overall title than a driver who wins a few races but does poorly in the remainder.



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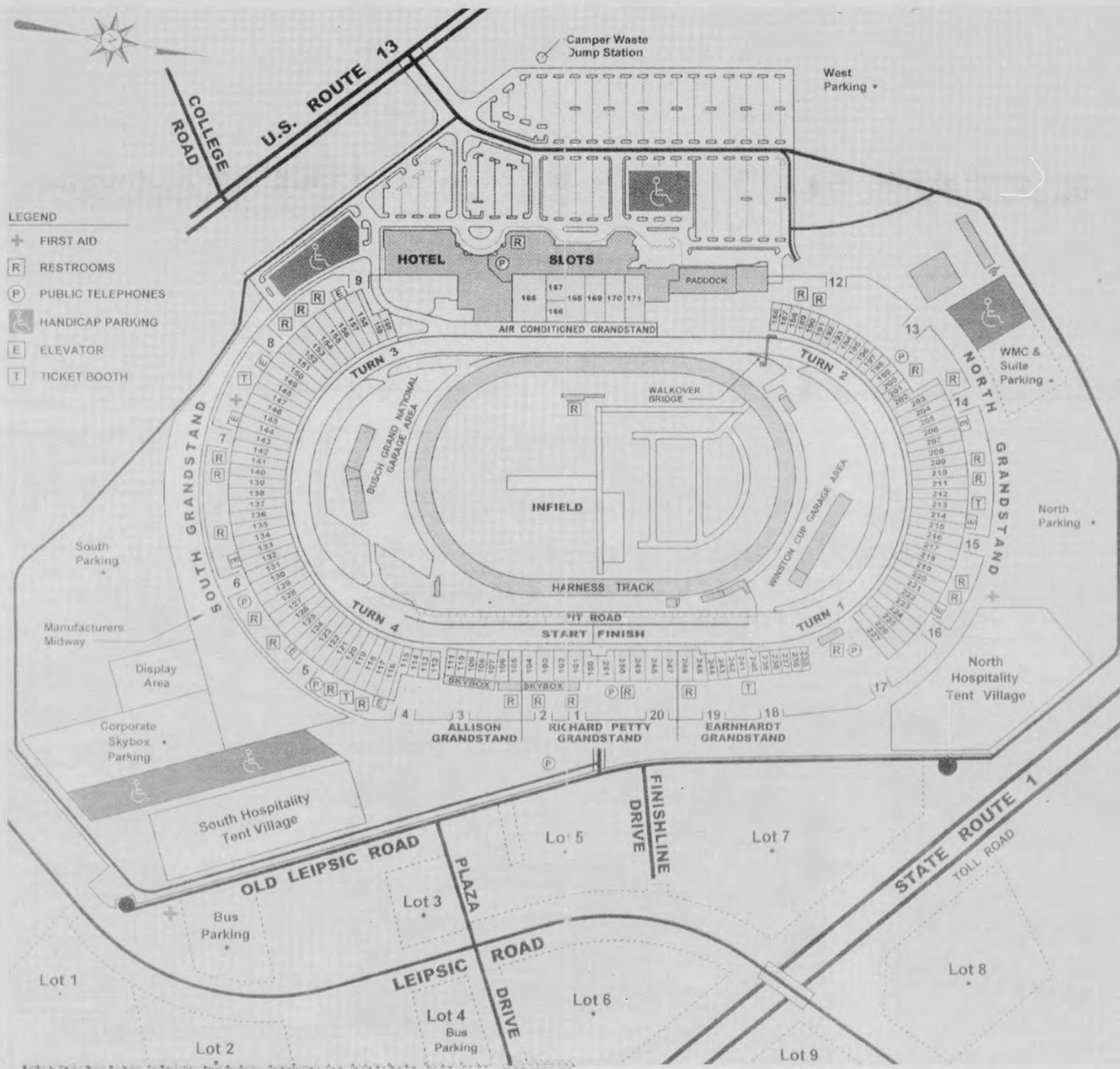
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# Spencer likes safety barriers

By Mike Harris  
AP Motorsports Writer

LOUDON, N.H. — Jimmy Spencer is already a big fan of the SAFER barrier technology being used to cushion crashes at some of NASCAR's tracks.

The Steel and Foam Energy Reduction barrier was first installed two years ago at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and this year has been placed on some walls at Talladega Superspeedway, Richmond International Raceway — where it was used in a race for the first time last week — and, now, New Hampshire International Speedway.

The introduction of the SAFER barrier at more tracks has been slowed because it has to be engineered specifically for each facility due to the differences in the radius of the turns and track size.

Spencer hit the SAFER barrier — also known as "Soft Walls" — a week ago at Richmond while driving in a NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series event.

"I never noticed (the SAFER barrier) at Richmond until we were under caution," Spencer said Friday at the New Hampshire track. "Then I saw the wall was sticking out a little farther than I remembered and realized it was there."

"Ironically, a little later in the race,

I hit the barrier. I didn't even get the breath knocked out of me or anything. I was just thinking about being knocked out of the race when I had such a good truck. I was walking to the pits when I first thought, 'Hey, I hit that new wall.'"

Spencer came away from the crash with a badly wrecked truck but only a bruise on his knee and no aches or pains.

"Any time you hit a wall, it hurts," Spencer said. "This one didn't hurt and I think that's pretty neat."

Steve Park was the only Winston Cup driver to hit the wall Friday at NHIS. He walked away without injury.

This is the track where Adam Petty and Kenny Irwin Jr. were killed in separate crashes in 2000.

**GAS MAN:** Ricky Craven, a local favorite from Newburgh, Maine, is hoping that Sunday's Sylvania 300 Winston Cup race doesn't come down to fuel mileage.

Craven was running second in the July race at NHIS before having to make a late pit stop for gas. He wound up finishing 21st.

"The fact is, we didn't get the fuel mileage the other teams got," Craven said. "As a result, we ended up having to stop, which was very disappointing. Essentially, we came up a half-gallon short."

Craven, who has two Winston Cup victories, including one earlier this season at Darlington, added, "You can't wish for more fuel. The fact is, the package we started the race with ended up costing us."

Mileage could come into play again on Sunday on the 1.058-mile oval, but Craven and the PPI Motorsports team don't want to be too conservative.

"If we come into the race with the idea that we have to do everything we can to save fuel, there will be 36 cautions and fuel will be irrelevant," Craven said. "You can't play that game."

"The fact is that some days are not your days and some days you get lucky. Over the long haul, that probably evens out."

**WINNING WAYS:** It hasn't taken Jimmy Spencer long to get the hang of racing a truck.

Spencer beat Brendan Gaughan on Friday to take the pole position for Saturday's New Hampshire 200 NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series race here. It is only the second truck race for Spencer, who is a longtime Winston Cup regular.

"It's unbelievable that we didn't have to hardly do anything to this truck," Spencer said. "It was actually a little loose, but it was good enough."

Spencer stepped into the truck ride as an interim driver after Jason

Leffler, who won two poles earlier this season, moved into a full-time Winston Cup ride with the Haas CNC team.

The starting lineup for Spencer's first truck race, last week in Richmond, was set by owner points after qualifying was rained out.

"Hey, I won a pole the first time I actually tried to qualify a truck. That's pretty good," Spencer said.

The truck is owned by Jim Smith, who also owns Spencer's Winston Cup entry. Andy Houston is scheduled to drive the next two races for the team, which also fields trucks for Ted Musgrave.

Spencer's fast lap on Friday was 127.346 mph, while Gaughan turned a lap of 127.210.

Bobby Hamilton was third at 126.740, followed by rookie Carl Edwards at 126.686 and another Winston Cup regular, Ken Schrader, at 126.669.

**SPARKPLUGS:** Jeff Burton led all 300 laps at NHIS in this race in 2000, only the third time in NASCAR's modern era — since 1972 — that a driver has done that in a Winston Cup race. ... There have been eight different winners in the past eight races here. ... All four car manufacturers have posted at least one victory here in the last seven races, but Ford leads with three wins during that span.

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# Biffle gaining Winston confidence

By John Dunlap  
Dover Speedway

DOVER, Del.—Greg Biffle has known nothing but success at every level of NASCAR racing in which he has participated. So the frustrations of the first half of the current Winston Cup season must have seemed like a

nagging pebble in his shoe. After all, here is a man who has won the Craftsman Truck Series and Busch Series championships as well as Rookie of the Year honors in both series. However, since a stunning win at the summer Daytona race, Biffle has shaken the proverbial pebble from his shoe and displayed the sort of track savvy that has him fully in the hunt for

Winston Cup Rookie of the Year honors.

Biffle clearly will be a driver to watch on September 21 when he races the No.16 Grainger Ford in the MBNA America 400 at Dover International Speedway. But wait, Biffle also will be running in the familiar haunts of the Busch Series on September 20 in the Stacker 200 Presented by YJ Stinger.

He'll steer the No.7 Kleenex/Scott Brand Products Chevrolet.

"Doing the double duty is a big help," said Biffle. "Winston Cup and Busch cars aren't complete parodies, but they're pretty close. One of the biggest advantages to doing double duty is the practice time. I probably run about 70 laps before the race even starts. That's about twice as many as any driver who is racing in just one of the events. That gives me more time to dial my car in and more time to get a feel for the track."

Getting a feel for the track seems to come naturally for the 33-year old native of Vancouver, Washington. He has been a winner at every level of racing. His Busch Series championship of last year and Craftsman Truck Series title in 2000 still represent Roush Racing's only championship efforts (although Matt Kenseth is likely to change that in Winston Cup racing this year). And Biffle has an affinity for The Monster Mile at Dover.

"I feel pretty comfortable racing at Dover, but I definitely respect the track," adds Biffle. "It's not a forgiving racetrack at all. If you don't hit your marks just right, or if you get a little bit loose going through the turns, you're probably going to loop your car around. That's what I love about the place, though, you've got to be on top of your game when you're racing there."

Driver Greg Biffle (16) spins out along the back stretch at Dover Downs International Speedway during the June 2003 race. Biffle is gaining valuable experience and confidence as a NASCAR driver and has the potential to be among the circuit's elite drivers if he continues to develop.



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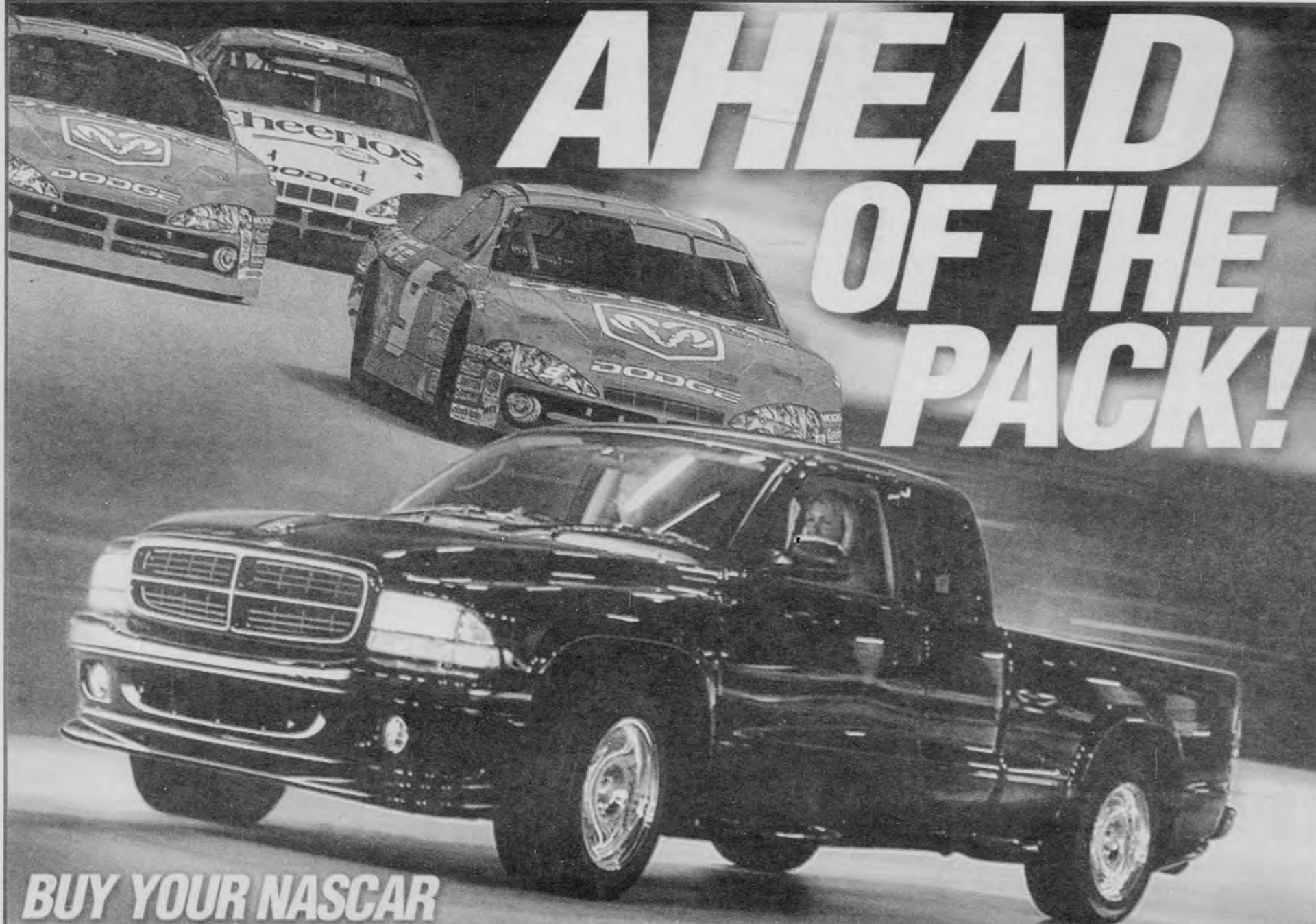
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# Confessions of a yard man

By David Bradley

Although I'm 50 plus, the number that really bugs me is 74.

Its not my age, my golf score (I wish) or my IQ, although the last is open to debate.

No, its how many times I plod back back-and-forth behind my small mower to cut my big back yard.

I'm a serial stripe counter.

You'd be crazy to ask me to concentrate this much on any other facet of normal life. But I can stay on task long enough to calculate what should be incalculable to normal people.

I've counted swaths and stepped them off (just to double check). Just for fun, Ill start at 74 and work backward. Sort of an adult version of the "99 bottles of beer" refrain kids sing on buses, although my bus has apparently left the depot.

Hey, at least I don't count out loud. I did tell my neighbor, Greg. Now he looks the other way when he sees me out back.

For the record, my son averages about 70 swaths on the rare occasions he mows. He's prone to missing spots, and besides, he charges a fee.

No doubt this preoccupation stems from the need to think of something — anything — during the sheer bore-

dom that is lawn mowing. Whereas other mowers might ponder work or plan family activities, I wonder if I've miscounted or skipped a stripe.

I tried music as a diversion, but my daughter said I was using HER CD player and HER batteries.

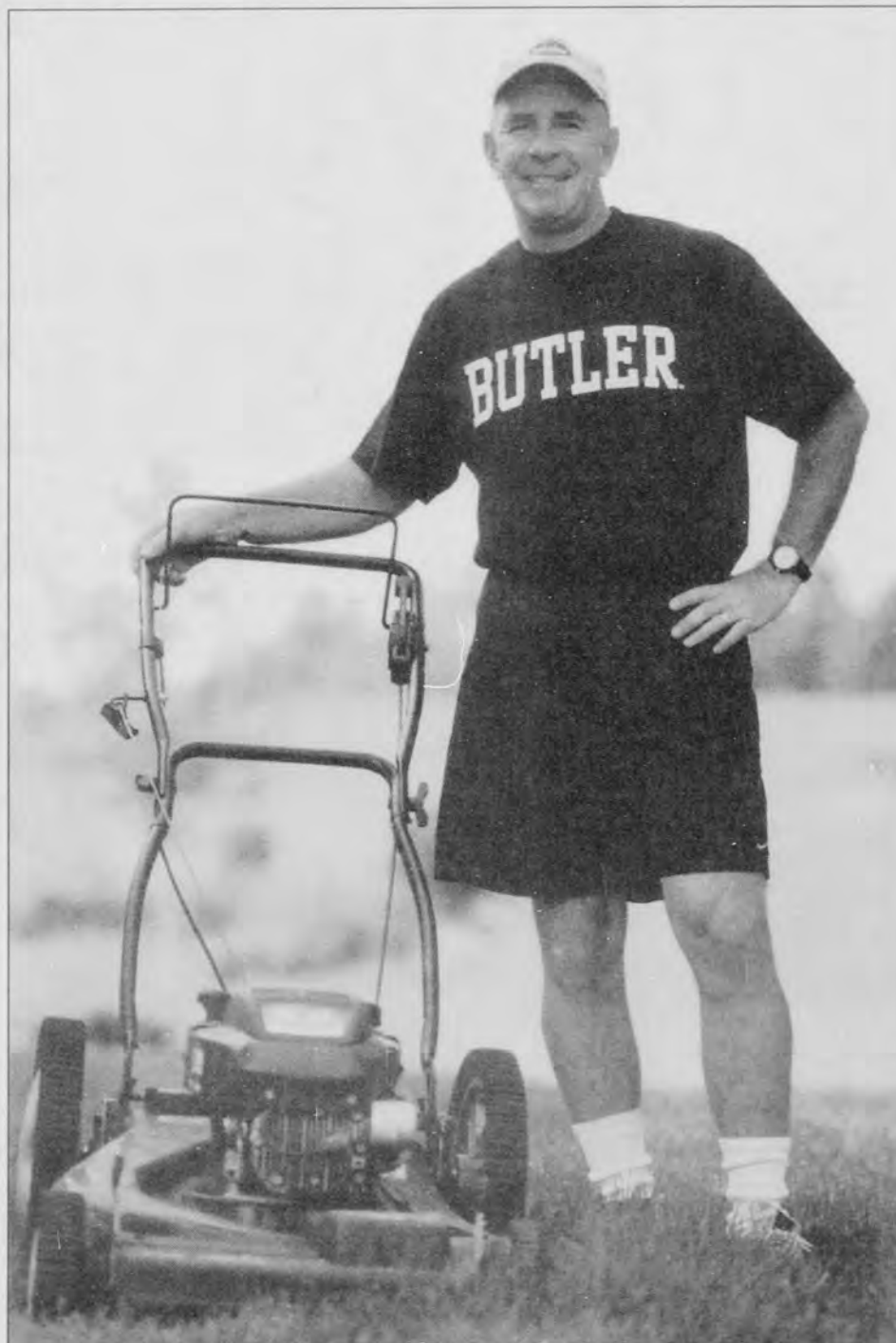
This illness has followed me from one house to the next. I hoped each succeeding move would rid me of my counterculture. Most homeowners view a new home in terms of square footage. Me, I went from 51 to 74 passes.

Of course, 74 is only an average. Math purists will probably correct me ("Isn't 74 a mean number of swaths, not an average, Mr. Bradley?"). Yeah, right. Or is that "median"?

Stripe counters everywhere (were a small group) have other demons to wrestle with. Stripe straightness looms large. Do passes around flower beds count as trimming or a solo stripe? Diagonal stripes or north-and-south? You be the judge.

My neighbors will little know nor long remember that there's a kook in their midst. It could be worse. But what the heck.

Have I shown you my chart plotting the date and time spent mowing?



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By MALCOLM GUNN  
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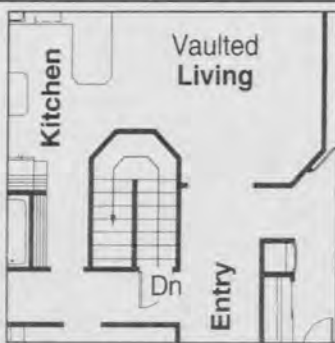
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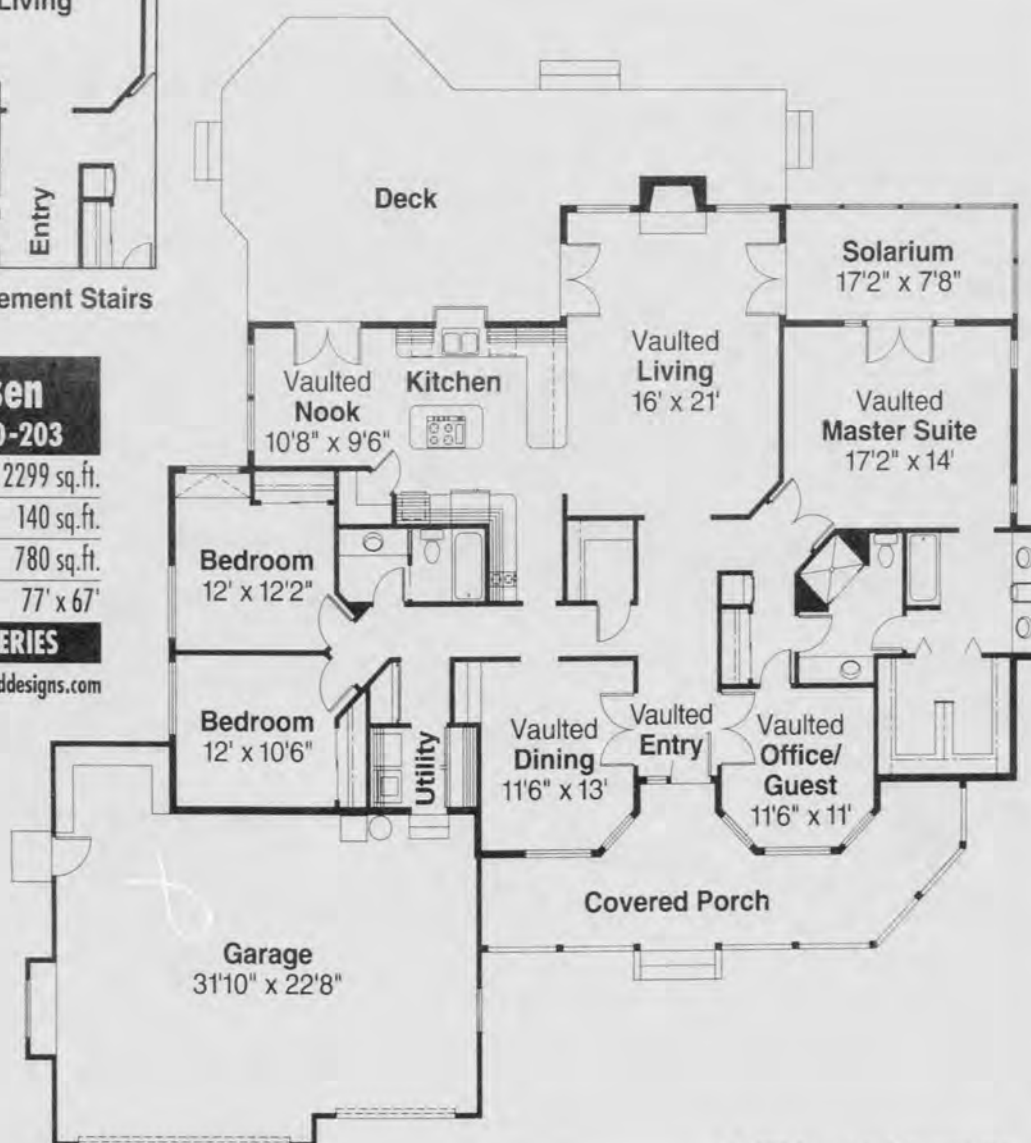
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Family living centers around a living room with a fireplace. French doors open onto a deck at the left, and a solarium on the right, and more light streams in through windows that flank the fireplace. A lofty vaulted ceiling makes this bright space feel larger than it is.

The kitchen is spacious enough for multiple cooks to work without bumping elbows. An eating bar and work island add to the already ample counter space, and a walk-in pantry provides plenty of storage for canned goods and staple foods. The counter closest to the dining room is outfitted with a built-in food warmer.

Potted plants will thrive in the richly illuminated eating nook. It has skylights, windows on one side, and French doors on another.

Bay windows expand the front-facing rooms. The dining room has a built-in hutch. The other room could be a home office, guest room, den, or studio. Both have vaulted ceilings and feature overhead dormers.

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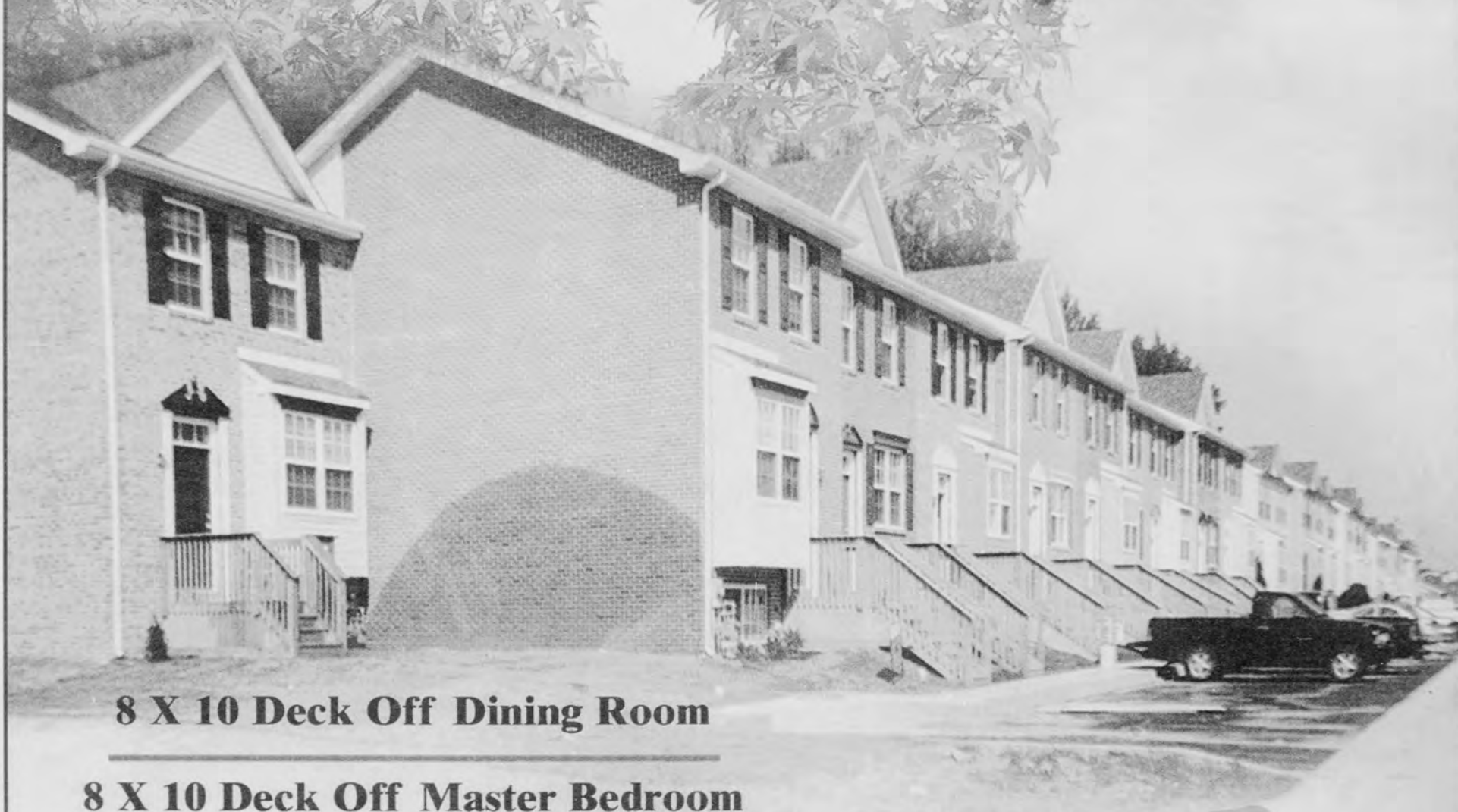


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Inspectors and appraisers alike are swamped with work right now, so many are scheduling their appointments more than two or three weeks

in advance. By carefully setting the inspection for one week and the appraisal a week later, you should have enough time to review the inspector's findings and then cancel the appraisal without penalty if the inspection report isn't satisfactory.

Dear Mr. Myers: My wife and I bought a home in 1994 and lived in it until last September, at which time I filed for divorce and moved out while she remained in the house. Our divorce was finalized last month, and the property is being sold for a net profit of about \$230,000, which we'll split 50-50. Will taxes be owed on the profit because I haven't lived in the home for the past year, even though she has?

ANSWER: No, neither of you will have to pay taxes on the profit. Although you moved out last sum-

mer and your wife stayed behind, each of you made the home your primary residence for at least 24 months over the past five years and therefore meet the Internal Revenue Service's all-important "residency requirement."

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Dear Mr. Myers: I am researching the title to a home I want to buy. The deed at the local recorder's office says the home is owned by a man "in severalty," but only the man's name is listed. How can I find out the names of the other owners?

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## Cleaning copper

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If you have copper cookware, you can easily clean it by covering it with a thin layer of vinegar and a layer of table salt. Use a spray bottle to apply the vinegar. If you use too much vinegar, the formula won't work. Do it properly and the tarnish will disappear in a matter of seconds.

## Hardwood flooring

Hardwood flooring can be glued, nailed or left floating.

However, in some instances the method of adhesion is determined by the type of floor being covered. For example, plank flooring should not be

glued to concrete. This is because there can be enough moisture in concrete to cause such flooring to twist and buckle. On the other hand, the small pieces of material that are used to make parquet flooring are not readily affected by moisture, and that is why parquet is recommended for use over concrete.



In kitchens, regardless of the type of floor that exists, finished-in-place, square-edge material should be used. The square edges eliminate grooves that become food traps, and when a hardwood floor is finished, seams and joints are protected from water spills.

## Make new things look old

When paint gets old it cracks. Since many of us like things that look old, paint can be an inexpensive ally. One of the easiest-to-achieve antique paint effects is crack-painting. Just spread a coat of wood glue onto any surface, wait about an hour, but not more than four hours, and apply a coat of flat latex paint over the glue. Flat latex

paint is the only kind that is guaranteed to give this effect, and will do so within minutes. The fresh paint will begin to crack and appear as if it had been there for a century. If you're uncomfortable using white or yellow wood glue, you can purchase a product made for this purpose. It's used in the same way as glue, but costs about three times as much. For all practical purposes it is glue.

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note the date that the sale or transfer occurred.

I don't have a copy of your report, but I'll bet that this all-important date somehow didn't make it into your file, which creates the impression that you have two \$190,000 mortgages instead of one.

To straighten this all out, contact the credit bureau that provided your

report to the lender who rejected your refinance application. You might be able to get the ball rolling with a mere phone call to the bureau, but don't be surprised if you're instead asked to write a letter or two. The correct information will then be used to update your report, clearing the way for you to refinance.

Send your real estate questions to David Myers, P.O. Box 2960, Culver City, CA 90231-2960.

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# Dream house

By Barbara Mayer  
Associated Press

Here's a dream house fantasy: 16 architects compete to design a \$200,000 cutting-edge modern house for you.

It really happened to Nathan and Ingrid Wieler, who are about to break ground on their new house in Pittsboro, N.C.

The couple, both 30, were married this spring and got a wonderful wedding present, thanks to a phone call they made to the editor of *Dwell* magazine, which covers the world of modern design from its base in San Francisco.

"We looked for about a year and couldn't find an existing house or prefab model that appealed to us and fit our price range of approximately \$200,000 to \$250,000," Wieler said.

In the spring of 2002, he called Allison Arieff, editor of *Dwell* and co-author with Bryan Burkhart of *Prefab* (Gibbs Smith, \$39.95 hardcover), a book about forward-looking prefabricated houses.

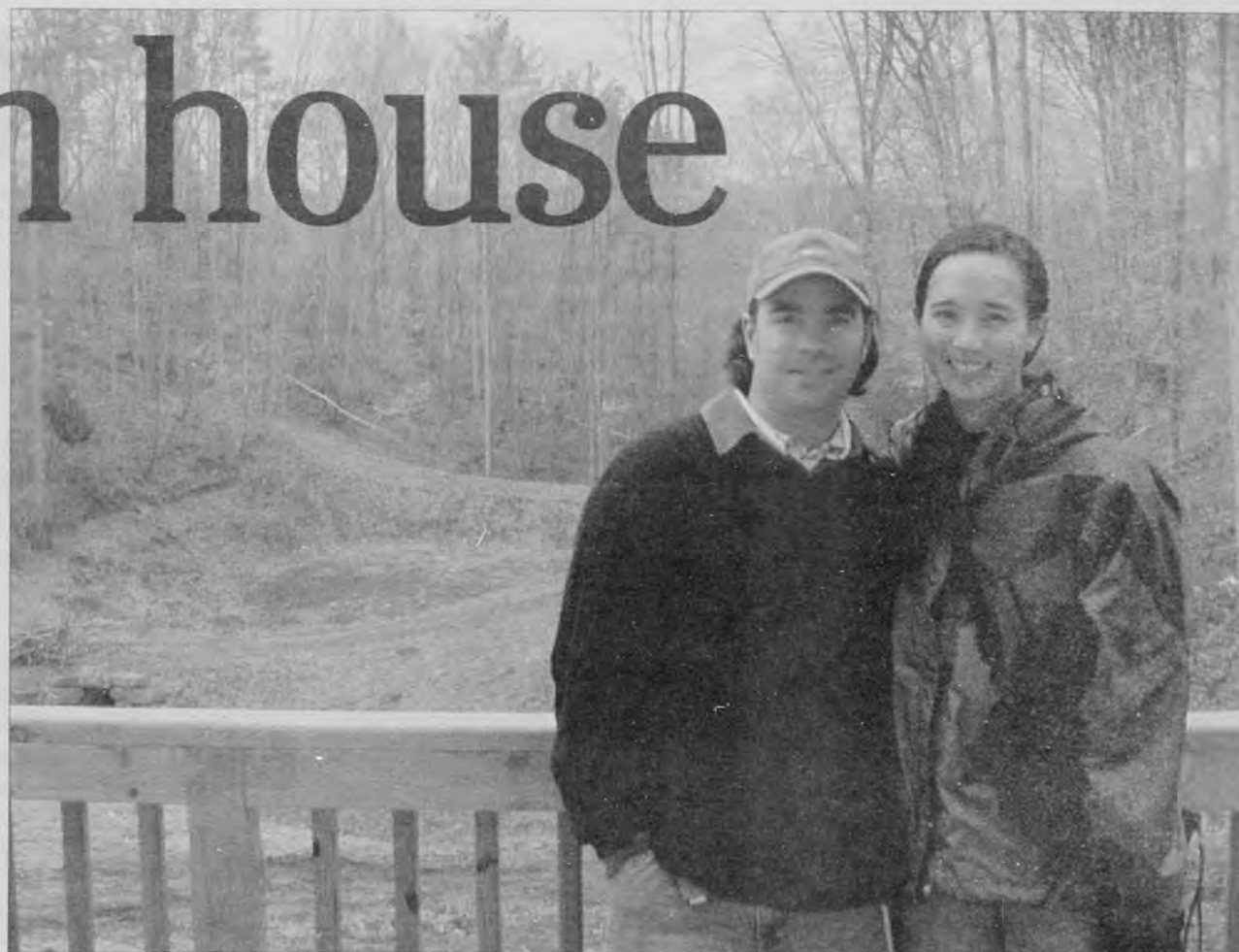
"When Nathan called seeking a prefab like those in the book, I had to tell him not a lot of them are available in the United States right now," said Arieff. Then she offered the couple a deal they couldn't refuse. If they would buy the land and pay for the house, *Dwell* would sponsor an invitational contest for architects to create a prefab the Wielers would want to live in.

From phone call to winning design took just about a year. The fast pace was possible because Arieff knew just whom to call, thanks to her research for the book. The Wielers contributed to the process by writing up their requirements and making a video of the house site. "We created a Web site to help the architects with information about our tastes, lifestyle and property," Wieler said.

Several architects visited the site and met the Wielers, including the winners, Joseph D. Tanney and Robert L. Luntz of Resolution: 4 Architecture in New York City. A panel of judges that included the Wielers, Arieff and several architectural authorities selected their modular design.



This rendering from Joseph Tanney's Resolution: 4 Architecture firm will soon become a real manufactured house delivered to the site in five modular sections. (AP photo/Resolution: 4 Architecture)



Nathan and Ingrid Wieler stand at the site in Pittsboro, NC, where their new home will be built. Design of the prefab house grew out of a competition by *Dwell* magazine. (AP photo/Andrew Wagner)

The winning house is a 2,260-square-foot, cedar-sided, two-story wood-frame prefab with an open plan kitchen, dining area and living room, two bedrooms, a home office, two and a half baths, a carport, exterior storage area and several decks.

The house will be built in a factory with finished walls and floors, windows, cabinets, plumbing and electrical fixtures in place. It will be moved to its seven-acre wooded site by truck in five sections and set on its foundation. A metal roof and the cedar will go on, plumbing and electrical connections will be made, and the Wielers can move in. The construction process is expected to take about three months in the factory and about three months on site.

The modular prefab approach is the right one for many people, sites and budgets, said Joseph Tanney, a principal of Resolution: 4 Architecture. But while it may be quicker to build, it proved very time-consuming and labor-intensive to design, the architect said.

The cost to the homeowner is about the same as a builder home of the same size, but significantly less than an architect-designed custom modern house.

Construction costs are budgeted at \$200,000 or \$87 per square foot in North Carolina. If built in California or the northeast where costs are higher, it would be more expensive. Additional costs are about \$55,000 for the land and \$30,000 for the architect's fee.

Adding to the fairy tale quality of the project, the money will go quite a bit further than usual because *Dwell* has lined up a number of manufacturer sponsors to contribute materials and products such as windows and doors, appliances, furniture and fabrics. In return, the magazine will publicize the products and the Wielers will make the house available for photography.

Arieff said the benefits of modular design are

that a basic design can yield a great variety of floor plans and configurations. Furthermore, it can be easier to expand the building by, say, adding a new bedroom module to the original two-bedroom house. Prefabrication's benefits include speedier construction, a firmer handle on costs for the buyer and the potential for a better quality house, as well as less on-site waste of materials.

"There has been a stigma attached to a factory-built house, but that may be changing as the concept of mass customization gains acceptance," Arieff said. Cars, computers, shoes, jeans and other clothing are now offered as mass-produced items with certain custom details. "People have not conceived of housing in that way, but they could."

The Wielers are thrilled that they will get their dream house, but they and the other participants are looking for more global results.

Wieler is creating a company to develop about 100 acres in Pittsboro with manufactured houses, including perhaps versions of his own house-to-be.

Tanney of Resolution: 4 Architecture hopes to leverage the modular designs his firm has created into many projects. "It's not impossible that we would sell the plans, but based on our experience there is no such thing as one house for everybody. Each site and each family is different. We are interested in staying with a project from start to finish, not just selling house plans," he said.

*Dwell*'s program is to promote the design of modern prefabs to appeal to a broad range of its readers and others. "If you like a Cape Cod, you should have it, but we are advocating the pleasure of living in a house of our own time," said Arieff. "Those who have \$150,000 or \$200,000 to spend on a house do not now have the luxury of deciding on a style. It would be nice if the housing industry realized that Nathan and Ingrid represent a lot of our readers who are looking for more contemporary design." ■



# New class for old schools

By Debra Gaskill  
For AP Special Edition

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Old school buildings, once the center of a community's activities, are finding new life, thanks to state and federal tax dollars.

In southwest Ohio, four such buildings — McKinley School in West Milton, Blume High School in Wapakoneta, Huffman Elementary in Dayton, and Central High School in Fairborn — are now apartments for low- to moderate-income families, senior citizens and the handicapped.

"Old schools make wonderful apartments," said Sarah Lyons of Premier Senior Housing, which operates the Blume High School and the Fairborn Central apartments, along with two other renovated buildings. "The original function suits (the building) to being renovated. They're also popular not just because they're schools, but the character and archi-

tectural features are something you can't find anywhere else.

"Many people don't want to live in something that is a cookie-cutter duplicate of something else. They want something that's individual and original."

With a new mission, the old schools often find themselves with new names as well. McKinley School is now the 33-unit McKinley Commons Apartments for handicapped and senior citizens, and Huffman Elementary is now Huffman Place, an 86-unit building dedicated to senior citizens.

Fairborn Central High School, which began as the Bath Township Consolidated School in 1923, is now Fairborn Central Apartments, with 84 one- and two-bedroom units. Blume High School, where Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon attended school, is now known as Sunrise Apartments, with 56 units in two buildings.

Despite the new names, old memories are what connect the residents to the buildings.

"My son attended kindergarten here in 1956," said Huffman Place resident Ruth McDaniel. Like many residents, McDaniel started her married life in the neighborhood, now designated as the Huffman Historic District, and also attends church across the street at St. Paul United Methodist Church.

"You still feel like you're in a neighborhood of houses, and that makes a difference."

"This building is a part of people's lives," said McKinley Commons manager Carol Saettel. "There's not a day goes by that someone doesn't say to me, 'I went to school here, or my kids, or someone I know.'"

Architectural features such as punched-tin ceilings, lockers or hardwood floors are items that developers try to preserve when renovating schools. Both McDaniel's and the

Griffith's apartments have preserved the character of the classrooms that were originally built in 1873. Both apartments still have tall 18-foot ceilings, dramatic tall windows and deep sills that make perfect displays for knickknacks and family photos.

What used to be coatrooms are now galley kitchens or small dens. In the Huffman library, teacher's supply cabinets still line the walls, along with the old coat hooks and turn-of-the-century photos of students in classrooms. Two large Ionic support columns also stand in the center common areas of Huffman Place, adding to the schoolhouse feel of the place.

At Fairborn Central, the hardwood floors in the former gym — now a space for community theater productions, art shows and other events — still sport red-painted shuffleboard courts and boundary lines for the basketball games.

The original gym lights, covered with metal grilles to keep institutional-sized bulbs from being broken by stray balls, still light the space. Small alcoves which once held water fountains are now decorated niches for residents, and lockers still line Central's hallways. The local alumni association has donated class composite photos that date back to the 1920s and maintains school trophies in the center hall trophy case.

Sometimes preserving some of those characteristics isn't possible, however. Plaster masonry can deteriorate over time and can be expensive to restore, Lyons said, and hardwood floors can warp so badly they must be replaced — she's seen floorboards warped to a 45-degree angle in one building.

At McKinley Commons, the original front stairway and some of the punched-tin ceilings were retained.

The sense of community within these buildings can vary along with the tenants. At Huffman Place, McKinley Commons and Fairborn Central, residents can participate in crafts, exercise classes and monthly potlucks. At Huffman Place, the neighborhood association meets at the former school, and there is also a beauty salon.

All complexes welcome organizations such as Meals of Wheels to provide hot meals for residents, and local health departments come to provide monthly blood pressure, cholesterol and blood glucose screenings.

State and federal tax credits often make these renovations possible. Those tax credits come with the stipulation that the housing be offered to low- or moderate-income senior citi-



Many residents of Huffman Place in Dayton, Ohio, say they remember the building from their own school days when it was Huffman Elementary School. Interesting architectural details and amenities remain from the converted building's original use. (AP photo/Al Behrman)





A banner bids apartment hunters to consider living at Fairborn Central Apartments, a converted high school. (AP photo/Al Behrman)

zens or handicapped individuals.

Federal preservation tax credits offer a financial incentive for the rehabilitation of income-producing properties. Over forty former school buildings in Ohio have been rehabilitated using the tax incentives and now serve as senior housing, new offices, and other adaptive uses, according to the Ohio Historical Society.

Current incentives, established by the Tax Reform Act of 1986, include a 20 percent tax credit for the certified rehabilitation of certified historic structures, and a 10 percent tax credit for the rehabilitation of non-historic, non-residential buildings built before 1936.

To qualify, a building must be either individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places or be certified by the National Park Service as contributing to the significance of a National Register Historic District or a Certified Local District.

At Huffman Place, those credits allowed the St. Mary's Development Corporation to purchase the school, which closed in 1983 and was slated for demolition to make way for a light industrial facility, according to CEO Richard McBride.

"Can you imagine what that would have done to the neighborhood?" McBride said. "What a horrible idea!"

The Huffman Place renovation took 16 months and cost \$5.8 million, but the resulting 86 one- and two-bedroom apartments served to revitalize not just the school but the working class neighborhood as well.

"It served to stabilize the neighborhood and give it new life," said Sister Judy Kroeger, Huffman Place administrator. "All the houses around us went up in value by \$10,000, one real estate agent told us."


"The atmosphere and spirit of this neighborhood are very strong now," said McBride. ■



(Left) Property manager Sarah Lyons talks with resident Elsie Madtes at the door of her unit in the Fairborn Central Apartments. The former high school retains features such as hallway lockers. (Below) Jo Boltz and Jean Lanter read in the library at Huffman Place, which still has coat racks and storage cabinets from its days as an elementary school. (AP photos/Al Behrman)





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# MONEY UNDER THE STAIRS

## Increase your home's value with a finished basement

By David M. Williams

A great way to add space to your home without knocking down a single wall is to turn a drab basement into a dynamic living space.

This can be accomplished several ways, which makes it very important to determine both your current and future needs before getting started.

The popularity of home offices, for example, has resulted in many basements being transformed into headquarters for small businesses. In other instances, rapid family growth has turned the basement into an extra bedroom and bathroom to relieve space issues.

According to the Concrete Network, an Internet directory of concrete services and information, real estate surveys consistently show that finished basements rank just behind kitchen and bathroom renovations in recompensing homeowners.

Remodeling Magazine's 2001 Cost vs. Value report indicates the national average to finish a basement is approximately \$40,000, with cost

recouped at about 70%, or \$28,000.

But why finish your basement?

The Concrete Network says advantages include:

- *climate* They're cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter.
- *space* They free up the common living area of your home.
- *bonus room* Additional space when you don't have enough room for a family room or home office.
- *noise control* Locating noisy activity rooms in the basement makes the rest of the house quieter.
- *increased property value.* Adding usable space to the square footage of your home increases your home's value.

Finished basements are primarily designed to accommodate four different needs: a second bathroom, a home office, a playroom or a home theatre.

### A second bathroom

Adding a second bathroom is always a first-rate investment. However, according to RONA, Canada's leading distributor in hardware, home improvement and gar-

dening products, it's also the toughest room to build.

"Not all do-it-yourselfers are prepared to tackle plumbing, new lavatories, toilets, etc.," RONA reports. "And electrical work has to be subcontracted to a qualified electrician (check with your local building department)."

### A home office

More and more people are working out of their homes these days, presenting the opportunity to convert an existing room (or unused space) into an office. A number of factors help determine the size of a home office. It is important to consider the type of work, the equipment required, the need for temporary help and the need to provide a welcoming environment for clients.

It is important to pay particular attention to lighting due to the fact that you may have to spend many hours in your basement office and most basements are not very well lit.

"You may want to install a number of recessed fixtures in a suspended ceiling to ensure bright and evenly distributed light," RONA advises. "Desk lamps, trained on various work stations, should provide a practical finishing touch."

### A playroom

All growing families need playrooms, which can serve as an excellent way to accommodate the activities of kids of all ages.

Again, your particular needs will help determine the size of the room

you will need, the materials required and the finishing touches.

"A playroom for young kids should not built in the same way as a room intended for teenagers," RONA notes. "The floor covering, for example, should be tiles or hardwood if the kids are going to run their toy trucks and cars over the floor, and eat their snacks in the basement. In these circumstances, you'll find that type of covering easier to clean and maintain than wall-to-wall carpeting."

### A home theatre


Of course, the most entertaining option for your finished basement would be a home theatre. RONA reports that this option presents certain challenges.

"On the one hand, the basement is the simplest and cheapest room in the house to soundproof. On the other, the installation of cables, speakers and electrical outlets is likely to be easier, especially if walls have yet to be erected," RONA advises.

### Don't forget to plan

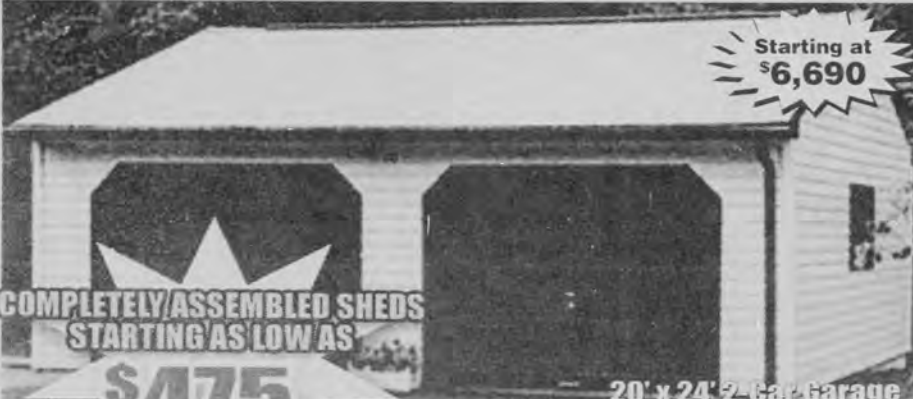
Before beginning any of these options for your new and improved finished basement, it is essential to first draw a scale plan of your basement that includes the rooms you want to build.

"Always work one section at a time," RONA advises. "Demising walls should be sound-proof. A plan, even a very preliminary one, will help you determine what you need in the way of materials for each step of the project." ■




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**Myth:** Water gardening involves a lot of hard work.

**Fact:** Not necessarily. A well-designed ecologically-balanced pond needs only a scoop of powder or liquid bacteria every month or so, the skimmer basket cleaned weekly, plus an annual clean-out in cold climates. In gardening terms, an ecologically-balanced pond is about as much work as maintaining an established perennial border, minus the weeding and watering. Aquatic plants water themselves. The big maintenance item is a recommended spring clean out. Many opt for a contractor to do the spring cleaning (\$200 - \$300).

For years, backyard ponds and water gardens have had a bad reputation — and for years they deserved it. The methods and technology that built the ponds of yesterday often yielded high-maintenance monsters that sucked in time and money much more quickly and efficiently than their debris-clogged pumps sucked in water.

Today, all that has changed. Thanks to new techniques and technologies, a backyard water garden can be a low-maintenance personal paradise. Still, ponding myths persist that may discourage those pining for a water garden of their own.

Following are some common myths and the modern facts that have pushed them aside:

**Myth:** Small water features are less work.

**Fact:** As water features get larger, they become easier to maintain. Aquarium hobbyists know it's much easier to achieve a healthy, stable tank with more water, not less. Small water features rarely have the flow or capacity necessary for long-term stability, and soon need lots of maintenance. However, properly designed ponds are able to achieve ecological balance. As water gardens become larger, they also become more stable with each passing year as plants, bacteria colonies and other vital life becomes established.

**Myth:** You should never have algae in your pond.

**Fact:** Green algae, in proper proportion, is beneficial plant life. Fish eat it and it's part of the ecology of any living, healthy pond. Pristine UV sterilized or chemically-treated water is dead by comparison. Too much algae has a simple cause: too much sunlight. That's why a well-designed natural pond includes shade sources from landscaping and aquatic plants.

**Myth:** Maintaining a water garden is a constant headache.

**Fact:** Ecologically-balanced water gardens let Mother

Nature do the heavy lifting. Make sure the water garden you install works with Mother Nature, not against her. Top-quality ecosystem ponds such as those offered by Aquascape Designs and NurseryPro MicroPond DIY kits are good examples. Such systems include mechanical and biological filtration, lots of aquatic plants, fish, active bacteria, and plenty of rocks. No water testing, no chemicals, no clogged up filter screens, no standing water, no mucky bottom that needs constant draining and cleaning.

**Myth:** Ponds need daily water testing and corrective treatment.

**Fact:** If the pond is not chemically-dependent, there's nothing to test for. Mother Nature never tests her water. And, she doesn't use any store bought chemicals or pharmaceuticals. Neither should you. Stick to the program of ecosystem water gardening and let your pond grow healthy on its own.

**Myth:** To keep fish, water gardens need to be deep.

**Fact:** Two feet deep is as good as a mile. Fish, including koi, hibernate in ponds just two-feet deep through winters as cold as Minnesota's Zone 4 bone chillers. A small circulating agitator pump and heater are all you need to keep a "breathing hole" in the ice and oxygenate the water for your fish.

**Myth:** Water features are breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

**Fact:** Mosquitoes breed in still, standing water. A well-designed backyard water garden has lots of water flow, in which mosquitoes don't like to breed. Also,





**Myth:** A water garden costs a fortune.

**Fact:** A water garden is certainly an investment, but it no longer has to be a money pit. At the most affordable end of the spectrum, DIY kits with everything you need retail for \$700 - \$900, plus another \$600 for the large or live stuff that doesn't come in the box (rocks, pebbles, fish, plants, etc.) Total: \$1,300 - \$1,500, plus a healthy amount of sweat equity for an 8' by 11' pond and waterfall. Professional installations start at around \$4,000 and average \$6,000 to \$8,000. Inexpensive fish and plants are easily found. Running a high efficiency pump 24/7, 365 days a year, will tack about \$30 to \$40 onto your monthly electric bill. Low-maintenance water gardens are considered good landscaping investments that can pay for themselves in increased home equity.

**Myth:** Predators will eat all your fish.

**Fact:** Predators are out there, but there are things you can do to protect your fish. Koi lovers beware, in shallow water garden ponds your "gazillion" dollar prize specimens are at risk, mainly from blue herons and muskrats. But, whether you have pedigree koi or the inexpensive lovable

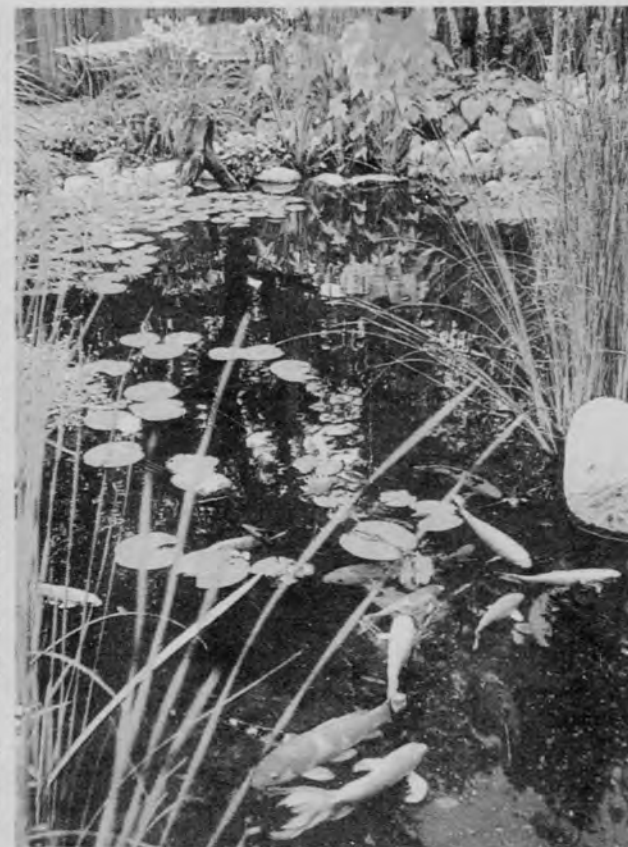
"mutts" that most pond lovers prize, you can fight back. An inexpensive motion-activated water spraying system such as the Scarecrow will deter herons with a timely jet of water. Muskrats are not as common in backyard ponds as they prefer to hunt in



large bodies of water. Raccoons don't care to swim for their supper, preferring to dip into the buffet from the banks. A pond that's at least eight-feet wide will deprive these varmints of dry access to the deepest part of the water garden.

**Myth:** Any contractor or landscaper can build a water garden.

**Fact:** Building a pond and building it right are two



different things. Building ecosystem ponds is a relatively new specialty. A good landscaper isn't necessarily knowledgeable in the concept, design or construction that makes an organic water garden system work. Also, much of the literature and information still in circulation does not relate to ecosystem water gardening. Make sure that the installer is a trained, certified installer of ecosystem ponds.■

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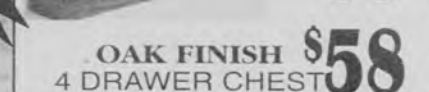
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# Fall landscaping projects

By Michelle Warren

As the colors of your landscape change to gorgeous gold and orange, it's time to think about putting your garden to bed and other necessary fall landscaping chores.

You can find tips on ways to make these chores easier and more effective on the Better Homes and Gardens Web site ([www.bhg.com](http://www.bhg.com)). One thing to keep in mind is that getting your garden ready for winter mostly involves cleaning up and covering up.

As the fall days pass and the temperature starts to drop, a lot of the plants will be killed by the frost; those that aren't will need to be prepared for dormancy. The next step is to clear out the blackened stems and foliage of annual flowers and vegetables. This prevents the chances of the plants harboring disease and insect eggs over the winter.

Better Homes and Gardens offers a regional fall checklist for landscaping.

Here are some suggestions for cool climates:

## Perennials

- divide spring- and summer-blooming plants
- plant new perennials, especially those that bloom in the spring
  - set up a compost bin for fallen leaves and garden debris
    - after the ground freezes, spread a winter mulch over any bare soil
    - after the ground freezes, spread evergreen boughs over bulb beds

- dig up tender bulbs such as dahlia and gladiolus; wrap or cover them with a moist material and store in a cool, dark place

## Trees and shrubs

- transplant shrubs or young trees to new locations in early fall
- fertilize young trees and shrubs that have been in the ground for at least a year
- winterize roses by mounding mulch over the lower parts of their canes
- take down and clean out birdhouses

## Annual flowers

- keep polyspun garden fabric handy to cover annuals when light frost is possible
- pull up dead annuals after a killing frost and place in compost pile
- mulch annual beds with a three- to four-inch layer of chopped leaves

## Vegetables

- harvest crops such as pumpkins, potatoes, sweet potatoes and onions
- clean up plant debris in harvested beds; mulch empty beds
- harvest green tomatoes and store them indoors



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# Rutherford



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arched windows and gable end trusses, adding both grace and a contemporary touch.

Its multi-paned windows, generously sized porch with braced sup-

ports, and wide assortment of gables are also common features of this style. The stone veneer wainscoting and porch post supports show character, along with the eye-catching copper

roof over the side window bay.

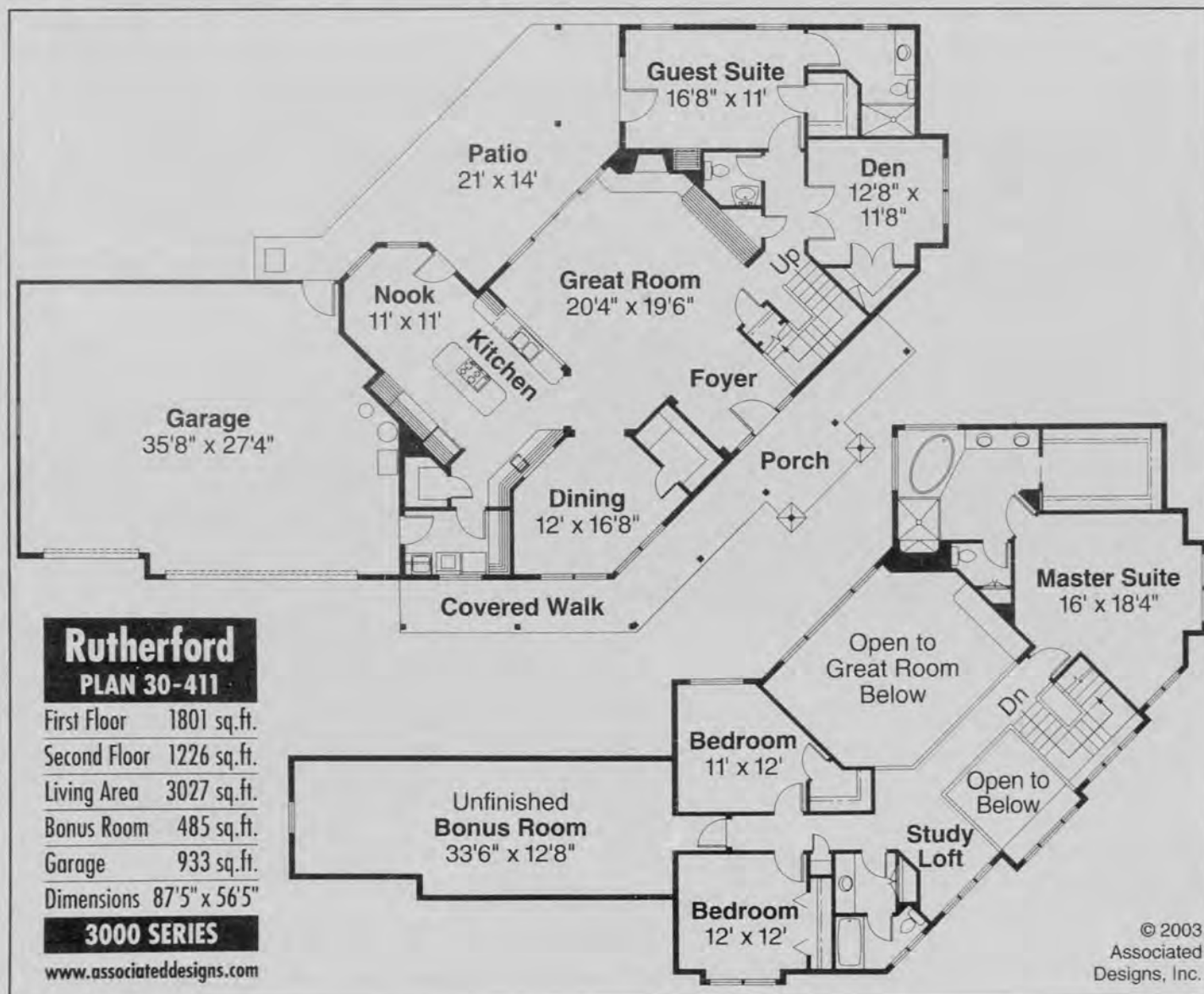
The nostalgia of old transforms to present-day comfort once you step inside. The wide foyer and expansive, window-bright great room share a lofty two-story ceiling spanned by a second floor bridge. A wood-burning fireplace and wide home entertainment center are on the right, as is a passageway leading to the stairway, den, guest suite, and bathroom.

Arched openings on the left of the great room feed into the dining room and kitchen. The dining room has six sides, two of them richly windowed. One side opens into a large walk-in wine cellar outfitted with a table at one end. Another side features a passthrough counter linked to the kitchen.

Standing at the kitchen sink, you face into the great room through a second counter-level opening. A raised eating bar could be built here, but the dining room and nook already provide ample eating options. Counter and cupboard space in the large kitchen includes a work island and walk-in pantry. Laundry appliances are also close at hand, in a utility room connected to the garage.

The Rutherford's luxurious master suite is upstairs, along with two more bedrooms, a fourth bathroom, study loft, and skylit, unfinished bonus room.

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# How to purchase a hot tub and other great tips

By Christine Fox  
Home Improvement Times

Buying a hot tub should not be stressful. In fact, according to a survey conducted by the National Spa and Pool Institute (NSPI), nearly 56 percent of hot tub owners say that stress relief is the number one reason for using their hot tub.

According to Bob Hallam, CEO of Dimension One Spas, "Before purchasing a spa, consumers should research the different products available on the market and determine the options best fitting their needs and lifestyle."

Hot tubs are purchased for numerous reasons, ranging from relieving stress through the physical benefits of hydrotherapy, to increasing the value of your home. Regardless of your purpose, there is a hot tub that can meet your personal needs.

Prior to purchasing a hot tub, consumers should be aware of the following:

*How comfortable should your hot tub be?*

Victor Walker, a design engineer at Dimension One Spas, said "Hot tub models feature contour seating providing consumers with different options based on preferences." When selecting a hot tub, don't be afraid to personally test its comfort-level. Most retail outlets allow customers a "wet test." Some retailers even offer "mood rooms" for you to test soak in a hot tub before buying it. Take advantage of this opportunity if it is available. Another consideration is the placement of the jets.

There are models that include adjustable jets to allow for the maximum comfort and hydromassage benefits.

*How easy should a hot tub be to maintain?*

In a word, effortless. Both the inside and the outside of your hot tub should be simple to maintain. Consumers should purchase a spa that is equipped with Envirotect cabinets or a similar option, as cabinets with wood stains fade from weather and normal wear, thus requiring frequent staining and sealing touch-ups. Additionally, the inside shell should be easily spot-cleaned with a damp towel or sponge.

*How clean should your hot tub water be?*

Your water should always be clear and debris free. One suggestion is to purchase a hot tub that utilizes a 24-hour ozonation process. Considered one of the most advanced technologies available, the ozonation process helps to clean and purify the water, reduce chemical use and increase hot tub energy efficiency.

*How dependable should your hot tub be?*

Like most purchases, you should feel safe and happy with your hot tub. When selecting a hot tub, be aware of the manufacturer's warranty. Some manufacturers offer a lifetime warranty on the structure and surface of the hot tub - be sure to ask your dealer about the policy on the model you select.

*How "intelligent" should your hot tub be?*

Your hot tub should basically run itself. Consumers should be mindful that there are hot tub models that feature high-tech message centers. The digital message center provides consumers with reminders regarding spa maintenance, i.e., when to change the filter and/or water.



*How efficient should your hot tub be?*

Your hot tub shouldn't drain energy! The Hot Tub Energy Consumption and Demand Impact Study sponsored by the NSPI Hot Tub Council states that a typical hot tub costs approximately \$15 to \$22 per month to operate.

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However, sunlight's ultraviolet (UV) rays can be destructive inside the home. UV rays sneak in as sunlight and will eventually fade furniture, floors, upholstery and drapery fabrics—or even worse—a treasured painting.

• **Fabrics.** After prolonged sun exposure, natural, undyed fabrics typically become yellowed and colored fabrics fade. Moreover, UV rays will weaken fibers, eventually causing them to disintegrate, and shortening the lifespan of fabrics.

• **Wood.** The portion of wood furniture exposed to sunlight will eventually fade, resulting in an unevenly colored or stained piece of furniture. Sunlight will also cause the grain of the wood to expand, sometimes to the point where the wood will split open.

• **Art.** The fading effects of UV on artwork and photos are especially troubling, as these treasures are often impossible to replace.

"Light can kill—the light that enters the interior of a home will do damage unless controlled," says Steve Weintraub of Art Preservation Services in New York City. "That's why we need window coverings."

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# Fall maintenance

By Michelle Warren  
Special to the Whig

tions listed on MyHomePro.com for the inside of your home

The colors of the fall season are beautiful, but they are also a signal that our time to work outdoors will soon be gone. With that in mind, now is the time to administer those home improvements.

MyHousePro.com offers a helpful fall maintenance checklist to help homeowners identify what needs to be done. Here's a look at some of the items, starting outside.

### GROUNDS

- check window wells
- check dry well(s)
- check storm drains
- seal driveway if needed
- trim trees that hang over the house
- clean, repair, paint and lubricate outdoor equipment before storage

### FOUNDATION

- trim landscaping and clean area near foundation, expose at least six inches
- check for insect damage and termite tunnels

### FINISH

- check wood products for cracks or rotted areas
- check siding for mildew (black spots) and algae (green spots)
- check for rusting nails or screws
- check for separation of wood products
- check for damage at bottom of siding
- caulk all cracks and penetrations (chimney, plumbing, utility, cable, dryer vent and exhaust fans)
- check condition of paint or stain, refinish if needed
- annual masonry inspection
- inspect steel lintels for signs of rust

### GUTTERS/CORNICE

- inspect gutters/downspouts; check for overflow during heavy rain
- check cornice/soffits for signs of water damage

### ROOF & CHIMNEY

- check for loose, missing or damaged roofing material
- check flashing
- check antenna/satellite dish
- treat shake roofs with preservative containing UV protectants
- remove mold/algae from roofing material
- schedule professional inspection (if you did not do so in the spring)

While it's important to make sure outdoor repairs are made, it's also just as important to monitor your home's interior needs. Here are some sugges-

### HVAC

- check heating system (if not done in the spring)
- check boiler safety-relief valve
- lubricate fans, pumps and motors (consult owner's manual)
- check radiators and valves
- check humidifier
- remove or winterize window air conditioners
- clean or replace furnace filters
- clean registers and make sure they are not blocked by furniture or carpets
- seal ducts to prevent leaks

### PLUMBING

- Make sure all family members know the location of the main shut-off
- close and open all shut-off valves including main shut-off
- check all faucets for leaks - repair if needed
- check water heater flue pipe for corrosion or leaks
- check drains
- check toilet flush mechanism
- check and pump out septic tank if needed
- inspect exposed pipes for leaks
- insulate water lines in unheated areas

### ATTIC

- check sheathing and roof frame
- check vents
- caulk utility and chimney penetrations
- insulate attic access door
- check condition of insulation and vapor barrier, install if not present

### BASEMENT

- check and clean dehumidifier
- insulate floor joists at top of basement walls
- caulk cracks in foundation wall, floor and sill plate
- check sump pump
- fill floor drains with water if sewer gas smell is present
- check for cracks, crumbling or missing mortar
- check for signs of moisture

### KITCHEN

- check fire extinguisher
- clean refrigerator coils
- clean disposal
- clean range hood
- check caulk around cabinets and under sink

### MISCELLANEOUS

- caulk bath as needed
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