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Stretch cans it

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

I GREW UP in the suburbs of Baltimore taking three important elements of life for granted — curbside trash collection, cheap clean water and good over-the-air television reception.

In 1979, my wife, Linda, and I moved from Catonsville to the western shores of the Chesapeake Bay in Calvert County, Md.

After subsequent moves to the Washington, D.C., suburbs, the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia and coastal Maine, our arrival in



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People of all ages
enjoyed Newark's
Winterfest on Dec.
7 which included
Santa, an ice
carver and the
lighting of the
Christmas tree.

Commission to ID local alcohol abuses

Members want to
avoid spending
time on dead ends

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Members of Newark's Alcohol Commission met for the first time this week to start developing a comprehensive policy to address alcohol abuse in the city.

Appointed by Mayor Harold Godwin, the 11 commission members will study alcohol use from several different angles, including zoning, licensing and enforcement, to find out how the city can effectively lower alcohol-related problems.

City planning director Roy Lopata will chair the commission which is scheduled to meet regularly through April 2002 to sort through a laundry list of possible causes and solutions to the alcohol problem here.

Suggested causes include the highly-publicized happy hours, signs outside of bars, restaurants and liquor stores that feature

alcohol specials, University students drinking in dormitories, underage drinking and house parties.

Pinpointing the problems will save commission members a lot of time and allow them to focus on what's really important, Lopata said. "We could spend all this time getting rid of signs, but if signs disappear tomorrow, would all the problems go away?" he asked. "These are the kind of things we need to think about."

Lopata asked Newark Police Chief Conway and Lawrence Thornton, director of public safety at the University of Delaware, to look over recent crime statistics and report back to the commission, so members can get a feel for what the most pressing alcohol-related issues are.

One way to research what changes are needed, members said, is to talk with officials from nearby municipalities and see what has worked for them.

University of Delaware trustee Lee Frankel said Rehoboth

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didn't have to haul our trash to dumpsters or a stinky dump.

You haven't really experienced adversity until you load the truck of your shiny new Oldsmobile up with an accumulation of week-old garbage, dripping lobster shells and greasy kitchen waste. In spite of best efforts to the contrary, the bags always leak, split and spill open. Before I took the car in for its first oil change, I bought skunk-shaped air fresheners to hide underneath the seat.

To be honest, though, unlike what was portrayed in the movie "Alice's

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Stretch hoists another can last week on Pickett Lane.

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Marketing the east end

A world of possibilities next door to downtown

Taking a stroll around Market East Plaza on an unseasonably warm December afternoon, visitors can easily observe the hum of business activity. Cars come and go continuously in the parking lot. Bits of conversation and the spicy smell of oriental cooking float from an open door at Wang's Chinese Grocery.

In the window of Wavelength's Styling Studio, which also offers tanning, massage and pedicures, a woman is having her hair cut and styled. A miniature yellow school bus parked at the curb advertises the Delaware Book Exchange which buys and sells college texts.

The door of Newark Natural Foods opens and a woman with shopping bags crosses the

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Olde Tyme Antiques is open every day in a building which formerly housed the Newark Police Department on Main Street.

NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOHN LLERA

'Don't mess with Mother Nature' in Newark

Conservation on the agenda draws crowd to council meeting

By MARY E. PETZAK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

A stunned silence was the most immediate response to the failure of a proposal to abolish the Conservation Advisory Commission in Newark on Monday night.

Then the crowd of standing room only supporters began to applaud. Such outbursts are usually gavelled down quickly, but this time Mayor Hal Godwin allowed the crowd a few minutes of celebration. Mother Nature had her way in councilchambers.

In what some supporters viewed as a sneak attack on the 24-year-old commission established by city council in 1977, the Mayor tried to put the proposal on council's agenda for first reading in an addendum in early November.

Resident Jean White told council on Nov. 12, she was "shocked" to see this done in an addendum. "It gives the impression something is being done in a sneaky or underhanded way," commented White.

On that same occasion, commission member Robert Bennett told council that environmental volunteers had contributed "in some small measure" to the fact that the city received the highest floodplain rating (in the state)."

Bennett noted that the city submitted a multi-page application as part of its participation in the community rating portion of the national flood insurance program administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

According to Bennett, there were always things for the CAC to do, "even if they had not thought of them as of today." Bennett cited future development of the Newark Country Club site and preserving the Mason-Dixon Trail as examples of environmental concern for Newark.

Godwin agreed that the Commission had made contributions, including flower and landscape plantings throughout Newark, a project involving historical sites and buildings later turned over to the state's Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, a long-term natural areas plan, support for preservation of stream valleys which was carried out by the city's public works department, a program for recycling of waste motor oil now handled by the state, and a 1988 recycling study, which Godwin said council gave to the CAC in lieu of disbanding it at that time.

However, Godwin noted that there were times when Commission members did not attend or even call the City Secretary to let other members know they would not attend. "Consequently, a quorum was not present and the members could not vote," said Godwin. "To my way of thinking, this is an indication that the members interest is not that great."

Godwin also said the Commission's reports indicated they continued to discuss the same issues, many of which were already

in place or administered by other agencies.

Commission member Bruce Diehl added that the "member from District One never shows up" and there were no sanctions for this. "I feel sorry for the staff when the members don't show up," said Diehl in November.

Commission chair Steven Dental said if the public body had been abolished in 1988, many of its accomplishments would not have occurred. He agreed that enthusiasm "waned" after members had been on the Commission for a while and suggested "new blood" might help.

Dental also reminded council that Commission members provide the city with a free service that saves the city money.

Other current CAC members include Michael Harmer, Kurt R. Philipp, Peter Griffin and Peter Drake. The seats in District One and one other member to be appointed by the mayor have been vacant since March.

Although council approved a first reading on Nov. 26, District 3 member Karl Kalbacher and District 6 member Christine Rewa voted against any consideration of the proposal. On the agenda this week for second reading with public commentary and a council vote, the item drew the largest crowd to councilchambers in recent memory.

Commission members and supporters stood elbow to elbow and lined up to fill out paper slips indicating their interest in speaking about the CAC. But, when the time came for consideration of deleting the Commission, none of the councilmembers present would second the mayor's motion. This automatically results in failure of the agenda item.

Grading from the very start

Kindergartners in Christina receive report cards now

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Report cards in kindergarten are not only a first for students in Karen Valentine's class at McVey Elementary School, but also for Christina District teachers and administrators.

Developed by a team of parents, teachers and administrators, the report cards are part of a new grading system for all district kindergartners, and first through third graders at seven elementary schools in the district. Report cards also will be issued three instead of four times per year.

The new system will give teachers more time to evaluate students' progress and to align their teaching methods to the statewide standard, said district spokesperson Lisa McVey.



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Kindergartners await their first look at report cards at McVey Elementary School.

Before passing out the report cards for the first time, Valentine asked, "What are these report cards going to tell your parents?"

A student named Alexa answered, "How good we are in school."

Valentine looked at the report card and smiled. "If your parents do (what I'm doing) when they see your report card, what does that mean?" she asked.

"It means they're proud," Alexa said. "My mom tells me that every day."

Suggestions include research in similar towns with young drinkers

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Beach officials probably deal with similar alcohol issues.

Edwin Miller, a former city council member and owner of an alcohol business, said he recently dined in West Chester, Pa., another town with a large university. Miller wondered how that city attracts so many high-quality restaurants and suggested commission members research whether similar marketing strategies would apply to downtown Newark.

For example, Miller said, business licenses are more costly in Pennsylvania, and perhaps the city of Newark should raise fees here. Then the city would attract more established, knowledgeable entrepreneurs who have a larger stake in the outcome of the business, he said.

"The owners would be more financially stable and work better with the police if they had a larger investment in their business," he said, whereas now, business licenses in downtown Newark are relatively inexpensive, he said.

Bill Sharp, owner of the Pale Dog Saloon in Four Seasons Plaza, said one problem is controlling underage drinking in restaurants that also have bars.

Lloyd Kline, a resident of Kells Avenue, disagreed. "Underage drinking has nothing to do with the alcohol problems in Newark," said Kline whose neighborhood includes many college rentals and college parties. "Alcohol isn't the problem; the misbehavior that results is the problem."

Other members of the commission include John Bishop, coordinator for the Robert Wood Johnson alcohol grant and vice president of student life at the University of Delaware, Ruth Lehman, a bartender at Klondike Kate's, Tim Thompson, owner of The Trap bar/restaurant on Elkton Road, and Joseph Wald, a Newark planning commission member.

Commission members will meet again Thursday, Dec. 17 at 10 a.m. in the city manager's office. The meetings are open to the public, but there is no public comment permitted.

POLICE REPORTS

Robbery on Academy Street in Newark

Newark Police are investigating a robbery that occurred downtown in Newark on Dec. 6 around 8:35 p.m. The victim reported that he was walking in the area of Academy and Lovett when a white Honda Accord with three black males pulled up next to him and asked him for money.

Two of the suspects got out of the vehicle and grabbed the victim. One suspect struck his fist in the victim's back while the second suspect took his wallet out of his front pocket and took an undisclosed amount of money before fleeing in the Honda northbound on Academy Street.

The first suspect is described as a light-skinned black male 19-23 years old, with tattoos covering both arms. The second suspect is described as a black male 19-23 years old, heavy set, with corn rows in his hair and wearing a black T-shirt. No description of the third suspect who was driving the Honda was given.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call Newark Police at 366-7110, or Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

Eleven killed on state roads in November

During the month of November, 11 persons were killed in 10 separate motor vehicle crashes, five of which were alcohol-related, on Delaware roads. Crashes involving alcohol were up one percent over November 2000.

Acts involving speeding and improper passing were listed as contributing factors in five crashes in November.

Of the 11 fatalities, seven were in passenger vehicles. None were wearing seatbelts. Two others killed were motorcyclists and two were pedestrians.

During one week in November, police in Delaware issued nearly 200 tickets to drivers who did not have their children properly restrained in moving vehicles. Results from the Operation ABC Mobilization carried out Nov. 18 to 25 show that officers wrote 188 tickets for child restraint violations and fined 135 of these drivers for not wearing a seatbelt.

inspection by law enforcement officers found that 18 child safety seats in 14 vehicles were installed incorrectly.

The Office of Highway Safety urges drivers to drive sober and always use seatbelts and put their children in safety restraints.

Drunk and disorderly reports in Newark

Newark Police charged Luke Ezra Adams, 19, with underage consumption and disorderly behavior after he was observed trying to start numerous fights with passersby at South Chapel Street and Wrightstowne Lane around 1:35 a.m. on Dec. 2.

Alexander W. Funk 3rd, 21, was charged with having a disorderly premises during a loud party at the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity house on West Main Street around 12:25 a.m. on Dec. 2. At the same time and place, police charged James Patrick Borden 3rd, 19, of Newark with underage drinking.

On Dec. 2 police charged David P. Mazowski, 19, with having a disorderly premises at a residence on Dallas Avenue where a large group of people was making excessive noise around 1:10 a.m.

Dennis A. Clark, 21, was charged with having a disorderly premises at a residence on Wilson Street where a large group of people were making noise and fighting around 1:45 a.m. on Nov. 30.

Underage possession cited in vehicle

Newark Police charged Kirk D. Hinds, 19, with underage possession of alcohol during a traffic stop on East Delaware Avenue around 10:15 p.m. on Nov. 30.

Burglaries at Technology Park

Newark Police report two break-ins at buildings in the Delaware Technology Park during the week of Nov. 26. Sometime between 4:50 p.m. on Nov. 27 and 9 a.m. on Nov. 28, unknown persons kicked in a door of a building on Innovation Way and broke seven windows with copper piping, nuts and washers. Damage was estimated at \$2,210.

unknown persons entered a building on Innovation Way and damaged an elevator shaft and broke eight windows. Damage was estimated at \$9,000. Anyone with information about these incidents is asked to call police at 366-7111 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

Vehicle break-ins up in Newark

Sometime between 7 and 11 p.m. on Nov. 17, unknown persons removed two doors from a 1992 Jeep Wrangler parked on East Main Street. The loss was estimated at \$500.

Newark Police report unknown persons removed an amplifier, audio subbox and band pass box valued at \$850 sometime between 1 and 10:15 a.m. on Nov. 18 from a vehicle parked at 329 E. Main St. Damage was estimated at \$700.

Sometime between 11:30 p.m. on Nov. 21 and noon on Nov. 22, unknown persons removed a CD player and CDs valued at \$1,400 from a vehicle parked on Wharton Drive. Damage was estimated at \$40.

Sometime between 11 a.m. and 7:50 p.m. on Nov. 22, unknown persons pried open window on a vehicle parked on Wharton Drive and removed a CD player valued at \$200. Damage was estimated at \$50. Sometime between midnight and 11:30 a.m. on Nov. 22, unknown persons smashed a window in a car parked on King William Street and took a CD stereo valued at \$500. Damage was estimated at \$150.

Sometime between 11:30 p.m. on Nov. 25 and 2:10 a.m. on Nov. 26, unknown persons broke a window in a vehicle parked on McIntyre Drive and removed a CD player, CDs and a cellphone with an estimated value of \$300. Damage was estimated at \$400. Sometime between midnight and 2 p.m. on Nov. 25, unknown persons stole speakers and amplifier, and driver's license, registration and insurance cards from a vehicle parked on Blair Court.

Father charged with vehicular assault

Delaware State Police report a 1989 Cadillac DeVille operated by Adolfo Vallejo, 29, of

Both children were taken to Christiana Hospital where the son was treated for head and facial lacerations and the daughter was admitted in serious condition with a fractured spleen.

Vallejo was charged with vehicular assault, endangering the welfare of a child, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, fictitious registration, and no proof of insurance.

A preliminary investigation suggests alcohol involvement.

Robbery in Polly Drummond lot

On Thursday, Dec. 6, at approximately 10 p.m., a 22-year-old employee of Domino's Pizza was assaulted and robbed in the parking lot of the Polly Drummond Shopping Center.

The victim exited the business and observed that the door to his vehicle was open. As he examined the interior of the vehicle, he was grabbed from behind and thrown against a trailer at the rear of the business. The suspect then removed an undisclosed amount of currency from the victim's pants.

The suspect, described as a black male, 6'2", 210 pounds, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, then fled on foot. A cellular phone also was missing from the employee's vehicle. Anyone with information is asked to contact Delaware State Police Troop 2 at 323-4411.

Suspect charged in rape of child

On Tuesday, Dec. 4, New Castle County Police arrested Kelvin Martin, a 45-year-old male who resides on Strathaven Court in Newark, and charged him with rape, attempted rape, unlawful sexual contact, and continuous sexual abuse of a child.


County police responded to the Christiana Hospital for a report of a possible sexual assault and found the 13-year-old female victim had reported that Martin, a male family acquaintance, had repeatedly raped her since July 2000. Martin was arraigned and committed to the Gander Hill Prison after failing to post \$346,000 cash only bail.

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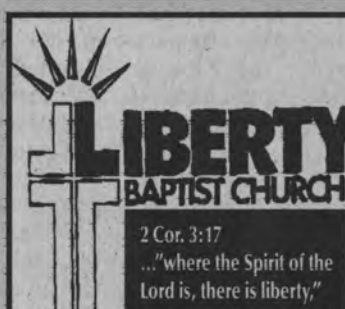
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Welz- Christine and Michael, Hockessin, daughter

Carlton- Rachel, Newark, son

Diverse and unique businesses fill Market East Plaza

▶ MARKET, from 1

sidewalk to her car followed by three hopping, skipping and jumping young children.

Around the corner, a workman in one of several small industries in the complex stands at a tool bench measuring and cutting materials. A few doors away, a woman works at a computer in a room filled with bolts of cloth, worktables and racks of clothes. On the balcony above her head are a row of flourishing plants, sewing machines and more racks of the prototype designs shipped to boutiques around the country by Trnka.

Situated next to the East End Cafe and about a block down the street from McDonald's, Market East Plaza is holding its own as a consumer destination after four years of quiet growth.

Diverse businesses and services ranging from a nightclub, a clothes designer and four appraisal companies to the Jewish Community Center and a day spa have all found a home off-the-beaten-path of Main Street.

Reid Rowlands, also the owner of Wooden Wheels on Main Street, has owned the property now called Market East Plaza for more than 25 years. "We never really had an overall plan for the center, but it really worked out to be a nice little complex," he said.

He and his wife operate World Class Products, importing components for bicycles designed by Rowlands and marketed nationwide, in one of the five buildings in the Plaza.

Named Newark's Business Person of the Year in 1997 for his development of the site, Rowlands said the art is knowing which businesses work best in this location.

Most visible to passing vehicles are Olde Tyme Antiques and First Light Barber Shop fronting the complex along Main Street at Tyre Avenue. But, drive-ways on either side of these buildings lead to a small world of less easily seen retail stores, offices, services and workrooms.

"The (Newark Natural Foods) co-op works very well - it's a specialty store so a lot of people know where it is," said Rowlands, listing his successes and possibilities. "Captain Blue Hen Comics (trading in baseball cards and other paper collectibles) works - it's been here for years. The insurance agents work. A place to eat

might work. A nice bread shop, or a coffee shop would work - almost anything works, except those impulse items where people just see something and think, 'Oh, I have to get that.'"

Among other operations listed at the Plaza are Casual Carpets, Henze Industries



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Wang's Chinese Grocery at Market East Plaza has a faithful following of people looking for authentic oriental products.

Inc., which does glass coatings and graphics, UMC Computers with sales, service and repairs, Home Inspection Services of Delaware, Ungerer Insurance Company, Cast Employment and Health Service, the Soulstice nightclub, T.A.L.K. Associates and Consistent Positive Direction Facilitators, which does presentations to train people to think and act in more positive ways, Premiere Graphics, J.R. Technics Home Remodeling, and B.C. Electronics.

Some people have come to the Plaza to establish outposts of their primary sites elsewhere in downtown Newark. "We needed more space for storage," explained Sharon Gladson, mother of designer Trnka whose wholesale/retail business is better known for its shop in Trader's Alley near Iron Hill Brewery. "My daughter also needed a larger and quieter place to set up her sewing machines and design. There just wasn't room, anymore, at the other location."

Members of the Newark Arts Alliance, which has a gift shop, galleries and meeting space at the Art House on Delaware Avenue, leased a space in the Plaza they call the Art Warehouse to use for overflow classes and a photography darkroom.

Presently there is a 3,000-square-foot space available for rent next to Newark Natural Foods. Another unit near the Delaware Book Exchange is also available. Rowlands is not really targeting a specific type of business, but he knows what will not work in his complex. "A pizza shop wouldn't work," he said. "A candy store probably wouldn't work."

According to Rowlands, the convenient access for cars resulted in the many types of stores located in the complex, most of which require hassle-free parking.

Kelly Wiener, daughter of Old Tyme Antiques owner Carol Stephenson, said about half of the clientele in the store are regulars but others are people in cars who need a place to pull in on short notice. "There's always somebody new - people who come in and say, 'Oh, we were just driving by and we saw the sign and stopped.'"

First-time business owners Michael Fahey and Neil Meisel opened Newark's first yoga/meditation/rolfing site called The Awareness Center in Market East Plaza in October. Meisel said "great parking" as well as close proximity to patrons of a natural foods store and reasonable rent led the partners to choose this place for their business.

"The parking is wonderful back here," Meisel said. "Here, people can just pull in and get their groceries or anything and (then) drive right down Tyre Avenue and

they don't even have to deal with the Main Street traffic, really."

Bill Naylor, who works at Newark Natural Foods, said the parking perfectly fits the clientele of the store. Though some customers are college students; most are mothers and their children, and some are older people who come in to get their daily supplements.

"The parking is definitely the best thing about this complex," Naylor said. "If (the store) was further down Main Street, people would have to park and then carry a cartload of groceries half a block down the street."

Natural Foods store manager Janey Bowen said they hope to bring more traffic to the Plaza. "Strategically placing stores in the (shopping) center is one way to do that," she said.

Business owners in Market East Plaza coordinated a farmers' market in the complex on Sunday mornings this summer and fall, during which local farmers and business owners set up tables and sold their crops and baked goods.

Attendance at the market gained momentum once people started hearing about the place. "Things like the farmers' market really encourage people to want to take a stroll down Main Street and shop," said Bowen.

Katy Ciamaricone and Mary E. Petzak contributed to this story.



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Blue Hen Comics, a computer service store and Newark Natural Foods are neighbors at Market East Plaza.



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Time not passed for green in Newark

We wouldn't go so far as to say "holy sacred cow!" but we know Mother Nature had something to do with Monday's defeat of a proposal to abolish the Conservation Advisory Commission in Newark.

Since Sept. 11, red, white and blue has been the colors of choice for most Americans, showing up even in Christmas decor this year. And many burning issues that were on the top of the list for community interest were put on hold when compared to the death of thousands in two hours on one day.

This week, Newarkers made it clear that green is still very important here.

Mayor Hal Godwin's attempt to put the CAC deletion on council's agenda by way of an addendum did not give it a low profile – if indeed that was ever intended. Every possible resident who ever expressed interest in environmental matters in Newark was rallied to attend the meeting on Monday.

This included Dorothy Miller, recently honored for her decades of effort on behalf of the White Clay Creek, and staff from the Newark Center for Creative Learning, where dozens of children and parents signed petitions and lobbied council in a failed attempt to save a tree in downtown Newark a few years ago.

By the time the CAC made the agenda list for public comment, it was evident that little would be gained by proceeding with the proposal to abolish the city committee.

Councilmembers wisely did not second the mayor's motion and the CAC lives to tell about it.

Now the commission and the council need to have some meetings of the minds over a project list. The most recent idea to come out of the CAC was a plan to make Newark a "Green Community."

Little interest was apparent in that one, but maybe the notice of the past month has changed that. At the very least, the vacant seats on the Commission should be filled and the body should be given some work to do on behalf of the city.

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This is the the Wesleyan Methodist Church Choir performing as part of the Community Christmas Caroling program on the steps of the Academy Building in December 1955. The caroling, which took place on 12 nights, was sponsored by the Greater Newark Recreation Association which later became the Newark Parks and Recreation Department. This photo was loaned to the *Post* by Newark's recreation superintendent Joe Spadafino.

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

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The Newark schools received an appropriation of \$13.88 per pupil on a basis of net enrollment and \$16.57 per pupil on a basis of average daily attendance. The State places a premium on regular attendance, for the higher the average daily attendance, the more appropriation is given for the same amount of taxes. As it

and "fiscal restraints." Biggs denied the the district was over-staffed with administrators in the past; all administrators from the previous 11 districts that comprise the county district were retained last year, he said, to help with the transition.

City Council approves \$6.8 million budget

City Council approved Newark's \$6.8 million 1980 budget Monday night by a vote of 6-

Mustang had been towed.

"The Ewing tow truck driver refused to talk to her or tell her where she could go to get the car back," stated Prater. "He told her if she showed him \$85 in cash, he would bring her car back, but he wouldn't tell her anything else."

Tower zoning passes in the heat of battle

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George B. Hynson died Sunday

George B. Hynson, who died in the Polyclinic Hospital, Philadelphia, on Sunday, will be well remembered in Newark. Mr. Hynson, who at the time of his death was president of the Sons of Delaware, was born 64 years ago in Milford. He is the author of the Delaware State song, "Our Delaware."

December 12, 1979

School district cuts 47 administrators

The New Castle County School District will have 47 fewer administrators next year, saving the district over \$1 million. Though the names of the terminated administrators were released, the list is not final, because some may be rehired to compensate for attrition and retirement. All will be given the opportunity to return to the classroom.

Superintendent Carroll W. Biggs said the cuts are necessary because of declining enrollment

set at 90 cents per \$100 of assessed value, but raising electric, sewer and water rates.

Three ordinances designed to raise utility rates in accordance with the new budget were passed for first reading and will get a public hearing at the January 14 council meeting. The budget calls for a 1.6 percent increase in electric rates to pay for part of last April's \$3.7 million bond issue. Water rates will rise 23 percent, 13 percent to cover the April bond issue and an additional 10 percent increase to offset an operating deficit in the water department.

December 13, 1996

Towing's cash and carry

Brandywine High School student Staci Prater drove to a Brandywine Newark football game on Nov. 30 and became one of the many people who mistakenly thought it was safe to park in a nearby lot.

The 16-year-old Prater told her mother that she parked in the Library Avenue Professional Building lot next to the high school because other cars were already there.

Prater said her daughter called around 8:15 p.m. from Newark High School saying her new

passed a zoning ordinance regulating telecommunications towers in the city. The ordinance sets out zoning requirements for such towers in the university, the central business, the general business, the general industrial, and the manufacturing-office-research districts in Newark.

Telecommunications companies will have to pass a detailed and stringent list of requirements before being allowed to set up antennas on new or existing structures in the city.

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Facing up to a case of the truth or Donny's Pony

By MARVIN HUMMEL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

August and December were the killing months: polio in August killed and crippled kids, but anybody might be taken by the flu in December. The swimming pool shut down on July 31st, and on December 1st families put up colorful wreaths or a black crape on their doors. Both months were waiting games, but somebody in the neighborhood always "got it," one or the other. When you walked to school on a December morning there would be wreaths and as soon as you left school you'd look to see if they were still there or had been replaced by something more somber. Usually the wreaths were still there.

Early that unforgettable December, my father thought he

caught me in a lie, and I had the righteous temerity to disagree with him. To use recent terminology, I had given the truth a hearty "spin" and made it a non-truth and barely operable. But only by the most rigorous, righteous standards could it be called a lie; I had, to use a different metaphor, massaged the painful knots and tightnesses out of the truth. When that very reasonable explanation did not work with my father, I made the mistake of quoting Pontius Pilate's skeptical, "Truth! What IS truth?" It turned out that was not one of his favorite passages of scripture nor was Mr. Pilate and admirable man. (In his esti-



Hummel

mation, that is.)

Truth was an absolute, he insisted, and there could NEVER be ANY extenuating circumstances that could modify the need for total truth. I asked whether there was an age at which a person had license to make "adjustments"—just as you could drive a car at 16, enlist at 17, smoke at 18, drink at 21, perhaps you could get a verbal masseur's license. Where did I get such an idea he wanted to know. ("He who has ears to hear, let him hear.") I obviously disturbed him, but I KNEW adults told whoppers!

One afternoon, Mr. Brookhouser was talking to my father about funeral arrangements for his son Donny who, he said, "had hours to live." Yep, they'd be taking down their wreath!

The next afternoon, the first

thing I asked was how Donny was doing—the wreath was still up. I was told the most amazing story—Donny had crawled up from the depths of his fevered unconsciousness, had sat up in bed, announced he wanted a pony for Christmas, then slipped back into his coma.

In the next few days, Donny repeated his goofy request: goofy because we lived in a city and his Dad was out of work. My father advised Mr. Brookhouser to promise him the pony and then so did the doctor. Soon the men were taking turns telling the still unconscious Donny what his pony looked like and even put a saddle on the little creature. I was getting suspicious—happy for Donny's miraculous recovery as he progressed, but I was pretty sure the truth was dying instead of Donny.

I asked my father where the

Brookhousers would keep Donny's pony: "some farm." Where was this farm—maybe Donny would let me take a ride on his pony. The farm was far away and I shouldn't bother Donny about the pony. There was no veil to that threat!

Donny did live, I'm happy to say, and his father and the doctor repeated the saving pony story over and over again to eager listeners. If my father told it, he never told it around me. Once when we were driving out in the country and we saw some farms, I asked my father whether Donny's curiously unnamed pony resided on one of them.

"That is enough young man!" 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.

NEWARK POST ❖ IN THE NEWS

LETTERS TO EDITOR

To: Editor (via e-mail)
From: Alfred Gruber
Newark

May I suggest the name Shunnel for the joke of a contract and construction of the Casho Mill tunnel?

To: Editor (via e-mail)
From: Jacqueline Haas
Newark

The *Newark Post* is a great newspaper and we look forward to reading it every week.

To: Editor
From: John M. Kearney,
Clean Air Council
Andrew Hudson,
Clear the Air
Deb Brown,
American Lung
Association of DE
Steve Hegedus,
Institute for Energy
Conversion at UD

For 30 years, hundreds of power plants around the country and four in Delaware have been allowed to emit unsafe and unacceptable levels of pollution into the air. These power plants were grandfathered by the Clean Air Act and are allowed to pollute at levels times higher than newer power plants. These old dirty power plants are a threat to public health and the environment; particularly at risk are children, the elderly, and individuals with asthma and other respiratory illnesses.

The government must require these old power plants to reduce their emissions. Tom Carper sits on a Senate committee that will play a pivotal role in shaping legislation to clean up power plant emissions. The members of Congress must get the message that all harmful power plant pollutants that affect public health and the environment must be reduced: including nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, mercury and carbon dioxide.

To: Editor
From: Sara Webbing
Newark

My sister has suffered from asthma since she was 6. She's been hospitalized twice and must take asthma medication twice a day to keep her lungs

the standards. I hope that in printing this letter you will let, not only the government, but the public as well, know that this must be changed.

Unfortunately, not enough people are aware of these hazards that could harm them and their environment.

To: Editor
From: Stephen R. King
BSW, BA

There is a major problem with the disbursement of financial aid funds at Delaware's colleges, which appears to be widespread throughout the state.

Federal laws apparently allow colleges to deposit all financial aid (loans, grants, etc.) monies into an escrow account until they are dispersed to the students. The interest earned on this account may be retained by the college. It would appear that at least two colleges in Delaware are taking advantage of this provision by excessively withholding the disbursement of student aid funds to the students.

I am a student at Delaware State University, where it is policy that student aid money might not be disbursed until they END of the semester! This is what happened to me in the summer semester. If it should happen again next spring, I would be forced to drop out of school. The intensity of my advanced standing program/field practicum requirements preclude working concurrent with the schooling.

My son, niece, and the daughter of my cousin all attend Delaware Technical and Community College at different campuses. Not one of them have received their fall financial aid money yet and they are being told it might be the END of the semester when they do. My niece received her SPRING 2001 financial aid about two weeks ago! By the way, they are all employed.

I am the first in my family to have graduated college, let alone seek an advanced degree. The next generation is now poised to do the same. Should Delaware colleges be profiting from the financial aid money of

Illustrator on second successful career

Special to the Newark Post
by JoAnn Balingit

Alexi Natchev is a seasoned illustrator and printmaker whose career spans 20 years. His life as an artist began even earlier, when he was 3 years old. While neighborhood kids in his native Sofia, Bulgaria, played games outside, he focused his energies onto drawing paper.

His parents enrolled him in a preschool where his creativity was nurtured by a teacher he remembers fondly. "She would read stories to us," he said with a smile, "and while we listened, we drew the stories that she read." These early attempts to illustrate narratives spurred Natchev's love, he believes, of picture books and art inspired by texts.

He later attended the High School of the Visual Arts in Sofia, and in 1978 graduated from the National Academy of Fine Arts with a master of fine arts in book illustration.

Over the next 10 years, Natchev established himself in Bulgaria as an illustrator and printmaker, winning several national awards for book illustration. His artwork was purchased for private collections in Europe and abroad. In 1986 he accepted a position as a professor of drawing at the National Academy.

Around 1990, impending dissolution of the former Soviet Union and the social and political reforms taking place in Bulgaria

inspired the artist to risk a major change. With his wife and young son, he moved to the United States, temporarily settling in Moscow, Idaho. The family came to Newark in 1993.

Natchev did not know the American publishing industry and needed connections to children's book editors. On the other hand, he was an experienced artist with international awards, publications, and a strong portfolio. It wasn't long before Harcourt Brace offered him a contract to illustrate *Too Old for Naps* (1992) by Jane Yolen, his first American publication. "It's like those success stories you read about people that seem like miracles," he laughs.

Since then Natchev has illustrated 11 children's books for major publishers like Doubleday and MacMillan. Many are picture books for children aged 5 to 10, based on American and European folktales. His colorful, expressive drawings blend fantasy and realism in settings that reflect the times of the story. Natchev's illustrations have persistent humor. They give even spooky tales, like Robert D. San Souci's "The Hobyahs" (1994), a comic sense that children love.

A picture book by Brian Jacques, author of the popular *Red Wall Fantasies*, is Natchev's current project. In his studio he shifts blocks of text around in a dummy book to decide how each



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST BY JANICE LODATO

Some of the children's books illustrated by Newark resident Alexi Natchev can be found on the shelves at the Newark Library.

page should look. In these pages, a tiny, spunky bear is coming to life. From start to finish the project will take a year.

Natchev's illustrations will greatly influence the mood and pace of the story, and add magic to the author's words.

Every good picture book has two stories, Natchev explained, one verbal and one visual. Although words and pictures work together, the artist goes beyond retelling the story to reveal the hidden soul of things. Every image, symbol, and visual suggestion helps create that new world.

Natchev is a 2001 recipient of a Delaware Division of the Arts fellowship. His illustrations and a print series will be on display in January and February at the Wilmington Institute Library.

Works illustrated by Natchev

include "Peter and the Blue Witch Baby" and "The Hobyahs," both by Robert D. San Souci, "Night of the Goat Children" by J. Patrick Lewis, "Harmonica Night" by M.C. Helldorfer, "A Wagon Load of Fish" by Judit C. Bodnar, "Tom, Babette & Simon" by Avi, "Wet World" by Norma Simon, "Nathaniel Willy, Scared Silly" by J. Matthews and F. Robinson, "Little Masha and Misha the Bear," published by Scholastic Books, "Matreshka" by Becky Ayres, and "Too Old for Naps" by Jane Yolen.

In the spring, the artist's most recent work, "The Magic Apple" by Corinne Demas, will appear on bookshelves.

Balingit is a writer and educator living in Newark, and a member of the Newark Arts Alliance.

New schools may be delayed to 2008

By KATY CIAMARICONE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Some of the major renovations and building projects planned for Christina District schools could be set back to as late as 2008, due to the nation's sagging economy.

Financial woes have put a clamp on the state's educational spending, so state officials will need to split-fund school improvement projects over several years.

"If we hold a referendum in the spring and voters (favor the

Brookside, West Park Place and Elbert Palmer elementary schools; air conditioning installed in Kirk Middle School and Pulaski Elementary School; and money for land and construction of the first new elementary school.

The state will fund the second group of projects — upgrades to more elementary schools, air conditioning and funds for the second new elementary school — when money is available. The third group of projects will include renovations and air con-

dition in the remaining elementary schools and a new middle school.

Some Christina District residents who rejected a similar school improvement plan during a public referendum in April said they voted "no" partly because renovations from a 1995 capital improvement project were not completed on schedule.

But those renovations took longer than expected because, like this year, state funding was slow in coming.

"It wasn't that we didn't meet

our deadlines; we didn't have the money to complete the renovations (on time)," Riley said. "A lot of people didn't understand that."

District officials plan to explain the extended funding schedule during public hearings and presentations of the improvement plan, so community members can understand that state funding is not always readily accessible for major projects, even after they are approved.

many things that trigger her asthma attacks are high ozone content in the air, mainly due to air pollution.

I am highly disturbed to know that while the government has passed many air pollution regulations, like the Clean Air Act, many major polluters do not have to abide by

holding the funds these students need to afford college? What should I tell them as they have to drop out one by one?

Delaware's college students deserve their financial aid in a timely manner - during the semester when it is needed, not after the semester ends.

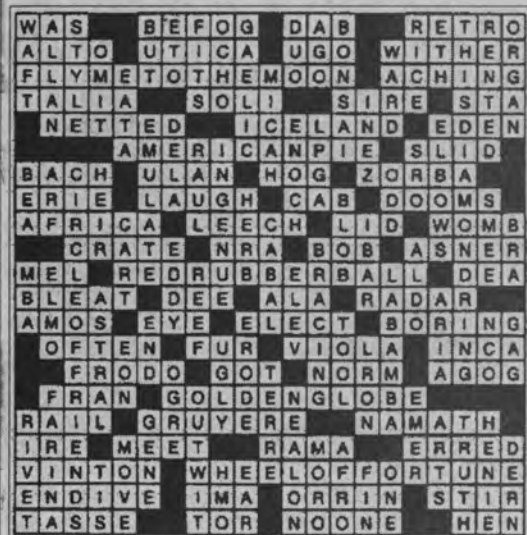
working on projects until 2008," said Dr. Capes Riley, Christina's assistant superintendent for facilities. "Normally when we get the funding up front, the projects only take about three years."

District officials last month submitted to the state a list of needed improvements in Christina schools, including air conditioning, a new swimming pool, and three new schools in the ever-growing Bear/Glasgow area.

Riley and other district planners expect to hear by January 2002 which of the listed items will receive state funding this year. The district will then hold a public referendum, probably in the spring, to gain local taxpayers' approval.

If state officials and local taxpayers agree the district should move forward with the improvements, the state will provide about 57 percent of the cost, a little more than \$96 million. District residents will pay the remaining portion, approximately \$71 million.

The first phase of renovations, if approved, will cost \$48 million and include upgrades to Jones,



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Restaurant," the Sunday dump experience can be enjoyable.

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But, unlike here, you don't have to bother trimming down fallen branches or bundling hedge clippings. In Maine, you just jam them into the trunk and off to the dump you go.

Plus, save a Boeing 707 or rusty bulldozer, you can get rid of just about anything large at a dump - old ladders, the hand-me-down dresser from Grandma that you never wanted in the first place, your mother-in-law. Just tie your unwanted treasures atop your Beverly Hillbillymobile and you're off on your Sunday outing.

Going to the dump is an event to remember. You get to see everybody in town each week and catch up on local gossip.

Try as hard as you might not to, you do spot discarded items at the dump that you desperately want. There's a fine art to carrying on conversation about the 15-1 vote at the grange meeting and

Tara's affair with the general store owner, then discreetly stashing a discarded lobster pot in your car.

Which brings me to the headline on this column. To my dismay, I'm losing my garbage collector. Stretch (his name was painted on his previous garbage truck) has been promoted. Dec. 18 is his last day to work in my Cherry Hill neighborhood.

Stretch (his real name is Dwayne Ervin) is the first trash collector with whom I've had a relationship. We wave regularly and chat from time to time. His service is exemplary and I've written city manager Carl Luft praising Stretch as one of the best good-will ambassadors that Newark has.

Stretch takes everything, from my not-so-nicely bundled limbs to 14 boxes of junk when we work on our never-ending "downsizing" project.

He is kind to my trash cans and treats them like personal property, not projectiles.

And he's a nice, hard-working guy.

Stretch is moving on to become Newark's trash transfer station operator. I can't blame him. He's tired of hoisting nearly 500 cans, bags and boxes every day, four times a week. (I get tired dragging three cans around to the front twice a week.) His performance during the past 12 years earns him this promotion.

But I'm a little sorry now that I wrote that letter of commendation.

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Ribbon Garden messages archived

More than 120 individuals from the campus and community volunteered their time and effort to record the messages and preserve the approximately 4,000 ribbons that had been placed in the University of Delaware's Ribbon Garden as a memorial to the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.



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The Ribbon Garden on UD's South Mall near Memorial Hall was in place from Friday, Sept. 14, through Sunday, Sept. 23.

"There were many tears, and we went through a lot of Kleenex," University Archivist Jean K. Brown said. "The messages touched the hearts of everyone who was here."

The Ribbon Garden gave members of the University community an opportunity to write personal messages of support, hope and love on yellow ribbons and tie them in the garden. At the same time, participants could make donations to the American Red

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It took almost four years, but the the Morris Estate now has a 72-space parking lot providing access to 5.5 miles of trails for hiking and mountain bikes. According to Charles A. Salkin of the Division of Parks and Recreation, the improvements cost \$550,000. Up until Nov. 29, when the lot and trails were dedicated, area residents not within walking distance seldom could do more than look at the beautiful park site as they drove past on Polly Drummond Hill Road and Kirkwood Highway.

The state purchased the 504-acre estate from the University of Delaware for \$12.5 million in 1998 and added the property to the other 2,400 acres already designated as White Clay Creek State Park. Judge Hugh Morris, for whom the University's library is named, bequeathed the property to the University of Delaware in 1966. Morris lived on the property from 1935 until his death. According to information provided by Newarker James Owen, part of the home was built before the Revolutionary War.

Visitors this year can enjoy a 1939 holiday season at the decorated mansion during tours at 5, 6:30 or 8 p.m. on Dec. 15 or 16. Entertainment includes a surprise visit from the Ghost of Christmas Past. Tickets are \$15 per person. Advance reservations required at 368-6900.



"Quite a few people said they just felt they had to do something," Brown said. "We had several students from the New York and Connecticut areas, who knew people who had died. Several told me that the transcription project helped them manage their grief. They were comforted by the messages."

Archives staff numbered each ribbon and proofread the messages and flattened the ribbons for storage in oblong archival boxes. Faculty and students from the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures translated the ribbons that carry messages in foreign languages. In addition to English, 11 languages are represented on the ribbons.

Several of the ribbons will be place in a time capsule that will be enclosed in the DuPont Hall cornerstone, and University Archives plans to develop a virtual display on its web site.



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CARTOON CHRISTMAS TRIO 6 p.m. at Delaware Art Museum, Kentmere Parkway, Wilmington. Info, call 571-9590.

AN IDEAL HUSBAND Through Feb. 16. Comedy by Oscar Wilde at Hartshorn Hall, East Park Place, Newark. Tickets and times, call 831-1418.

GREATEST CHRISTMAS EVER Through Friday. Musical production celebrating spirit of the season at the Baby Grand Opera House, Wilmington. Times and tickets, call 1-800-376-GRAND.

CHRISTMAS AT HAGLEY Through Jan. 1. Tours of Eleutherian Mills, former home of DuPont Company's founder, off Route 141. Holiday Lights evening tours on Dec. 14, 21 and 28 only. Info, 658-2400.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH 7:30 P.M. Sing in concert with University of Delaware choir and orchestra in Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road, Newark. Bring your own score or rent one there. A \$5 donation will be appreciated. Info, call 831-2577.

BACH'S LUNCH 12:10-12:50 p.m. Caroling with the University at Bayard Sharp Hall, Delaware Avenue and Elkton Road, Newark. Free, but seating limited. 831-2791.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS Through Jan. 6. Dusk to 10 p.m. at Rockwood Mansion Park, Washington Street extension. Drive or walk. Santa and carolers at mansion weekends through Dec. 23. Info, call 761-4340.

BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER Through Dec. 29. Children's theatre with pizza luncheon on Saturdays and Sundays at Candlelight Dinner

Theatre in Ardentown. Reservations and information, call 475-2313.

NUNCRACKERS Through Dec. 29. The Nonsense Christmas Musical at the Candlelight Music Dinner Theatre in Ardentown. Reservations recommended. For tickets and times, call 475-2313.

WONDERLAND OF TRAINS AND TOYS Through Jan 5 at the Old Town Hall, Market Street, Wilmington. For information, call 656-0637.

THE VELVETEEN RABBIT Through Dec. 31 at Mum Puppet theatre, 115 Arch St., Philadelphia. Admission, \$10. Tickets and times, 215-925-8686.

THE DOCTOR'S DILEMMA Through Feb. 16. Satire at Hartshorn Hall, East Park Place, Newark. Tickets and times, call 831-1418.

MINIATURE ART SHOW & SALE Through Dec. 9. First annual show of small scale original artwork at You've Been Framed, 172 E. Main Street.

BINGO 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center. Lunch available for \$2/platter at 11:45 a.m. 737-2336.

LONGWOOD CHRISTMAS Through Jan. 6. Sounds and sights of the season with organ sing-alongs, choral performances, strolling Yuletide Singers, musical fountain displays, thousands of poinsettias and 400,000 tiny lights at Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, Pa. Info, call 610-388-3833.

■ THURSDAY, DEC. 13

CARTOON CHRISTMAS 12:30 p.m. Jazz concert featuring music from "Charlie Brown Christmas" at First and Central Presbyterian Church, Rodney Square, Wilmington. For more information, call 654-5371.

CHAPTER BY CHAPTER 4 p.m.

Thursdays. Read aloud favorite chapter books for ages 7 to 10 years at New Castle Library, Delaware Street, New Castle. 328-1995

JACOB MARLEY'S CHRISTMAS CAROL Through Dec. 23 Wednesday through Sunday at Delaware Theatre Company. For tickets and times, call 594-1100.

■ FRIDAY, DEC. 14

A CHRISTMAS CAROL 7:30 p.m. Gerald Charles Dickens, the author's great-grandson, uses 26 voices to interpret the classic Christmas tale. Presented by the Darley Society at Holiday Inn Select, Naamans Road and I-95 north. For more information, call 792-2127.

HOLIDAY HARMONY 6:30 p.m. Choral performance at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Refreshments will be served. \$5 Call 737-2336 for more information.

COOKIE WALK/SOUP AND SANDWICH 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Luncheon at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 200 Marrows Rd., Brookside, \$6. For more information, call 738-4331.

BAH, HUMBUG! SCROOGE'S CHRISTMAS CAROL Today and tomorrow. Musical version of "Dickens" Christmas classic at The Everett Theatre, 47 W. Main St., Middletown. Times and tickets, call 378-7994.

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN CHRISTMAS CAROL Today and tomorrow. Dickens tale set to Gilbert and Sullivan Music by Gayden Wren, featuring the cast and Orchestra of The Ardensingers at The Arden Gild Hall, 2126 The Highway, Wilmington. Admission, \$10. Tickets and times, call 239-1313.

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WEE READERS 10:30 a.m. Second and fourth Fridays. Stories, songs and rhymes for ages 6 months to 3 years at New Castle Library, Delaware Street, New Castle. 328-1995.

■ SATURDAY, DEC. 15

RAINBOW CHORALE 8 p.m. today and 4 p.m. tomorrow. Holiday concert at First and Central Presbyterian Church, Rodney Square, Wilmington. Tickets at the door. Info, call 888-512-5093.

WINTER SOLSTICE CONCERT 7:30 p.m. Music from many cultures and traditions at The Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew, 8th and Shipley Streets, Wilmington. Suggested donation, \$10. Info, call 656-6628.

A CONCERT OF GLORIAS 8:15 p.m. New Ark Chorale performs Vivaldi's Gloria and related music by Rutter, Larkin, Handel, Sweelinck, and others at Newark Methodist Church. Tickets \$12, students & seniors, \$10. Info, call 368-4946.

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■ SUNDAY, DEC. 16

THE FANTASTIC TOYSHOP & OTHER WORKS Noon and 4 p.m. Mid-Atlantic Ballet performs at Mitchell Hall, University of Delaware campus, Newark. Tickets \$15. For more information, call 266-6362.

■ TUESDAY, DEC. 18

POETRY READING 8 p.m. Sign-up, 7:15 p.m. Hosted by poet Rick Boucher at The Art House, 132 E. Delaware Ave., Newark.

STORY CRAFTS 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Stories, songs and crafts for ages 3 to 6 years at New Castle Library, Delaware Street, New Castle. 328-1995.

■ WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19

YOUNG ARTISTS CONCERT 8 p.m. Philadelphia Young Artists Orchestra, with musicians and singers from greater Delaware Valley area perform at St. Mark's Church, 1625 Locust St., Philadelphia. For more information, call 215-496-2662, ext. 125.

DECEMBER 12

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JAZZERCISE 'LIGHT' 9 a.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center. \$15/month. To register, call 737-2336.

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center. 658-5177.

DECEMBER 13

TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. Second and

MEETINGS

DECEMBER 17

NEW DIRECTIONS 7:15 to 9:30 p.m. Holiday party follows presentation. Support group for persons diagnosed with depression at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Wilmington. For information, call Dolores at 286-1161 or June at 610-265-1594.

OPEN LIFE PAINTING 7-10 p.m. Mondays at Art Warehouse, Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main St., #16, Newark. Bring own supplies and easel. Painters split models fee. 266-7266.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:30 p.m.

a.m. every Thursday at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. For information, call 737-1711 or 737-0724.

DIVORCECARE 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7-and-up get to swim. 610-869-2140.

DECEMBER 14

LIVING SINGLE 7-10 p.m. Singles meet second and fourth Fridays at Happy Acres Restaurant, 1876 New London Rd./Route 896. Cash menu, fellowship and live music

NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn, Route 273. 368-7292.

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DECEMBER 18

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month at Newark Senior Center. 737-2336.

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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, call 737-2336.

BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30-10 p.m. Thursdays at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7-8:15

For more information, call 610-869-2140.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY 1 p.m. second Fridays. Continuing education to promote better way of life at County Extension Office, South Chapel Street, Newark. New members welcome. Info, call 738-4419 or 831-1239.

CARDIO POWER 9 a.m. Fridays and Mondays at Newark Senior Ctr. 737-2336.

DECEMBER 15

PWP DANCE 8:30 to 11 p.m. Newcomers meeting, 7:30 p.m. Parents Without Partners Dance with DJ at Nur Temple, Rts. 13 and 40, New Castle. Open to ages 21 and over. Dance admission \$7, members; \$9, non-members. 998-3115, ext. 1.

Christ, Main Street. For information, call 368-1749.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6-8 p.m. Mondays. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children at Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark. For information or to register, call 658-5177, ext. 260.

SINGLES CIRCLE 7 p.m. every Monday at New London Presbyterian Church, 1986 Newark Road (Route 896) in New London, Pa. 610-869-2140.

LINE DANCING 1 and 2:30 p.m. every Monday at Newark Senior Center. 737-2336.

SCOTTISH DANCING 8 p.m. Mondays at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, South College Avenue, Newark. For information, call 368-2318. (new number)

OPEN MIKE/SLAM 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays. Poetry reading/competition at Art House, 132 E. Delaware Ave., Newark. 266-7266.

AEROBICS FOR WOMEN 6 p.m. at Glasgow Reformed Presbyterian Church, Summit Bridge Road, Bear. Free. Nursery. \$2/child. Info, call 834-4772.

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

SIMPLY JAZZERCISE 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9 a.m. Wednesdays. Low impact fitness program at Newark Senior Center. Call 737-2336 to register.

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Val Nardo seeking donations for holidays

Val Nardo, who along with his wife began distributing food to the needy at Christmas in 1969, is wrapping up another year-long collection.

The 80-year-old Newarker, who formerly operated the barbershop in Fairfield Shopping Center, solicits donations of non-perishable food and funds to purchase such items all year round.

Val's Needy Family Fund supplies more than 18 local organizations, including the Newark Area Welfare Committee which prepares and distributes baskets of food in the weeks before Christmas.

This year, Nardo is also supplying the food for a dinner and for the Meals on Wheels program at the Newark Senior Center on Christmas Day.

"I'm also doing the entertainment at the dinner," Nardo said.

Nardo also promotes collections for donated turkeys at his parish

church, St. John's/Holy Angels, as well as at other area churches.

According to Nardo, his food bank is filled with donations collected from businesses and purchased with donations during the past year. "But we never have more than we need," he said.

In addition to the Welfare Committee and Senior Center, groups on Nardo's list are the Hudson Social Services Center; Veterans of Foreign Wars; American Legion; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Hope Dining Room of the Brookside Avenue Society; and St. Nicholas Episcopal Church.

Other members of Nardo's far-reaching "team" include: Christiana Methodist Church; Sunday Breakfast Mission; Murray Manor Civic Association; St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; St. Mary's Church in Hockessin; Feed the Children; St. Jude Children's Hospital; March of Dimes children,

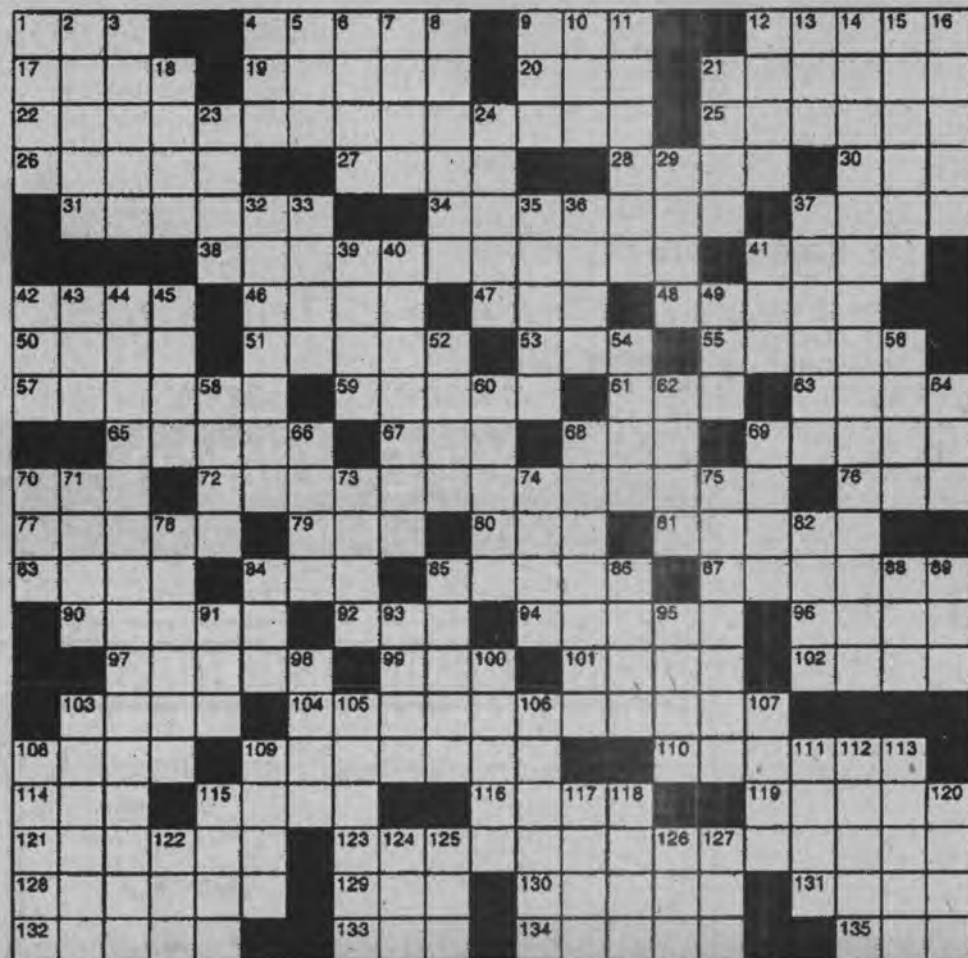
the Cancer Society; the Salvation Army; the American Heart Association and Earth Quake Victims.

Students from the Key Clubs from the Newark High School, Kiwanis, and St. Mark's High School help to load and distribute food, according to Nardo.

"The Newark Police also provide donations and tell me about people needing help," said Nardo.

Food or cash donations can be left at Hairtaker Salon in the Fairfield Shopping Center or the Millcreek Barber Shop on Kirkwood Highway. Also in the Fairfield Shopping Center, food may be dropped off at the Superfresh Supermarket and cash donations may be left at PNC Bank. Contributions by mail can be sent to: Val's Needy Family Fund, 16 Lee Drive, Wilmington, DE, 19808.

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Sweet Adelines offer singing Christmas card

The Diamond State Chorus of Sweet Adelines International is offering a singing Christmas card greeting on Dec. 20, 21, and 22, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Cost is \$40.

The greeting consists of three Christmas Carols, a Holiday Card with your personal message printed inside, and a small holiday gift to commemorate the occasion. Deliveries can be made to homes, workplaces, restaurants of holiday gathering in New Castle County and surrounding counties in Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Please order early. For more information or to place an order, call 999-8310 or 655-1145.

Santa Claus is coming to the town of Newark

Santa Claus, escorted by personnel from the Newark Police and Aetna Fire Company, will visit children in local communities on Monday, Dec. 17. Santa will give presents to all children 12 years old and under who reside in Cleveland Heights, George Reed Village and White Chapel. Due to the limited availability of gifts, please do not invite children who are friends or relatives but not residents to participate. Schedule for the event is Cleveland Heights, 5:30 p.m.; George Reed Village, 6:30 p.m. and White Chapel, 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 366-7110, ext. 130.

Snapshots on Main Street photo contest

The Delaware Main Street Program is sponsoring the third annual Snapshots on

Main Street photo contest. Photos should depict a Delaware main street or a street directly adjacent to a main thoroughfare. Subjects may include architecture, landscaping, people, signage, or events. Judges will review the photos based on ability to capture the imagery of the depicted downtown, artistry, quality, originality, and technique.

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Best Overall - a \$200 prize for the best captured historic and architectural essence of one of Delaware's eight Main Street communities: Brandywine Village, Delaware City, Dover, Middletown, Newark, Rehoboth Beach, Seaford and Smyrna; Best of Four Categories: downtown streetscapes, architecture, seasons, and everyday - a \$100 prize to be awarded in each of the four categories; Runner Up - one prize with a value of \$50 to be awarded in each of the four categories; Honorable Mention - more than six prizes with values of \$25 to be awarded; and 18 and younger - one prize valued at \$50.

Entries must be submitted to Delaware Main Street, 99 Kings Highway, Dover, DE 19901, by March 31, 2002. Photos must be 8X10 and must have been taken between Jan. 1, 1999 and the contest deadline. There is no fee to enter. For more information or to receive a contest entry form, call 302-672-6834.

Wing & A Prayer campaign at Tri-State

Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research has many meaningful gift ideas available through Tri-State's Wing & A Prayer Campaign.

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Lion's Club Christmas tree sale in progress

The Christmas tree sale at the Brookside Lion's Club runs to Dec. 24. All profits raised will go to the Sight First or the Community. The lion mascot will be there on the weekends, so bring your cameras. We also expect a surprise visit from Santa. Refreshments will be sold on weekends. Brookside Lions Club is located at 390 East Chestnut Hill Road across from Shop Rite.

Longwood Graduate Symposium offered

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Watch out for these comments on report cards or in parent-teacher interviews.

- Needs Encouragement
- Improving
- Inattentive
- Incomplete work
- Making great strides
- Works slowly & deliberately
- Works quickly
- Needs to try harder
- Needs to put forth more effort
- Needs to Practice more
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- Needs to work more independently
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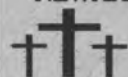


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Butterworth promoted

Linda B. Butterworth of Newark was promoted to the position of assistant vice president for PNC Advisors. Butterworth is an account administrator for Hawthorn, an investment management subsidiary of PNC Advisors. She has 19 years of experience in trust administration, investments and operations for corporate and individual clients. She began her career at PNC in 1982. Her previous positions include corporate investment administrator and portfolio manager. She is a graduate of Wilmington College and Delaware Technical and Community College.



Kim

Kim does summer research

Newark resident Seung-hee Kim, a sophomore at Haverford College in Haverford, Pa., was among a select group of students who remained on campus during the summer to collaborate with Haverford faculty on current immunology research. With the

support of a grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, based out of Chevy Chase, Md., Kim is studying properties of white blood cells. Howard Hughes Medical Institute, the country's largest private supporter of scientific education, awarded the college a four-year \$1.7 million grant, a portion of which is being used to fund student stipends for summer research in the sciences.

Lackford out of basic training

Marine Corps Private David B. Lackford, son of David R. Lackford of Newark, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Lackford was a 1996 graduate of Northwest Cabarrus High School in Concord, N.C.

Rittler joins Army

Erik W. Rittler joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year with the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. The recruit qualifies for a \$9,000 enlistment bonus.

Rittler is the son of Dawn A. Rittler of Bear.

Taylor graduates basic

Army Private William D. Taylor graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo. Taylor is the son of Charles and Ramona Ringgold of Bear. He was a 2001 graduate of James Groves High School in Newark.

Hodgson VoTech receives award

The Paul M. Hodgson Vocational-Technical High School National Honor Society Chapter received one of 10 awards for Leadership in Conducting an Outstanding Service Project at the National Honor Society (NHS)/ National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) conference. Attending the con-

ference were senior, Spencer Popejoy; juniors, John Foraker and Stephanie Mague; and advisor, Nancy Rudolph.

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Tatnall students earn AP honors

Tatnall School 2001 graduates and three current seniors were named Advanced Placement Scholars by the College Board in recognition of exceptional achievement on the college-level AP Exams administered in May.

Two 2001 graduates, Daniel Donovanik of Hockessin and Lauren Moak of Wilmington, qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3.0 or higher on five or more of these exams.

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Countryside Nursery donates trees, shrubs

Country Nursery and Garden Center on Route 40 donated \$7,500 in trees and shrubs to 10 local neighborhoods. Communities receiving free trees and shrubs were Westover Woods, Rutledge, Salem Woods, Gray Acres, Old Post Farm, Kings Croft/Scarborough, Chantelure Woods, Adams Run, Forest Knoll, and York Farms.

The program was established to help neighborhoods beautify their common areas and entrances. Communities compete against each other during the year

by registering their purchases at Countryside. The Community "Green Up" program ran from March 1, to Oct. 15.

Local companies receive awards

The Cathedral Church of St. John received AIDS Delaware Community Partnership Award; Bristol Myers Squibb received the Corporate Partnership Award, and Robert Martz received the Individual Partner Award. Special recognition was given to Dawn L. Rowe and Chris and Marianne Foard.

First USA received the 2001 Award for the largest AIDS Walk team at the 2001 Delaware AIDS Walk.

Kim appointed to Naval Academy

Navy Midshipman Christopher Kim, a 1998 graduate of Glasgow High School in Newark, recently received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

The Naval Academy will offer Kim a bachelor of science degree in one of 18 academic majors in

engineering, math, science, social sciences and the humanities. During the summers, he will receive on-the-job training on surfaced ships, submarines, aircraft and at Marine Corps units. Upon graduation, Kim will be commissioned as a Navy or Marine Corps officer.

Pong becomes Minority Peer Counselor

Cynthia Wai-San Pong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Pong of Newark, is a member of the Minority Peer Counselor Program for the 2000-2001 academic year at Brown University.

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Sheila and Michael Flocco gratefully accepted a check for \$809 raised by the Delaware Dragons baseball team to help the couple following the death of their son, Matthew, in the Sept. 11 attack on the Pentagon. Flocco, a meteorologist in the U. S. Navy at the time of his death, played baseball at Brookside where many members of the Dragons team reside.

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Caravel teachers attend national convention

Dr. Peggy Dee, director of instruction, and Dr. Renee G. O'Leary, early childhood science specialist, both of Caravel Academy in Bear, attended the National Science Teachers Association's (NSTA) Northwestern Area Convention held in Salt Lake City. The two educators gave a presentation on Portable Affordable Simple Science (P.A.S.S.).

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► PEOPLE, from 10

Hansen is member of Franklin & Marshall

Amy Hansen of Newark is a member of the Franklin and Marshall Chamber Singers. Hansen, who sings soprano for the group, is a junior music major. A 1999 graduate of Newark High School, she is the daughter of Lawrence and Carolyn Hansen.

Founded in 1787, Franklin and Marshall is a coeducational, liberal arts institution located in Lancaster, Pa.

Local residents named Scholars at Syracuse

Newark residents, Navanjali Jagatpal, Heather Robb, and Lindsay Skorupa, have been awarded Chancellor's Scholarships at Syracuse University.

Both Jagatpal and Skorupa are enrolled in the college of arts and sciences. Robb is enrolled in the college of visual and performing arts.

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Brown named Poet Laureate

Governor Ruth Ann Minner named Newark resident Dr. Fleda Brown, professor of English at the University of Delaware, as the Poet Laureate for the state of Delaware.

Originally from Arkansas, Brown has been associated with the University of Delaware since 1979. For the past six years, she has served as professor. Her first book of poetry "Fishing with Blood," published by Purdue University Press in 1988, received the Great Lakes Colleges Association New Writers Award as the best volume of poetry submitted by presses. She has been nominated five

times for The Pushcart Prize for best poems in magazines and journals and received awards for her poetry published by Purdue University Press and the Mid-American Review.

Her next book of poetry, due out in 2003, is a collection of poems about Elvis Presley.

Huang joins McBride Shopa

McBride Shopa and Company P.A. named Jean Huang as a staff accountant assigned to the out-source resources group where she is responsible for general accounting and controllership duties including internal financial statement preparation. She previously worked as an assistant controller in Wilmington.

Huang received her bachelor's of science degree in accounting from the Goldey-Beacom College. Originally from Taiwan, Republic of China, she now resides in Newark.

Ringgold joins Army

Joseph C. Ringgold joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program.

The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year with the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education.

The recruit also qualifies for a \$16,000 enlistment bonus. Ringgold will report for basic training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. He is the son of Swannie M. Copeland and Clarence J. Ringgold of New Castle.

Odell celebrates 10 years of service

Doug Odell, a sales associate with Weichert Realtors' Pike Creek office, recently celebrated 10 years of service with the company.

Odell has been listing and selling homes for more than 21 years. He is a member of the

National Association of Realtors, the Delaware Association of Realtors and the New Castle County Board of Realtors. Odell is a certified real estate appraiser. His sales performance has earned him repeat membership to the state's million-dollar club. Odell is a longtime resident of Hockessin.

Robinson in law school

Blair Robinson of Newark is a first-year student at Syracuse University College of Law for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Manon member of Jazz Ensemble

Matthew Manon, from Newark, a senior chemistry major and mathematics minor at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa., plays the trombone in the Jazz Ensemble. The Jazz Ensemble performs four times a year including the annual Big Big Big Jazz Band Bash in the spring, where a solo guest artist performs with the jazz ensemble.

Mano, a 1998 graduate of Newark High School, is the son of Jon and Marcia Manon of Newark.

Hutchison on duty at Parris island

Marine Corps Private Richard S. Hutchison, son of Denise K. and Richard E. Hutchison of New Castle, recently reported for duty at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Hutchison is a 2000 graduate of William Penn High School.

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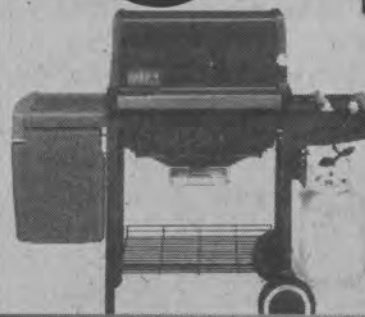
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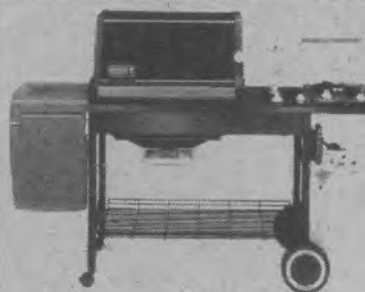
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POST GAME

Wrestling heaven at the Bob

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Real wrestling fans will be in wrestling heaven this weekend as the ninth annual Beast of the East tournament returns to the Carpenter Center.

This year's event will have a handful of best teams in the country and over 100 nationally ranked wrestlers. It's a great opportunity to see some outstanding wrestlers and an even better one to see how some of the best Delaware wrestlers will fare.

The "Beast" has come a long way in its nine years. It is now recognized as one of the top high school tournaments in the country. In fact, it has been the No. 1 tournament in the country four of the last five years.

Tournament Director Vic Leonard has a lot to do with that. He's been a tireless worker on the event's behalf and has done a terrific job of making the "Beast" a first-class event.

I had an opportunity to spend some time in the heart of high school wrestling country this fall — central



Valania

Nation's best wrestlers come to town

Local wrestlers test their mettle in Beast of the East

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

There are only a few opportunities for local high school athletes to compete against the best competition the rest of the country has to offer. Most of those chances, however, normally mean long road trips. That's what makes this weekend's Beast of the East Wrestling Tournament so special.

The ninth annual Beast of the

East will be held at the Carpenter Center on Saturday and Sunday. There will be over 60 teams from 10 states and over 100 nationally ranked individuals participating. It will give area wrestlers — St. Mark's, Hodgson, William Penn will be among the local teams competing — a unique opportunity to see how they stack up.

"It's just great," said Hodgson coach Jerry Lamey of the tournament. "As a coach or a wrestler it's a great experience. But as a fan, it's also great. A lot of times at tournaments when your kids aren't wrestling your doing something else. At this one, everybody will be watching."

The tournament boasts five of the top 25 teams in the country

(by Wrestling USA Magazine) including No. 1 Blair, No. 4 St. Edwards (Ohio), No. 18 Grundy (Va.), No. 21 Northampton (Pa.) and No. 24 Wilson (Pa.). In addition, St. Mark's, North Penn (Pa.) and Colonial Forge (Va.) all received honorable mention in the rankings.

Individually, there will be 40 state or National Prep champions, 30 runners-up, three two-time state champs and four three-time state champions.

Delaware wrestlers that have received national rankings include Will Saylor (Indian River), Bobby Shaw (St. Mark's), Brian Welch (Hodgson), Jordan Sianni (Hodgson), Pat Atkinson (St. Mark's), Joe Ferrara (St.

Mark's), Andrew Donofrio (St. Mark's) and A.J. Rouvillard (Sussex Central).

"This will be one of the best years ever," said Tournament Director Vic Leonard. "Last year's may have been the best, but this year is very close to last year."

With so many good wrestlers in one spot, the "Beast" has become a recruiting hot spot. Coaches from over 100 colleges are expected to be on hand to take a look at the wrestlers.

"It's going to be exciting," Leonard said. "There will be some weight classes where state champs will be going head-to-head in the quarterfinals. There will be some great matchups."

The tournament has been a big supplier of scholarship money over the years. Last year, the tournament awarded four \$10,000 scholarships to Delaware wrestlers. Leonard expects to do the same this year. That will push the amount of money awarded over the \$100,000 mark.

"We're proud to be able to give scholarships to deserving students and wrestlers," Leonard said. "We're in this for more than just running a tournament."

One of the reasons that the tournament can produce so much scholarship money is the sponsors.

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Blue Hens split two games in North Carolina

Second-half spurt lifts UNCG to win

Forward David Schuck led four scorers in double figures with 14 points, pulled a game-high nine rebounds, and blocked three shots as host UNC Greensboro put the clamps on the University of Delaware's outside shooting and posted a 65-50 non-league men's basketball victory over the Blue Hens Saturday night at Fleming Gym.

UNCG (5-1), a 2001 NCAA Tournament participant as the Southern Conference champions, won its fourth straight game and remained unbeaten at home with the victory. Delaware, closing out its two-game swing through North Carolina, fell to 3-4 overall as junior guard Austen Rowland

Wentt also added eight points each for the Blue Hens with Wentt adding three blocked shots.

Delaware will take a week off for exams and will return to action next Saturday, Dec. 15 vs. Rider in Trenton, N.J.

Hens top High Point

Sophomore guard Mike Ames keyed a second half comeback with two three points and was one of five Blue Hen players in double figures as the University of Delaware got past host High Point 78-63 in a non-league



point in the wrestling season.

Locally, it will be interesting to check out how St. Mark's and Hodgson stand. The Spartans are expected to have a strong team and there's no better chance to see how strong than this weekend. St. Mark's finished second to Archbishop Curley in last weekend's tournament hosted by the winners.

Hodgson's Jordan Sianni and Brian Welch have wrestled well against top-notch competition in the past. This will be a great opportunity for them to showcase themselves to the state and to the nation.

In addition, the restaurants and hotels around the Carpenter Center should benefit greatly. With nearly 1,000 wrestlers and coaches coming to Newark, there certainly will be a lot of action in and around the Rte. 896 area.

It should be a wonderful wrestling weekend.

Newark cleans up in All-State

It should also come as no surprise that the winners of five straight Division I state football championships fared so well in the all-state voting.

The Yellowjackets had six first-team all-stars including the Lineman of the Year in Kevin Wiggins.

Wiggins was a first-team selection on the offensive and defensive lines. In addition, center Greg Moore, quarterback Erec Spiese, fullback Brandon Snow, linebacker John Parkinson and defensive back Drew Kisner all earned first-team honors.

End Steve Selk and Drew Kisner (running back) were named to the second team offense while Snow and Selk were both second team choices on defense.

Austin Kisner and Parkinson were honorable mention on offense. Austin Kisner was also an honorable mention selection at linebacker.

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Delaware's Ryan Iversen helped the Blue Hens to a victory over High Point Thursday night.

Young Spartans knock off Christiana in opener

Slow tempo stymies Vikings

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Some poor early shooting cost the Christiana Vikings an opportunity to set the game's tempo, and ultimately a chance for victory, in the team's season-opening 46-32 loss Friday night to St. Mark's. The Spartans also played a rugged defense and handled their ball-control-style offense almost flawlessly.

Viking coach Ronald Hollis said this was a typical game against their non-conference opponent.

"Their slowdown style of

offense kept us out of our rhythm all night. Once they get a lead, they are very difficult to beat," he said.

After a low scoring first half, the Spartans broke the close game open with a 15-point surge in the third quarter to build a 37-25 lead. After that, the St. Mark's defense controlled the rest of the game.

Senior forward Mark Romanczuk had the hot hand in the third quarter, scoring nine of his 13 points. Shannon Davis, last year's leading scorer for St. Mark's tossed in six points for the quarter. For the game, he led all scorers with 18 points.

On the night, only two more Spartans scored any points. Jason Maciey spread out 13 points during the four quarters, while center Jimmy Petrocelli

had one close-range basket near the end of the contest.

Spartan coach Lee Sibley, now in his 10th season, said he was very pleased how his team operated on both sides of the ball, especially on opening night.

"I thought we did a good job moving the ball on offense. Our sophomore guard Ryan Flanigan played with a lot of poise (tonight)," he said, "and our defense played well all night."

It was slow going early on for both teams. In the first quarter, Davis had one basket and five free throws as the Spartans methodically built an 11-8 lead after 12 minutes.

Four different Vikings scored baskets, including Dwight Burke, Marvin Rogers, Joaquin Velasques and Brian Green.

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scorer with 10 points to go with five assists. The Hens defeated High Point Thursday night 78-63.

The Blue Hens, who entered the game as the leading three-point shooting team in the Colonial Athletic Association with 7.3 per game, managed to hit just 3 of 17 from beyond the three-point arc for the game and just 1 of 11 in the second half. Delaware shot just 32.8 percent from the field (20 of 61) for the game and committed 18 turnovers.

UNCG also got 11 points from guard Courtney Eldridge, including the 1,000th of his career, while Jay Joseph added 10 points and seven rebounds and James Maye added 10 points and eight rebounds.

The tightly fought first half featured eight ties and finished with the teams knotted at 26-26 as Delaware's Sean Knitter hit a jumper with 38 seconds remaining in the stanza.

UNCG controlled the early going of the second half but the Hens trailed just 35-34 with 15:02 left to play on a basket by Dave Hindenlang (team-high eight rebounds). But the Spartans took off on an 18-4 run to take control at 53-38 with 7:32 left to play. The Hens never got closer than 12 points the rest of the way. Joseph scored six points in the run to pace UNCG.

Maurice Sessoms and Robin

Ames led an 11-0 early in the second half that brought back the Hens from a seven-point deficit and propelled them to the win. High Point, which got 19 points each from guards Joe Knight and Dustin Van Weerdhuisen, fell to 3-4. It was the first ever meeting between the two schools.

For Delaware, Austen Rowland scored 15 points and dished out six assists, Ryan Iversen came off the bench to add 15 points, seven rebounds, and five assists, and Ames and Robin Wentt each chipped in with 11 points to lead a balanced effort.

The Hens started slow and fell behind 36-33 at halftime. High Point scored the first two baskets of the second half to go up 40-33, prompting a timeout by UD head coach David Henderson.

From there, it was all Delaware. Ames hit two three-pointers as part of an 11-0 run that put the Hens up 44-40. After High Point pulled to within a point at 47-46 with 12:52 left, Ames hit another big three as part of a 14-5 run that put the Hens up 61-51.

Delaware converted on 16 of 26 shots from the field in the second half while High Point could manage just 9 of 26 shooting (.346). The Hens also held a commanding 43-21 advantage on the boards. The Hens' backcourt con-

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St. Mark's seeks improvement

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Look for a young and relatively inexperienced squad to take the hardwood floor this year for the 2001-2002 St. Mark's boys basketball team. It may be a long season for coach Lee Sibley and the Spartans. But then again, you never know for sure what you'll get, when you have a roster loaded with sophomores and juniors.

The Spartans return only one starter from last season's 11-10 team. That's guard Shannon Davis, who averaged just above 19 points per game a year ago.

Sibley says St. Mark's will

employ an offense with lots of motion to free up the shooters.

"We'll need to move the ball around and get it into Shannon's hands, but we'll also need to have some more scoring from others to be successful," he said.

Davis will get help in the front court from forwards Jason Macie, a 6-1 junior, and Mark Romanczuk, a 6-2 senior. Romanczuk is also an All-State pitcher on the Spartan baseball team, and is headed for Stanford University on a baseball scholarship after graduation.

This year's center position will be filled by 6-3 junior Jimmy Petrocelli.

Joining Davis in the backcourt

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Hodgson seeks sixth straight Division II title

Silver Eagles have been dominant

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Throughout the fall sports season there was a lot of discussion about teams with state championship streaks. The St. Mark's soccer team has won six straight state titles and the Newark High football team has now won five straight Division state championships.

Not to be outdone is the Hodgson wrestling team. The Silver Eagles have won five straight Division II wrestling championships and will be a strong contender to win a sixth this winter.

"We've had some good teams that have worked very hard," said Hodgson coach Jerry Lamey. "We have a lot of spots to fill, though, this year. We have some kids stepping up from junior varsity but they're not battle-tested yet. It's very early and we just want to get better." The Silver Eagles may have a few spots to fill but they also have a few outstanding wrestlers returning.

Senior Jordan Sianni is a three-time state champion and is in line to break former teammate Mike Welch's career record for wins. Sianni was just one win

away from reaching All-America status at this year's top summer tournament in Fargo, N.D. Sianni is expected to wrestle at 130 or 135 this season.

Junior Brian Welch finished third in the state last season and is coming off an outstanding showing last week in Baltimore where he won the Archbishop Curley tournament by knocking off a top-ranked wrestler.

Additional returning strength will be provided by Joe and Larry Cyle. Joe is a senior, who will wrestle 215 and Larry is a junior heavyweight. Tyler Smith, at 160, won a conference championship last season and Ryan McLaughlin (112) went to states. Senior Gerald Allen, who finished third in the Blue Hen Conference last season, will wrestle 189. Senior Mark Foster will be at 119 while senior James Corcoran will be at 140. Juniors Scott Hinderer and Adam Agostenelli will be in the lineup as well. Louis Cirineo and Jeff Christ will battle for the 103 pound spot.

Hodgson has a tough slate of early-season tournaments. In addition to last weekend's Archbishop Curley tournament, the Silver Eagles will be at the Beast of the East this weekend, Milford and Hammond.

With a strong nucleus of wrestlers returning and a tough early schedule, expect Hodgson to compete for its sixth Division II state championship.

Young talent to lift Spartans

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this season is sophomore point guard Ryan Flanagan, who's also a member of the state champion soccer team. John Pearl, a 6-3 sophomore, will see plenty of action as the sixth man.

Defensively, St. Mark's will use a man-to-man defense, and try to put lots of pressure on the opposition's ball handler. Sibley

on the defense.

"With our inexperience as a team, playing solid defense may be the key to any early success we have," he said.

Sibley, now in his tenth season at St. Mark's, said this is a team with a lot of young talent. "The first month may be a bit rough until we get our feet wet, but we should be ready to hit our peak by the end of the season," he



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

St. Mark's and Christiana battled Friday night at St. Mark's.

Vikings topped by St. Mark's

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The Vikings found the range a little better in the second quarter, matching the Spartans output with 11 points, but still trailed at the half 22-19.

Unfortunately for Christiana, it would only score a total of 13 points in the entire second half. Chris Sloan led the Vikings with seven points, while Velasquez added six more.

Hollis said the Spartan defense had a lot to do with his team's poor shooting.

"Once we got down nine or 10 points, we knew it would be hard to beat St. Mark's. They had several stretches where they controlled the ball for more than four minutes without taking a shot, so it's hard to score without the ball," he said.

"Once we got a lead, it helped us play the way we wanted, to be able to control the tempo and win the game," he said.

Sibley added like most teams, the Spartans play much better when they get out in front of an opponent.

The 1-0 Spartans next play against Newark next week in the Kappa Classic at Glasgow High School. The 0-1 Vikings are also in the tournament, but have a tough first round game against Sanford, a team many are expecting will challenge for the state basketball title this year.

Hollis said despite the loss, there was one element to build on for the next game.

"We never gave up, and we still showed heart late in the game, and that's something to help us for the rest of the season," he said.

Beast held this weekend

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This year, the tournament's major sponsor is Brute/Adidas — a wrestling product manufacturer. There are also a host of other local sponsors including TGI Friday and Bob Ashby, the owner of the Deer Park and McGlynn's. St. Mark's has had the best

finish of any in-state teams. The Spartans notched a 10th place finish several years ago.

Action begins Saturday morning at 8:30 with the quarterfinals scheduled for the afternoon. The semifinals will be noon on Sunday with the championship round slated for 4 p.m. Sunday.

Former Viking football coach winning at Rising Sun

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Muehleisen still winning

Former Christiana High football coach Bill Muehleisen didn't take very long to turn around the Rising Sun (Md.) football program.

After years of struggling, Muehleisen came in and led the Tigers to an 8-2 regular-season

record and a trip to the state playoffs. It was Rising Sun's first playoff appearance in a long time.

Muehleisen has been a success wherever he's coached. He turned the Christiana program into a winner in the always tough Flight A.

It should be no surprise that he was able to do so well at Rising Sun. It's nice to see him having success again.

Local girls excel in gymnastics meet in Maryland

The Diamond Gymnastic Academy Girls' teams recently competed with great success at the Black Eyed Susan Invitational in Landover, Md.

The team captured second place in Levels 5 and 7. Leah Baker of Newark won earned the all-around trophy for Level 5 (age 12) and Chelsea Gilday of Bear won the second place all-around for Level 7.

Individual scores for Level 7 were: Chelsea Gilday — first on floor, second on balance beam,

fourth on uneven bars and second all-around.

Kelly Strickland — second place on vault.

Level 5: Leah Baker — first on balance beam, second on uneven bars, first on vault, first all-around.

Patty Pierson — fourth on floor, first on vault, sixth all-around.

Samantha Wirth — sixth on balance beam, 11th on uneven bars.

Hens win at High Point

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tributed 31 second half points.

"We got off to a slow start, but we made some changes and came out fired up after that timeout," said Henderson, who made a triumphant return to his home state. "From that point on our defense

took over. We played great team defense and we dominated the boards and that was the difference. We also got a great effort from Ryan Iversen who responded well in his first game off the bench this year. He is a real competitor."

Hamberger named assistant baseball coach for Blue Hens

University of Delaware baseball head Coach Jim Sherman has announced that Tim Hamberger will serve as a volunteer assistant coach with the baseball team for the 2002 season.

Hamberger, a native Delawarean, was a standout baseball and football player for St. Mark's High School earning All-State honors in both sports. Following his high school career, Hamberger went on to Wilmington College where he was a four-year starter for the baseball team, playing outfield

and first base. While at Wilmington College, he was named first team All-Regional and NAIA Honorable Mention All-American as an outfielder. He graduated Wilmington in 1999 with a degree in Secondary Education.

Currently, Hamberger is teaching seventh grade at George Read Middle School in New Castle, DE, while completing his Master's degree in Administration. He also serves as a full-time assistant football coach at William Penn High

School in New Castle.

The Blue Hens are coming off one of the program's most successful seasons in 2001, going 45-15, winning the America East title and advancing to the NCAA Regionals. This season, the Blue Hens will begin play in the Colonial Athletic Association. Delaware kicks off the 2002 season when the Hens visit East Carolina University for a three-game series beginning February 15.

UD women split two at Cornell

The University of Delaware women's basketball team performed a complete turnaround Saturday evening, breaking out to a 20-point halftime lead and cruising to a 78-54 win over Centenary in the consolation game of the Cornell University Classic Tournament at Newman Arena.

Senior guard Megan Dellegrotti, who hit just 1 of 11 shots from the field and committed five turnovers in Friday night's upset 52-44 loss to Coppin State, was on the money Saturday as she connected for a game-high 26 points and dished out five assists to lead the Blue Hen charge. For her efforts she was named to the All-Tournament team. Host Cornell played Coppin State in the championship game.

Delaware, which won its third game in the last four outings, improved to 4-2 on the season while Centenary, a first-round loser to Cornell, dropped to 4-5. Allison Trapp came off the bench to add 12 points for the Blue Hens. Forward Alexis Pettway led Centenary with 17 points.

In the loss to Coppin State, the Hens missed 12 of their first 13 shots from the field and shot just 22.6 percent from the field while committing 30 turnovers and 27 fouls. It was a complete turnaround vs. Centenary. Delaware shot 41.2 percent from the field (28 of 68), including hitting on 16 of 30 second half shots. Delaware committed just 14

turnovers and was whistled for only 14 fouls.

Dellegrotti, who scored a career-high 29 points vs. Princeton Dec. 1, hit on 7 of 14 shots from the field, including three of four from the three-point line, and was good on 9 of 10 shots from the foul line. She also dished out five assists, pulled five rebounds, and recorded two steals to pace the Hens.

Delaware senior forward Christina Rible added eight points and tied for the team lead with seven rebounds while sophomore Tracey Howell came off the bench to add seven rebounds.

The Blue Hens dominated inside and took advantage of poor shooting by the Ladies to jump out to a commanding 34-14 first half lead. Centenary shot just 16.1 percent from the field (5 of 31) in the first half. After the Ladies tied the score at 9-9 with 12:10 left in first half, the Hens reeled off 16 straight points and held Centenary scoreless for nine minutes and 13 seconds to go up 26-9. The 14 points was the lowest total allowed by the Blue Hens since holding Loyola to 10 first half points in an 86-25 win Dec. 5, 1987.

Delaware will take a 10-day break for final exams and will return to action Dec. 18 vs. LaSalle at the Bob Carpenter Center where the Blue Hens have won 20 straight games.

UD falls to Coppin

Plagued by cold shooting and

30 turnovers, the University of Delaware women's basketball team dropped a 52-44 verdict to Coppin State in the opening round of the Cornell University Classic Friday night at Newman Gym.

The Blue Hens (3-2), who had a two-game win streak snapped, connected on just 22.6 percent of their shots from the field (12 of 53) and turned the ball over 30 times as they fell to Coppin State (3-4) in the first ever meeting between the two teams. The 22.6 percent shooting was the lowest by a Delaware team since shooting 20.9 percent in a 70-44 loss to Lehigh Jan. 28, 1987.

Forward Shannon Muir scored a game-high 20 points and dished out four assists and center Jackie Johnson-Stewart added 19 points and five rebounds as the Lady Eagles overcame a tough shooting night themselves (31 percent on 18 of 58 shooting) to advance to the championship game.

Senior forward Christina Rible led the Blue Hens with 14 points and was one of three Delaware players with 10 or more rebounds as UD held a 52-42 advantage on the boards. Freshman Tiara Malcom added seven points and a team-high 12 rebounds while Lindsay Davis pulled 11 rebounds for Delaware.

It was a tough night from the outset for the Hens, who missed 12 of their first 13 shots from the field and fell behind 14-3 nine minutes into the contest. Malcom got the Hens on the board with a field goal at the 17:33 mark.

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Betty Ann Palmer, 1950 NHS graduate

Former Newark resident Betty Ann "Timmons" Palmer died on Friday, Oct. 12, 2001, after an 11-year battle with cancer.

Mrs. Palmer, 69, was born in Millsboro and spent her early life there. She was a 1950 graduate of Newark High School, and upon graduating, worked for the Chrysler Corporation parts plant in Newark. After her marriage in 1951, she moved to Seaford, where she worked at the DuPont nylon plant. Both she and her husband were transferred to Kinston, N.C., when DuPont opened their dacron plant. She retired this year as a realtor from the Conway Realty Company in Kinston, N.C.

She is survived by her son, Louis B. Palmer Jr. and his wife Melanie; mother, Vivian Timmons and her friend Graham Lomax; sister-in-law, Betty P. Messick and her husband Gene; her faithful friend, Mary Whittingham; and her dog, Beau.

Services were held at the Westminster Methodist Church in Kinston, N.C.

Anna G. Bell, 97

Bear resident Anna G. Bell died on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2001.

Mrs. Bell was 97.

Services were held at the Star Hill AME Church in Dover.

Howard J. Frank Jr., Army veteran of WW II

Bear resident Howard J. "Mate" Frank Jr. died on Friday, Oct. 26, 2001.

Mr. Frank, 79, was born in Salem, N.J. He served as a member at the Delaware Air National Guard as a full-time technician, retiring as a chief master sergeant after 26 years of service. He served in the Army Air Corps in Italy during World War II. He is a life member of the Wilmington Manor Volunteer Fire Company.

He is survived by his wife,

Barbara A. Frank of Bear; son, Gerald L. Frank and his wife Sandra L. of Newark; four grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Services were held at the Gracelawn Memorial Park Chapel in New Castle. Interment was in the adjoining memorial park.

Marion Crawford Kirk, 100

Former Newark resident Marion Crawford died on Friday, Oct. 26, 2001.

Mrs. Kirk, 100, had worked as a switchboard operator at the Krol Company. She, along with her husband, owned and operated Kirk's Flower Shop in Newark. She was a former member of St. John-Holy Angels Church. A devotee to the arts, she was an avid painter, played piano and organ, and loved to dance.

She is survived by her brother, George F. Crawford of Hockessin; sisters, Helen Crawford Lattomus of Hockessin, and Ethel Quinn Dewey of Wilmington.

Services were held at St. Mary of Assumption Church in Hockessin. Interment was in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Ashland.

Verna Bieber Davis, Gray Lady during Korean War

Newark resident Verna Bieber Davis died on Friday, Oct. 26, 2001.

Mrs. Davis, 93, was a homemaker and had been a 7th and 8th grade teacher in New Jersey for 13 years. She was an active member of the White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Davis served as a Gray Lady during the Korean War and volunteered at the Blood Bank of Delaware for many years.

She is survived by her sons, Thomas Bieber Davis and Robert Hambling Davis, both of Newark; and three grandchildren.

Services were held at the White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church in Newark. Burial was private.

Marjorie J. Bechtel, born in 1900

Newark resident Marjorie J. Bechtel died on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2001.

Mrs. Bechtel, 101, was a resident of Millcroft in Newark since May of 1992. She was born in 1900 in Wissahickan, Pa. She had lived in New Jersey and, after marrying in 1921, she moved to Pennsylvania. She also resided in Deerfield Beach, Fla. until 1983 when she moved to the Regency Apartments in Newark.

She is survived by her son, Robert W. Wiltbank and his wife Sue Thomas Wiltbank of Newark; one granddaughter; and one great-grandson.

Service and interment was private in Glenwood Memorial Gardens in Broomall, Pa.

Mark Lewis Goodman, Vietnam veteran

Newark resident Mark Lewis Goodman died on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2001.

Mr. Goodman, 55, had been a salesman for restaurant equipment sales. A native Delawarean, he was a Vietnam veteran and a member of the Selective Service Board of Appeals of Delaware for which he was the first recipient of a 20-year service medal. He also served as a ticket taker at the University of Delaware stadium, an usher at the Bob Carpenter Center, and was a member of the Brandywiners.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Weaver Goodman; children, Ronald Girotti Jr. of Vale, Colo., and Nicholas Girotti of Newark.

Service and burial was held at the Beth Emeth Memorial Park on Faulkland Road in Wilmington.

Kathleen A. Gibbons, aide at Sterck School

Newark resident Kathleen A. "Kathy" Gibbons died on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2001.

Mrs. Gibbons, 54, was formerly

employed as an aide at the Margaret Sterck School in Newark. She was an active volunteer for the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation, as well as the Mary Campbell Center.

She is survived by her sisters, Janet Stehl of Wilmington, and Maureen G. Moore of Tillson, N.Y.; and two nephews.

Services were held at the Christ Our King Church in Wilmington. Burial was in The Cathedral Cemetery.

Cecelia Mackenzie, store manager

Newark resident Cecelia Mackenzie died on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2001.

Mrs. Mackenzie, 86, worked many years as a retail store manager.

She was survived by her son, Patrick T. Mackenzie of Leawood, Kan.; brother, Raymond Connell of Florida; and one niece. Service and burial were at All Saints Cemetery.

Eva J. Porterfield, 80

Newark resident Eva J. "Adams" Porterfield died on Monday, Oct. 29, 2001.

Mrs. Porterfield, 80, was a homemaker. She is survived by her grandson, Steven Sercelj; and two great-grandsons.

Service and burial was held at Silverbrook Cemetery in Wilmington.

Julia Lemon, member Jehovah's Witnesses

Newark resident Julia Lemon died on Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2001, after a long illness.

Mrs. Lemon, 55, was born in Manning, S.C. She had been a member of the Iron Hill Jehovah's Witnesses congregation for 19 years, where she served as a loyal publisher. She attended Manning Training High School and graduated from Chester High School in 1965. She then attended Keystone Business School. She worked for 15 years at

DuPont Stine-Haskell Laboratories as a medical secretary before retiring.

She is survived by her husband, Franklin D. Lemon; daughter, Pamela F. Lemon; son-in-law Lester E. Smith Jr.; two grandchildren; sisters, Alva Turner and Bertha Hagans; brothers, James, William, Willie, Eugene and Alphonso Hammett; close friends, Ivera Johnson and Vashawn Henry; and a host of aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews.

Services were held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Newark. Interment was in Gracelawn Memorial Park.

Joan Parlier Carroll, member of Elks

Former Newark resident Joan Parlier Carroll died on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2001.

Mrs. Carroll, 67, was a member of the Cape Henlopen Elks Lodge #2540 and lived in Newark until 1968. She is survived by her sons, Roland W. Carroll IV and Daniel W. Carroll, both of Laurel, Steven Lee Carroll of Broadkill Beach, Kenneth J. Carroll of Atlanta, Ga., and Jeffrey Lane Carroll of Milton; daughter, Deborah J. McGinness of Milton; brothers, Samuel W. Parlier Jr. of Ladylake, Fla., Robert Parlier of Elkton, Md., Donald Parlier of Wilmington, and James Parlier of Beverly Hills, Fla.; sisters, Marion Platt of Wilmington and Lois Besinger of Athens, Ga.; 14 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Parsell Funeral Homes and Crematorium Atkins-Lodge Chapel in Lewes. Burial will be private.

Jeremy F. Kossek, Christiana High student

Newark resident Jeremy F. Kossek died on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2001. Jeremy, 15, was a student at Christiana High School. This summer he worked at the Alabama Wildlife Rehabilitation Center in Pelham, Ala. He played lacrosse for the Middletown Youth Lacrosse

League. He enjoyed being in the outdoors hunting and fishing, and liked composing poetry and short stories.

He is survived by his parents, Cyndi and Bob Jumper, and Tom and Karen Kossek; brothers, Josh Kossek and Bobby Jumper; grandparents, Jerry and Cathy Shultz, Franny and Joan Kossek, Bob and Carolyn Jumper, and John and Madeline Riley; great-grandparents, Stanley and Mary Liss; and several aunts, uncles and cousins. Services were held at the Krienen-Griffith Funeral Home in Elmsmere.

Entombment was in All Saints Cemetery in Wilmington.

Joseph M. Chadick, worked at Matt Slap Subaru dealership

Newark resident Joseph M. Chadick died on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2001.

Mr. Chadick, 54, was a lifetime resident of Delaware. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He worked as the parts manager for Matt Slap Subaru. He enjoyed motorcycle enduro racing and was an avid hunter.

He is survived by his sons, Nicholas and Adam Chadick; daughter, Natalie Chadick; their mother, Kathleen Chadick, all of Newark; and her sister, Joanne Grussemeyer of Cary, N.C. Services were held at Calvary Baptist Church in Newark. Burial was at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear.

Muriel M. Brazier Hansen, 91

Hockessin resident Muriel M. Brazier Hansen died on Thursday, Oct. 25, 2001.

Mrs. Hansen, 91 resided at the Cokesbury Village in Hockessin.

Services were held at the Cokesbury Village Chapel in Hockessin. Interment was private.

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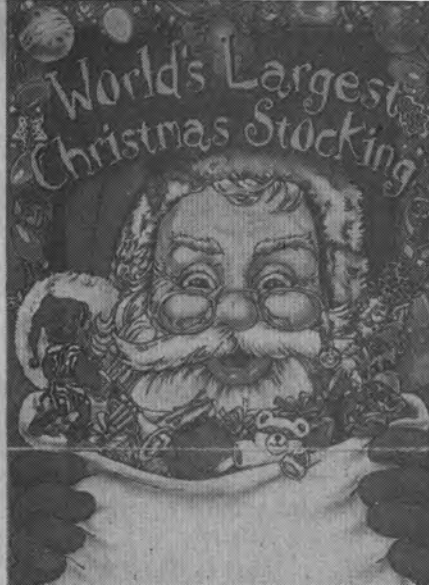
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