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UP FRONT

The Rocky Mountain blues

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

COLORADO is so different from Delaware. The altitude had me huffing and puffing as I traipsed around Colorado Springs two weeks ago.

The low humidity made my mouth so dry I felt as though I had eaten cotton.

The sights at the Colorado State Fair in Pueblo are significantly different than those in Harrington. Yes, there were the amusement rides and sheep shearing, but I felt more like I was at a real Frontiertown, spurred by memories of that simulated Wild West amusement outside Ocean City, Md.

But I also was reminded how all college towns — east coast and west — are fighting the same problems.

If you read our weekly Police Blotter, you know that alcohol-related arrests in Newark have skyrocketed since late August. University of Delaware students have returned and police enforcement of alcohol and noise laws is fierce. The Newark Police Department, in an unusual but thought-provoking move, has issued press releases that reported that more than 100 arrests were made the first two weeks of this month.

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A GREAT DAY IN OUR COMMUNITY

Perfect weather prevailed Sunday as the City of Newark and University of Delaware improved on a popular September tradition — Community Day.

Thousands of residents, students and freshman parents poured onto the UD Green, the lawn of the Academy Building, and the Newark Shopping Center, where miniature motorcycle racing fascinated visitors.

Churches, community groups, businesses, elected officials, schools and UD student groups set up dozens of booths and displays, telling their stories and getting input from attendees.

Newark Post photographer Scott McAllister captured this collage of scenes at the Sept. 18 festival.



Police chief leaves

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THERE are a few changes happening in the city government: Chief of Police Gerald Conway will retire from the Newark Police Department and join the state as an Automated Red Light technician, starting Oct. 10, and Councilman Karl Kalbacher will become a New Castle County employee starting this week.

Conway's new position with the state will have him monitoring the state's red light cameras. He will review violations and represent the state and DelDOT in court when violators debate their ticket.

"I think it's time for a change," he said of his decision to leave. "It will do both me and the department good. This is going to be a less stressful position."

Conway has dedicated the past 27 years to the Newark Police Department.

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Costly city conduct?

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The City of Newark's decision to pursue its lawsuit against Donald M. Durkin, the original contractors of the city's reservoir, was recently blasted by U.S. District Judge Gregory M. Sleet.

While Sleet would not comment for this article, he was quoted in published reports as criticizing city officials, saying that it would have been a better use of resources to settle the matter.

However, council members disagree. Councilman Karl Kalbacher said that he stands by the decision to pursue the lawsuit.

"My perspective is that I believe that the project has been designed to be con-

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Bear man held in home invasion

NEW Castle County Police reported that they arrested Steven Drake, 37, of Bear, following a home invasion in Newark.

According to police, on Sept. 14, at 7:47 p.m., officers responded to a home in the 700 block of White Rock Road after receiving a report of a man with a gun. A female victim told police she was inside the home with her boyfriend when an armed, masked man forced his way inside.

Police surrounded the home and said a male exited the rear door of the home carrying a green nylon bag and jumped a fence. After the suspect was asked to drop to the ground, a shotgun was found inside the green bag.

According to police, the two victims soon left the house. The man had head lacerations. The woman said she had been raped.

The victims told police that two other suspects were inside the house, but upon search of the home by police, none was found.

Police said Drake was charged with rape in the first degree, robbery in the first degree, burglary in the first degree, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, wearing a disguise during the commission of a felony and felony assault.

Suspect held for home improvement scam

The Delaware State Police Financial Crimes Unit arrested Michael D. Podralski, 39, in connection with a home improvement scam.

Police said that an investigation revealed that in January, the victim contracted Podralski, owner of Tri State Garage Door Company, to install garage doors at his residence. The victim provided the suspect with a deposit and assumed the garage doors would be installed.

Police reported that after numerous attempts of contacting the suspect to have the work completed with no response, the victim contacted police.

Subsequently, detectives obtained a felony theft warrant for Podralski's arrest.

On Wednesday, Sept. 14, Podralski voluntarily turned him-

Teen falls asleep at wheel, damages plane

THE Delaware State Police is investigating a crash in which a display airplane was struck by a vehicle that left the roadway early Saturday morning.

On Sept. 17, a 1999 Nissan Altima driven by a 17-year-old Bear resident was traveling southbound on U.S. Rt. 13 in the area of the Air Transport Command Restaurant. The 17-year-old female was the only occupant of the vehicle.

Police said that she fell asleep at the wheel and veered off of the roadway across a grassy field.

After travelling about 50 feet, the front of the Nissan struck and

sheared off the left engine prop of an early 1940s, World War II, C-47 transport plane. The plane is a non-functioning, static display for the restaurant.

The plane flipped onto its right side, and its entire right wing was broken off. Estimated dollar amount damage to the plane is unknown.

The operator of the Nissan was transported to the Christiana Emergency Center where she was treated and released for neck and back pain, as well as, a laceration on her back.

The operator, who was wearing her seat belt, was cited for inattentive driving, police said.

self into State Police Detectives at Troop 2, in Newark. He was video arraigned at Magistrate Court 2 and released on an unsecured bond.

Assault on Main

Newark police are investigating an assault on East Main Street that sent a 21-year-old Lincoln University, Pa., man to Christiana Hospital.

The victim told police he was talking with his girlfriend in an alley near 63 E. Main St. at 1:48 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 19, when he was attacked by a group of white males.

Police interviewed witnesses but were hindered by the intoxication levels of some of the people that had been drinking Sunday night with the victim.

Police said the man was treated for facial and toe injuries.

Assault arrest

After police were summoned to the second floor of the Deer Park Tavern to investigate a report of an unruly patron who was attempting to start a fight, officers arrested a 26-year-old Rising Sun, Md., man on the

restaurant's parking lot.

When police arrived at 12:24 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 19, they were told by Deer Park personnel that the man had displayed a knife and issued a verbal threat.

After arresting Thomas James Covert and charging him with three counts of disorderly conduct and carrying a concealed weapon, police took him to the Newark Emergency Center for treatment of a laceration on his forehead. Police said Covert was later released pending a court appearance.

Fight over beer table

A fight that erupted inside a home in the 100 block East Cleveland Avenue ended with a 24-year-old Wilmington woman being rushed to Christiana Hospital.

Newark police were called to the home on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 3:17 p.m. and discovered the woman, possibly unconscious on the living room floor. Medical personnel soon arrived and the woman was transported to the hospital.

Witnesses told police that a fight broke out after a dispute over the ownership of a wooden

beer pong table.

The victim later told police that one of the participants struck her in the back of the neck with an aluminum baseball bat and she was also punched in the face.

The investigation is continuing, police said.

Overstays welcome

A 52-year-old New Castle man was arrested for trespassing at the Sleep Inn, 630 S. College Ave., on Friday, Sept. 16, at 8:29 p.m.

Police were called to the hotel after personnel there were unable to get a man to vacate his room.

Officers repeatedly told the man, who was confined to a wheelchair, that he would be arrested if he did not leave. Police said the man refused and was taken into custody.

During the arrest process, the man told police his back hurt but he refused treatment by the Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company ambulance personnel and transport to the hospital.

William M. Reasin was charged with trespassing and released pending a court appearance, police said.

Cash disappears

The 85-year-old resident of a home in the unit block Park Drive told Newark police on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 10:58 p.m. that a large amount of cash had disappeared from a kitchen cabinet.

Police said an investigation is continuing.

Water pump stolen

An electric water pump, valued at \$1,925, was stolen from 225 Paper Mill Road, police were told on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 2:30 p.m.

Other incidents

A bicycle valued at \$83 was stolen from 628 Lehigh Road, Park Place apartments, police were told on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 1:09 a.m. Another bike was taken from 1314 Barksdale Road during Saturday evening, Sept. 17. Police said the bike was valued at \$300.



Weekly traffic report

STATISTICS FOR SEPT. 4-10, 2005 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005	This week 2004	This week 2005
Moving	2654	2981	63	118
Non-moving	1918	1862	41	52
Total	4572	4843	104	170

PARKING SUMMONSES	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005	This week 2004	This week 2005
Meter tickets	29783	27664	784	841
Parking summonses	6258	6550	273	316
Total	36041	34214	1057	1157

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005	This week 2004	This week 2005
Fatal	1	1	0	0
Personal injury	193	206	15	4
Property damage (reportable)	360	309	19	6
Property damage (non-reportable)	374	364	20	11
Total	928	880	54	21
Hit-and-run reports	207	149	4	7
DUI cases	122	128	3	2

Will there be a swim club?

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE corner of West Park Place and South College Avenue has proven itself a troubled home for swim clubs. Two months after receiving zoning changes that allowed a for-profit swim club at the site, there is still no tenant. Before that, both the Jewish Community Center and the Young Women's Christian Association failed to succeed with a not-for-profit swim facility.

On July 11, local developer Jeff Lang asked for, and received, a slight variation from the original zoning, which allowed not-for-profit clubs. At the July hearing, Mike Ramone, who operates several local swim teams including the Delaware Swim Club, was present as a potential business partner. Yet, now that the pair has the required zoning, Ramone and Lang are considering different business opportunities.

"I have not been able to reach an agreement with him," Lang said. "But I am hoping to move forward on this in a form that is beneficial to the community."

For Lang, that would mean still using the property as a swim club, but possibly with a different tenant. He said he hopes to find an organization that would run a similar program to the one he and Ramone had planned.

Council members seemed to anticipate the project's instability at the hearing; they deed restricted the site to exclude possible uses in the future. Council members expressed concern that if they

approved the site for BL zoning, that it would open the flood doors to different uses at the site. With that in mind, council approved a restricted version of BL zoning - one that does not allow for social organizations as tenants. Groups like an Elks Lodge or Rotary Club could rent the facilities for an event, but could not run their day-to-day functions at the site.

Council's decision to make zoning changes is not affected by the conflict

between Lang and Ramone.

"[Council] did not approve the business relationship between these two," said Planning Director Roy Lopata at the council's Aug. 22 meeting. "[Council] approved the possible use of the site."

He likened this situation to a shopping center. Council members do not approve the stores that will go into the center; they approve a building and its concerned code.



PHOTO BY KAYTIE DOWLING

The former site of the JCC and YWCA still does not have a signed tenant.

Father of slain student initiates off-campus housing safety program

THE father of the University of Delaware student Lindsey Bonistall, who was raped and murdered in her Newark apartment last spring, has challenged city officials to help him kick-start a national model here for safety in off-campus housing.

After meeting earlier in the day with a group of Newark landlords, Mark Bonistall announced to the city's Town

and Gown Committee Monday that a foundation formed in his daughter's memory would initiate "Peace Outside Campus."

Before offering details, he explained that the housing safety program takes its name from one of his daughter's favorite expressions, "peace out."

The primary component of Bonistall's plan is an off-campus housing safety certification program that would be run

by the Lindsey M. Bonistall Foundation.

Landlords would be encouraged to install auto-locking entry doors, double-lock interior doors, peep holes, and locking bars for sliding glass doors. Foundation inspectors would then visit the properties to certify compliance. Bonistall said annual recertification would follow.

The program has benefits

for landlords, Bonistall said, because minimal investments could lead to higher occupancy rates and increased property values. Increased security would lead to decreased risk, he said, and maintained that certified properties, when advertised as such, would lease more quickly than others.

"If landlords go arm in arm

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Superintendent Wise makes his move

School board seeks a candidate who can keep the momentum going

Joseph Wise, school superintendent for the Christina District, made it official on Wednesday. He is going home

to Florida to be school superintendent for Duval County.

The Duval County School Board voted at a Special Session on Tuesday night to offer the job to Wise after a nationwide candidate search. Six of the Duval County School Board members reportedly traveled to Wilmington on Monday, Sept. 19, to visit the Christina School

District.

Wise went to school for 10 years in Jacksonville, Fla., and still has family there. When interviewed about the job last week, Wise indicated that returning to Florida was the top reason he considered leaving Delaware before his contract was up. "This is the school system where I grew up," Wise

said. "In addition to my family, I already have roots there in the civic, business and religious communities."

Wise has been the superintendent for the Christina School District for the past two years. In February, the school board voted to increase his salary.

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Films for all

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

MOVIES are a form of escape for Barry Schlecker. The theatre transports him from the daily grind to a land where mobsters are royal or robots churn and toil. It's a chance for him to take a moment, to stop, and just relax.

His passion started when he was an undergraduate at the University of Delaware. The State Theatre, which once stood on Main Street, was his home-away-from-the-library. Whenever he wasn't shackled up with books, he was rooted in a seat, watching "The Rebel Without A Cause."

"It was a great escape," he said, "especially during finals."

That love of the silver screen has only grown over the decades since his Blue Hen days. As he's moved through life, home towns and jobs, one thing has remained constant - an appreciation for film.

This weekend, Schlecker is brining his love affair back to where it started. He is sponsoring the first ever Newark Film Festival. The festival will start on Thursday, Sept. 22 and run through the 25.

Schlecker, and several close friends he has dubbed the "film buddies," picked out 21 top films of all times. They include classics like "Raging Bull" and relatively unheard of independent flicks like "Mysterious Skin."

"We tried to make a nice collection," he said. "We tried to get a little bit of everything."

Schlecker proves that film festivals, known for their independent movies and relatively unheard of titles, aren't just for adults with a refined film taste: They can be for kids, too.

Two Delaware schools, the Albert Einstein Academy and Newark Center for Creative Learning, will take a field trip to catch a film. AEA fifth and sixth-graders will watch "Paperclips," a movie about children studying the holocaust. Students from the NCCL will attend "Mad Hot Ballroom," one of Schlecker's personal favorites. This 2005 release follows a class of 11-year-olds learning to ballroom dance. The movie moves away from the dance and focuses on the personal growth the students venture out on.

"I didn't want the movie to end," he said. "I really wanted to find out what happens to the kids."

Other family-friendly films will be shown during the weekend as matinees. They all have early start times.

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In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

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SEED program

DELAWARE high school students graduating in June 2006 can apply for tuition help from the SEED (Student Excellence Equals Degree) Scholarship program. Signed into law by Gov. Ruth Ann Minner this month, the SEED program is for full-time students pursuing an associate's degree at Delaware Technical and Community College or the associate arts program at the University of Delaware. For info and eligibility, visit www.doe.state.de.us/.

Health services

A registered nurse is on duty in all Delaware public schools. School nurses provide first aid care for children who are injured or become ill. In all cases of injury or illness, every effort is made to contact the family. In emergencies, the child may be sent directly to an emergency treatment center, with parent notification being made as soon as possible. Be sure to have updated contact information on file at your child's school. If a parent is expected to be away from home or work for the day, send alternate contact information to the child's teacher.

Happy Birthday, Band-Aid

Sept. 24, 1921 is remembered as the birthday of every child's friend — the Band-Aid. When accident-prone Josephine Dickson married a man who worked for Johnson and Johnson, her husband had an idea to help with her many cuts. He sat down with some tape and gauze and a pair of scissors. Then he cut the tape into strips and stuck a little square of gauze in the middle of each strip. From then on, whenever Josephine had an accident, ready-made bandages were on hand for her use. Johnson and Johnson started selling them on a small scale. In 1924 the company installed machines for mass producing new much-needed and never-be-without product, and the name Band-Aid was adopted.

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

THE parking lot at 300 Executive Dr. sits empty right now, but in six weeks it will be full of contractors' trucks, providing the Christina School Board gives its final approval for the district's newest 160,000 square foot middle school. Preliminary approval was given by the district's Board of Education last week. The final vote is scheduled to take place in October.

Since March 1, when the sale of the property in Pencader Business Park was completed for \$12.8 million, Kelli Racca, director of facilities services for Christina, has been chomping at the bit to get started on the transformation of the Green Building. Previously occupied by Astro Power, a Newark-based company that designed and built solar panels, the building was used by its former owner for administrative purposes only for six months. The 100,000 square foot warehouse area was never touched. Administrative staff moved out leaving all the furniture and fixtures in place. It is in pristine condition.

So far the furniture and office partitions have been removed or dismantled for future use throughout the district. The attractive



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO

This year's Christina Expo will be held Nov. 6 in the energy efficient, technologically advanced building in Pencader Business Park on Rt. 896, which is slated to be the new middle school. Construction will begin the following week, with the target of August 2006 for 800 students to move in.

reception area with sunburst tile, colorful carpeting, curved walls, futuristic light fixtures and many windows with solar panels will remain in tact, leaving as much of the character of the building in tact as possible, said Racca.

The warehouse space and part of the second floor will be fitted to approximately 30 classrooms, cafeteria, auditorium and gym, to accommodate 800 students initially but allow for expansion to 1,200 in future years.

A library will wrap around the upper level overlooking the main reception area. Colorfully painted lockers in the men's and women's

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Fit bodies, fit minds

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

THE students, staff and parents of John R. Downes Elementary School are not taking a back seat to fitness. A full schedule of physically challenging activities will start off their school year. Added to the benefit of getting some exercise will be the opportunity to help another school in need.

The third annual Walk to School Day will be held Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 8 a.m. with parents, administrators and local dignitaries being invited to join Downes' walkers in a three-quarter-mile hike from Handloff Park on Barksdale Road to the school on Casho Mill Road. After a brief ceremony on the playground, the students will start this year's school-wide Lt. Governor's Fitness Challenge with laps around the walking

track.

Coordinated by Downes' physical education teacher Deborah Wilson, the walk will be the kick-off to the school's fitness program, Trek Across America. During the school year students walk the track as part of a recess fitness activity. Laps are counted and converted into miles, charts are kept in the classrooms and mileages are posted in the gym. This year's "destination" is Africa.

As students complete laps they will have a special card punched that will allow them to earn special prizes, including a photo ID card from the Newark Police.

The school's first Health Fair will be held Saturday, Oct. 15, with more than 35 vendors, including golf and soccer pro's, a climbing wall, bike rodeo and the No Name Band scheduled to perform. A 5K run/walk/bike will



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO

Incorporating physical activities into the students' daily routines is the goal of Downes physical education teacher Deborah Wilson. The school will kick off their fitness program with the annual Walk to School day on Oct. 5.

begin at 9 a.m. at Downes School and follow the city's Turkey Trot course.

Proceeds from tee-shirts for the Walk and raffle prizes for the Health Fair will go to Downes'

sister school, Beech Elementary in Pascagoula, Miss., which was leveled by Hurricane Katrina.

When the weather turns cold

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Downes community gets fit, supports sister school in Pascagoula

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or wet, students, staff and parents can work out in the only fitness room in any elementary school in the Christina School District.

Now in its second year, the fitness room includes a treadmill, elliptical, recumbent bike, trampolines, weight bench, stability balls and a stepper. The floors are padded to prevent injury. New

this year is a Stay Cool dance pad by Play Station II where students follow stepping patterns on a TV monitor and create the same pattern with their feet. The steps get increasingly harder and faster, making the dancers follow directions, keep a rhythm and count at the same time.

Last year the fitness room was used for more than 360 hours by staff, parents and specially identi-

fied students.

Downes also participates in a Safe Routes to School program, with incentives for more students to walk to school rather than ride the bus or be dropped off by parents.

Wilson's goal is to encourage more students as well as family members to incorporate physical activity as part of a regular fitness routine for life.

Final approval for new middle school expected in October

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en's rooms, which have never been used, wait for students' gym clothes.

Constructed in 2001, the building utilizes environmentally friendly materials in its construction. Large windows and skylights allow for natural light. It will be the first LEED (Leadership for Energy excellence in Design) building used as a school in the state.

"We've been working with the interior's person to make sure we are using the building appropriately," said Racca.

Because it is a technologically advanced building and large enough, Racca sees the facility as having a lot to offer the staff and students who will occupy it, especially more wireless labs.

"It has a fresh design and fresh space," said Racca. "It's a building that is carpeted and has a

professional level in its environment."

Tetra Tech, Inc. is the architect with Whiting Turner as the construction manager.

Racca doesn't see any major scheduling problems for the construction once it begins since everything is already under roof and the HVAC system is working.

The only challenge she sees is with the budget. Funds were approved in a 2001 referendum, but since then costs have gone up nearly 50 percent. Construction is estimated to cost \$6 million.

The school is expected to open in August 2006, coinciding with the district's plans to open Bancroft School in Wilmington as a middle school. This will expand the district's middle schools from three to five, including Shue-Medill, Gauger-Cobbs and Kirk.

Racca expects changes in Bancroft school to come along in the same direction as the

Pencader school and similar initiatives to open up for all the middle schools. At the same time, the middle school curriculum is aligning itself with the high school level, making Christina's middle schools more enticing than ever.

The goal of August 2006 is to have elementary schools be preK to fifth and middle schools include sixth, seventh and eighth grades. Realignment of school attendance boundaries and the opening of a new elementary school are all scheduled to occur at that time.

This year's Christina Expo will be held at the Pencader middle school site on Sunday, Nov. 6, with the public invited to see the interior before construction begins the following week.

"We want to make sure we do this right," said Racca. "It will all come together in the fall, then we'll be off and running with double shifts."

Bonistall details plan

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with the foundation, we'll accomplish our goal," Bonistall said.

The New Yorker said the foundation has kept its program simple. The first step is an internal audit of the off-campus property to determine non-compliant safety items. After 60 days is allowed for corrections, foundation personnel would conduct reinspections and issue certifications.

Bonistall called the Town and Gown Committee "the perfect forum to enact change because everybody's here," noting that university, city and police personnel, students and landlords sit on the panel.

He also noted that Certified Off-Campus Housing Program is underway. "We already have ID'd participating landlords and housing complexes," Bonistall said, noting the next steps are ascertaining needed resources, then beginning the certification inspections.

Next week, the Newark City Council is expected to allocate \$25,000 for grants to assist landlords with upgrading locks in off-campus student housing.

Bonistall said he understands that his daughter's death came during a random act of violence. "The safety and security of residents in Newark is not in question," he said. Through the

foundation's off-campus housing certifications, "we want to give parents and students in off-campus housing help" to live in a safe environment, he said.

Bonistall said he has been working closely with UD, city and public safety officials in recent months as he developed the off-campus safety program.

"And I'll be spending a lot of time here," he told Town and Gown members, as the foundation initiates the certification program.

With a new mission, increased membership and new meeting schedule, the City of Newark's Town and Gown Committee began a new chapter when it convened Monday.

The city council recently expanded the composition of the committee, an effort to increase a wider representation of stakeholders in city-university issues. Students affairs officials from the university, a Newark landlord and UD graduate and undergraduate students now sit on the panel.

This week, the committee reelected Smith as chair and agreed to create a number of working subcommittees that would expand the panel's programming and events, visibility, communication with city residents and students, and identify sources of funding for expanded programs.

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Do you speak English?

By ALFRED GRUBER

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

AN old man with a dog is a walking encyclopedia of local knowledge often accosted by lost drivers. Invariably it starts, "Sir, could you tell me where Xenopolis is located?" Or, "How do I get to Delmar?" Here are a few such episodes mostly without a dog.

Scene 1. At the Perkins Restaurant checkout counter, a couple is asking the cashier how to get to Longwood Gardens.

The puzzled cashier never heard of Longwood Gardens.

Having been there multiple times, I volunteer. Then I realize my route is over back roads and like many Delawareans, I am fuzzy on road numbers.

I explain my dilemma to the lovely North Carolina couple and they agree to listen carefully. Off and on all day, I wondered?

Scene 2. On West Main Street just across that malignant railroad crossing next to the Deer Park Hotel, an SUV is pulled over.

The driver alights and in a heavy German accent asks how to get to Atlantic City? Hoo Boy!

He sees I'm perplexed as I consider how to get him turned about. When I begin an attempt he obviously is bewildered also.

Being fluent in kitchen German (like, pass the wine please) I ask how he got into Newark. The poor man is so relieved and we chat along in broken English and German.

It is then I notice an oil puddle spreading under the rental vehicle. Now I must get him to a garage. I remember the TEXACO station on Elkton Road does repairs and direct him over the Apple Road bridge spelling T-E-X-A-C-O. A couple of days later I notice it is no longer TEXACO.

Scene 3. On West Main Street near the country club a lost soul is asking my friend how to get to Wilmington?

The car is pointed west.

My friend tells him he must reverse course. The lost driver loudly disagrees.

My friend growing irritated quietly advises him to keep on his way and in two days he should be in St. Louis; then, drive east to Wilmington.

Scene 4. My uncles ran a garage/filling

■ Retired after 32 years with Dupont, the writer also was a Christmas tree farmer for 25 years. He is a member of the Scribblers group at Newark Senior Center and has lived in Newark for four decades.

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station on a one-way street in Fort Lee, N.J., just off the George Washington Bridge. Saturday was the day for lost motorists going to the Palisades Amusement Park. They would stop and shout, "Which way to Palisades Park?"

After a while the uncles, getting fed up with the interruptions, would give the most ludicrous directions to nowhere. I asked if they were afraid an enraged driver would return. "They'll never find their way back" was the reply.

Scene 5. In a 19-foot boat out of Sabine Pass, TX, in the Gulf of Mexico, we are heading for the Eighteen Mile Lighthouse for a morning's fishing, when we see a weary-looking shrimp boat rolling in the small waves. There is no sign of life.

As we motor closer, a ragged figure drags itself up from below and hollers, "Hey man, where I am?" We tell him he is eight miles off Sabine Pass, TX.

"OK," he bellows and returns to his bunk. It's hard to believe these independent shrimpers travel around with no navigation. They often get arrested for operating in Mexican waters where the shrimping is usually excellent.

A few weeks later a similar thing happens. Two guys in a small motorboat are pushing as hard as they can in the water conditions trying to intercept us. We stop. One shouts, "Which way to the Eighteen Mile Light?" I yell the compass course over to them. "Forget that, just point." This, out of sight of everything excepting water and sky.

Scene 6. I have been to Germany several times. Invariably, on each trip someone will come up and say, "Do you speak English?"

I always answered in the affirmative and then, being a tourist myself, couldn't offer directions.

On the third visit I hit upon a different response. To the expected question, I replied, "A little." Then we discussed the problem and always they said in parting, "My, you speak English well, where are you from?"

"New York" was my response.



Gruber

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week, "Out of the Attic" features a photograph of a Newark roadway, possibly Main Street, taken in the the 1890s or early 1900s, courtesy of the University of Delaware Archives. UD's Ian Janssen noted that the photo shows the dirt streets that existed in Newark in the early years of the 20th century. The installation of pipe work, shown here, was necessary prior to any street paving. "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 through the years

■ Sept. 25, 1930 Enrollment record set

Convocation exercises at the University of Delaware on Monday marked the beginning of what promises to be the best year in the history of the institution.

It brought to the University the largest joint freshman class in its history and finds the institution in best physical shape it has ever been in.

With the addition of new buildings during the year costing about \$800,000 the value of this state property has been materially increased and the equipment is also in excellent shape.

The academic proces-

sion was formed at the Women's College and marched to Mitchell Hall. Firmin Swinnen played the processional on the great pipe organ and also gave selections during the exercises.

Delaware gives Penn hard fight

Delaware University's young, inexperienced football team gave a powerful Penn team a good fight in a practice scrimmage held at Cape May Saturday afternoon before the largest crowd of the season. Playing under a warm sun both teams suffered from the heat. Only an ocean breeze made it livable for the players.

With Harry A. Mackey, Mayor of Philadelphia, Thomas S. Gates, new president of the University of Pennsylvania and Dr. Walter Hullihen, president of the University of Delaware, among the spectators the two elevens bat-

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"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.

Colorado colleges could learn a lot from Delaware

► UP FRONT, from 1

Therefore it was with great interest when I came upon a section-front story in Denver's *Rocky Mountain News*.

The well-researched and well-written piece details the efforts and challenges faced by officials in Fort Collins, Colo., home of Colorado State University, and in Boulder, where the flagship campus of the University of Colorado is located.

On and around both campuses, student leaders, administrators and police have launched a myriad of attacks aimed at curbing alcohol abuse.

CSU is a land grant university, like UD, with 25,000 students; UC Boulder has about 24,000.

The facts that sparked the initiatives out west are as sobering as the death here one year ago of 18-year-old Rachel Payne, the University of Delaware freshman who was struck by a CSX freight train at 3:25 a.m.

The Connecticut woman was returning from a fraternity party. A subsequent toxicology report listed her blood-alcohol content

at .236, nearly three times the legal limit. She had called friends earlier saying that she was lost.

In Fort Collins, CSU sophomore Samantha Spady died of alcohol poisoning after a long night of drinking at parties around town.

Two weeks later, CSU freshman Gordon Bailey succumbed to alcohol poisoning.

Spady and Bailey died within two weeks of the tragedy here in Newark.

My 20-year-old son attends college in Colorado. The U.S. Air Force Academy is the antithesis of a party school but officials there, too, are struggling to deal with underage drinking.

Here's a news flash: Air Force officials discovered that the sexual abuse scandals that have tarnished the 50-year-old Academy's reputation involved underage and excessive alcohol consumption. Their response: Crack down harder at a military academy that already strictly enforces every rule, no matter how minor.

It is impossible to measure how enforcement succeeds as prevention. But, like here in Delaware, and in Fort Collins and Boulder,

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the Academy sees an increase in alcohol incidents and little, if any slow down in underage binge drinking.

The *Rocky Mountain News* sent reporters out into the streets of Fort Collins and Boulder. Even though the fraternities where Spady and Bailey died since have been forcibly disbanded, stricter alcohol sanctions are in place and student education programs increased, the party-to-the-hilt attitude prevails.

One student boasted to a reporter that he tears up and discards any alcohol education fliers and added, “I haven't seen anyone pay any attention to them.”

Another freshman detailed her plans for the weekend nights. “I definitely drink to get drunk,” she said, “a lot.”

Apparently, the UC interim chancellor Phil DiStefano is in denial. He told the *News*, “I think the initiatives we put in place have had a positive effect on alcohol consumption by our students.”

In Newark and in Colorado, the lesson to be learned from the deaths of Payne, Spady and Bailey – be careful with alcohol – frequently does not compute

with freshmen who feel invincible with newfound independence and freedom.

Lucky for us, Newark is light years ahead of their Colorado counterparts.

During the two weekends when Newark police made more than 200 alcohol-related arrests, UC police issued 17 tickets to minors during the first weekend of the fall semester compared to six the same weekend one year earlier.

But, more significant, we have a decade of focused, coordinated and well-funded efforts to fight binge drinking, attacking on all fronts.

Officials claim progress but

sometimes it's hard to believe the statistics when September rolls around in Newark. However, the anti-binge drinking effort must continue.

The president of the University of Delaware had the guts 10 years ago to admit an alcohol problem here while his peers declined to do so, fearing negative PR. David Roselle has assured us that the on-campus fight will continue.

But the demise of the Building Responsibility Coalition after foundation funding ended this year worries me. Its campus-community approach kept us all on the same page, working strategically for the same goals.

CSU and UC could learn a lot, I suspect, from UD.

Whether the anti-binge drinking efforts are successful or not here in Delaware or on other campuses, we must not stop trying. We – college officials, citizens and parents – must do whatever we can to save our children from the fate of Rachel Payne, Samantha Spady and Gordon Bailey.

2000: Charter has a site

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tled through 48 minutes of play.

■ Sept. 24, 1980

Gripes to be aired

Opponents of the proposed College Square Shopping Center are preparing for a full-scale war with the center's designers at next Tuesday's Planning Commission meeting.

The planning commissioners approved the plan and sent it on to city council only to have it returned for further study.

Neighbors of the proposed shopping center, which would be built on the Dameron tract across from the Newark Free Library, have vigorously opposed the plan.

Community enjoys its day

Approximately 20,000 people attended Sunday's Newark Community Day, which was a rip-roaring success.

So much so, in fact, that “with success comes its own unique set of problems,” said David Fitzgerald, City of Newark director of Human Services.

By problems in dealing with success, Fitzgerald said, “Community Day has evolved into such a giant in the past few years that now we attract people from outlying areas.”

■ Sept. 22, 2000

Site proposed for school

The City of Newark has received plans for a proposed annexation of the former head injury facility on Independence Way as a possible site for the Newark Charter School.

According to information provided by the city, the owner of the property plans to use the site for the school as well as a nursing care facility.

But, Newark Charter School director Gregory Meece said the school board is not currently involved in the proposal. “We talked to the owners of the property six months ago and we're still interested,” Meece said.

Bus service by December

Starting next month, buses will be en route between New Castle County and Cecil County, providing residents with interstate transportation that has never been offered in this region before.

Buses will travel the Elkton-Newark route every 40 minutes, from 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. each weekday. They will take passengers down Elkton Road to Rt. 4, onto S. College Avenue and then Delaware Avenue to Rt. 72, then Ogletown Road, and finally turning around and making their way up Main Street and back to Elkton for another go-around.

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OUTLOOK

Having dinner with your teen?

By CINDY GENAU

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

LAST week my husband and my son celebrated their respective birthdays. My husband probably didn't want to be reminded of getting older. But when it comes to my son, we are happy to watch him mature and I know he enjoys the freedom of being older.

Birthdays also give us a chance to celebrate being a family just by having dinner together.

When my children were younger, I kept up a tradition that my mom started. On a birthday, we were allowed to pick our favorite meal for my mom to prepare. I did the same for my boys. Now that my children are older, many times they choose to eat out at a restaurant. The best part of the tradition --- at home or at a restaurant --- is that we have quality time to spend with each other and sometimes this includes our sons' friends. I just read an article that made me realize this tradition of having dinner together is more than a celebration --- it is a proven prevention method.

The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse has a website that states their 10-year research shows consistently that "the more often children eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs." In 2001, as a result of this research, CASA started "Family Day - A day to eat dinner with your children." It is a national effort that is simply promoting parents to engage their children, which has proven effective in reducing substance abuse by teens.

A 2004 teen survey conducted

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Research debunks myth about 1849 student death

IN 1848, a trip by seven Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian students from Eagletown, Okla., to the University of Delaware, then known as Delaware College, took 52 grueling days on horseback, horse-drawn wagon, steamboat and stagecoach.

Six of the students, the first American Indians known to enroll at UD, later transferred to other schools, but one of them, William Howell, died while he was still at Delaware College and was buried at the Methodist Cemetery on New Street in Newark. His death was long believed to have been caused by a fall down a flight of stairs, but Judith Pfeiffer, a local historian who has been researching the story of the Indians at Delaware College since she read about Howell's death and found his unkempt gravesite in early 2004, recently uncovered new information that shows that Howell died of flu.

The young men, six Choctaws and one Chickasaw, joined Delaware College at the behest of Peter Perkins Pitchlynn, who was part Choctaw and became a lifelong advocate for justice for displaced Indians by negotiating with the U.S. government, Pfeiffer said.

"The trail that led from a weathered tombstone in a Newark cemetery to relatives of a young Choctaw student who attended Delaware College as part of an experiment in education began with a few lines in an old publication," Pfeiffer said.

Pfeiffer said she was doing research in the UD Archives for a book when a statement written by William Ditto Lewis, who served at UD as head librarian and later as an archivist, caught her attention. According to Lewis, Howell died from a broken back after he was pushed down the stairs at Old College.

"The challenge was clearly how to find out the truth about William's untimely death and, more importantly, how he came to be here and if he was the only Choctaw student on campus in 1849," Pfeiffer said. "The intent to harm or murder a fellow student just did not seem credible."

After months of research, with assistance from UD Archives staff, Pfeiffer pieced together the history of the Choctaw and Chickasaw students' arrival

at Delaware College and, most importantly, discovered that Howell actually died of flu.

After Howell fell ill on Feb. 24, 1849, then-President James Patriot Wilson wrote a letter to Commissioner of Indian Affairs W. Medill and stated that the "most promising of all the Indian youths" was weakened from influenza. The president wrote that Howell was given good care in the last four weeks before his death on Saturday, March 17, 1849.

R.D. Folsom, a lawyer in Washington, D.C., who lives in Arlington, Va., and is a great-great-great-grandson of Peter Perkins Pitchlynn, whose son, Lycurgus Pitchlynn, was one of the Choctaws in Howell's group, said Pfeiffer's findings were a pleasant surprise. Folsom's daughter, Emily, graduated from UD with a degree in English and Spanish in 2001.

"Research like this is good for Delaware students and the University community to know about the rich and diverse history of the University," Folsom said. "You can imagine the surprise it caused for me and Emily to know that she had been preceded to the University by a direct ancestor! As a student of history myself, I see the value of this sort of research and revelation. It is helpful to a better understanding of what the University stood for in its early years and what it can be in the future."

"I did not know that I had a Choctaw relative [who] went to UD until I bought my father a book on the history of UD one Christmas and he read about him and told me," Emily Folsom, who works as a magazine advertising coordinator in Falls Church, Va., said. "I had a very positive experience at the University of Delaware, and, while I didn't happen to know any other Choctaws/Chickasaws while I was there, I made a lot of very good friends."

"It's unfortunate that until now literature has rarely focused on the history of American Indians," Emily Folsom said. "Their stories and their perspective are a very valuable part of American history."

The Folsoms learned about Pfeiffer's research through a letter that she sent to the Choctaw



Local historian Judith Pfeiffer has been researching the story of Native American students at Delaware College since early 2004.

newspaper seeking information about Howell and the other student who joined UD with him.

"I did not know that Howell was buried in Newark," R.D. Folsom said. "I'm glad she researched the story because it sheds light on an interesting part of American history and of the Choctaw tribe. It also reveals a lot about the tribal leaders at the time, especially Peter Pitchlynn."

According to R.D. Folsom and Pfeiffer's findings, the most notable of the young Delaware students was Allen Wright, who went on to graduate from Union College and Union Theological Seminary, become a Presbyterian minister, chief of the tribe and named the state of Oklahoma--land of the red man. One of his direct descendants, also named Allen Wright, is a friend of R.D. Folsom.

"Allen Wright translated the laws of the Chickasaw Nation from English into their native language. He compiled a Choctaw dictionary for use in tribal schools, and he translated the book of Psalms from Hebrew into Choctaw," Pfeiffer said.

R.D. Folsom said the Choctaw tribal leaders decided to send their children to school because

they recognized very early the importance of an education in order to compete with the white man.

"It's nice to reflect that these ill-prepared, rough-hewn young men of

Indian ancestry from America's frontier West could come to Delaware, a place they probably had no idea even existed, and would grow from the experiences they had at UD. It would be great to know what they thought of Delaware, what they learned about life while there, as well as from the books."

Pfeiffer said she hopes that the memory of the Choctaw and Chickasaw students can be preserved and that student organizations can help maintain Howell's gravesite.

"I have received permission from the relatives to put a new stone at the foot of the old weathered gravestone. The cost will be around \$500," Pfeiffer said. "I'm trying to figure out the best way to raise money, and I have been told that the fraternities would probably like to do this, since the Choctaw lad was a member of one of the two early literary societies."

Newark Symphony Orchestra season begins Oct. 30

YOUR attention, please. It's time for "Toman's Test For Today." Are you all set? Here we go with a music question. What do the composers Massenet, Tchaikovsky, Bizet, Strauss, Chabrier and Respighi all have in common? Think before you answer.

All those great composers, and more, have works performed in the 2005-06 season of the Newark Symphony Orchestra. And that is only part of the excitement. But, I must not get ahead of myself. Giving chronology its due, let's start at the beginning.

The season gets underway on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 7:30 p.m. in Loudis Hall with a program Maestro Roman Pawlowski calls "The Pride of Britain." The program will open with John Ireland's "Epic March," (one can almost see the Union Jack blowing in the wind) and conclude with Arnold Bax's "Spring Fire Symphony."

The major work on the first program is Sir Edward Elgar's Cello Concerto. Joining the NSO for this work will be the outstanding Romanian cellist, Ovidiu Marinescu. This season he will perform the same work with the Kiev Philharmonic in

THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

Ukraine and with his brother on the podium he will reprise it with the National Radio Orchestra of Romania. His discography includes the complete works of Miaskovsky with the Russian Philharmonic Orchestra.

Part of the news of this year's season is the venue of performance. Usually the NSO performs all of its concerts in the Anthony Loudis Recital Hall located in the Amy E. du Pont Music Building on the campus of the University of Delaware. This year the orchestra will add one location, the Independence School on Paper Mill Road just north of its intersection with Pike



Left: University of Maryland-trained soprano Helen Huse Ralston. Right: The outstanding Romanian cellist Ovidiu Marinescu.

Creek Road.

"Sweet Suites" is the title given to the school concert which will begin at 3 p.m. on Dec. 18. It will include Jules Massenet's "Scenes Alsaciennes," Peter Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite," Malcom Aronld's "Scottish Dance Suite" and Georges Bizet's "L'Arlesienne Suite."

The symphony will be back in Loudis Recital Hall for the third concert set for March 12 at 7:30 p.m. The complicated and richly painted music of Richard Strauss will occupy the whole program in March. One of my favorite of the Strauss tone poems leads off

the night, "Don Juan." The evening will end with Strauss' "Aus Italien."

The famous song cycle "Last Four Songs" will find American soprano Helen Huse Ralston performing with the NSO. I am delighted with this choice. She has a commanding stage presence and is equally at home in the deeply moving and superbly rich "Tristan und Isolde" as she is in the delightfully comedic "Gianni Schicchi." She is a graduate of the University of Maryland with both a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Music degrees.

The final program at Loudis is

on May 21, at 7:30. The first work will be Emmanuel Chabrier's "Espana Rhapsody" and the final work Ottorino Respighi's "Church Windows." No one yet knows the other two works or who the soloists will be -- and that's just fine!

The two "mystery" works and guest soloists will be the result of the Annual Newark Symphony Orchestra Youth Competition. One performer will be from the high school level and one from the college level. The competition will be held Nov. 16 at the Tower Hill School in Wilmington.

I will be sharing information about the winners and the works to be performed later. But you may want to mark that date now as a "must attend" for the whole family. This concert gives an opportunity for the youngsters in your family to see other youths perform great music.

Tickets for individual concerts or for the whole season are now available. Season tickets for students are \$28; for seniors, \$38 and general admission, \$48. You may write the NSO at P. O. Box 7775, Newark, Del. 19714 or call 369-3466.

'The more often children eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs'

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ed by CASA indicated that teens whose families almost never ate dinner as a family were 72 percent more likely than the average teen to use illegal drugs, cigarettes and alcohol.

Teens whose families almost always ate dinner together were 31 percent less likely than the average teen to engage in substance abuse.

CASA's research states that, "Frequent family dining is also correlated with doing well in school and developing healthy eating habits.

This pattern holds true regardless of a teen's sex, family structure and family socioeconomic level."

Family Day takes place on the fourth Monday of each September. In 2005, "Family Day" is being celebrated in Delaware and across the country. In fact, Delaware's Governor Ruth Ann Minner and Lieutenant Governor John C. Carney, Jr., have signed a proclamation declaring Sept. 26 "Family Day - A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children." The University Schools Alliance, Partners in Prevention, University of Delaware Center for Drug & Alcohol Studies, has created

partnerships with 50 restaurants throughout Delaware to participate in "Family Day" by offering discounts varying from 10 to 50 percent. At least ten of the restaurants are in Newark and include some of my local favorites. To view the list of participating restaurants, print a "Family Day" coupon, and see a list of other free USA events, visit their website at www.udel.edu/usa.

The Family Day website at <http://www.casafamilyday.org/> lists the "Ten Steps Parents Can Take to Prevent Teen Substance Abuse," and "The Signs and Symptoms of Substance Abuse." I'd like to share with you their "Ten Benefits of Frequent Family Dinners." Teens that have frequent family dinners: are at half the risk for substance abuse compared to teens who eat with their

families less frequently; are less likely to have friends who use illicit drugs; have lower levels of tension and stress in the home; are more likely to say that their parents are proud of them; have better grades; are stable emotionally and have positive relationships; have healthier eating habits; are at lower risk of suicide; and are less likely to try marijuana or have friends who use marijuana.

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EXHIBIT 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Runs till July 31, 2006. "Centuries of Progress: American World's Fairs, 1853-1982." \$5 adults, \$2 children 6-14, free under 6. Hagley Museum and Library, Route 141, Wilmington. Info., 658-2400.

HAWK COUNT 1 - 3 p.m. Runs till November 18. Watch as hawks travel between their breeding grounds and their winter residences. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info., 398-6900.

GALLERY TOURS 1 - 3 p.m. Runs Thursday through Sunday till September 30. Victoria Wyeth, Daughter of Andrew Wyeth, will guide tours through the work of her father and uncle Jamie Wyeth. \$8 for adults. \$5 for seniors, students and children 6-12. Free to children under 6 and Conservancy members. Brandywine River Museum, Route 1, Chadds Ford. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

ART EXHIBIT 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday. 12 - 4 p.m. Sunday. Closed Monday. Runs till October 8. Artwork from collage and assembly show. The Newark Arts Alliance, 100 Elkton Rd. Info., 266-7266.

LECTURE 10 a.m. "The Chemical Interface in Microelectronics," with Thomas F. Kuech. 102-103 Colburn Lab, Academy Street. Info., 831-2543.

STROLL IN THE VALLEY 1 p.m. Join a leisurely stroll and mild exercise. Meeting House, White Clay Creek State Preserve, Landenberg, Pa. Info., 610-274-2471.

LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. performer to be announced. No cover charge. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St. Info., 266-6993 or visit www.homegrowncafe.com.

SATURDAY

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MUSICAL THEATER PERFORMANCE 2:30 p.m. Zim Zemarel Orchestra will perform. \$14 adults, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 6-15, free under 6. Special Events Pavilion, Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square. Info., 610-388-1000 or visit www.longwoodgardens.org.

FOOTBALL 7 p.m. University of Delaware will play Holy Cross. Delaware Stadium, David M. Nelson Athletic Complex, S. College Avenue. Info., 831-4367.

HARVEST MARKET 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Runs Saturdays and Sundays till November 6. Regional artisans will showcase their crafts. \$8 for adults. \$5 for seniors, students and children 6-12. Free to children under 6 and Conservancy



BEE-A MAZED AT LONGWOOD

Located outdoors in Longwood's Idea Garden and inspired by honeybees, the Bee-aMazed Children's Garden offers young visitors yet another way to have fun at Longwood. Children can participate in fun activities like "Inside the Hive," and "Bee Boogie." Be sure to check out the Honeycomb Maze, the Flower Fountain and the Buzz Trail. The outdoor children's garden is now open. Call 610-388-1000 for more information. Admission to Longwood Gardens is \$14 for adults, \$6 for children ages 6 - 15 and free for those under 6.

members. Brandywine River Museum, Route 1, Chadds Ford. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

FALL MIGRANT BIRDING 8 a.m. Join a group to see what birds are in the area. Meeting House, White Clay Creek State Preserve, Landenberg, Pa. Info., 610-274-2471.

LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. John Reda will perform. No cover charge. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St. Info., 266-6993 or visit www.homegrowncafe.com.

LOIS YOUNG SHOW 10:30 a.m. The theme for this show is "Astro Kids Go to the Moon." Children should wear "moon-cheese" green or dress as an astronaut. Bring a stuffed puppy or rubber ducky. \$6. The New Century Club of Newark, Delaware Avenue and Haines Street. Info., 456-9227 or www.loisyoung.com.

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FUNDRAISER YARD SALE 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Help save historic Christina School 111-C. Christina Community Center, 50 N. Baltimore Pike, Christina. Info., 738-0914.

SUNDAY

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HISTORY OF MEETING HOUSE 2 p.m. Join for a program describing the history of the meeting house. Meeting House, White Clay Creek State Preserve, Landenberg, Pa. Info., 610-274-2471.

COLLECTIBLE SHOW 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sports cards, comic books, NASCAR and more. \$2 adults. Free to children under 12. Aetna Fire Hall, 400 Ogletown Rd. Info., 559-7962 or visit www.a2zshows1.com.

MUSICAL THEATER PERFORMANCE 2:30 p.m. Daniel Keheo will perform. \$14 adults, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 6-15, free under 6. Chimes Tower, Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square. Info., 610-388-1000 or visit www.longwoodgardens.org.

MONDAY, SEPT. 26

AAUW MEETING 7:30 p.m. The speaker will be Katie Demedis, who will talk about her senior honors research topic. First Presbyterian Church, Memorial Hall, 292 W. Main St. Info., 731-4724.

TOUR OF THE UNIVERSE 8 p.m. Bob Mentzer will present program on the sundials. \$2 adults, \$1 children. Free to members. By reservation only. Mt. Cuba Astronomical Observatory, Hillside-Mill Rd., Greenville. Info., 654-6407.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28

LIVE MUSIC 7 - 10 p.m. Bill Belcher will perform. No cover charge. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main St. Info., 266-6993 or visit www.homegrowncafe.com.

ISREALI DANCING 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. With Jerry Schiffer. \$4. Arden Gild Hall, 2406 Granby Rd. Info., 478-7257.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29

CONCERT 8 p.m. Watch silent film "Robin Hood," with a new, live score. \$10 adults, \$7 seniors, \$3 students. Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Loudis Recital Hall, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road. Info., 831-2577.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 23

STRENGTH TRAINING 9 - 10 a.m. Mondays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tues. and Thurs.; 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Wed. and Fri. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. \$5 donation goes to missions. Greater Grace Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd. Info., 738-1530.

KARAOKE 8 p.m. - midnight. The American Legion of Elkton, 129 W. Main St. Info., 410-398-9720.

POST-POLIO SUPPORT 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Easter Seal Independent Living Center, Reads Way, New Castle. Info., 369-3905 or 764-1714.

WOMAN'S MINISTRY Meeting to unite and share fellowship. Dale United Methodist Church, 143 E. Lake St., Middletown. Info., 378-9744.

MONDAY, SEPT. 26

MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 9 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting loca-

tions provided only with registration. Info., 765-9740.

FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Classes for English Conversation. Registration required. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Info., 368-4942 or 368-8774.

SIMPLY JAZZERCISE 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children. Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St. Info., 658-5177, ext. 260.

NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. The Holiday Inn, Route 273. Info., 453-8853.

NCCO STROKE CLUB Noon. The Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., 324-4444.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Avenue. Info., 368-2318.

TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Monday or Wednesday; 11:15 a.m. Friday. \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 27

MEETINGS

BUT YOU LOOK SO GOOD! 7 - 9 p.m. Grace Lutheran Church, Graves Road, Newport Gap Pike, Hockessin. Info., 994-3897.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. For men who like to sing. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 368-3052.

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info., 737-7239.

SWEET ADELINES 8 - 10 p.m. Singing group. Listeners and new members welcome. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 731-5981.

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

MS SUPPORT 4 - 6 p.m. MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Rd., Wilmington. Info., 655-5610.

EATING DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 8:30 p.m. Free. Open to the public. Trinity Presbyterian Church, Naaman's and Darley Roads,

Wilmington. Info., 475-1880.

CANCER SUPPORT 6:30 p.m. 405 Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Wilmington. Info., 733-3900.

ADULTS WITH AD/HD 7:30 p.m. Support group meets at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 737-5063.

UNSCHOOLERS & OTHERS 7 p.m. Parents meet. Group also holds activities for homeschool families. Kirkwood Library. Info., 322-5950.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28

CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Terry Schooley will attend to field questions and concerns. Eagle Diner, Elkton Road. Info., 577-8476.

DIVORCECARE 7 p.m. Separated/divorced people meet. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 737-5040.

ANXIETY DISORDER 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To maintain the privacy of members, support group locations not published. Info., 765-9740.

GRIEF SHARE 7 p.m. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike,

Info., 737-5040.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m. Meeting for men who are survivors of and newly diagnosed with prostate cancer. The American Cancer Society Office, 92 Reads Way, Suite 205, New Castle. Info., 234-4227.

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 658-5177.

BINGO 12:45 p.m. Lunch available for \$2.25 a platter at 11:45 a.m. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 737-2336.

PARENT/EDUCATOR SUPPORT GROUP 7:30 p.m. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St.

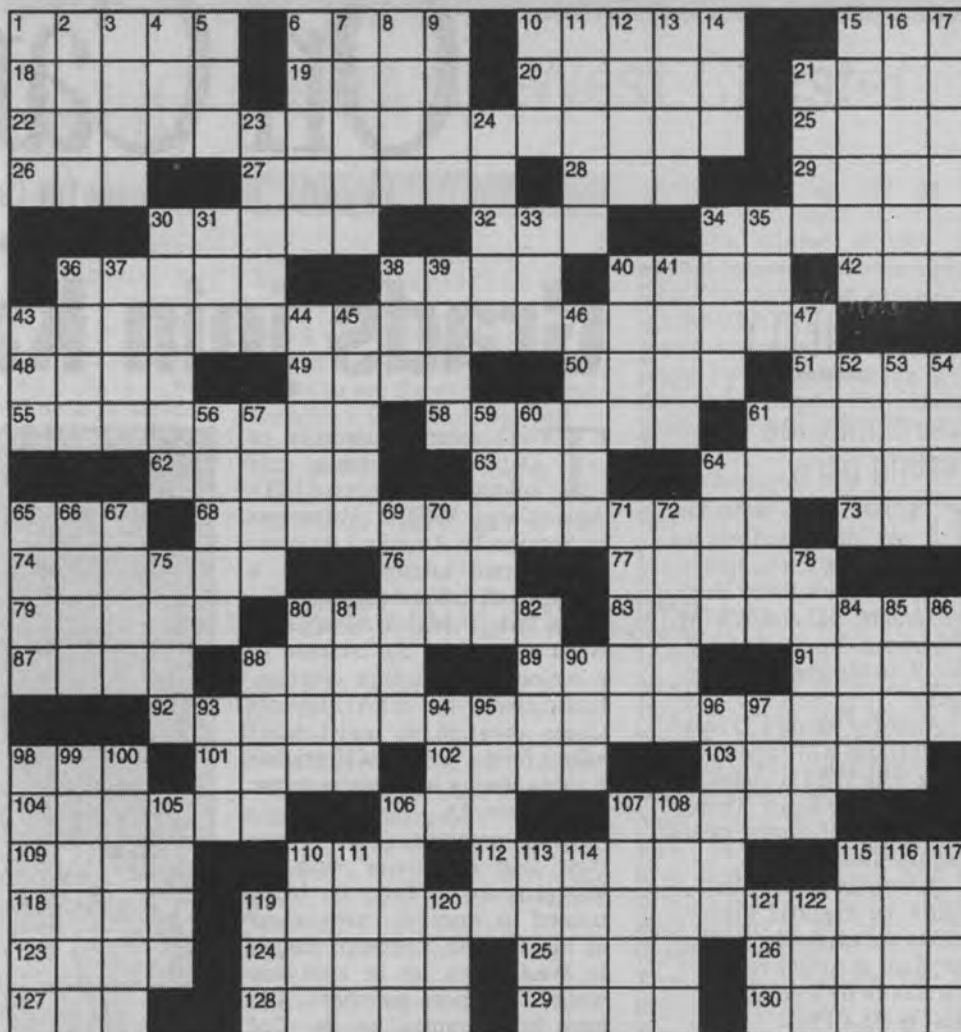
THURSDAY, SEPT. 29

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit at Brandywine Zoo. Info., 571-7747.

BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30 - 10 p.m. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, S. College Avenue. **NEWARK MORNING ROTARY** 7 - 8:15 a.m. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info., 737-1711 or 737-0724.

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School board committed to reforms

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ary in an effort to keep him here through 2008 when his contract would have expired.

Wise holds a bachelor's degree in music education from Florida State University, a master's in education administration from the University of Central Florida and a doctorate in educational leadership from the University of Florida.

He served as a teacher, chairman of performing arts and band director for the Orange County Public School, music director and conductor for the Florida Symphony Youth Orchestras in Orlando, and spent four years working with the Walt Disney World Company.

Wise has also held the jobs of associate superintendent for organizational development in a Maryland district, senior assistant superintendent for a North Carolina district, and partner in a consulting firm and CEO for eSchool Solutions Inc., an educational technology company.

According to the Duval District Web site, Duval County Public School District is "home to four of the nation's best high schools - two in the top 10 - according to the most recent study conducted by Newsweek magazine."

Nevertheless, Wise has indicated that he sees many of the same challenges there that drew him to the Christina District in 2003.

First Coast News reported that Wise said, "There is nothing more

pressing than achievement gap for Duval County Public Schools. We have to be truthful, transparent and very aggressive in getting these gaps to close."

The Christina District School Board will begin a new candidate search for a school superintendent this week. The board has stated

that they "remain committed to maintaining our focus and the momentum we have built together [with Dr. Wise] on behalf of the children and families of our district."

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Free family ice skating party

COME enjoy some family fun at the Gala Ice Skating Party, sponsored by Arby's Roast Beef restaurants, UD and WSTW-FM from 1-3 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 2, in the Fred Rust Ice Arena.

Award-winning UD mascot YoUDEe will appear along with WSTW radio personality Mike Rossi. There will be special games, prizes and giveaways.

Admission is free, but tickets are required. Free tickets are available, while they last, at Arby's restaurants or by listening to WSTW 93.7 FM.

Fraternity raises \$6,000 for Katrina victims

Kappa Alpha fraternity at the University of Delaware raised \$6,000 with its KAndy for Katrina Relief drive—surpassing its goal by \$5,000.

The KA volunteers raised \$1,700 in donations collected outside their fraternity house through Sept. 9 and another \$4,300 in anonymous matching donations.

Fund-raising for hurricane victims was a suggestion from the Kappa Alpha national office, according to chapter president senior Greg Good. He said the chapter chose to give away candy and ask for donations to the American Red Cross.

Art conservationist to help with hurricane damage to collections

A UD art conservationist was among a small group of archivists traveling to the Gulf Coast last weekend to review some of the damage from Hurricane Katrina and to help advise local officials.

Debra Hess Norris, Henry Francis du Pont Chair in Fine Arts and chairperson of the Department of Art Conservation, was invited to join the delegation, which was organized by the Society of American Archivists and other professional organizations. The group will work in close collaboration with state archivists there to evaluate damage to their collections and to discuss preservation methods.

Grads join Katrina relief efforts

TWO recent University of Delaware graduates are among 10 members of UD's AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service To America) program who started taking calls at a phone bank in Washington, D.C., hours after President George W. Bush announced the creation of a national information clearinghouse under the USA Freedom Corps program to assist relief efforts for the victims of Hurricane Katrina during his address to the nation Sept. 15.

The members, who began their year of service with the UD program in July, are being trained to work as caseworkers at the Katrina Resource Center in Washington for at least one week. Two more members, who have been trained by the Red Cross, went directly to Louisiana on Saturday, Sept. 17, to provide disaster relief service for two weeks, Lynn Paul, field supervisor, said.

UD grads Margaret Crosby, from Rehoboth Beach, and Brook Patterson, AS '05, from New Castle, will be based at the Katrina Resource Center, along with Elizabeth Bennett, Ryan Farrell, Ashley Hetrick, LillyMarge Hill, Iazia Jones, Erin McCauley, Emily Thayer and Christina Whang. Ryan Cunningham and Noah Ullmann will be working in Louisiana.

UD's AmeriCorps VISTA program began in the fall of 1999 as a direct result of a survey conducted by the Delaware Mentoring



UD PHOTO BY SARAH SIMON

AmeriCorps members Ryan Cunningham (left) and Noah Ullmann will be working in Louisiana.

Council. The results showed that many schools expressed a need for support staff in order to maintain and increase the number of active volunteers in their schools.

The program's mentor administrators assist schools, school districts and community organizations by creating and sustaining

active mentoring programs. The administrators recruit, train and match volunteers from local communities and businesses to work with children and youth who are in need of positive role models to provide academic and/or social support.

The mobilization of the Katrina group began just hours

after Theresa Clower, director of UD's AmeriCorps VISTA program, received a request from the Corporation for National and Community Service in Washington late Tuesday, Sept. 13. The first team of 10 members left the Newark campus

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Benefactor receives Medal of Distinction

R.R.M. "Ruly" Carpenter III, longtime University of Delaware benefactor and member of the UD Board of Trustees, was awarded the University's Medal of Distinction on Saturday, Sept. 10, in Delaware Stadium during halftime at the season football opener against Lehigh University.

One of three generations of his family with close ties to UD and its Intercollegiate Athletics Program, Carpenter was elected to the UD Board of Trustees in 1990. Currently serving as chairman of the board's Committee on Student Life and Athletics and the Nominating Committee, Carpenter also heads the Athletics Visiting Committee.

Carpenter, whose family owned and operated the Philadelphia Phillies for nearly 40 years, served as that organization's president from 1973-81.

UD President David P. Roselle and Board of Trustees Chairman Howard E. Cosgrove joined Carpenter on Tubby Raymond Field, where they presented the 1962 graduate of Yale University with the award and a citation praising him as "a longstanding friend of the University of Delaware" who "has been instrumental in raising funds to support Delaware's athletic programs and who chaired the fund-raising efforts for the University facility named for his father, The Bob Carpenter Sports/Convocation Center."

The Medal of Distinction is presented to individuals of the state and region who have made humanitarian, cultural, intellectual or scientific contributions to society; have achieved noteworthy success in their professions; or have given significant service to the University, the state and the region.



UD PHOTO BY DUANE PERRY

R.R.M. "Ruly" Carpenter III



PHOTO BY AMY COVIELLO.

A table full of local ladies enjoy Night Out in Newark at Caffè Gelato.

Local restaurants and sorority team up

The sorority sisters of Alpha Xi Delta proved that you don't have to be a member of the Red Cross or the National Guard to provide relief to hurricane victims; you just have to be willing to have fun.

The girls decided that the best way to raise money would be to get as many people involved as possible. That meant gathering all 94 of the sisters, their best friends, a few hundred complete strangers and 11 downtown businesses. The end result was the Thursday Sept. 15 Night Out in Newark.

"There are so many college students and this is such an awesome Main Street - and everyone eats anyway - so we thought this was perfect," explained Kristin Schrupf, public relations chair for AZD.

The evening-long event collected donations from nine different restaurants and two businesses. "Different places did different things," Schrupf said.

"Some places gave 20 percent of the evening's proceeds, some gave canned goods, others collected donations."

The list of participants included: Rumors; Tailors Inc. Limited; Homegrown; Central Perk; Shaggy's; Newark Deli and Bagel; Caffè Gelato; Margheritas; Klondike Kates; Coldstone; Iron Hill; and the Korner Diner.

Each vendor gave what it could. Homegrown donated canned goods. Shaggy's charged a \$5 cover fee, which went to the collection. Other establishments donated portions of their profits from the night. As of yet, final numbers of how much was collected have not been tabulated.

Natalie Gempesaw-Pangan, who co-chaired the event, said that she was happy with the crowd that Night Out in Newark drew.

"Just the fact that so many people came out and helped support what we were doing was really nice," she said.



PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Eleven-year-old Tara Tresolini is surrounded by some of the nearly 1,000 stuffed items she collected for children effected by Hurricane Katrina. The UPS Store on Main Street donated the shipping cartons and will see that they are safely shipped to a relief center in Ponchatoula, La.

Bear essentials comfort kids

Community answers call to aid kids caught in hurricane

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

TELEVISION scenes of children evacuated from their homes, with nothing but the clothes on their backs, affected one young Newark girl so much that her mother made her turn off the TV. "No more," her mom said.

But the vivid pictures of children who were caught in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina stuck with 11-year-old Tara Tresolini. What could she do to help?

Knowing how much she likes something soft to hold and cuddle, especially when scared or trying to go to sleep at night, Tara started a mini-campaign to collect stuffed bears and other animals to send to children in Louisiana.

Tara started in her own room, pulling out precious toys to

donate.

In less than a week, after spreading the word to friends, family, classmates at Bayard Elementary School and the Newark Morning Rotary Club, Tara had collected more than 500 stuffed animals of all sizes and shapes and nearly 500 Beanie Babies. The toys were new or "previously loved" but still in very good condition.

Quickly the collection began to take over the Tresolinis' living room, resembling a giant toy store caught in a whirlwind.

Tara's friends helped tie tags on each stuffed animal saying "With love, from Delaware."

"I just wanted to give something," the sixth-grader said. "Those kids lost everything. Some might not have had one in the first place."

"If I hadn't seen it on TV, I would have never believed it," Tara said.

Troop 315 Girl Scout leader, Gidget Bacon, said Tara will receive scout credit for the project.

Tara's mother Fiona Tresolini, a member of the Rotary club,

contacted the Rotary district in Mississippi and Louisiana and arranged to have the stuffed toys sent to the Baptist Church of Ponchatoula, La., a temporary shelter for evacuees.

Coincidentally, the owners of The UPS Store, on Main Street in Newark, happened to visit the Rotary club's Thursday morning meeting. They heard of Tara's campaign and saw the many bags of toys being donated by Rotarians. Immediately Mike and Aaron Fray and Gary Zhou donated eight large shipping cartons and said they will take care of the shipping. The boxes were expected to be shipped out this week.

"We're really proud of the fact that Tara has compassion," said Fiona Tresolini. "It's something that her father, Kevin, and I have tried to instill in her for others."

Once the stuffed toys leave her house, Tara knows the job of sending aid to the children is not done.

"If you can donate, find a way. Baby blankets, food. Do whatever you can," Tara said.

Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund Benefit Dinner

On Tuesday September 27th, Baker's will open it's doors from 3:00 til 8:00 to raise money to send to the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Four years ago we had a very successful fund raiser for 911 and hopefully we can match or exceed that event.

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Blue Hens still looking to improve

By MARTY VALANIA

ROUTE 40 FLIER STAFF WRITER

The University of Delaware football team has one more opportunity to get better before jumping into Atlantic-10 play. Coach K.C. Keeler hopes his team takes full advantage of it.

The Blue Hens (2-0) host Patriot League foe Holy Cross (2-1) Saturday night in their final non-conference game of the season. The remaining eight regular season games are all against A-10 opponents.

"Our goal from the beginning was to get three wins in this part of our schedule and to see if we can get better as a football team," Keeler said. "If you don't get better this is just a brutal conference and you're going to get beat."

Holy Cross should provide a good test for the Hens. The Crusaders are 2-1 with two blowout victories in their first two games. The loss came at the hands of nationally ranked Harvard last week. However, the game was tied entering the fourth quarter, before Harvard pulled away for a 31-21 victory.

"They are a greatly improved team," Keeler said of Holy Cross. "This is a team that will battle in the Patriot League. It's an opportunity for us to try and get better against a good football team."

Offensively, the Crusaders are led by tailback Steve Silva, a Northwestern transfer, who has rushed for 232 yards already this season. Holy Cross also likes to throw the ball deep on occasion.

"They really like to hit the home run ball," Keeler said. "That's something they'll try every four or five plays it seems. It's a good strategy against us because we blitz a lot and they'll probably think they can catch us."

Holy Cross coach Tom Gilmore knows his team will be in for a tough test against the Hens.

"I'm familiar with Delaware," Gilmore said. "I know about the program and the tradition. They have a lot of talent on both sides of the ball. I've been very impressed with what they've been able to do."

Like just about every other team that comes to Newark, Gilmore feels his team will be

2005 BLUE HEN SCHEDULE

9/10	LEHIGH	W 34-33
9/17	W. CHESTER	W 42-14
9/24	HOLY CROSS	7 p.m.
10/1	at Towson	6 p.m.
10/8	HOFSTRA	noon
10/15	RICHMOND	3 p.m.
10/22	J. MADISON	noon
10/29	at Maine	noon
11/5	UMASS	1 p.m.
11/12	at Wm. & Mary	1 p.m.
11/19	at Villanova	1 p.m.

energized to play in front of an emotional, sold out crowd Saturday night.

"I realize that it may be hostile," he said. "But for our kids, they don't get opportunities to play in front of big crowds or in

atmospheres like they'll see at Delaware. I really think our kids will be excited to experience it."

Keeler happy with receivers

One of the concerns before the season was the receiving corps. So far this season, Keeler has been pleased with what he has seen.

"I thought our young receivers showed up and stepped up very well," he said.

Injuries and graduation greatly depleted what was previously a very deep unit. It appears the depth is as good as the team hoped.

NOTES – Delaware has never beaten Holy Cross. The Crusaders have won both meetings between the schools, 22-6 in 1985 and 24-0 in 1983... The Blue Hens have a chance to play in front of their ninth straight sold out regular season home game. Only a few tickets remained early in the week... Delaware is up to No. 6 in the national rankings... The last time Delaware started a season 3-0 was two years ago when it went on to win the national championship... Delaware defensive backs coach Isaac Collins served as associate head coach, defensive coordinator and defensive backs coach last year for Holy Cross.



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Hens roll past West Chester

University of Delaware running backs Danny Jones and Omar Cuff combined to rush for 237 yards to lead a punishing ground attack as the No. 6 ranked Blue Hens continued their dominance over NCAA Division II West Chester with a 42-21 non-league football victory Saturday night at Delaware Stadium.

Cuff, the nation's leading scorer after collecting a school-record five touchdowns in last week's 34-33 win over Lehigh, rushed for 116 yards and two touchdowns and Jones, a freshman, added 121 yards in a supporting role in the Hens' one-back offense to lead the way. Cuff posted his fourth straight 100-yard rushing effort going back to last season and the Hens put two runners over 100 yards rushing for the first time since the 2003 NCAA I-AA national championship season.

Delaware (2-0), which won its eighth straight home game at Delaware Stadium, defeated No. 23 West Chester (2-2) for the 12th straight time.

West Chester quarterback Matt Burdalski completed 18 of 41 passes for 207 yards while Brent Steinmetz, a second-year transfer from Delaware who stepped into the starting lineup due to an injury to leading rusher Osagie Osunde a week ago, carried 24 times for 93 yards. Freshman Mike Washington collected his third 100-yard receiving effort in four career games, hauling in six passes for 104 yards and two touchdowns.

Delaware quarterback Sonny Riccio hit on 12 of 24 passes for 176 yards and one touchdown and surpassed the 3,000-yard passing mark for his career.

"To have two runners go over 100 yards, that's a great thing for us," said

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Newark routs Kennett



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Newark's Esthervell Cotton races around the end during Friday night's game against Kennett.

Jackets face Middletown Friday

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The Newark High football team regained its winning touch with a 35-0 victory over Kennett High Friday night at Hoffman Stadium.

Senior running back Esthervell Cotton scored three rushing touchdowns to lead the Jacket offensive attack. Newark coach Butch Simpson said he was pleased to come away with the victory.

"We didn't push anybody around, that was very clear. The scoreboard is not indicative of how this game went, but I am very pleased with our defensive effort, because that's a potential 'big play' team."

The Yellowjackets came out with determination on both sides of the ball. Newark's swarming defense earned a sack and a fumble recovery on the first two plays of the game. In fact, Kennett quarterback Justin Clark was harried all night, and knocked down on a number of occasions. Newark's first score was set up by a fumble recovery at the Kennett 16-yard line. Four plays later, senior quarterback Steve Williams connected with Mike Neal on a 6-yard touchdown pass for a 6-0 lead. A two-point try was no good. Later in the opening quarter, sophomore Alex Carlson nailed a 26-yard field goal to extend the Jacket lead to 9-0. With 2:11 remaining in the second quarter, Cotton scored on a 4-yard run up the middle, and

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Mench, Gannon lead Hall of Fame class

Three former All-American athletes who moved on to outstanding professional careers, record-breaking performers in swimming and diving, track and field, softball, lacrosse, and field hockey, and the first media member to be selected highlight the ninth induction class of the University of Delaware Athletics

Hall of Fame announced Monday.

The Class of 2005 will be formally inducted on Friday, Nov. 4 at 6 p.m. in a ceremony to be held in the auditorium of the Bob Carpenter Center. The group will again be honored prior to the Delaware football game vs. Massachusetts Nov. 5 at

Delaware Stadium. This year's group of eight inductees increases the UD Athletics Hall of Fame to 77.

This year's class includes former field hockey and women's lacrosse all-conference performer Andrea "Ange" Bradley, record-setting freestyle swimmer Nancy Davis, 18-year National Football

League standout quarterback Rich Gannon, high-scoring All-American lacrosse player John Grant, record-setting track and field sprinter Dionne Jones, the late "Voice of Delaware Football" Bob Kelley, baseball slugger and current Texas Rangers outfielder Kevin Mench,

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Jackets bounce back against Kennett

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senior Jamie McMahan kicked the PAT, to increase the margin to 16-0 at the half. In the second half, Newark's defense continued to dominate Kennett's sizable, but inexperienced, offense. Cotton, meanwhile, scored two third quarter touchdowns, and transfer running back Ed Imeokparia wrapped up the scoring midway through the

fourth period on a 12-yard run. "We had a game plan defense that was out of our norm, because of what they do, and we were the last people in America to underestimate Kennett," said Simpson.

"People take so much for granted, but they have some football players out there who could play for anybody, those are some very good big kids, and some tough kids," Simpson said. Despite the victory, Simpson said

he feels the offense still needs a lot of work. "Offensively, I'm very frustrated, we constantly broke down, had penalties, and just didn't make good decisions at the line of scrimmage. We can get better, but now we have to." The Jackets will need to improve offensively in a hurry, as they face the undefeated Middletown Cavaliers (2-0) Friday night on the road, at Bill Billings Stadium.

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Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler. "Danny and Omar give us an outstanding one-two combination and we need that for a long season ahead. We are happy to get the win tonight but we have a long way to go and we have to get a lot better to have a chance in our league (Atlantic 10)."

Delaware piled up 452 total

yards, including 267 on the ground, and used several big plays on offense, defense, and special teams to post the victory. The Blue Hens had seven plays go for over 25 yards during the game, including a 49-yard punt return by Aaron Love that set up a touchdown and a 78-yard interception return by Rashaad Woodard just before halftime.

Gannon and Mench to be honored by the University of Delaware

► HALL, from 16

and 1970's field hockey and softball standout Joan Schimpf (Samonisky).

"We once again are pleased to induct an outstanding class of former Delaware student-athletes into the UD Athletics Hall of Fame," said UD Director of Athletics Edgar Johnson, who will host the induction ceremony. "This year's class includes individuals who not only enjoyed great success while at the University of Delaware, but have moved on to become nationally-recognized sports figures. We are very proud of all the inductees and their accomplishments of the past and present."

One of the most widely-recognized athletes in Delaware history, Rich Gannon followed an All-American career for the Blue Hens with a stellar 18-year tenure in the National Football League. A native of Philadelphia, he was a three-year starting quarterback for coach Tubby Raymond and earned All-American honors in 1986 when he was the Yankee Conference Player of the Year while leading the team to the NCAA quarterfinals. He established 21 school records, including career marks for passing yards (5,927), total offense (7,436), and rushing yards by a quarterback (1,509), and was named UD's Outstanding Senior Male Athlete of the Year in 1986-87. He was a fourth round pick in the 1987 draft and went on to an outstanding NFL career with Minnesota, Washington, Kansas City, and Oakland in 1987-2004. He was a three-time All-Pro, was the NFL Most Valuable Player in 2002, and led the Raiders to the 2003 Super Bowl. A 1987 graduate of Delaware, Gannon retired in August and currently is a football analyst for CBS Television. He resides with his wife and two daughters in Excelsior, MN.

In just two seasons with the Delaware men's lacrosse program in 1998-99, John Grant established himself as one of the most exciting and successful athletes in school history and remains one of the top professional lacrosse players in the

world. A dominating offensive player with a combination of strength, speed, and a blazing shot, Grant recorded 81 goals and 96 assists for 177 points in just 32 career games for the Blue Hens under coach Bob Shillinglaw. A native of Ontario, Canada, he was a two-time USILA All-American, earning first team laurels as a senior in 1999 when he led all NCAA Division I players with 110 points and was named the winner of the prestigious Enner Award as the USILA National Player of the Year. He led Delaware to its best season in school history in 1999 when the Blue Hens went 14-3 and advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals. A year later he served as an assistant coach for the Blue Hens. A 2000 graduate of Delaware, Grant has moved on to an All-Star career with professional indoor and outdoor teams in Rochester, NY, where he now resides.

The greatest slugger in Delaware's rich baseball history, Kevin Mench was among the nation's top players for three seasons under coach Bob Hannah in 1997-99 and has gone on to an outstanding career as an outfielder for the major league Texas Rangers. A native of Newark, DE and a 2000 graduate of Delaware, Mench was a three-time all-conference selection, a two-time conference Player of the Year, and a two-time All-American, establishing numerous school records, including marks for home runs in a season (33) and career standards for home runs (71), batting average (.409), and slugging percentage (.875). He captured the America East conference "Triple Crown" in 1998 when he batted .455, led the NCAA with 33 home runs, and knocked in 72 runs to earn Collegiate Baseball Magazine National Player of the Year and consensus All-American honors. He led the Hens to a three-year record of 123-45, two conference titles, and NCAA Tournament berths in 1998 and 1999. He is currently batting .271 with 25 home runs and 70 runs batted in for the Rangers. He resides in Keller, TX.

An exceptional all-around ath-

lete, Joan Schimpf (Samonisky) enjoyed great success in field hockey and softball at the University of Delaware in 1976-79 and was also an accomplished amateur golfer. She lettered three years each in field hockey and softball and served as team captain for both squads. As a midfielder for coach Mary Ann Hitchens, Schimpf led the field hockey team to a three-year mark of 38-13-9 and three straight AIAW national top four finishes,

including a national runner-up spot in 1978. In softball, she was a four-year standout outfielder for coach Kay Ice who batted .401 for her career and graduated holding numerous school records, including marks for career hits, home runs, and stolen bases. She was named Delaware's Outstanding Senior Female Athlete of the Year in 1978-79. A Wilmington, DE native, she graduated with honors from Delaware in 1979 and

moved on to a career as one of Delaware's top high school field hockey coaches and athletics administrators. The wife of current UD men's soccer head coach Marc Samonisky, Joan currently serves as director of athletics and head field hockey coach at the Sanford School in Hockessin, DE after serving in the same role at Caravel Academy in Bear, DE. They reside in Newark, DE with their two daughters.

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Fun for the Whole Family at 2005 Fair Hill International Festival in the Country

The Fair Hill International Festival in the Country has earned an international reputation for providing the finest in exciting, world-class equestrian competition throughout its nearly 20-year history. That reputation also applies to the many family-oriented attractions and demonstrations available throughout the event, which will return this year to the Fair Hill Natural Resources Area in Fair Hill, MD, October 13-16.

Complementing the top-notch equestrian action, Fair Hill's increasingly popular Dog Agility Trials will return this year with over 400 canine competitors, the largest number in its history. There will also be appearances by the Delmarva Miniature Horse Club, featuring driving and hunter/jumper demonstrations; canine Fly Ball competitions; Pony Club Games; sheep herding and Maryland State Police K-9 demonstrations. There are plenty of additional exciting activities planned, including the Kids Korner, offering activities for the younger set, and others.

Also returning are the Country Shops, boasting a wide variety of shopping and dining opportunities. The Shops include a vast array of vendors featuring tack, jewelry, artwork, pet needs, exceptional apparel and fine gifts for the approaching holiday seasons. The Fair Hill Club offers fine dining, while visitors seeking a more casual snack or meal will find pubs around the Fair Hill grounds serving classic Maryland crab-cakes and other treats. In fact, the Maryland Department of Agriculture named the Fair Hill International as a "Maryland Top Event!"

"There is always so much to see and do at the Fair Hill International," said Fair Hill Executive Director Charlie Colgan. "The tremendous variety of top-quality attractions and demonstrations makes the event the perfect destination for a fun family outing!"

The 2005 Fair Hill International features the U.S. Equestrian Federation (USEF) CCI*** Championship, one of the most prestigious three-day events in the United States; the North American Endurance Championship, a 100-mile FEI CEI**** Endurance Ride; as well as the return of an Advanced Level Combined Driving Competition. Riders competing in the CCI*** Championship will compete for a chance to win the U.S. Equestrian Team (USET) Foundation Challenge Trophy.

Fair Hill's CCI*** is one of only two three-star events in the country. Top riders prime and condition their horses to meet the challenging obstacles Fair Hill presents every year. Regular competitors at Fair Hill include Olympic medal-winners such as last year's winner Phillip Dutton, Karen O'Connor, Darren Chiacchia and Kim Severson, who won individual Silver and team Bronze Medals at the Athens Olympics. This year's CCI*** will be run under the Olympic (short) format and once again serves as the USEF Three-Star Fall Championship.

The North American Endurance Championship will take place on Saturday, October 15, marking the second year the endurance competition has taken place on the same day as the eventing cross country. With the addition of the driving marathon on that day, October 15 promises to be one of the most action-packed days of equestrian sport ever seen.

Horses and drivers in the Advanced Level driving competitions will compete in single, pair, and four-in-hand divisions, and top competitors are expected in each division.

The 2005 Fair Hill International Festival in the Country will benefit Christiana Care Health System, one of the Chesapeake region's largest not-for-profit health care providers. Christiana Care, which began in 1888, serves the people of Delaware, as well as neighboring areas of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. It maintains a teaching hospital, which specializes in cardiology, cancer and women's health services, and has trauma and neonatal intensive care units that offer an exceptional degree of care.

This year's sponsors include Aventine Wealth Management; Bit of Britain; John K. Burkley Company; County Banking & Trust Company; Coventry Health Care; Dansko; M.H. Eby Trailers; Equestrian Entertainment Partners; First National Bank of North East; Glenmede Trust Company; Goldman Sachs & Company; W.L. Gore & Associates; Herr's Foods; Morgan Stanley; Northview Stallion Station; Nutramax Laboratories; Southern States; Summit Aviation; Thoroughbred Charities of America; the U.S. Equestrian Team; Wachovia Wealth Management; Walnut Green Bloodstock.

For more information on the 2005 Fair Hill International, please call (410) 398-2111 or visit www.fairhillinternational.com.

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Salsa spices up Post Office

LOCAL representatives danced the salsa in celebration at the Newark Post Office last weekend. Elected officials including State Rep. Joe Miro and Newark Mayor Vance Funk learned the steps to the salsa and the merengue with Mrs. Puerto Rico, Maya Cruz-Currington and television's Dora the Explorer. The group turned out for an afternoon at the post office in honor of the nation's newest stamp celebrating Latino heritage.

Art in Motion, a local dance troupe, performed for the crowd that assembled and spilled into the parking lot. Newark window clerk Terry Clemete, who organized the event told the audience that the Latino population is the fastest growing population in the state of Delaware. "We're here, we're proud of our heritage and these stamps help reflect our pride in our culture."

The local Latin sororities and fraternities of the University of Delaware caught the attention of post office customers. They, along with HOLA, the Hispanic Organization of Latin American Students at the University of Delaware, set up a dance area



in the customer parking lot and demonstrated the salsa merengue, mambo, and cha cha cha - the dances featured on the stamps.

The U.S. Postal Service issued four stamps on Sept. 17, featuring dances that trace their roots to the Caribbean islands in honor of Latino art in American culture. Each stamp showcases one of four popular dances. Latino artists have created designs that express their personal interpretations of merengue, salsa, cha-cha-cha, and mambo, using vivid colors and sinuous shapes to capture the energy generated by dancers

moving to the beat.

The stamps were well received by the Delaware group. "It's an exciting time that a place like Newark, Del., would have the opportunity to celebrate Hispanic month with the first issue of this stamp," Miro said. "Above all, it's an exciting time for all Hispanics as we move forward in this decade of growth."

FOR THE RECORD

The Concord Pet Foods & Supplies ads that ran on the back page of the Sept. 16 issues inadvertently listed a cancelled event. The Sept. 25 Wellness and Rabies Clinic was cancelled because Delaware Humane Association is volunteering in hurricane relief efforts. A second, Sept. 28 event, has already been filled for all appointment times. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause Concord Pet or our readers.

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Police chief retires, Kalbacher gets NCC post

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His first 21 years were spent as an officer; the past six years, he served as Police Chief.

In two-and-a-half decades, Conway has seen the department make many changes. The creation of the Alcohol Unit in 2003 is one that makes him most proud.

"It gave us two more officers,

and another tool for trying to curb the violence and criminal mischief that alcohol causes," he said.

Another career highlight was overseeing the team that solved last April's rape and murder of University of Delaware student Lindsey Bonistall. The murder was solved within six weeks, an unusually small window of time considering the suspect was a stranger to Bonistall; most mur-

derers know their victim.

"This was truly a random act," he said. "We had very little evidence to go on."

City Manager Carl Luft said that he will begin a regional and national search for Conway's replacement in the coming months. He said that he will consider all options, including staffing the position from within the department, as was done six years ago

when Conway took the position.

"My perfect candidate has good organizational and management skills, along with what you would consider traditional police skills," he said. "And another area that matters more now than it did years ago is the candidate's technological abilities. They've become very important recently."

The city's other latest major career change won't affect staffing. On Thursday, Sept. 22, Councilman Karl Kalbacher began his new job as Director of Redevelopment for New Castle County. However, the new position will not affect his status as councilman.

Kalbacher's new job will allow him to revamp the county's development in new ways. "The job focuses on economic development and how to attract jobs and businesses," Kalbacher explained. "The second half of the job is assessing and redeveloping grayfields and brownfields."

Grayfields are business areas that are underutilized and not performing up to expectations. The idea is that by creating financial and technical regulations that support redevelopment, these sites will attract new businesses and prevent them from otherwise building on green space.

Brownfields are contaminated sites that are suitable for redevelopment. In Newark, they include

the former NVF building.

This is an appointed position.

Kalbacher said that his career change will not affect him as an elected official. He will not step down from his council seat, but will recuse himself from discussions that may pose as a conflict of interest. Councilman Dave Athey acts in a similar way if council's agenda should conflict with his job as an engineer with local company URS.

Before accepting this position, Kalbacher served as the Environmental Program Administrator for the Environmental Restoration and Redevelopment Program in the Maryland Department of the Environment. There, he oversaw the Federal and State Superfund Programs, Brownfields and Voluntary Cleanup Programs and the Defense Environmental Restoration Program.

He holds both a Bachelor and Master of Science Degree in Geology. He completed his undergraduate work at Tulane University in New Orleans and earned his Master of Science at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, TX.

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Councilmember defends suit

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structable," he said. "It is safe. I didn't think that the city should move too far in negotiations, because we don't believe that we've done anything wrong."

Durkin sued the city and URS Corp. after being dismissed from the project in 2003.

Durkin's complaint said that the reservoir's design was faulty and could not be safely built.

The city put a contract out to bid to complete the rest of the reservoir.

When no bids came in, the city pursued and signed George and Lynch to finish the job.

Construction began again this past April and is expected to be completed by early October.

Carol Houck, assistant to the city manager, said that the reservoir will start to fill in the middle of next month, assuming that drought hasn't drained the nearby White Clay Creek. The reservoir could be filled as soon as January.

Kalbacher said that the city tried to work with Durkin as much as possible before dismissing the company.

"We worked with Durkin," he said. "We tried to address their concerns that the liner would work. We put out test plots and showed them that that you could do it and that the liner would stay. But at some point they said that they couldn't proceed, so we were left with the decision to let them go."

Kalbacher said that the fact

that the reservoir is being built according to design speaks volumes.

"George and Lynch have constructed the project according to the original design," he pointed out. "Once it fills up next month, it will show it's not only designed and constructable but is working and holding water."

Kalbacher said that holding strong is not only the right thing to do, but it is good for future city projects.

"I don't see how we should have changed our negotiation. I think that we need to protect the interest of our customers and citizens," he said. "It's important to send the message that companies have to be responsible in way bid and handle affairs. We expect folks to follow up and complete their work. Hopefully, they are going to bid more responsibly in the future."

Lifesaving blood donor companies named

FIFTY companies and organizations in the New Castle County region were up to the 'challenge' of saving lives this summer - breaking records for blood donations as part of the Newark-based Blood Bank of Delmarva's third annual Summer Blood Challenge.

The Challenge is a friendly competition among 50 companies and organizations to recruit blood donors and new Blood Bank members. It was designed to raise awareness about the importance of blood donations, especially during summer months.

Overall, the competition netted 2,559 blood donations, and 1,739 new Blood Bank members.

"The Challenge has been a fun way for the Blood Bank to

address the serious matter of maintaining the local blood supply," said Karen James, spokeswoman for the Blood Bank of Delmarva. "Competition always seems to motivate people to want to do more and give more; However, the real winner of the Summer Blood Challenge is always the community - the patients who will benefit from the blood donations received this summer."

First-place companies won based on the number of blood donors they recruited, the number of employees who signed on to become Blood Bank members, and the number of employees who walked or ran in the Blood Bank's 5k race this summer.

Attendance 'key'

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typically before noon, and sell for \$3 instead of \$8.50 per ticket.

For the comedian lurking inside all of us, Schlecker selected several laugh-a-minute films. "The Aristocrats" is one of the most celebrated - and booed - of recent comedies. This film started out as a simple home movie made by comedian Penn Jillette. He went around, asked his fellow joke-tellers to indulge him with one vulgar joke. The end result shows just how different a joke can be by depending on who tells it. The movie has gotten some rave reviews and some scolding

criticisms. "It's not for everyone," Schlecker said.

The marquee even has a horror film, but not one audiences might expect.

"Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room" is the scariest movie you will ever see," Schlecker said. It's playing on Friday at 2:30 p.m. and Saturday at 5 p.m.

How will Newark respond to this amalgamation of movies? Only after this weekend will we know. The answer is critical to the festival's survival. If it breaks even, then Schlecker promises to come back next fall. If not, then this may be a one-time-event.

"Attendance is key," he said.

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Dresses try to combine tradition with fashion

Something old, something new, goes the old saying about bridal ensembles. Designers generally have no problem with the first half of that equation. Bridal dresses by their very nature tend to be steeped in tradition and historicism. The second part, however, the "something new" part, can be more of a challenge.

"It's something I think about all the time," says designer Anne Barge. "As modern as today's girl is, when it comes time for her wedding day - even if she has a tattoo and a belly ring - she usually wants to look like a classic bride. She doesn't want to look trendy."

"Bridal dresses aren't disposable," says designer Justina McCaffrey. "You don't want a dress that is so out there that it's going to look weird when you see

the pictures 20 years from now."

For the last half dozen years, modern has meant minimal. All the embellishments one traditionally associates with brides and weddings, such as beads, lace and embroidery, were either missing in action or present in limited ways.

The positive side of this is that factors such as draping and construction became much more important in bridal fashions. Bridal dresses today are often better constructed than they were 10 and 20 years ago because details that used to be covered up by beads and lace - such as seams and darts - are in plain view.

The negative side of minimalism, however, is that the lack of embellishment finally became monotonous. Beads, lace and other furbelows give a dress dis-

tinction and romance. And no one wants to blend into the background on her wedding day.

"It's the one day you don't have to be practical," says Ivana Ristic, co-designer with her partner Lynn Rosenzweig of the Ristarose collection.

"Bridal dresses are fantasy garments," says Charles Bunstine, designer of the Monique Lhuillier bridal collection. "We're talking about the most expensive gown most girls will ever buy for what is conceivably the most important occasion of their lives. It has to be special."

Modern today means timelessness, luxury and glamour. "It's ladylike, romantic and feminine," says Barge. "When people think classic, they think of icons such as Audrey Hepburn, Grace Kelly and Jackie Kennedy. It's a look that doesn't date. It was right then, it's right now and it will be right a hundred years from now."

"I go all over the world to find fabrics and details," says McCaffrey. "There's a lace I'm

using this season that is very expensive - it's in the thousands of euros per meter range. But it's also amazingly beautiful. I decided to go with it because I want people to experience that beauty. That's what luxury is all about."

Modern also means sexy, but within acceptable limits. "There's nothing wrong with a dress that accentuates a woman's beauty and sensuality by following the lines of her body," says Bunstine. "You certainly don't want to look androgynous on your wedding day."

This new frankness has a lot to do with changes in brides over the last generation. "I see a big difference in brides today," says Barge. "Ten years ago, they all wanted to look like their mothers. Today, they have a lot more self-confidence. They have their own sense of style."

"They come in with binders of information now," says McCaffrey. "They definitely know how to use the Internet. We get a lot of e-mail."

Along with the return to orna-

ment, designers also say silhouettes are undergoing a significant change.

"The whole narrow A-line silhouette is slowly going away," says Barge. In its place, she adds, are larger dresses. "Dresses are getting bigger and bigger. The ball gown is going to make a big splash over the next few seasons," she says.

"We've always had a very large ball gown business," says Bunstine. "You don't have to explain ball gowns. Everybody understands them. The challenge is to update them in an intelligent way with ornament and innovative draping."

Along with the resurgence of larger dresses is a trend away from strapless styles. Make no mistake: strapless still dominates the market for the simple reason that it's a very flattering look on a variety of body shapes. Still, alternatives are creeping back into the market. "We're doing a lot of spaghetti straps and V-necklines," says Ristic.

Beads, crystals and intricate embroidery are, of course, mainstays of the bridal industry. The key, however, is placement.

"We think of beading and embroidery almost as lighting," says Bunstine. "It's a way to highlight the line of a dress."

"It's like something you would imagine royalty wearing," says Barge. "Intricate beading, a lot of handwork. It makes you think of something from the early 1900s."

The one exception to this overall trend of large, more elaborate dresses is the continued popularity of destination weddings. Ball gowns and elaborate ornamentation don't really work on tropical beaches. For that rea-

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Be specific when getting your wedding look

We've all seen women who look like Bridezilla on their big day: caked-on makeup, over-sprayed, way-too-done hair and rows of fake eyelashes. The opposite is equally bleak: women who want the "natural" look and end up looking completely washed-out, especially after the tiny bit of pale lipstick they applied prior to the ceremony has faded. Worse still are those that choose to wear their hair loose and down, and by the middle of the reception their frizzy and unruly locks look circus-bound.

Whether you're hiring someone to do your hair and makeup, or planning to go at it yourself, our experts suggest starting first by envisioning what you'll look like.

"Many wedding fantasies start for girls when they are very young," says Faren Shear, a hair

stylist at Details SalonSpa in San Diego. "How many opportunities do you get to swath yourself in tulle? They don't call it your 'special day' for nothing."

But when you're talking to your hair stylist or makeup artist, you'll want to say more than, "I want to look natural." (Note: that's what they all hear).

Be more specific: do you want to look glamorous? Dramatic? Sophisticated? Think about where you'll be: if you're on the beach during the day, you'll want to look different than if you had a formal, church wedding at night.

"Generally, day time weddings will have more casual hair that's not sprayed or set," says Roger Azadganian, owner of Seven salon in Seattle. "At night, you'll want a more formal, ornate style."

Same goes for makeup: you

might want a Jennifer Lopez bronze or dewy look for the beach, and major eyeliner and red lips for a lavish hotel affair. And start paying attention to all your makeup quirks: some girls know their mascara always smears, or they can't keep their lipstick on to save their lives. Let your makeup artist know all this and he or she will use products accordingly.

Above all, it's important to look like yourself.

"Your family and friends came to see you, not some out of place woman whose guests will think, 'Wow, that's an interesting look,'" says Meredith Boyd, a makeup artist and hair stylist in Atlanta.

But it all depends on your personality. Boyd recently met with a September bride who wants an intricate up do with strings of pearls in her hair - a look most women can't get away with. "Because she's very unpredictable, it suits her personality perfectly, and looks amazing on her," she says.

What if you want to do it all yourself? Maybe you can't afford to have someone do your hair and makeup, or maybe you're like Talin Salibian, a recent bride who found that doing her face herself would be best.

For her hair, Salibian, 26, hired a local Los Angeles stylist who came to her house on the special day. He put her long, wavy hair up into a high ponytail, then curled and pinned every piece. In the front, he parted her hair down the side and slicked it down.

Her makeup wasn't so simple. "I went to two makeup counters in the months before my wedding," Salibian says. "The first lady made my eyes look way too dramatic, and after my husband saw the second lady's makeup, he said I looked like a clown."

The night before her wedding, she had a quick makeup lesson from a friend, and ended up borrowing her makeup and doing it herself. "After much frustration, I thought to myself, 'Wait a minute, I've applied makeup since I was 12, and do a fairly good job. Plus, I wanted to look like myself - and who knows how to better apply makeup on your face than yours truly?'"

New York City makeup artist Janet Bari, who's been doing brides for 20 years, says that you can go to a makeup counter, but realize you need someone with experience. Bari, for example, works at the Lancome counter at Bloomingdale's in Manhattan, but also goes on location.

If you're doing your own makeup, she says, "Just remember, you want to look better than you do every day, so maybe add some lashes in the outer corner of your eyes. Or use a deeper lip color. Think of it as a more glamorous version of you."

She and others stress using mattes: frosts, shimmers and glosses don't work well with camera flashes, nor do sun blocks that diffuse light.

And make sure to apply your make up in natural light, near a window if possible. Salibian says her biggest regret is choosing her foundation at night. "I think the one I used was a bit light for my face," she says.

Assign a friend to check your face, especially for faded lipstick and smeared mascara during the reception. The last thing you'll have time for is unlimited touch-up runs to the bathroom. Some brides keep a compact and lipstick in their flower bouquet on their banquet table.

As for your hair, most stylists are firmly against doing your own styling, but if you do, remember that anything too structured or manicured isn't going to look good. And the tips for selecting your makeup also apply to choosing a hairstyle.

You don't need a dozen opinions

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son, most designers also include some simpler, slimmer styles for this customer.

"You don't want a stiff, structured dress if you're getting married on a sand dune," says Ristic. "A ball gown looks kind of strange in that setting. You want something flowing and maybe not floor length."

Bridal dresses remain one of the few fashion categories that rely on custom detailing and fitting. Two fittings are the norm.

For that reason, they generally need to be ordered at least six months in advance.

"Most girls come in saying they're going to lose 15 pounds by their wedding day," says Barge. "Some do, some don't. I tell them the best thing to do is order the dress for the size you are now because we can always take it up later."

Prices for most designer gowns range from about \$2,000 up to \$7,000. Off the rack styles, however, start as low as \$500 or

less.

In general, shop with your mother or your best friend. Do not bring the bridal party along. You don't want a dozen opinions. The most important thing is that you get the dress you sincerely like. Remember, it's your day.

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A BB gun apparently was used to shatter the glass of a door at 14 Longwood Lane, police were told on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 3:12 p.m.

A Dell laptop computer was stolen from a home in the unit block East Cleveland Avenue on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 1:36 p.m. The theft possibly took place during a party held at the residence.

Newark police are investigating a series of thefts from a home in the unit block of Hidden Valley Drive. Cash and jewelry are missing and bad checks were written on the victim's bank account. Police reported the thefts apparently took place between Sept. 1 and 5.

Cash was removed from the Newark Cleaners, 129 Elkton Road, after thieves forced open a side door, police were told on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 12:23 p.m.

Disorderly conduct

A 15-year-old Newark youth was charged with disorderly conduct after shouting obscenities into a telephone at the Newark Shopping Center, 230 E. Main

Street, on Sept. 10 at 10:15 p.m.

Vehicles targeted

Newark police reported that thieves and vandals targeted a number of vehicles here recently. Some of the reports include:

800 Scholar Dr., on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 11:56 p.m., vanity license plate removed from a parked car;

138 E. Cleveland Ave., on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 9:42 p.m., eggs thrown at two cars;

New Street near North Chapel Street, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 12:47 a.m., police were told one of a crowd of about 20 persons jumped atop three parked vehicles causing damage;

60 N. College Ave., on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 4:05 p.m., cash, ID and credit card removed from parked 1990 Ford Taurus;

313 Christiana Mill Dr., on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 1:12 p.m., fabric top of 1977 Porsche was cut and hood and fender "keyed" by vandals;

102 Anita Dr., on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 9:46 a.m., 2004 Chevrolet Colorado truck scratched on both sides and its hood. Damage was estimated to be \$3,500;

915 Kenilworth Ave., on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 7:24 a.m., radio stolen from Chevrolet Blazer;

Porter Nissan, 600 Ogletown Road, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 5:08 p.m., 1993 Ford Taurus reported stolen. Surveillance tapes show a suspect near the vehicle and the car being

driven away;

18A Terrace Dr., on Friday, Sept. 16, at 11:54 a.m., license plate removed from 1995 Ford Taurus;

655 Lehigh Road, on Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 2:15 p.m., 1996 Toyota Camry stolen;

400 Scholar Dr., on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 1:50 p.m., audio equipment valued at \$450 stolen;

48 Julie Lane, on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 7:20 p.m., shotgun valued at \$460 reported missing from a truck;

602 Lehigh Road, on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 5:57 p.m., electronics equipment valued at \$9,100 removed from 1988 Chevrolet truck;

400 Wollaston Ave., on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 10:31 a.m., motorized scooter, valued at \$1,100, stolen from side of apartment building;

402 Stamford Ave., on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 7:46 a.m., tools stolen from 1990 Honda Accord;

332 Chickory Way, on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 6:01 p.m., CD player removed from 1992 Acura; and

329 E. Main St., on Monday, Sept. 12, at 9:10 a.m., 2001 Yamaha motorcycle, valued at \$5,000, stolen.

Alcohol, noise law violations listed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued their traditional stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws following the return of University of Delaware students. Some charges grew out of "Cops In Shops" details when plainclothes officers go inside liquor establishments.

Some of the recent arrests include:

Todd Joseph Ozog, 20, of Norge, Ill., **Michael T. McGuire**, 19, of Swarthmore, Pa., and **Charles S. Kerfoot**, 20, of Owings, Md., each charged with underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 3:10 a.m., on Elkton Road near West Park Place after police stopped to investigate three men walking, one carrying an uprooted tree. The trio told police that they had found the tree on the sidewalk;

Drew T. Coldiron, 18, of Kennett Square, Pa., disorderly conduct, underage consumption and resist-

ing arrest; and **Kyle E. Covin**, 18, of Wilmington, underage consumption and resisting arrest, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 2:17 a.m., at 99 E. Cleveland Ave., after police received a report that a fight was underway in the area;

Anthony V. Delrossi Jr., 23, of Chadds Ford, Pa., possession of an open container of alcohol, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 2:02 a.m., on South Chapel Street near Wyoming Road;

Ram Crystal Braud, 32, of Austin, TX, possession of an open container, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 1:38 a.m., at 235 E. Delaware Ave.;

Nicholas John Capozzi, 20, of Lansdale, Pa., noise law violation, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 12:45 a.m., at 205 Murray Road;

Michael McDermott, 20, of Bear, underage consumption and possession of an open container, on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 12:26 a.m., at 37 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Jonathan A. Dellcollo, 19, of Wilmington, underage consumption and providing alcohol to a minor, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 5:29 a.m., at 28-2B Haines St.;

Daniel Robert Abrams, 18, of Dover, zero tolerance-driving under the influence of alcohol, driving wrong way on a one-way road, and underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 2:30 a.m., after a Ford Explorer was seen driving the wrong way on East Main Street at Academy Street;

Justin M. Schwartz, 18, of Ridgefield, Conn., underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 2:05 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments;

Brian Thomas Slater, 19, of Westboro, Mass., noise violation, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 1:32 a.m., at 69 W. Delaware Ave.;

Elbert Clint Smalls Jr., 24, of Elkton, Md., and **Ray V. Harmon II**, of Tecumseh, Mich., possession of open container, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 2 a.m. at 500 Scholar Dr. Police said they discovered that Smalls was wanted on capias. He was arrested, arraigned via videophone, and transferred to the Howard Young correctional facility;

Chelsea F. Pernic, 20, of Wilmington, underage consumption and possession of an open container, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 1:29 a.m., on East Cleveland Avenue near Kershaw Street;

Nickolas D. Neel, 18, of Bear, underage possession of alcohol, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 12:55 a.m., on Waterworks Lane near Academy Street;

A 17-year-old Newark female, underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at Newark police headquarters, 220 Elkton Road;

Adam D. Dimuzio, 21, of Wilmington, noise violation, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 12:11 a.m., at 5301 Scholar Dr.;

Jonathan T. McCurdy, 19, of Lafayette Hill, Pa., underage consumption, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 12:20 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Thomas D. Spencer, 19, of Selbyville, underage consumption and possession of an open container, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 12:07 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Jordan Matthew Weitzman, 20, of Owings Mills, Md., **Nicholas Francis Alarifi**, 20, of Great Falls, Va., and **Brett D. Itzkovitz**, 20, of Cedarhurst, N.Y., each charged with maintaining a disorderly premise, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 12:02 a.m., at 151 W. Main St., after police dispersed a party of an estimated 200 people. One party-goer urinated on the NPD car but fled;

Andrew Thomas Rafferty, 20, of Northeast, Md., driving under the influence of alcohol and underage consumption, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 11:47 p.m., following a traffic collision on Library Avenue east of Delaware Avenue;

Andrew Matamoros, 19, of Newark, underage possession, possession of an open container and possession of a fictitious driver license, and **Patrick M. Hullinger**, 20, of Wilmington, underage consumption and possession of an open container, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 11:50 p.m., at 36 E. Cleveland Ave.;

Andrew Moon, 21, of Durham, N.C., possession of an open container, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 11:40 p.m., at 200 Scholar Dr.;

Jonah Aaron Ram, 20, of Needham, Mass., underage consumption and possession of an open container, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 11:10 p.m., at 300 Scholar Dr.;

Josef Bock, 20, of Ambler, Pa., and **Virginia L. Frick**, 19, of Newark, each charged with possession of an open container and underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 11:10 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Joseph Robert Baumer, 19, of Hockessin, possession of an open container and underage possession, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 10:56 p.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Danielle L. Dimaggio, 20, of Newark, underage consumption, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 1:36 a.m., at 65 S. Chapel St., after smoke was seen coming out of a second-story window. Police reported that they entered the apartment and discovered food burning on a stove and an occupant passed out;

Kenneth Barnes, 19, of Wilmington, underage consumption, on Friday, Sept. 16, at 1:36 a.m., on Capitol Trail near East Cleveland Avenue, after police investigated a report that a man was laying on the sidewalk under the CSX bridge;


Ashley N. Vadala, 20, of Newark, possession of a fictitious ID, on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 11:29 p.m., at the Stone Balloon, 115 E. Main St.;

Daniel P. Friscia, 19, of Staten Island, N.Y., and **Randolph Lee Finley**, 19, of Upper Montclair, N.J., each charged with underage possession and underage entry into a liquor store, on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 7:25 p.m., at Fairfield Liquors, 405 New London Road; and

Michelle A. Rodenheiser, 23, of Newark, noise violation, on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 1:17 a.m., at 107 Briar Lane.

Police said all defendants, unless noted otherwise, were released pending court appearances.

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Tawndra Lewis, dental hygienist at Ministry of Caring

Newark resident Tawndra Ashbee Lewis died Monday, Aug. 29, 2005.

Born Tawndra Linne Ashbee on July 12, 1951 in Fairmont, W.Va., she was the first child of Wayne Ashbee and the late Margaret Linne Ashbee. Soon after her birth, the Ashbee family permanently relocated to Wilmington.

She graduated from West Virginia University in 1973 with a bachelor degree in dental hygiene and in 1975, she received a teaching certificate from Texas A&M University.

After completing her education, she worked as a dental hygiene instructor in Corpus Christi, TX and in Macon, Ga. before returning permanently to her home state of Delaware, where she worked as a practicing dental hygienist.

She also taught dental hygiene at Delaware Technical & Community College.

For the last 10 years, she worked for Ministry of Caring as a dental hygienist at the Pierre Toussaint dental office in Wilmington.

She is survived by her husband, William B. Lewis. She is also survived by her two children, Trevor Davis Moore and his wife, Christine, and Caitlyn Brienne Lewis. Other survivors include her three siblings, Shauna Ashbee Dowling, Dion Ruark Ashbee and Loren Kye Donahue and their families.

A memorial service was to be on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the McCrery Funeral Home.

Private interment was to be in All Saints Cemetery in Newark.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate contributions in

Eric Michael Petzak, 16, high school junior

ERIC Michael Petzak, 16, of Collingdale, Pa. died on Sept. 15, 2005.

Born Nov. 3, 1988, he and his family struggled with his Aspergers Syndrome throughout his life.

He was beginning his junior year at Academy Park High School in Sharon Hill, where his obvious intelligence and perverse sense of humor tried the patience of his teachers. His favorite things were video games, movies, thrill rides, his hamsters, his dog and his cat, Ernest. He was a funny, endearing and gentle person who loved his sisters

and family and will be grievously missed.

He was preceded in death by his maternal great grandmother, Myfanwy Davis who lived with the family until Eric was 10.

He is survived by his mother Dawn Petzak of Collingdale; his father, Donald Petzak and wife Sharon of Philadelphia; his sisters, Brianna and Alexis, at home;



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his step brother, Daniel Reiher of Philadelphia; his grandparents, Richard and Diana Davis of Collingdale and James and Mary Petzak of Newark; aunts, Debbie Feher, of Philadelphia, and Deborah Grawl, of Newark; best friend Rob McFalls; and many other family and friends.

The funeral service was Tuesday, Sept. 20, at Marvil Funeral Home. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Memorial contributions to the Eric Michael Petzak Memorial Fund, Sharon Savings Bank, 9 Chester Pike, Darby, Pa. 19023.

her memory to The Delaware Humane Association, 701 A St., Wilmington, DE. 19801.

Phillip Smith, 70, in Navy in Korea

Phillip B. Smith, 70, of Newark, died on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2005.

Born in New York City, N.Y. on May 3, 1935, Mr. Smith was the son of the late Gordon Smith and Ethel Foley Smith.

He served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Jones Smith.

A memorial service was to be on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home. Interment was to be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Delaware Humane Association, 701 A St., Wilmington, Del. 19801; or to the First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark, DE. 19711.

Samuel Metrick, 86, World War II veteran

Samuel Metrick, 86, of Newark, died on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2005.

He was born in Lower Shaft,

Pa. on April 11, 1919, son of the late John Metrick and Mary Karsoba Metrick.

Mr. Metrick served in U.S. Army during World War II. He was bricklayer by profession and retired in 1962.

His wife, Eileen, died in 1998. He is survived by a stepson, James J. Cuff, of Newark; three brothers, John Metrick, of Reading, Pa., Walter Metrick, of Harrisburg, Pa. and Joseph Metrick, of Wilmington; and three sisters, Mary Antonelli, of Oglethorpe, Ga., Julia Podani, of Newark and Anna Matuskevich, of New Castle.

Services were to be held privately.

■ Additional local obituaries are posted each week on the Newark Post web site. The web address appears at the top of every right-hand page. Obituaries of the following persons will be posted this week on the web:

Eric Michael Petzak
Lillian Campbell
Tawndra Lewis
Samuel Metrick
Nicholas Vlasveld
Carl Nolting
Alexander Ritchie
Robert McCullin
Phillip Smith

Nicholas Vlasveld, 73, Korean war veteran, Chrysler retiree

Nicholas M. Vlasveld, Sr., 73, of Newark, died Monday, Sept. 12, 2005.

Mr. Vlasveld was born in Abington, Pa., son of Nicholas and Helen Vlasveld, lived the majority of his life in Christiana, and made Newark his home for the past 45 years.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Crisis.

He was a line foreman at

Chrysler Corporation for 36 years, retiring in 1987. After retirement, he worked as a furniture salesman at Sears, and delivered paint for Sherwin-Williams at the Chestnut Hill store.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret; sons, Nicholas M. Vlasveld, Jr., of Newark and Robert E. Richardson and his wife, Carla, of Middletown; daughters, Susann M. Shepherd, Jody D. Davis and her husband, Joe Davis, Sr., and Brenda Lee Miller and her husband, Scott, all of Newark; and seven grandchildren. He was predeceased by his grandson, Robert Richardson.

A Life Celebration and funeral were to be on Friday, Sept. 16 at Beeson Funeral Home of Newark. Interment was to be in Christiana Presbyterian Church Cemetery. Contributions may be made in his memory to the Delaware SPCA, Rt. 7 Stanton-Christiana Road, Stanton, Del. 19804.

Alexander Ritchie, 83

Alexander Keay Ritchie, 83, of Newark, died Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2005.

Born in Scotland and a veteran of the US Air Force, Mr. Ritchie worked at the Chrysler plant in Newark. He was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Cordula. A graveside service was to be on Friday Sept. 16 at Newark Cemetery on Chapel Street.

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