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## UP FRONT

### Currier & Ives Christmas? Not!

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**L**INDA and I have been trying to get our four-member family together to decorate our Christmas tree. If all goes as planned, this might be the last year we can undertake this task as a complete family.

Our daughter, Mackenzie, is a hall director at UD and is booked solid studying for finals and checking residents out of her dorm.

Similarly, 18-year-old son Tyler is busy preparing for pre-winter break tests at Newark High School. Couple that with the time demands of a varsity wrestler and he's booked, too.

Don't look for any Christmas lights shining from our home until Christmas Eve.

Our attempts to arrange this family-bonding experience this year led me to recall the "Christmas-tree-set-up-from hell."

It happened in December 1989. We had moved into the home we had built in Morrill, Maine. The house was nestled on the edge of our five-acre lot, which offered about a 500-year supply of Christmas trees.

We (actually I) decided that we'd have a Currier & Ives experience cutting down our Christmas tree, bringing it inside and decorating it as a family. We picked the



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## Santa makes house calls

By ERIC G. STARK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

**U**SUALLY when kids hear police and fire sirens they run away from the noise. Monday night they ran to it. Children in three different neighborhoods came running to the sound of sirens because they knew Santa Claus was coming on the fire truck and he was bringing presents.

For at least the last seven years the United States Marine reserves has been the main toy contributor, the Newark City Police has been the deliver of these toys, and Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder and provided Santa's transportation to area neighborhoods.

Last Monday night Santa made three stops. This convoy

visited Madison Drive, Terrace Drive and George Read Village. At his last stop, the East End Civic Association greeted him with hot chocolate and cookies. Janet Yoder and Donna Evans, outgoing president of the East End Civic Association, made cookies.

Newark Mayor Hal Godwin and State Senator Liane M. Sorenson also greeted Santa at George Read Village.

Children from their homes, sat on Santa's lap and then received a wrapped present. The police wrapped presents for four hours last Saturday. They had enough presents for 400 children.

"What we don't give out," Newark Sgt. Gerald R. Simpson said, "we give back to the Marine reserves. We keep some for walk-ins to the station."



Samuel Watson, 6, enjoys a visit with Santa Monday.

## TREE SALES A 24-7 JOB FOR SCOUTS

STORY & PHOTOS BY ROBIN BROOMALL

**N**EITHER snow, nor rain, nor dark of night can keep Boy Scout Troop 603 away from their annual Christmas tree sale on Elkton Road.

For more than 20 years the troop has been holding its annual fund raiser, beginning the Monday after Thanksgiving through Christmas Eve.

They hope to sell 600 trees this year. They usually order 1,000 trees each year, but because the number of scouts in the troop is down from previous years and they have fewer volunteers to staff the lot, they reduced the number of trees ordered.

The hours for purchasing trees are 5 to 9 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays, and noon to 8 p.m. Sundays.

Sale of the trees was going about as expected in spite of eight inches of snow one week and several inches of rain the following, according to Clint Slack, a six-year volunteer with the tree lot.

"We actually sold four trees last Friday night during the heavy rain," Slack said.

The most popular are the Frazier Fir and Douglas Fir. They also have

Balsam Fir, Blue Spruce, and White Pine. They will trim the bottom branches to your specifications, wrap the tree in mesh, and tie it to your car roof.

"It just wouldn't be Christmas without the tree lot," Drew Algard, 19, of Newark, said. "It gets everyone into the Christmas spirit." Algard has been working the tree lot for seven years. All members of the troop, adult leaders, and some parents do



The Saum family of Newark looks for just the right tree for their foyer, not too big, not too small. Kris Saum (on left), Justin Saum, 5, and grandfather Ken Saum get help from one of the scout volunteers.

their time at the tree lot.

"This is our only fund raiser for the year," Algard said. "Everyone has to pull their weight."

"There are no candy sales, no pizza sales, just the tree lot," Algard explained. The profits go directly into the troop's treasury to pay for activities and camping trips throughout the year. They hope to raise \$10,000 this year if all the trees sell.

One of the biggest challenges for the tree lot volunteers is staying warm. A 50-gallon fire barrel nearby helps. And the night-time volunteers take turns sleeping in the large tent or trailer. Someone is there 24 hours a day.

The troop, which meets in Brookside, has only eight members this year, about half the number from previous years.

"The older ones have moved on," Slack said, "so we're looking for new members coming up from cub scouts or new boys who haven't been in scouts before."

"It's just a lot of fun," Algard added as he wrung rain water from his soggy gloves.

Only a boy scout could love such a thing.



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## Jailed suspects seen on TV

**T**WO suspects responsible for robbing students at gunpoint on campus Nov. 24 are now in custody. They were arrested last night, Thursday, Dec. 12, by the Pennsylvania State Police for similar robberies in the Avondale area, Larry Thornton, UD director of public safety, said.

It was an especially unlucky night for the pair. While they were in custody at the State Police Barracks, a video showing two suspects purchasing items at a store with a credit card taken during the campus robbery was aired on the Channel 6 News. The suspects were identified as they sat there.

Caroline Welch, public affairs specialist for Channel 6, said she had never heard of suspects actually seeing themselves on television while they were being booked for another crime.

The video, taped at a Walmart in Elkton, Md., and prepared for television by the UD Department of Public Safety, was made available to Channel 6, WHYY Channel 12 and campus television by the Office of Public Relations.

The two suspects, Jeremy Pimer, 19, of Avondale, Pa., and Anthony P. Starkey, 18, of Jacksonville, N.C., are Marine Corps deserters from North Carolina. They have implicated a third Marine who is no longer in

the area.

UD investigators worked through the night with the Pennsylvania officers and have linked the suspects to a robbery on Laird Campus on Nov. 24, robberies on South Campus and Laird Campus on Dec. 8, and two robberies just off campus in the Southgate Apartment Complex.

UD investigators are preparing charges against the suspects for the campus robberies and the Newark Police will file charges in the Southgate robberies, Thornton said.

## With friends like these ...

A vehicle parked in the 100 block of King William St., Williamsburg Village, was damaged on Monday, Dec. 16, between midnight and 1:40 a.m., according to the Newark Police Department.

Two friends of the vehicle's owner came to her apartment, warning her to stay away from the other's boyfriend. When they left, they allegedly sliced all four tires and gouged the paint on the car causing \$900 in damages, according to police reports. Investigation continues.

## Scrooge removes holiday decorations

Newark Police were busy last weekend with reports of missing holiday decorations.

On Sunday, Dec. 15, between 8:45 and 9 a.m., someone removed a wire reindeer sculpture, valued at \$20, from a front lawn in the 300 block of Wilson Rd.

Earlier that night, an American flag and a Spiralight tree sculpture, valued at \$20, were taken from a front yard in the 700 block of Bent Lane.

The Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, in the 100 block of W. Main St., had its 9-foot-tall inflatable Santa Claus and green spotlight removed from their yard on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 1:40 a.m. Value of Santa was \$60, according to the police report.

## Student assaulted, vehicle damaged

A University of Delaware student was assaulted and injured in the parking lot of the 7-Eleven on E. Delaware Ave. on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3:25 a.m.

According to police, the victim arrived at the convenience store and noticed a group of about 50 people standing outside in the parking lot. As he was coming out of the store, he

was struck from behind. Then he was attacked by others in the group. When he got to his car, members of the group started kicking the car and struck it with bottles.

The victim sustained a cut lip and bloody nose but refused medical treatment, police said.

An estimated \$1,500 damage was done to the vehicle. The one suspect who attacked the student from behind is described as a black male, 17 to 20 years old, 5'3" to 5'7" with black hair. The group appeared to be mostly teenagers, according to police.

## Noise violations result in citations

Several noise violations took place in the city last weekend, resulting in arrests.

Andrew Schuster, 20, Newark, of the 100 block Madison Dr., was issued a criminal summons for having a loud radio disturbing the peace on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 2:10 a.m. He was scheduled for arraignment in alderman's court and released.

At 1 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, three women, Vanessa Vander, 23, Madeline Young, 22, and Jennifer Haight, 20, all of the 2100 block of Scholar Dr., University Courtyard Apartments, were summonsed by Newark Police for noise violation and given dates to appear in alderman's court.

A resident of the 2500 block of Scholar Dr., University Courtyard Apartments, at first refused to have his party goers leave when asked to do so by Newark Police on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 2:55 a.m. He then proceeded to disagree with police on the permissible noise level. Police reported that he had to be put into handcuffs when he refused to go to the patrol car to receive his summons. Police escorted him to their car and issued a summons to Abdur Ismail, 25, at the scene for noise violation, police said.

## Water balloons thrown at cars

Newark Police officers followed a Newark woman driving in the vicinity of Elkton and Apple roads on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 11 p.m. and observed a child in the rear of the car, leaning out the window and throwing water balloons at cars. One balloon struck a victim in the back of the leg, police said. The victim got in his car and followed the woman's car while calling 911.

Judith Workman, 44, was arrested by Newark Police for disorderly con-

duct, offensive touching, and a traffic violation for allowing a child under 16 years old to not wear a seatbelt. Workman was released on her own signature pending appearance in alderman's court.

## Wallet missing while shopping

A Newark woman reported her wallet missing on Saturday, Dec. 14, at approximately 11 p.m., according to Newark Police. She had the wallet when she left another grocery store earlier in the evening, but found it was missing from her pocket when she completed her shopping and went to pay at the Pathmark in College Square Shopping center.

Missing is a brown leather wallet, numerous identification and membership cards and approximately \$95 in cash, police said.

## Diamond rings stolen from car

Unknown suspects entered a car through the unlocked passenger door while parked in the unit block of Benny St., sometime between Friday, Dec. 13, at 10:45 p.m. and Saturday morning at 7 a.m., according to Newark police report.

Two handbags which contained a woman's gold diamond engagement ring, a man's gold diamond ring, audio tapes and CD's were taken, police said. Total value was \$1,000.

## Bagel hard as rock

A rear window of an apartment in the 100 block of Haines St., was broken on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 1:30 a.m., Newark Police said. The resident was home at the time with some friends when they heard the window shatter. Upon investigating, they found a frozen bagel had been thrown causing the break.

## Attempted robbery at Formal Affairs

Unknown suspects pried open a side window and attempted to remove a cash register from Formal Affairs, 129 E. Main St., while the store was closed for the night. It was reported to Newark Police on Thursday, Dec. 12 at 9:26 a.m.

The outside screen had been cut the week before and was investigated by Newark Police at that time. The screen had been dusted for fingerprints, police said.

This time the suspect pried open the window, leaned inside, and attempted to remove the cash register. An alarm was activated, but the motion alarm was not tripped. The cash drawer had been removed at the end of the business day and was not in the cash register, police said. Fingerprint dust left on the screen from the previous investigation was also noticed on the cash register, according to police.

Nothing was reported missing from the store. Damage to the window and lock was estimated at \$250.

## Equipment removed

Numerous pieces of construction equipment were removed from the storage area in the Sentinel Self-Storage on Elkton Rd., sometime between Nov. 27 and Dec. 4, according to Newark Police.

Total value is in excess of \$1,000, according to the police report.

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# Shue-Medill students learn the gift of giving

By ERIC G. STARK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

It has become a tradition the students at Shue-Medill Middle School look forward to almost as much as those who receive their gifts.

Working with the Adopt-a-Family has become a badge of honor, worth maybe more than the National Junior Honor Society pin these students receive at the end of the year.

For the third year now, Shue-Medill Middle School National Junior Honor Society students have provided gifts to a needy family.

"It is a tradition, and the kids look forward to it," Terri Donges, an honor society co-

sponsor, said about the 50 members of the NJHS at the school.

To qualify for NJHS a student needs a GPA of 3.6 or higher. To participate in the Adopt-a-Family gift wrapping that took place on Monday, a student needs a big heart.

"I think the best thing about the gift wrapping party is that we helped to give things away," Josh Roarty said.

Anything else?

"That it is good to be giving and it is nice to make people feel good," Darren Saunders said. "This might be something I will try to do in the future."

The gift wrapping party was the culmination of the process to assist eight people to have a nice Christmas. The adopted



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ERIC G. STARK

These National Junior Honor Society students at Shue-Medill Middle School recently wrapped presents in a basket for a local family of eight as part of the Adopt-a-Family program. This is the third year Shue-Medill has participated in this program.

family, which has not been identified to the students, is a homeless Shue-Medill Family of eight who live in a shelter. They are a Shue Family because one of the children goes to Shue-Medill. English is the second language for this family.

Although they do not know the identity of the family, they do know there are four girls, two boys and an aunt and uncle. One of the children is a two-week-old baby.

"For the girls, because we could relate to them, we picked what we liked," Stephanie Chen

said.

The students and their two co-sponsors Donges and Marilyn Bryant try to buy items that provide basic necessities of living. Donges said they will give the father a wallet and try to put a

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## School musicians make All-State

By ERIC G. STARK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Paul Hess flew to Chicago on Tuesday for a music clinic. Rumor has it he didn't need an airplane.

Hess, the music teacher at Shue-Medill Middle School and also the Christina School District Music Chair, had 10 students from Shue-Medill and 10 from Newark High School make the Delaware Music Educators Association 2002-03 All-State Junior Band.

Usually between 300-350 students tryout for the 100-member band unit. Tryouts, which were a blind audition consisting of a solo, scales and sight-reading, were Dec. 10 at Lake Forest.

Renown conductor Bruce Pearson will be the conductor for the Feb. 1 concert.

"I'm pleasantly surprised," Hess said. "I'm pleased that we had kids do so well. Even the kids

who didn't make it did well.

"The biggest thing the kids get out of it is musicianship at a higher level. All the kids they will be with have a higher level of achievement, so it will give them a different perspective."

The following Shue-Medill students made All-State: Jennifer Peterson, flute; Danielle Farmer, flute; Jennifer Sabatino, flute; Lauren Rudolph, clarinet; Meghann Barber, clarinet; Juliana Clayton, clarinet; Jason Thomson, trombone; Eric Seder, trombone; Hing Chui, trombone; and Travis Peterman, percussion.

The following students from Newark High School made All-State: Jason Angelo, trombone; Emily Maclary, euphonium; K. James Taylor, tuba; Kevin Harder, percussion; Allison Bradley, oboe; Sarah Johnston, bass clarinet; Neel Barua, alto saxophone; Kurtis Wittman, trumpet; Andrew Lynch, trumpet; and Nathan Thomson, trumpet.

## Area churches offer Christmas Eve services

■ Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held at Pencader Presbyterian Church on Route 896 and Route 40 at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome!

■ Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Worship service will be held at Forest Presbyterian Church located at 44 West Main Street in Middletown at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

■ Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion service will be held at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

located at 10 Johnson Road at Augusta, Chestnut Hill Estates in Newark, at 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Holy Eucharist will be available at 10 a.m.

■ On Sunday, Dec. 29, the congregation members are gathering for a "Sing Along" that include favorite hymns of the season and on New Year's Eve they are holding a Potluck supper at 6 p.m. Please bring hot or cold dish to share. The Watchnight Communion will be held at 7:30 p.m.

## Mid-Atlantic Ballet to perform on Dec. 21

Mid-Atlantic Ballet's 4th annual production of The Fantastic Toyshop & Other Works will expand upon the success of previous productions.

The first half of the program will feature four mixed repertoire ballets. Jody Anderson Miller's "Gabriel's Welcome," and Sara Taylor Warner's Run On, "Carol of the Bells," and "The Land of Snow."

After intermission, the audience will

once again be delighted by "The Fantastic Toyshop." This enchanting holiday tradition continues to evolve with new choreography, characters, costumes, and scenery. Guest artists will join the MAB Company and students to bring the story to life.

Tickets are \$15 and can be obtained by calling MAB at (302) 266-6362, or www.midatlanticballet.org to print out a mail-in ticket order form; or by visiting the

University of Delaware's Bob Carpenter Center Box Office at Routes 4 and 896.

New this year will be "The Fantastic Tea Party," Saturday only, Dec. 21, between the performances, in Gore Hall (next to Mitchell Hall) 2:30-3:30pm.

There will also be games, and a chance to meet the ballet dancers. Tickets to the tea party are \$7 and must be purchased through MAB by calling (302) 266-6362.

Are you a Girl Scout or Brownie Troop

Leader? Contact MAB to find out how you can bring your troop to The Fantastic Toyshop & then to the free Girl Scout Dance Badge Workshop. More than 200 girls have received their Girl Scout Dance Badge or Brownie Try-It Badge through this fun workshop.

MAB's annual Girl Scout Dance Badge Workshop is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 5 from 2-4pm. Call (302) 266-6362 for more information.



# On Campus

NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

## BRIEFLY

### UD athletics annual now available

**F**IGHTIN' Blue Hens Today, a University of Delaware athletics annual, is now available for the holiday gift-giving season.

Fans of UD athletics will find the colorful magazine to be a comprehensive guide to Blue Hen athletics, including stories about Blue Hen teams, coaches and players.

The Fightin' Blue Hens Today cover features a photograph of legendary football Head Coach Tubby Raymond handing the ball, literally and figuratively, to former UD player and new Head Coach K.C. Keeler. There are extensive and informative question and answer stories with both Raymond and Keeler, and a look at veteran public address announcer Elbert Chance.

Stories look at "the Delaware Way" of athletic competition, the 50th anniversary of Delaware Stadium, the lasting impact of Title IX, veteran UD coaches, Head Athletic Trainer Keith Handling and Blue Hen softball player Mandy Welch, who received the prestigious John H. Randolph Inspiration Award from the Colonial Athletic Association.

Fightin' Blue Hens Today is priced at \$15 per copy and can be purchased at the UD Bookstore in the Perkins Student Center, Academy Street, Newark; Borders Books & Music near Newark and at local Happy Harry's stores.

### UD events now available on-line

UDTV2, the 24-hour campus community bulletin board service, is now on the web. Key in [www.udel.edu/UMS/channel2/](http://www.udel.edu/UMS/channel2/) and information about upcoming events on the campus will be at your fingertips.

Information about club meetings, public skating hours at the Rust Ice Arena, plays, movies, lectures, entertainment on campus and much more is available, including local and campus advertising.

## UD band goes national

By JERRY RHODES

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

**T**HE University of Delaware Marching Band recently got a chance to showcase its talents in a performance before an audience of thousands of high school students from across the nation.

The occasion was the Bands of America (BOA) Grand National Championship, which took place in the RCA Dome in Indianapolis.

The Grand National Championship is one of more than 25 held nationally by BOA, the nation's leading presenter of high school band students. During the event, more than 90 high schools competed for 12 coveted spots in the finals competition.

One of only two college bands invited to perform in exhibition at the prestigious event, the UD Marching Band took the floor after the semifinals, in an arena packed to the roof with high school students, parents, families, friends and a who's who list of professionals associated with the activity.

Heidi Sarver, associate professor of music and UD Marching Band director, recalled the excitement of being in the spotlight before an audience bigger than most towns in Delaware.

"The wildest thing was marching through the airlock down the



SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST • UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PHOTO BY KATHY FLICKINGER

The University of Delaware Marching Band recently performed at the Bands of America (BOA) Grand National Championship at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis.

tunnel where it opens onto the stadium floor," Sarver said. "Seeing the stadium unfold before you, as 35,000 fans seated on both decks fill your line of vision, is indescribable."

The band found itself in just the opposite situation on Friday night, Nov. 15, when they had the entire RCA Dome to themselves

from 10:30 p.m.-midnight, for rehearsal.

Sarver said the practice paid off as noted in a quote on the BOA website which said "Finals started with the performing of 'The Star-Spangled Banner' by the massive University of Delaware Marching Band which had earlier thrilled the audience

with a spirited exhibition of 'Evita' at the end of the semifinals."

The musical ambassadors from UD included 300 members of the marching band and a support staff of 17, including 12 band alumni who returned to UD

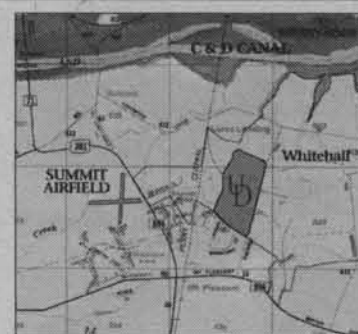
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## Welfare Foundation donates farmland

**T**HE Welfare Foundation has donated 31 acres of land south of the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal to the University of Delaware to augment the operations of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources' farm, UD President David P. Roselle announced Thursday, Dec. 12, at the semiannual meeting of the University's Board of Trustees.

In addition to the gift, the private foundation has extended UD a long-term lease on an adjacent 200 acres. The new site is expected to benefit the University's agricultural research because the land in southern New Castle County more closely resembles most other Delaware farmland than does the current UD farm on the Newark campus.

"The University is grateful to the Welfare Foundation for its generosity, foresight and



continued support of our educational mission," Roselle said. "The students and faculty of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources now will have a new environment to assess products, demonstrate conservation and natural-resource management and educate Delawareans about the importance of agriculture in their lives."

There is no intention to move the dairy herd or other livestock, existing research

plots or the teaching and research functions in which students and faculty regularly participate away from the Newark farm. The new site will provide additional or alternative cropland for some of the college's farming operations.

Robin W. Morgan, dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, said the new acreage is an important resource because the existing UD farm is at capacity and because the location of the new land complements other farm properties of the college.

"The location is ideal for serving the needs of the local agricultural community, as well as other educational institutions in the state," Morgan said. "It will provide us with a demonstration site for new, high-value crops for Delaware and numerous other projects."

She said the land could serve

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# Newark woman earns new title

By BETH THOMAS

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

**J**EANNE Geddes-Key of Newark has been named the Emily L. Phelps Director of the College School at the University of Delaware. Her appointment to the named and endowed directorship recognizes "her outstanding leadership of the College School and her service to the University and broader community," according to Provost Dan Rich.

The College School, a laboratory school for children with learning differences in grades 1-8, uses a team approach (home/school/health care professionals) for student remediation. The College School serves as a clinical education site for 125 UD students each semester. University faculty members also work with the College School and use it as a clinical assessment site.

As director, Geddes-Key acts as a liaison for academic research, coordinates and super-

vises student practicums from several disciplines, supervises a staff of 10 and is responsible for developing a school improvement plan, including integrating technology into the curriculum.

Before coming to UD in 1995, Geddes-Key was in Japan for nine years where she taught and later became assistant principal of two Department of Defense Dependents Schools. She has had extensive experience working with hearing-impaired students in Japan, Texas and Quebec.

Among her honors, Geddes-Key received a CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder) Distinguished Educator Award, an I.D.E.A. (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) fellowship and a Department of Defense Distinguished Educator Award.

A graduate of the University of Massachusetts with a master's degree in the education of the deaf from Smith College, Geddes-Key is working for her doctorate in educational leadership at UD.



Geddes-Key

## UD gets \$20 million to name business college

**U**NIVERSITY of Delaware President David P. Roselle announced a major gift from the MBNA Foundation at the University at the Board of Trustees' semiannual meeting Thursday, Dec. 12.

The MBNA Foundation and the company's executive committee have endowed UD's College of Business and Economics with \$20 million in memory of former MBNA chairman and CEO Alfred Lerner, who died in October. In recognition of the endowment, the University has named the college the Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics.

"We think it's a wonderful combination-combining the name of a man we admire with a

university that we admire," MBNA President Charles Cawley, who is a UD trustee, said at the board meeting. "We think the University of Delaware is a very, very special place."

In thanking MBNA for its gift, Roselle said, "All of us at the University, and especially those at the Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics, can best deserve the honor of being associated with Al Lerner if we are truthfully able to substitute 'the University of Delaware' for 'MBNA' in his wise admonition about the difference between success and failure. He said, 'The difference is the people of MBNA and the MBNA attitude!'"

## UD band performance on DVD, videos

► **BAND**, from 4

this fall to assist with instruction throughout the semester, Sarver said.

"The band represented the University with a quality of pride and class of which every member of the UD community should be proud," Sarver said. "Simply stated, they were magnificent both on the field and off."

In addition to earning recognition before a national audience, the Grand National Championship gave the UD Marching Band a chance to preview the next generation of colle-

giate marching band members.

"We were able to watch some of the most accomplished marching band programs that our nation has to offer," Sarver said. "We were amazed by the brilliant performances, musicianship and skill level of these high school students. Many times we had trouble believing these were 9th- to 12th-graders."

The UD Marching Band's performance at the Grand National Championship is included on DVD and VHS sets of the final and semi-final competition, and is available for purchase at [www.800videoexpress.com](http://www.800videoexpress.com).

Sarver said the presence of the band on video and DVD gives UD nationwide recognition, while providing a valuable teaching resource for future band program designers and directors.

"These recordings are used as resource materials in college and university music education programs," Sarver said. "Students in my marching band techniques class view these tapes each spring as examples for developing their show design skills. And, we always watch the college exhibition portions because we like to see how we stack up against other college bands."

## UD gets farmland

► **LAND**, from 4

as a research and demonstration site for sustainable agricultural practices, soil conservation, bio-fuel plantations and turf grass. Other possible uses include plots for master gardeners and an outdoor woodland classroom.

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# Opinion

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AMUSED, CONFUSED, BEMUSED

## A wink from a quadruple-threat man

By MARVIN HUMMEL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

WHEN I SAW that the U of D's Professional Theater Training Program is offering Robert Penn Warren's "All the King's Men" (parts I and II), I remembered an experience—both terrible and wonderful—that I shared with Mr. Warren a long time ago.

Robert Penn Warren had just made a sensational hit with his novel "All the King's Men," and I had read it with great pleasure and admiration. I also knew his fine literary criticism and poetry, that he had taught for a long time at Vanderbilt University, that his colleagues and friends called him "Red" because of the color of his hair, and that his students wanted to add him to the Trinity, having conferred deity status to him. (Somewhere, in the back of my mind, I also thought I remembered that "All The Kings Men" had been a play as well as a novel, but nobody else I talked to thought so, so I dropped it.)



Hummel

Imagine my excitement when the Dean of our seminary offered to take me to a lecture by Mr. Warren on a nearby college campus! I accepted with alacrity!

We weren't late, but the Washmore College's auditorium was full when we got there, and the maintenance staff had to hurriedly bring in metal chairs for the overflow crowd. We were seated between the rest of the audience and the stage, in the area where a pit-band would sit but over more to the left side. Before we could even warm up the metal chairs, the chairman of Washmore's English department came out, followed by Mr. Warren.

The chairman welcomed the faculty and Washmore students to "this auspicious event," then turned on us who were sitting in the tin chairs—and assailed us! The program had already been delayed by our presence, he said, and he hoped we would "pack up" our bowling balls and shoes as quickly as possible and leave so the program could get started!?????

We didn't know what he was talking about, so all 40 of us just sat, mouths open, and gawked at him. He quickly explained that this was a Washmore College event and that we obviously were looking for

"some bowling alley"—or, he added as a possibility, a pool hall. But cue stick or bowling ball, he wanted us to leave NOW!!!

One of the professors I was sitting near had 5 or 6 degrees, and one of the courses he taught required its class members to know 6 languages fluently. (I didn't take his course.) Everybody in my row of tin chairs had published many scholarly books and articles (except me, the "kid!"), and that nasty piece-of-work up there on the stage with Mr. Warren was insulting them crudely and lengthily!

I looked at Mr. Warren: the poor guy was obviously embarrassed and stunned at the tirade. (I could see why my professor at Penn who knew him liked him so much! Mr. Warren clearly hated the unaccountable attack and let his face declare it.)

The emcee finally announced that if we insisted on staying, we must be quiet so others could hear! Mr. Warren started to get up and say something to the man, then sat down again. What could he say? But he was furious, and everybody knew it—except our insulter who took a couple more shots at us, then warmed to the thrill of introducing the lecturer to "those of you who are supposed to be here!"

He turned to Mr. Warren, and bowed, then took off on the longest, dumbest, kissy-kissy, unctuous, embarrassing introduction I have ever heard, and Mr. Warren's face was as red as his hair by now. It got redder as the chairman apologized to him for our presence, we in the tin chairs who were not supposed to be there! Then the chairman in awe and wonder read off Mr. Warren's many accomplishments and awards and managed to sound like a 9 year old boy reviewing aloud the medals on a 4-star general's chest.

He gave us in the tin seats another look and said, "In case all of that went over your heads, let me put it in your vernacular: as a poet, critic, and novelist, Dr. Warren is what you would call a 'triple threat' man. "The fire began to bum in the boiler room of my guts, but the distinguished scholars in our row remained unperturbed.

Mr. Warren gave a lecture many of us there will never forget: clear yet detailed, deeply serious but nevertheless witty, disgusted with the evil of man yet believing and hoping in man's redemption, and certain that literature has a key place in giving us spirit and values that make life worth the living. When he finished all too soon, the audience's response to his words was worthy of those given to rock stars. The men next to me were standing and shouting "Bravo!" and "Bully!"

After the lecture, the chairman gave Mr.

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## OUT OF THE ATTIC



We went rummaging through our limited photo files (most stored materials were lost during a series of ownership changes in the 1970s) in search of an old snow scene in this space, in light of recent wintry weather. Though unidentified in our files, we believe this is an undated photo of Delaware Avenue taken in the days of horse-drawn sleighs. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's history, recent and long ago. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. For information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

## PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

### ■ Dec. 21, 1927 To conduct poultry breeding experiment

In order to encourage the production of high laying pedigreed poultry in Delaware the Extension Department of the University of Delaware is planning to select ten or twelve of the leading poultry farms in the state on which to conduct long time poultry breeding demonstrations. On these demonstration farms H.S. Palmer, Extension Poultryman, will assist the owners in selecting and meeting special pens of breeders to improve the production qualities of their flocks by a method known as Line Breeding.

### "Dutch Billy" carries out suicide threat

As he had threatened some time ago, "Dutch

Billy", last week, kept a rendezvous with death, apparently shooting himself at a spot in the woods that he had used as a burying ground for his beloved foxhounds. He was found Saturday afternoon by three of his neighbors after a search that had extended

since Wednesday, when his shack had burned to the ground.

### Steals farmer's team, sells it for \$25

Yesterday Augustus Sheets, living near Porter's Station, recovered a team of horses that were stolen from him last Tuesday by Harry Gallowitz, a farmhand, who had been working for him. Gallowitz had sold them to a farmer on Penny Hill for \$25. Gallowitz, himself, was not recovered.

About two weeks ago, Gallowitz and his wife, who are said to be from Kirkwood, came to work on Sheet's farm. On Tuesday morning they were missing together with a bay mare and a sorrel horse and a farm wagon.



"Pages From The Past" is compiled from early editions of the Newark Post and its forerunners by staffers. Efforts are made to retain original headlines and style.

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



GUEST COLUMNIST

# Writer Says good-bye to Frank Kelly

By RUTH KELLY

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

ON DEC. 4, my father died peacefully in his sleep after a long and courageous battle with Alzheimer's Disease. It seems like an eternity since the onset of this disease struck at age 57. He would have been 72-years-old in January. I would like to share with you a tribute I wrote for his funeral service on Friday, Dec. 13, of some of the memories I have of my father.

Many of you know dad as the "Old Soldier" and that he truly was. Under his picture in the program is a quote from General Douglas MacArthur that states "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away." We all thought that was daddy's quote and we would never dream hearing this as kids

that this would truly be his epitaph.

Our dad was a wonderful provider, a good man, a proud soldier and citizen and we are proud of him and the father he was to us. Growing up, we rarely saw him because he worked all the time, his full-time job as a Highway Foreman for the Township of Lower Merion, part-time job bartending until its 2 a.m. closing, and his weekend jobs of blacktopping driveways and paving sidewalks. It is our hope that he knew that as we were watching him hurry to eat his dinner to go from one job to the other that we were watching him and we hope that over the years he would know that he was instilling in us a strong work ethic, a role model for good character and a spirit of patriotism and good citizenship.

I hope he knew that while we watched him reading, he was

instilling in us a love of books and of reading and to this day, each of us read and hope that our children are watching us as we watched and learned from him. Dad didn't talk

much, didn't smile too much, but we knew we were loved. And, when Dad did talk, he always had something powerful to say. He was only high school educated, but he was as learned as any out there who has a degree.

Our Dad was proud of his country and of his military service. You would think he was running the Kelly boot camp. We arose in the morning with his barking out "On the Floor" which meant to get out of bed and "Hit the Pike" which we knew meant



Kelly

to go to bed. I wondered why I didn't have a boyfriend and only after I was grown did I find out that all the local boys in town knew Dad didn't play and the word was out that Mr. Kelly was protective of his daughters and that he had a shotgun for anyone who dared mess with his girls. He always had some quote or saying to get his messages across to us. He also often spoke Italian phrases which we were forever trying to figure out.

Each of us has stories and memories of daddy that we will always remember. The cruelest irony of his life is the Alzheimer's disease which took away the quality of his life and erased all the knowledge that he acquired over his lifetime.

I wrote an editorial for a newspaper column several years ago and it was entitled "The Long Goodbye" and that is how life has been for our dad and our family

over the past 14 years. The disease may have erased all of his memory, but we will forever be his memory and his legacy.

In close again, quoting from General MacArthur's farewell speech to Congress in which he said in part: "I still remember the refrain of one of the most popular barracks ballad of that day which proclaimed most proudly that old soldiers never die; they just fade away. And like the old soldier of that ballad, I now close my military career and just fade away, an old soldier who tried to do his duty as God gave him the light to see that duty." Good Bye Frank Kelly, you were a good soldier, a good father, a good brother, a good uncle, a good Pop-Pop, a good friend and a good man.

■ Ruth Kelly is a public education activist who was a columnist on the Opinion Page in the mid-1990's.

## \$1 million given to UD

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■ Dec. 17, 1990

Newark High to present Christmas concert Dec. 22

The Newark High School Bands will present their free Christmas Concert Monday Dec. 22 beginning at 8 p.m.

The concert will be held in the high school auditorium.

■ Dec. 20, 1996

Trafficking in trains

While rail giants, Conrail Inc., CSX Corp., and Norfolk Southern Corp., continue their legal maneuverings in Pennsylvania, residents and officials in Newark, Del., worry about the possible results of a rail merger.

Philadelphia-based Conrail negotiated a possible merger with CSX of Richmond, Va., in October. The reported \$8.5 billion proposal was apparently acceptable to Conrail's stockholders until another Virginia conglomerate, Norfolk Southern, entered the arena with a \$10 billion offer of its own.

Tyler still writing and working at age 98

Chaplin "Chap" Tyler is old enough to remember Teddy Roosevelt as "a very likable fellow" who regularly visited Tyler's elementary school in Washington, D.C., wearing striped pants and a satin waistcoat.

Nevertheless, at 98, the

Hockessin resident is still writing and working to help younger people achieve success in the business world.

Cutting their losses

A much-discussed policy on lost or damaged instructional materials in district schools was finally approved by the Christina School Board this month.

Under a bill passed by the state legislature, all school districts in Delaware are required to establish a policy with regulations to recover the costs of lost or damaged books and other instructional materials.

▶ HUMMEL, from 6

Warren a hug he didn't want, then told the audience that the lecturer would accept a few questions. I shot up out of my seat and the chairman quickly shot me down. The questions were, he said, to come only from Washmore students and faculty. He looked over at all of us as if we were a pile of dirty underwear. I remained standing.

Mr. Warren rose from his chair and said, "Let the young man ask his question!" But the chairman had his last, grudging caveat: I should try to make the question an intelligent one, and if that

were not possible, I should make it a short one. He smirked to Mr. Warren, who noticeably did not smirk back.

I simply told Mr. Warren that I had thought "All The King's Men" had once been a play and that the University of Minnesota had performed it and would that not make Mr. Warren a quadruple-threat man rather than a triple-threat man. The chairman interrupted and informed the audience and Dr. Warren how "absurd" my statement was. With an unmistakable wink at me, Robert Penn Warren assured me and the audience that I was correct, then turned to the chairman

and innocently expressed his "surprise and disappointment" that "Mr. Chairman" had missed that quadruple-threat status in his "voluminous research." Mine was the first question- and, the chairman quickly announced—the last question. I had bowled a verbal strike! I had run the table!

Afterwards, the president and provost of Washmore rushed over to the distinguished guests to my left and gushed over them, and their "great scholarship" and declared that Washmore was honored to have them in "our halls."

As for me, I had one visitor down at my end of the row. Mr.

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## OUTLOOK

### Real or fake?

By JO MERCER

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

IT'S that time when many people will be making a very important decision—a real tree or an artificial?

I personally prefer the real thing—they just make the house look, smell, and feel more like the holidays. When I was a little girl, the standard tree was the Canadian balsam, a rather spindly tree (by today's standards).

Its branches stuck out at almost right angles to the trunk and had a lot of "holes" just right for hanging ornaments, lights and tinsel.

And the fragrance!

There was nothing that could compare.

I remember a school friend whose family lived a bit higher on the hog than ours. They had the deluxe tree—a scots pine. I was entranced by such bushy, deep green specimens. However, once I was grown with my own family, I started missing those old fashioned balsams, which, by then, were out of fashion. Their replacements had become denser, heavily sheared Douglas-fir, white pine, blue spruce, and Fraser fir. They are all pretty, but I just can't get used to the inability to hang ornaments within the branches; everything just sort of lies on the surface.

Today's trees have been carefully bred and selected over the years to provide superior form, color, faster growth, and needle retention. But even with the best care, growers have a long term investment—6-10 years to harvest a 6-footer from seedling size, depending upon the species and weather.

Imagine the challenge of trying to predict what your

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Mercer

## TALKING WITH TOM

By MARVIN HUMMEL

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

MY TWO lengthy conversations with Tom Runnels made clear that neither of us has any opinions—but a lot of convictions.

Runnels, an attorney, a member of the board of directors for the Newark Housing Authority and a member of the Board of Trustees for the First Presbyterian Church in Newark, grew up in Newark.

And, these convictions have been researched, thought out, and carefully articulated.

Our topics included the sorry state of public education, religion (both organized and disorganized), and Tom's special concern politics.

We did not agree on the causes of our nation's many ills: we never have and we probably never will, but that's fine.

In most cases, Tom took the deeper theological approach and I the more immediate socio-cultural one.

Calmly and with deceptive mildness he "explained" our problems by declaring that the "sinfulness of man" is the ultimate and final cause of all our woes.

And, of course, he was willing and able to give specifics, too.

But before he went into his particulars, I wanted to talk about two major concerns of mine: the immaculate deception of Wall Street, where not a drop of blood bespattered the Armani suits of the jackals who destroyed the present and future of thousands of people. All the while, in the background, the gentle hum of shred-

ders which were making confetti out of lives. (Does the noun "broker" come from breaking people?) Tom invoked the sinfulness of man again.

I had one more abiding concern: adult leaders who mess around with kids—even if they don't mind making permanently damaged goods out of the kids, hadn't these leaders read Matthew XVIII:5-8 and found out what would happen to themselves? Tom modified his previous answer to: "It's just old-fashioned wickedness, Marvin. You know that!"

When we got onto the political scene, his specialty, Tom went into specifics. With a pleasant, even deceptively amiable tone, he lobbed laconic bombs across the table at me: chapter and verse, the whole business. My response to his political accuracy (if not political correctness) was the comparatively mild observation that we all knew there was a tunnel at the end of every light. Then I suggested we get onto less dyspeptic topics. (I had seen the entrees were coming and wanted more appetizing subjects.)

During the pause when our meals were being set before us, I mentally reviewed our conversations through the years: what had Tom always been enthusiastic about? The city of Newark, for one thing.

Originally, he hadn't chosen to come to Newark—he moved here when he was two weeks old. (His father, Professor Tom D. Runnels, had just arrived at the University of Delaware and subsequently became a much-loved member of the faculty.) Newark High School

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Tom Runnels

STARK RAVING

## City comes together for the holidays

By ERIC G. STARK

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THIS is the season to have parties — Fa, La, La, La... Last week I had the distinct pleasure to attend two Christmas gatherings. Both took place right here in Newark, and I enjoyed both of them, but for different reasons.

The first party was the Downtown Newark Partnership last Thursday. In its second year, this winter mixer, featured a who's-who-in-Newark. It was

held at the Deer Park Tavern, and it appeared to me to be a big hit.

I am a people watcher, and believe me, I had plenty of people to watch. There were about 150 people who attended the event, which was up about 50 more from last year. I sat back at the bar upstairs (eating, but not drinking, of course) and took in all the Christmas friendliness.

The evening provided a great opportunity for socializing, as well as getting a few business or political sales made during a relaxed setting. So there were laughs, hand shakes and business

cards being passed. In

about two hours, I tried to sell an ad and drive home a point to a Newark Council member. I also managed to talk Phillies baseball with a prominent Newark attorney, who I jokingly said represented about half the people upstairs at the Deer Park.



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He agreed. He also believes the Phillies need another starter.

I discussed the Eagles with a city official in the planning department. We both agree the birds are going to lose another game before the post season, probably to the Giants. I also started networking with a local travel agent, making plans for a trip to warmer weather when I am eligible for a vacation. Oh, and I was given a tip about a story which I followed up this week.

So you see, this was your all in one holiday mixer: talk shop, talk

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market will want to buy from you ten years from now! Christmas tree growers are a courageous lot.

Your ideal tree will be the one that looks the way you want it to, but there may be other circumstances that influence your choice. Here are a few common species and their characteristics.

White pine has supple branches, so if you have mostly large heavy ornaments, it won't be your best choice. Little kids might have trouble getting the knack of making an ornament stay where it was put. However, its long, soft medium green needles are "stick-free" and therefore very child friendly. With

## Thinking about the wink

## ▶ HUMMEL, from 7

Warren didn't stay long and didn't say much: but he shook my hand warmly and then said, "Thank you, young man. That needed to be said."

Robert Penn Warren died in 1984 after a life full of honors. As we watch the University of Delaware's production of his play, the one that made Mr. Warren a "quadruple threat," I will think about his wink at me and the subsequent handshake that a fine gentleman once gave me and why. (I have never heard of the chairman's fate and am too busy to conduct the voluminous research that would be required. I regret that.)

proper care, white pines can hold their needles as long as nine weeks.

Douglas-fir is another tree with soft needles, but they are short. The stiffer branches make it a bit easier to hang ornaments from. Expect about 5 weeks of good needle retention.

Fraser fir is a relative newcomer to the market. It has short soft needles that are dark green

above and silvery below, giving an interesting tonal texture overall. Longevity as a cut tree is about five weeks. Kids and grownups will find the sturdy branches and needles very easy to work with.

Blue spruce has become very popular the past few years. Its frosted blue-green needles can be stunning, especially in a modernistic pastel decor. This is one

of the shorter-lived trees for the holidays, though; you will have about three weeks before the needles start to drop. The branches are very sturdy, as are the needles, which also end in a very sharp tip. This is not a tree for little hands to decorate. And big hands might want to wear some cotton gloves and long sleeves when they handle this tree.

The National Christmas Tree

Association's web site at [www.realchristmastrees.org](http://www.realchristmastrees.org) has more information on the different types of trees, as well as interesting teacher resources, and a listing of members by state. Each state's agriculture department publishes tree farm listings. For Delaware, visit [www.state.de.us/deptagri/marketing/ct-growers.htm](http://www.state.de.us/deptagri/marketing/ct-growers.htm) or phone 800-282-8685.



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**SING IN THE SEASON** Choral groups set the mood in Newark while collecting donations for Adopt-A-Family. Participating businesses will match funds collected.

**POKER NIGHT** 7 p.m. third Friday of month at Newark Senior Center. Public welcome. 737-2336.

**CHRISTMAS IN REHOBOTH** Through Jan. 2. Enjoy the avenue of lights, with many types of light displays.

**ART FOR THE HOLIDAYS** Through Dec. 24. Artwork on display at The Station Gallery, 3922 Kennett Pike, Greenville. No admission fee. Info., 654-8638.

**FIRST STATE SYMPHONIC BAND** 7:30 p.m. Christmas concert at Faith Baptist Church, 4210 Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info., 998-4105.

**LONGWOOD GARDENS CHRISTMAS** Through Jan. 5. 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. thousands of flowers flourishing inside heated glass houses, carillon concerts, organ sing-alongs, choral performances, strolling Yuletide Singers, musical fountain displays, and 400,000 tiny lights twinkling in the evening skies at Longwood Gardens.

**FAIRIES, BROWNIES, AND TROLLS: IMAGES OF FANTASY AND MAGIC** Through Jan. 5. Enchanting exhibition that captures the wonder of American fairy tales and folklore at Brandywine River Museum. Info., 610-388-2700.

**ENCHANTED WOODS** Through Dec. 28. Holiday lights and special Yuletide celebrations at Winterthur, An American Country Estate. Info., 800-448-3883.

**FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS** Through Jan. 15. Fifty of the largest trees throughout Rockwood Mansion Park will be lit with nearly one million lights from dusk to 10 p.m. Holiday carolers will perform every Friday from 6-9 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7 from 6-8 p.m., and every Sunday from 6-8 p.m. Info., 761-4340.

**A BRANDYWINE CHRISTMAS** Through Jan. 5. Sights and sounds of the holidays at the Brandywine River Museum on US Route 1 in Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-388-2700.

**AT HOME WITH HOMER** Through Jan. 26, 2003. Exhibition of more than 30 works by Winslow Homer portraying America's social and political life between 1857 and 1875 at the Delaware Art Museum Downtown Gallery, 919 Market Street.

**ANNE OF GREEN GABLES** Through December 31. Vignettes drawn from L. M. Montgomery's classic book in the Wilson-Warner House at Historic Houses of Odessa. Catered breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert tea available for group tours. For more information, call 378-4020.



The holiday season at Hagley Museum will bring seasonal decorations by day and sparkling elegance by night. The buildings on the grounds of the museum will all be decorated for the holidays in the style of the times when the du Pont family lived there. The holiday season at Hagley lasts from now through Wednesday, Jan. 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The daytime holiday displays are included with regular museum admission. The cost is \$11 for adults, \$9 for students and senior citizens, \$3 for children six to 14, free for children under six and \$22 for a household. Holiday Lights admission is \$9 for adults, \$4 for children six through fourteen, and free for children five and under. For reservations, call the tour office at 658-2400, ext. 259. Visitors should use the museum's Buck Rd. East entrance off Rt. 100. For information, call 658-2400.

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**TRADITIONS IN ELEGANCE** Through Jan. 2, 2003. 100 rare and unique 18th and 19th century teapots from the internationally acclaimed Twinings Teapot Gallery at the Norwich Castle Museum in England in The Carriage House Gallery in Cape May, N.J. Info., 609-884-5404.

**SHARED VOICES** Through Jan. 5. Modern Gay Literature exhibit at the Morris Library, South College Ave. Info., 831-2231.

**SPINELESS WONDERS: BUGS FROM AROUND THE WORLD** Through Jan. 5. Exhibit at The Delaware Museum of Natural History. For more information, call 658-9111.

**ART FOR THE SEASON** Through December 24. Juried show featuring affordable holiday gift giving items, such as jewelry, prints, small paintings, pottery, glassware and more at the Dover Art League, 21 W. Lookerman St., Dover. Info., 302-674-0402.

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**HOLIDAY CABARET** Through Dec. 29. Music and comedy at the Baby Grand, 818 Market St., Wilmington. Tickets and times, 800-37-GRAND.

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## FRIDAY, DEC. 20

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

**PWP CHRISTMAS DANCE** 8:30 p.m. Newcomers orientation, 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. Admission \$7. 998-3115, ext. 1.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 21

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

**DIVORCECARE** 1-3 p.m. Saturdays and 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info., 737-5040.

## MONDAY, DEC. 23

**JAZZERCIZE** Mondays, Tuesdays

and Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 737-2336.

**CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE** 7:30 p.m. every Monday. Men's barber-shop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogletown. All are welcome. 655-SING.

**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.

**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.

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

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

## MEETINGS

### TUESDAY, DEC. 24

**SWEET ADELINES** 7:30 - 10 p.m.

Singing group meets Tuesdays at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark. Listeners and new members welcome. Info, 999-8310.

**OPEN MIKE/SLAM** 8-10 p.m. Poetry reading/competition at Art House, 132 E. Delaware Ave., Newark, \$2. 266-7266.

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

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

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

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

**CANCER SUPPORT** 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays at Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Building 405, Wilmington. Info, call 733-3900.

**ADULTS WITH AD/HD** 7:30 p.m. Fourth Tuesdays. Support group meets at New Ark United Church of Christ, Main Street, Newark. 737-5063.

**EATING DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP** 7 - 8:30 p.m. fourth Tuesdays of each month at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Naaman's and Darley Roads, Wilmington. Free and open to the public. 475-1880.

### THURSDAY, DEC. 26

**EVENING YOGA CLASS** 6:15 p.m. class to support strength, balance, and peace of mind at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 737-2336.

**LINE DANCE CLASS** Mondays and Thursdays at the Newark Senior

Center. 200 White Chapel Dr., Info., 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.

**YOUNG ADULT DEPRESSION** 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware for ages 18-26. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 765-9740.

**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.

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

*Because of the holiday, please call the organization to confirm meeting will be held.*



## NEWARK POST ♦ ON THE GO

## ▶ HAPPENINGS, from 10

SATURDAY

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**LUNCHBOX** 7 p.m. down home back porch blues at Home Grown Cafe' & Gourmet to Go, 126 Main Street, no cover. Info., 266-6993.

**FANTASTIC TOYSHOP & OTHER WORKS** 12:30 & 4 p.m. enchanted holiday tradition of ballet, choreography, characters, costumes, and scenery at Mitchell Hall. For more information, call

266-6362.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** Saturdays through Dec. 21, 9-11:30 breakfast designed for children ages 5-12 at Winterthur. For more information, call 888-4907.

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

■ **SUNDAY, DEC. 22**

**DUKE ELLINGTON ORCHESTRA** 7 P.M. big band hits at the Grand Opera House, 818 Market

Street, Wilmington. Info., 800-37-GRAND.

■ **MONDAY, DEC. 23**

**THE NUTCRACKER** 7 p.m. production at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington. For tickets, call 800-37-GRAND.

■ **TUESDAY, DEC. 24**

**DINNER TRAIN** 6:30 p.m. Ride a restored 1929 Pennsylvania Railcar on Wilmington &

Western Railroad to restaurant in Red Clay Valley. \$39 per person. Reservations required. 998-1930.

■ **THURSDAY, DEC. 26**

**STARVING FOR ART** 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. Thursday lunch tours at the Delaware Art Museum, Kentmere Parkway, Wilmington. Adults \$7, seniors \$5, students \$2.50, children 6 and under, free. Reservations requested. 571-9590, ext. 538.

Send items to: *Diversions, The Newark Post, 153 E. Chestnut Hill Rd., Newark, DE 19713.*

Please make sure they arrive in our office two weeks in advance of the Friday publication.

Questions, please call 737-0724.



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Businesspeople, community leaders and city and UD officials gathered last Thursday at the Deer Park Tavern for the Downtown Newark Partnership's second winter mixer. More than 60 door prizes were given away to the 150 in attendance. The event brings all those interested in Newark's Main Street district together for conversation and fellowship. The 2001 event drew about 100 persons. "I'm thrilled," said DNP chair Jim Streit, "it's great to see so many people taking off to have some fun."

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Funding for this program has been secured through the Federal Community Development Block Grant and is available on a limited basis.

**Trash collection schedule**

Due to the Christmas holiday, there will be no bulk collections during the week of Dec. 23, 2002. There will be no changes in the normal refuse collection schedule this week.

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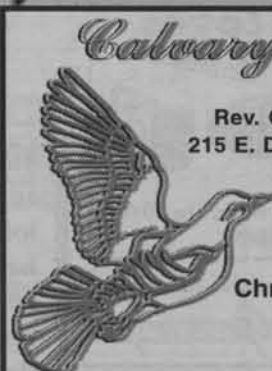
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# NJHS students Adopt-a-Family for Christmas



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ERIC G. STARK

Shue-Medill National Junior Honor Society member Julie Agee makes a Christmas card during the gift wrapping party on Monday in the school cafeteria. For the third year in a row, these students adopted a family at Christmas. Students bought gifts, wrapped them and made cards.

## ► GIFT, from 3

grocery certificate inside.

Donges and Bryant and three of the honor students went Shopping at K-Mart on a budget of \$200. They spent \$160.

"It's weird how much you can get there," Tiffany Wen said. "There's so much stuff."

The items or "stuff" they bought will soon be delivered to the family.

First, though, the gifts needed to be wrapped. Bryant believes this program is good for the students.

"I see it as a way to involve a lot of kids," she

said. "Everyone can be included, regardless of their skill."

The NJHS is also teaming up with the middle school's student council for the Newark Welfare Community Canned Goods for the Delaware Food Bank. The home room which brings in the most canned goods gets a pizza party.

NJHS big fundraiser is coming up. They host a dance on Feb. 7 and the proceeds go toward purchasing the National Honor Society pins and paying for the family gifts in the Adopt-a-family program. They need to raise about \$350.

"Other kids maybe can't

have a Christmas or holiday," said Anika Vaidyanathan, honor society officer. "You know they can now because you helped them out."

The following are the students from NJHS who participate in the Adopt-a-Family program. Julie Agee, Megan Brancaccio, Catilyn Brook, Jeffery Brotherton, Stephanie Chen, Michelle Chester, Hing Chui, Amanda Coates, Hailey Cockerham, Ashley Cooper, Tacoya Dalton, Samantha Darden, Shuan Donlon, Alexander Doran, Brian Ellis, Sean Fagan, Tara Harrington, Imke Hartmann, Kaityn Hasty, Jean Huynn, Jonna

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# Fellowship at both ends of Main Street

## ► RAVING, from 8

sports, plan a vacation, have some laughs, wish everyone happy holidays. The evening provided a great opportunity for fellowship with folks you don't get to see too often, or when you do it is a working situation.

The following night the same type of fellowship was present at the other end of Main Street. This Christmas party also involved a unique group of people from every walk of life who do not get to see each other a whole lot in a relaxed atmosphere.

The event was the Newark Housing Authority Christmas meal for the elderly and it was held at the Newark Housing Authority building, 313 E. Main St.

No, it does not attract 150 peo-

ple, but it is well attended nonetheless. About 30 from Cleveland Heights and Newark's elderly development were in attendance. Everyone was so friendly and I could really feel a sense of community.

The dinner is put together by Johnnie Jackson, the Newark Housing Authority executive director. I am so glad Johnnie invited me to the dinner. I could really tell he enjoyed putting this event together, and his guests said they looked forward to coming each year. While I was there, and I left early because I had friends coming into town, the room was predominately full of women. Johnnie said it is like having multiple grandmothers.

"I am a very strong religious person and I have this get together because I lost my mother and grandmother at a young age,"

said Johnnie, who was 14 when his mother died and 17 when his grandmother died. "This is my way to give back to the elderly mothers and grandmothers that live in the area. I have a whole lot of extended mothers and grandmothers."

The previous director had thrown Christmas parties in the past, but Johnnie has made it an annual thing the last four years. He has also added his own twist by bringing in live music. The Gentlemen of Jazz, which featured Wilmington performers Mike Minor and Lee Howe. They played Jazz, Christmas songs and had sing-alongs.

The Men's Fellowship of Central Baptist Church in Wilmington served the food, which included turkey and stuffing, ham, meatballs, greens, potatoes salad, cole slaw and a lot of

desserts.

"I hope a black person made the greens," O'Rita Ellis said, "white people don't make it right."

After that comment, people in the room burst out in laughter. That was one of the things I enjoyed most about the event. It didn't matter what color, race, religion or political affiliation you were, and there was no hidden agenda. The only goals were to have a good time and not go away hungry. Both were achieved. And there were plenty of laughs in between.

Shirley Debold was there for the second time. She said she likes the fellowship from her neighbors and it is a fun night of Christmas music and great food. Lucille Brooks enjoys getting together and just enjoying herself around the Christmas season.

O'Rita said she has been coming since they started the event.

"I'll tell you what I love," said O'Rita, who brought the ham. "I was never exposed to black Americans. I enjoy being around them. They are so close and they back each other up, right or wrong."

This was such an innocent and interesting perspective. She meant nothing negative about it, it was just O'Rita speaking the truth.

It was nice to see different types of people coming together and enjoying each other's company around the holidays.

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# Sports

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## POST GAME

### Nation's best wrestlers come to Newark

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The toughest high school wrestlers in the country come to Newark this weekend as the 10th annual Beast of the East takes place at the Carpenter Center.

The Beast features 147 nationally ranked wrestlers and 80 teams from 15 states.

"I'm very excited about this year's tournament," said tournament director Vic Leonard. "I've never seen a tournament stacked with good wrestlers like this one."

Eight of the Top 25 teams in the country

will be on hand and the brackets will include 55 state or national prep champions.

The nationally ranked teams include No. 1 Blair (N.J.), St. Paris Graham (Ohio), Great Bridge (Va.), Northampton (Pa.), St. Edward (Ohio), Absegami (N.J.), Massillon Perry (Ohio) and McArthur (N.Y.).

Delaware's top teams including Caesar Rodney, St. Mark's, Hodgson and William Penn will also be competing.

In addition, there will be six top-ranked sophomores, four No. 1 ranked juniors, seven top-ranked seniors and 20 wrestlers ranked in the top four nationally.

Delaware will have a few nationally ranked wrestlers of its own competing this weekend on the high school level.

Pat Atkinson (St. Mark's), Marc Degliobizzi (Salesianum), Brian Welch (Hodgson), Ian Moser (Caesar Rodney), Will Saylor (Laurel), Eddie Quinn (St. Mark's), Kyle Skinner (St. Mark's), Brian Willis (St. Mark's), Steve Bilbrough



Valania

## Marra, Wooldridge win tourney crowns

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The Newark High wrestling team continued the fine start to its season with a fourth place finish in the Yellowjacket Invitational Friday and Saturday at Newark High.

The Jackets (173 points) finished behind Bensalem, Pa.

(207), Harford (Md.) Tech (187) and A.I. Dupont (174).

Newark's Mike Marra won the 130 pound title while Steve Wooldridge won the 152 pound crown for the Jackets. Sahwn Kelley finished second at 145.

Other place winners for Newark included Tyler Streit (third at 171), Brennan McKone (fourth at 160), Josh Adams (fifth at 112), Steven Dotts (sixth at

103) and Scott Gardner (sixth at 215).

"I think, considering the level of experience we have, we did well," said Newark's first-year coach Paul McCloskey. "The guys came back and wrestled hard."

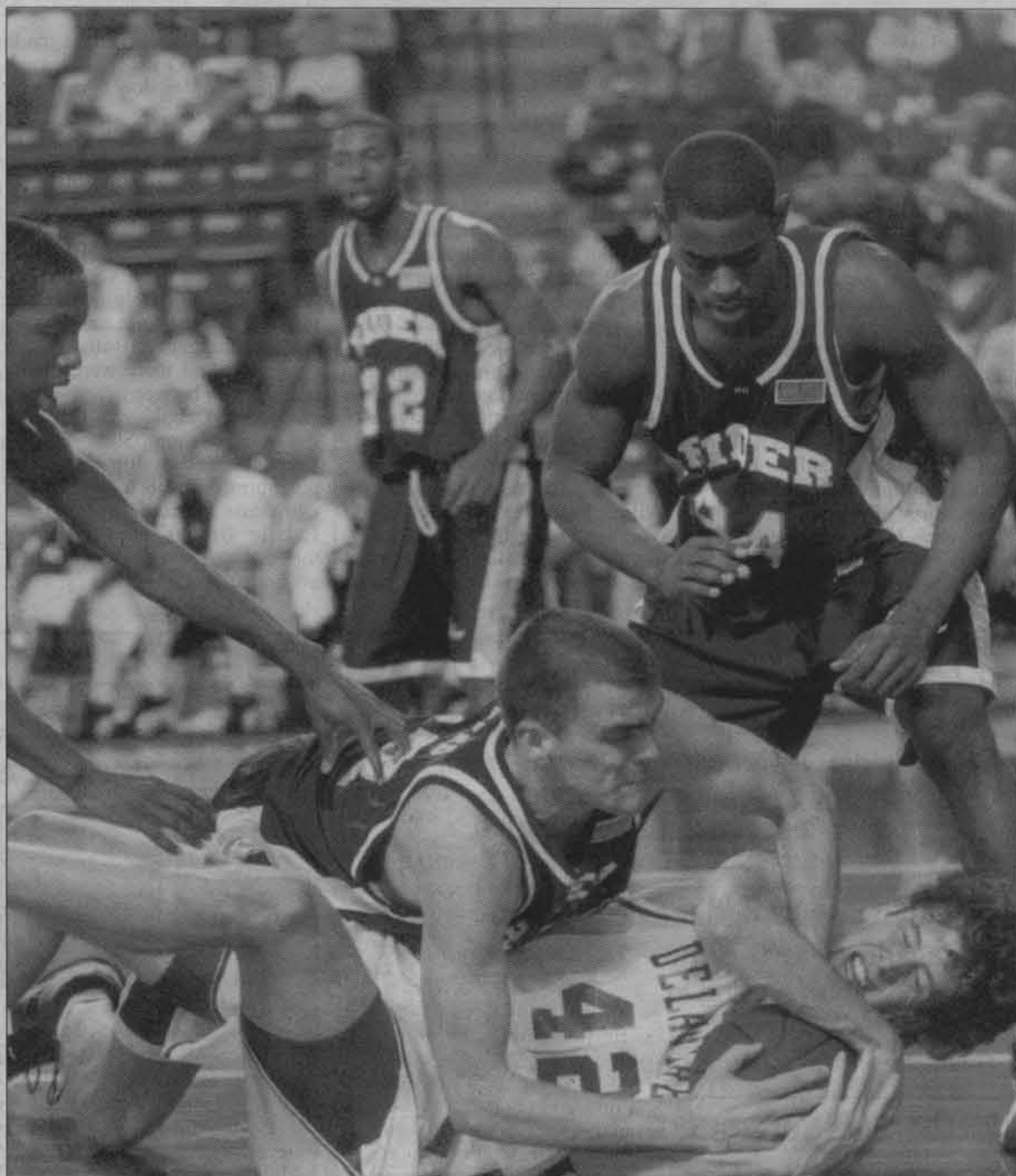
Newark also finished third at the Christiana Tournament two weeks ago and has defeated McKean in a dual meet.

McCloskey, who has been a long-time assistant at Newark, is happy with what he has seen in his first season as the head coach.

"The team has reacted positively to the changes we've made," McCloskey said. "We've changed the way we practice and the way we fight for lineup positions. It's been very good so far."

Newark also defeated Mount Pleasant Monday.

## Delaware loses to Rider



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

### Cold shooting dooms Hens

Guard Jerry Johnson scored 17 points and Robert Taylor added 16 to lead four scorers in double figures as Rider University took advantage of some cold shooting by the University of Delaware to post a 70-60 non-league men's basketball victory Saturday night at the Bob Carpenter Center.

Rider, coming off a triple overtime loss to Harvard last week, got back on the winning track and improved to 3-3 as Edwin Muniz came off the bench to add 12 points and center Robert Reed scored 12 points, pulled a game-high 12 rebounds, and hit his first two three-pointers in two years to lead the Broncs.

Delaware, which lost just its seventh non-league home game in its last 40 outings, fell to 2-3 despite having four scorers in double figures.

Senior forward Maurice Sessoms came off the bench to score 16 points and pull nine rebounds while senior guard Ryan Iversen also came off the bench to add 15 points and a team-high 10 rebounds. Guard Mike Slattery scored 13 points and dished out five assists while senior forward Dave Hindenlang chipped in 10 points and eight rebounds.

Rider became the first visiting team to win in this series since 1989-90, snapping a streak of eight straight wins by the home team. The Broncs led from start to finish and used some timely three pointers to produce the win. The Broncs connected on 7 of 16 from beyond the three-point arc with Reed, Jerry

Delaware's Dave Hindenlang battles three Rider players for a loose ball during Saturday's game at the Bob Carpenter Center.

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See HENS, 17 ►



# Glasgow hoops falls to Sanford in Kappa final

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Defending state champion Sanford showed why it may be the team to beat again this year following a 71-58, come-from-behind victory over Glasgow in the championship game of the Kappa Klassic basketball Tournament at Alexis I. DuPont High School.

This marks the third straight year Sanford has won the Kappa title. The Warriors 6-8 senior Will Sheridan was named the tournament Most Valuable Player.

Glasgow jumped out to an 8-2 before both teams settled into

their game plans.

Senior Sean Hammond and junior Marc Egerson nailed three-pointers to jump-start the Dragon offense, but the Warriors stayed with their game plan by working the ball inside to their big men Sheridan and 6-9 junior Joe Dyson.

The Dragons played some tough defense throughout the intense first half and maintained control of the game's tempo. Marc Williams and Hammond hit some clutch shots to help Glasgow build a 35-27 lead at the half. Both teams shot below 50 percent in the first half, with Sanford shooting 10 for 26 and Glasgow 15 for 31 from the floor.

Dragon coach Don Haman said his team moved the ball around very well before intermission.

"We were successful in finding the open man, and we were able to run the floor in the first half," he said.

Sanford gradually began to chip away at the Dragons lead in the third quarter, as Sheridan and Dyson began to take over the game. The Warriors clearly received a big boost near the end of the third quarter after scoring six straight points.

After Sheridan sank a shot, Glasgow was given a technical foul. Bryan Eckman sank both free throws, and Sanford scored

another basket to trail by 44-43.

By the end of the third quarter, Glasgow led 48-45, but the momentum had clearly shifted to the Warriors. From the mid-third quarter until the end of the game, Sanford outscored the Dragons 25-8 to wrap up the victory.

Sanford, 3-0, was led in scoring by Mitchell White with 17 points. Sheridan and Dyson each had 16, and Dexter Matthews added 10. Egerson finished with 21 points for Glasgow, while Williams had 12, and Hammond chipped in with nine.

Sheridan said experience helped his team pull out the victory.

"Everyone gets pumped up

when they play us, and every team wants to knock off Sanford, but we were able to control the second half because of our poise and maturity," he said.

The 2-1 Dragons advanced to the tournament finals by rolling over Christiana 73-34 in the first round game, and then slipping past St. Mark's in the semifinal game.

The Kappa Klassic was established by the Wilmington alumni chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. Each participating school received scholarship money, with the proceeds going to Wilmington charities.

## St. Mark's wins two in Kappa Klassic

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

It could be an intriguing season for the St. Mark's boys basketball team this season, if the first three games of the year are any indication.

The Spartans are 2-1 after playing in the Kappa Klassic basketball tournament held this year at Alexis I. DuPont High School. St. Mark's won its season opener 66-35 over host A.I. DuPont Tuesday night, but then dropped a heart-thumper Thursday to Glasgow 43-42 in overtime in the tourney's semifinal round. The team took home the third place trophy Saturday night after edging Howard 49-47.

The A.I. Tigers led early in the first game, but were unable to handle the Spartans' pressure man-to-man defense. While defense is a trademark of the St. Mark's team, the offense turned in a terrific performance, outscoring A.I. 29-2 during the first and second quarters, and then built a commanding 39-17 lead by halftime.

The Tigers made a modest run in the third quarter, by outscoring the Spartans by seven points, but were unable to maintain enough consistency on either end of the court to pull even with St. Mark's.

Jamie McCloskey, a 6-5 junior center led the Spartans with 21 points. Shannon Davis added 17, and Jason Maciey chipped in with 13. Tim Selby scored 18 points for A.I., and was the only Tiger in double figures for the game.

Thursday night's semifinal game was a nail-biting thriller, but it didn't start out that way. The Spartans trailed the Dragons early, and fell far behind 27-12 by the end of the first half thanks to a 12-0 run in the second quarter. Marc Egerson

had the hot hand for the Dragons, scoring 12 first-half points to pace Glasgow. Sean Hammond and John Pringle each had a half dozen points each at the break, while Davis and company had a cold shooting night during the first 16 minutes.

The Dragons were successful running the ball in the first half, but surprisingly, slowed down the pace in the third quarter. The move seemed to backfire, as the Spartans began to find the range.

McCloskey and Davis suddenly found their shooting touches and helped chip away Glasgow's 15-point lead.

With about 3:30 left in the game, the Spartan's McCloskey fouled out of the game, perhaps costing the team a chance to win in regulation. He finished the game with 19 points, while Davis had 16 points. Egerson finished with 17 and Marc Williams had 13.

As the clock wound down toward the end of the game, Davis nailed a three-pointer from beyond the top of the key, with four-tenths of a second left. The shot tied the score 38-38 to send the game into overtime. The basket was disputed, but the officials ruled the ball had clearly left Davis' hand before the final buzzer.

In the four-minute extra session, Williams scored all five of his team's overtime points on two shots.

The Spartans turned in another gutsy performance Saturday night to beat Howard.

The score remained close throughout much of the contest. Howard's Terron Moon nailed a shot with about two minutes remaining to tie the score at 45-45, and again tied the score at 47 one minute later.

McCloskey proved to be the hero for the game, calmly dropping four straight free throws at the end, to wrap up the victory.

## Hens can't get over hump

► HENS, from 16

Johnson, and Taylor each hitting two.

The Blue Hens were hurt by cold shooting all evening, missing their first seven shots and not getting on the board until the 14:15 mark of the first half. Delaware hit just 30.8 percent of its shots from the field (20 of 65) for the game and connected on just 7 of 30 three-pointers. Mike Ames, who entered the game with an 18-game streak of hitting at least one three-pointer, was 0 for 7 from the field, including 0 for 4 from the three-point line, and finished with just two points. Reserve guard Rulon Washington was 0 for 9 from the field, includ-

ing 0 for 5 from the three-point line.

"We did not play good basketball tonight," said Delaware head coach David Henderson. "We struggled with our perimeter game. The shots were there but did not fall. We need to shoot with more confidence and be better prepared to play. We have good shooters on this team, but we have struggled all season long from the perimeter."

After trailing 28-26 at halftime, Delaware cut the lead to one point at 32-31 on an Iversen three-pointer two minutes and 15 seconds into the second half, but the Hens could never gain a share of the lead. After Rider went back up by as much as 11 points, the

Hens fought back and cut the lead to five at 54-49 with 6:09 left. But Muniz, who nine seconds earlier had picked up a technical foul, hit an NBA range three-pointer from the top of the key with the shot clocking running down to give Rider some breathing room. Delaware never got closer than six the rest of the evening.

"This is a tough place to play," said Rider head coach Don Harnum, whose father Don Sr. was a former Delaware head coach. "I think we did a good job of taking the crowd out of the game. Our defense and rebounding were solid all night."

## Local gymnasts help Diamonds win

Christina Jones, Patty Pierson, and Sam Wirth helped the Diamond Gymnastic Team to a first place finish at the Commonwealth Cup in Fredericksburg, VA, the weekend of November 22-24. The Diamond Level 6 team finished first place with a team score of 111.025. Pierson, a seventh grader at Newark Charter School, finished first on floor (9.45), first on bars (9.125), third on vault (9.45), and seventh on the beam (9.0) to finish first place all-around (37.025). Wirth, a sixth grader at NCS, finished third all-around (35.3). She was second on bars (8.775), and fifth on floor (8.775). Christina Jones, an eighth grader at Shue-Medill, helped the Level 9 team to a first place finish by taking second place all-around (36.100). Jones was first on floor (9.5) and second on uneven bars (9.15).

Other Newark area girls also performed well at this meet. Brittney Jones, a fifth grader at Elkton Christian Academy, and Stephanie Jones, a seventh grader at Shue-Medill, finished fourth and fifth place all-around for a

Level 5 third place finish. Brittney Jones was second on bars (9.2) and fifth on beam (9.3). Stephanie Jones placed fourth on bars (8.75). Kelly Strickland, a ninth grader at Caravel Academy, finished third place all-around in Level 8 with a score of 35.600. Strickland was first in vault (9.5), fourth on floor (9.3), and fifth on beam (8.7).

The Diamond Gymnastic Team competes the weekend of December 14th-15th at the Cherry Bowl Invitational in Cherry Hill, NJ, before heading to Miami the weekend of January 10th-12th to represent Delaware in the Universal Classic at the Coconut Grove Convention Center. Level 4's will compete in their first competition on December 7th at the Harford Holiday in Joppa, Maryland.

Newark gymnasts Brittney Jones, Patty Pierson, Alexandra Zimmermann, and Kelly Strickland helped Diamond Gymnastic Athletic Association kick off another exciting season with outstanding individual performances at the KMC Fall

Frenzy in Kennett Square on November 9th and 10th. Brittney Jones, Level 5, age 10, placed 6th on vault (8.25), 1st on uneven bars (9.1), 2nd on beam (9.00) and second on floor (9.05) finishing 1st place all-around at 35.4 and leading her team to a first place finish. Patty Pierson, Level 6, age 12 and a 7th grader at Newark Charter, placed 1st on vault (9.575)-best individual performance), 2nd on bars (8.7), 7th on beam (8.1), and 1st on floor (9.3) to win first place all-around (35.675). Kelly Strickland, Level 8, age 14 and a 9th grader at Caravel Academy placed 1st on vault (9.25), 5th on bars (8.4), 4th on beam (8.15), and came in 3rd all-around with a 34.825.

Head coach Slava Glazounov, former Russian champion, coaches the Diamond Gymnastics squad along with Mary Allison Bradley, co-owner of Diamond Gymnastics, Gabby Ganesco, an alternate to the 1988 Romanian Olympic team in Seoul, Stella Hewlett, team choreographer, and Erica Bates.



# St. Mark's wrestlers prepare for big weekend

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Despite having several key wrestlers out of the lineup, St. Mark's has gotten its year off to a solid start.

The Spartans finished second in the Archbishop Curley tournament in Baltimore and crowned three champions in the Milford Invitational last week. This week the Spartans will participate in the rigorous Beast of the East at the Carpenter Center.

Pat Atkinson was the only Spartan champ at Archbishop Curley, winning the 130 pound title. However, St. Mark's had six second place finishers including

Jeremy Shaw at 103, Brian Collins at 135, Logan Kelley at 145, Kyle Skinner at 152, Andrew Jordan at 171 and Matt Axe at 189.

Other St. Mark's wrestlers that placed include Kenny Zell (second) at 215, Eddie Quinn (third at 125), Robbie DelCampo (fourth at 140) and Tim Falgowski (fourth at 160).

Shaw led a trio of Spartan champions at Milford. The freshman trailed 19-9 before pinning Milford's Jimmy Artis in the championship match.

Skinner won the 152 pound title while Andrew Jordan won the 171 weight class. Brian Willis finished second at 215.

Atkinson finished second at

130, getting upset 5-3 in the final by Hodgson's Brian Welch.

St. Mark's has wrestled the two tournaments without Andrew Bradley, Andrew Riley and Tyler Bastianelli.

"It's been a good start," said St. Mark's coach Steve Bastianelli. "We got some good matches in (at Curley) and wrestled pretty well."

The Milford tournament included most of the state's top teams and is a good prelude to the state tournament.

"There was some good teams there in Hodgson and William Penn and all of the downstate teams were there as well," Bastianelli said. And, there was some good individuals there.

They may be on teams that aren't that powerful but some of them are very good and we got a chance to see them."

The Spartans are looking forward to this weekend's Beast of the East.

"We have some guys that are

looking forward to this weekend," Bastianelli said. "Guys like Pat Atkinson, Eddie Quinn, Kyle Skinner and Brian Willis have a chance to do pretty well. It's a great tournament and a great chance for our kids to wrestle against the best."

## College tourney added to Beast schedule

### ► POST GAME, from 16

(Caesar Rodney) and Dan Rigby (Caesar Rodney) come in with a ranking in at least one of the several national rankings.

"We have some guys that are looking forward to this weekend," St. Mark's coach Steve Bastianelli said. "Guys like Pat Atkinson, Eddie Quinn, Kyle Skinner and Brian Willis have a chance to do pretty well. It's a great tournament and a great chance for our kids to wrestle against the best."

Wrestling begins Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and continues into the night Saturday. The quarterfinals will be at 9 a.m. Sunday with the semifinals beginning at 11:30

a.m. The finals are slated to begin at 5:15 p.m. Sunday.

A new feature to this year's wrestling festival will be a 16-team college tournament on Friday. The University of Delaware's club team will participate with varsity teams from Binghamton, Bloomsburg, Buffalo, The Citadel, Delaware State, Drexel, Duke, George Mason, Ohio, Old Dominion, Princeton, Rider, Virginia, Virginia Tech and Wagner.

"We've added the college teams to try and show the University of Delaware what it would be like to have a college program," Leonard said. "Hopefully, the club team will be able to compete well."

"We've had a bit of a dialogue with the university about a varsity team coming back and, hopefully, it can continue."

The college tournament begins 9:30 a.m. Friday and runs throughout the day. The finals are scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m. The Delaware Wrestling Alliance, which sponsors the tournament, also announced that former William Penn coach Jack Holloway, current executive director of the Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association, and Sheldon Thomas, a four-time state champion at St. Mark's and a NCAA champion at Clarion, will be inducted into the DWA Hall of Fame.

## Holy Angels wrestling wins two tournaments

The Holy Angels wrestling team went undefeated over the weekend and captured two tournament championships.

Holy Angels won four matches without a loss to win the St. Elizabeth Holiday Tournament Saturday.

The team beat Rehoboth Beach 73-36, St. John the

Beloved 89-9, St. Elizabeth 75-20 and Pennsville (N.J.) 84-12.

In Sunday's Tyrant Duals at Sanford School, Holy Angels knocked off Kingsway (N.J.) in the quarterfinals, 64-30, Council Rock (Pa.) 58-45 in the semifinals and the Tyrants Wrestling Club 69-35 in the championship match.

Michael Valania (55 pounds), Brandon Davis (60 pounds), Chris Keech (70 pounds) and Jarrod Garnett (80 pounds) helped lead Holy Angels by going undefeated in both tournaments.

For further information on Holy Angels wrestling, call 737-2435.

## DELAWARE WRESTLING RANKINGS

(compiled by the Delaware Wrestling Alliance)

### Teams

1. Caesar Rodney
2. St. Mark's
3. Smyrna
4. Milford
5. Laurel
6. William Penn
7. Hodgson
8. Al Dupont
9. Concord
10. Salesianum

### Individual rankings

#### 103 pounds

1. Marc Degliobizzi (Salesianum)
2. Ben Altman (Friends)
3. Jeremy Shaw (St. Mark's)
4. James Artis (Milford)
5. Marc Saylor (Laurel)
6. Joe Reyes (Wm. Penn)

#### 112 pounds

1. John Hummel (Lake Forest)
2. Mike Degliobizzi (Salesianum)
3. Nathan Flemming (Milford)
4. Sean Corea (C. Rodney)
5. Jarred Allen (Laurel)
6. Louis Cireneo (Hodgson)

#### 119 pounds

1. Jesse Wencius (A.I.)
2. Tyler Lapinski (Lake)
3. Michael Crow (Smy)
4. Ryan McLaughlin (Hodg)
5. J.L. Crooks (Wm. Penn)
6. Josh Chilcote (Milford)

#### 125 pounds

1. Brian Welch (Hodgson)
2. Eddie Quinn (St. Mark's)
3. Core Trainer (Brandywine)
4. Gregg Robinson (Polytech)
5. Andrew Lazartie (Sallies)
6. Andrew Ribbolla (Smyrna)

#### 130 pounds

1. Pat Atkinson (St. M)
2. Mike Marra (Newark)
3. Josh Abraham (Milford)
4. Rich Dondarsky (SC)
5. Joe Silvestri (Sal)
6. Tyler Jordan (A.I.)

#### 135 pounds

1. Scott Hinderer (Hod)
2. Brian Fletcher (Smy)
3. Garret Faulkner (CR)
4. DW Horsey (Laurel)
5. Brian Collins (St. M)
6. Keith Brown (Milf)

#### 140 pounds

1. Kyle Hopkins (Cape)

2. Russell Rvel (Smy)
3. Mike Grant (Al)
4. Martin Stoken (LF)
5. Todd Martin (CR)
6. Matt Jost (Mt. P)

#### 145 pounds

1. Steve Lennon (Conc)
2. Pat Blisard (Smy)
3. Josh McGregor (CR)
4. Logan Kelley (St. M)
5. Mike Brazil (Sal)
6. David Manuel (Milf)

#### 152 pounds

1. Kyle Skinner (St. M)
2. Grant Grey (Seaford)
3. Steve Wooldridge (New)
4. Dan Rigby (CR)
5. Bobby Hopkins (Cape)
6. Brandon Council (Brandy)

#### 160 pounds

1. Ben Dolph (Laur)
2. Anthony Baron (S. Tech)
3. Scott Cahall (Smy)
4. Julius Fletcher (WP)
5. Steve Crew (CR)
6. Ronnie Williamson (St. E)

#### 171 pounds

1. Andrew Jordan (St. M)
2. Anthony Davis (Brandy)
3. Mark Reynolds (CR)
4. Chris Woodall (Polytech)
5. Tim Kane (WP)
6. Mike Zulkowski (Smy)

#### 189 pounds

1. Kevin Burnett (WP)
2. Eric Williams (Con)
3. Mike McKenna (CR)
4. Lewis Day (SC)
5. Seth Riblett (Mid)
6. Steve Giorgi (Brand)

#### 215 pounds

1. Josh Cherriman (Smy)
2. Brian Willis (St. M)
3. Steve Bilbrough (CR)
4. JT Laws (WP)
5. Andrew Bradley (Cape)
6. Ken Thomas (Christiana)

#### 275 pounds

1. Larry Cylc (Hod)
2. William Wright (TH)
3. Floyd Evans (Con)
4. Bryan Robinson (CR)
5. AJ Brooks (S. Tech)
6. Brandon Baynard (Milf)

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# 'We wish you a smelly Christmas...'

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Saturday before Christmas.

The day came but it was a miserable one. There already was two to three feet of snow on the ground, and near-blizzard conditions existed.

But that wasn't the worst of it.

The temperature had plummeted to what I recall as 10 or 12 degrees below zero (Mainers would describe this as "wicked" cold).

Combine the blinding snow with the temperature and you had potentially dangerous conditions.

The Streits were not to be deterred from their family mission.

We bundled up (when you live in Maine you have the necessary cold weather gear to prevent frostbite). I grabbed my new bow saw, purchased specifically for this holiday adventure.

Out the four of us trudged into the woods. The snow was so heavy, the wind so brisk and the temperature so cold that each flake of snow felt like a pin prick on our faces. When we would look up, the snow's path was horizontal, not vertical, due to the blizzard winds. Like Clark Griswold, I led our family onward.

Our property was a forest of pine and birch trees. Our house sat on a small elevated section along the road. Our back yard sloped down to the tree line.

Thus came the first problem.

What looked like three feet of snow in the woods actually was much deeper (four feet or more) in some places.

Tyler, a preschooler at the time, was bundled so carefully to avoid frostbite that he looked like the Michelin man. With all the overcoats, snow suits, scarves and hats upon him, he barely had mobility.

As we meandered ever so slowly back into the trees looking for the perfect Christmas tree, our young son fell behind.

A few minutes later, my wife screamed in terror, "Where's Tyler?"

Looking back, we could see no trace of him. Heck, we could

hardly see at all. We began backtracking, screaming "Tyler!" Still no answer.

Finally, Mackenzie stumbled on something in the deep snow. It was Tyler. He had ventured into a snowdrift well over his head, sunk down and was happily building a snow fort. (After all, he was out of the chilling wind).

Now we proceeded holding hands. My wife, Linda, was stressed, recovering from the adrenaline rush when she thought her son was gone. Plus she was getting cold.

Mackenzie was cranky, too, as she started shivering.

Tyler quickly was getting tired of fighting his way through deep snow.

Our standards for the perfect Christmas tree plummeted. The closest pine became our choice.

Out I pulled the bow saw. I started sawing but it was difficult. The sap was thick, if not frozen, and every cut took all my strength.

The complaining continued. Tyler broke away and headed toward the house. Mackenzie followed. Linda, using her mother's need to take care of the children as an excuse, headed inside.

There I was, alone, struggling to bring the tree to its feet.

Then it happened.

The saw blade snapped.

I muttered some very un-Christmas-like words. Apparently, the frigid temperature had made the metal so brittle that it broke easily.

I trudged all the way back to the house, muttering under my breath as I noticed Linda, Mac and Tyler watching me approach without a tree. They were holding cups of hot chocolate.

I went immediately to the garage, grabbed a saw that could have cut down a giant redwood, and headed back to the tree with hope of ending this miserable experiment.

I made an executive decision. I abandoned the earlier target and cut down the first pine tree I encountered. (At that moment, I did not care that I might have to stare at the ugly tree stump from our deck for time eternal).

So much for my dream of a Currier & Ives Christmas memory.

■ ■ ■

**A footnote:** We decorated the tree that evening.

After arriving home from church the next morning, when we opened our door we were greeted by the repulsive stench of cat urine.

This was a problem because we didn't have a cat.

The odor was overpowering and permeated the air of the entire house. Despite the sub-zero temperature, we opened every window.

We later learned that a certain

variety of pine is known in Maine as a Cat Spruce. Why? This tree is odorless in a cool environment but when warmed, the sap takes on that repulsive odor.

When we figured this out, we

tossed the live tree out, decorations and all. We retrieved our artificial tree, the option we should have chosen originally.

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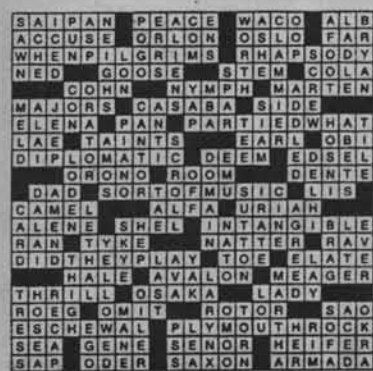
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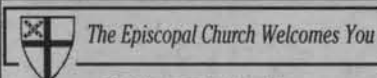


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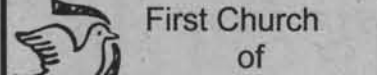
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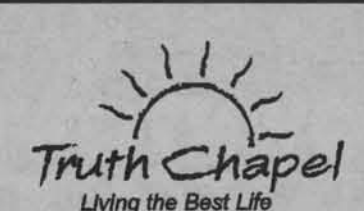
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## Thurgood Marshall Elementary offers Dolly Reed Scholarship

Graduating high school seniors this 2003 school year, who attended at least one year at Thurgood Marshall Elementary School in the Christina School District in Newark, Delaware are eligible for a \$1,000 higher education scholarship awarded by the Thurgood Marshall PTA.

The Thurgood Marshall Elementary School's Dolly Reed Memorial Scholarship will be presented to a student who demonstrates good citizenship within school and community and has earned a 2.5 GPA.

The scholarship is being awarded in memory of the late Dolly Reed, a Thurgood Marshall cafeteria worker. Dolly Reed was also a loving wife and mother of four children.

"She had a great personality," Ken Reed, her former husband, said. "She was a great mother and a good wife. I didn't know anyone who didn't like her. She always rooted for the underdog and if someone was in trouble she reached out, and not just to a person doing well."

Thurgood Marshall Elementary staff and students best remember her as a pleasant lady who served them by taking care of their needs in the school cafeteria. Dolly Reed was a sensitive, caring individual who believed that children were

important and deserved to be treated gently and with kindness.

"She was instrumental in helping kids," said Ken Reed about his former wife, who died of breast cancer eight years ago. "She loved working with kids."

Because of her service to children, the Marshall PTA has established six \$1,000 Dolly Reed Memorial Scholarships, which will be awarded this graduating year of 2003 to deserving high school students who qualify based on the proposed criteria. The scholarship is a one-year, non-renewable, non-repayable award. The Delaware State PTA scholarship committee will judge and make the final decisions.

Scholarship applications are available by either contacting Delaware High School guidance counselors, the Delaware PTA or Thurgood Marshall Elementary.

The deadline for applications to be submitted is March 15, 2003. Recipients will be notified of the award by early May. The award winner does not enter into any legal agreement to complete the college courses. The Thurgood Marshall PTA, however, hopes that the scholarship recipient will go on to earn his/her degree.

— By Eric G. Stark

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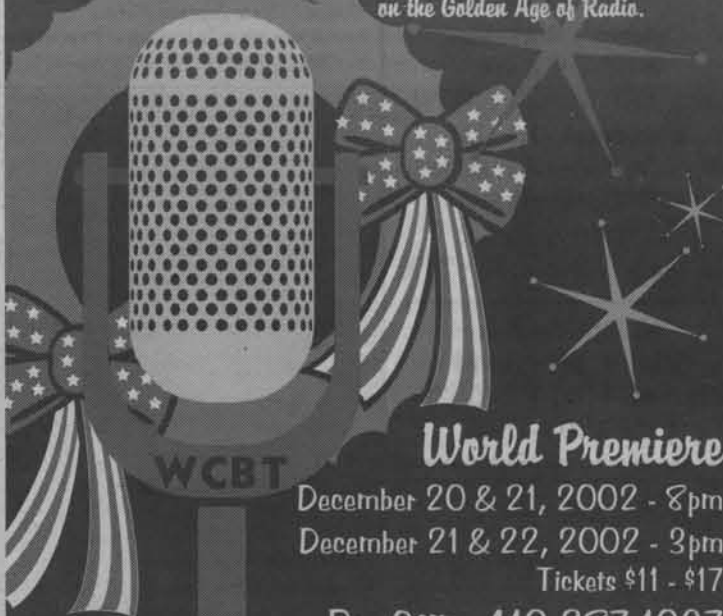
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# Runnels wears many hats in Newark

► TOM, from 8

was an obvious choice for Tom, and he became the football manager for Bob Hoffman's Yellow Jackets. His choice of the U of D wasn't surprising, either, and once more, he was a football manager. He also became a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and stays closely connected with the fraternity still.

Tom then graduated from Georgetown University Law Center, did a stint in the U. S. Army, and traveled widely-but Newark always remained his home, and he set up his legal practice here, too.

As well as having a father on the University faculty, his mother, Rebecca, served long and well in leadership and supervisory capacities in food services for the Newark Special School District,

and later for the New Castle County School District. But a man as independent as Tom could have phoned his parents and made "spot visits"; "roots" alone do not explain his affinity for Newark.

In the two very "Newark" restaurants on Main Street where we lunched, we saw diners of every age group, every profession and business, and heard several languages around us, which indicated a rich mix of ethnic and racial diversity. Obviously Tom liked that.

After our first extended conversation, we met two retired faculty members out on the street who had "meant a lot" to Tom. We waved to passing friends and acquaintances as we stood talking to his one-time mentors. "See?" is all he said. (I saw!)

In our next conversation with lunch, I brought up the ongoing

criticism by some very vocal Newarkers that the University had developed an edifice complex. Tom was more than ready for the topic, having had a recent, deeply detailed conversation on just that subject with a high-ranking University official-in a Main Street barber shop, no less! As he warmed to his task, I asked him to just summarize his position: He said, "The University knows what it's doing and why!" I told him "OK!" We moved on.

As for the college students, Tom likes them a lot and claims: "They're no better or worse than we were, but we tend to forget that!" Then he made the totally unnecessary comment that he doubted if I had been an angel when I was in college! Before I could defend my virtue, Tom explained "I chose to buy a home on West Main Street and put myself in the path of these alleged

student atrocities! That's how strongly I feel."

Tom likes the students so much that he is a member of the Delta Eta Corporation, which is trying to get the right to build a fraternity house in Newark. "It's taking a lot of our time, but it's a cause we believe in, so we're pursuing it. And, we're not discouraged."

Tom's many civic concerns have been recognized by Governor Minner, who appointed him to the Newark Housing Authority; and again, he says, "It takes a lot of time." Then he added, "It can get very frustrating because of the inevitable limitations we face, but we're working hard at it, nevertheless." (He did not sound discouraged.)

A man who uses "sin" and "evil" to explain the ways of the world as often as Tom does should probably be an active reli-

gionist, and he is: his special way of serving his church is as the president of the First Presbyterian Church of Newark's Board of Trustees. (With my background, it was not necessary for him to say it takes a lot of time. I know it does!)

We ended our conversations as they began-on Main Street. We saw and heard the diversity that Newark attracts and is becoming. I drove away, but Tom wanted to "walk off" his heavy lunch. I could see him going up the street, talking to friends waving to acquaintances, and exercising his expertise in "advanced people-watching."

Except for that completely uncalled-for remark about my undergraduate days and the alleged nonexistence of my halo, it had been a pleasure-as always.

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