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Parks and Rec program
gives students a place to
go on days off

By **NICOLE SULLIVAN**
Special to the Post

Though 9-year-old Alex Munson wasn't in school on Monday, she spent Martin Luther King Jr. Day with other students at the School's Out Kids Day Off program at the George Wilson Center on New London Road.

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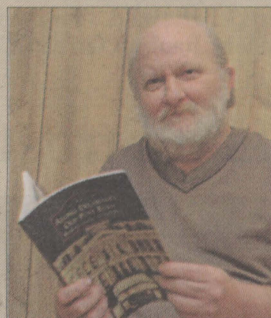


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How much is too much?

Study sheds light on Newark's rental housing market

By **JOSH SHANNON**
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Newark needs to build 50 additional apartment units each year to keep up with an increase in renters, but due to a recent flurry of project approvals, the city's housing market will be able to satisfy demand until at least 2019.

That was the conclusion of a rental needs assessment commissioned by city council last year in response to the dramatic increase of rental housing projects.

Between 2005 and 2011, the city approved 286 new rental units. However, in the two years that followed, 598 were approved, including the 169-unit Retreat at Newark that opened last fall and the 220-unit complex at Newark Shopping Center that will open in 2016.

Urban Partners, the Philadelphia-based firm that conducted the survey, released a draft of its findings last week.

The study found that of the city's 5,224 rental units, 75 percent are occupied by students. A unit is defined as one apartment or house.

Moreover, the demand for student housing is expected to rise as the University of Delaware's enrollment increases. Although UD claims it keeps a steady enrollment, the study found that the number of students has actually grown by 7 percent since 2005.

(Each year, UD accepts more students than it has space for, with

the expectation that only some of those will actually enroll. However, it does not rescind offers if the yield rate is higher than expected. Last fall's freshman class was the largest ever — 350 more than expected.)

However, those numbers don't tell the whole story.

An even larger growth was seen

By the numbers

2.9: Vacancy rate of Newark rental units

75: Percent of rental units occupied by students

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A new apartment building under construction at 58 E. Main St. rises above a sign depicting an artist's rendering of what the finished project will look like.

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Opening of gym signals start of Park N Shop revitalization

By NICOLE SULLIVAN
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Nearly a month after opening his Anytime Fitness gym, Chris Paris is optimistic about the future of his new business, located at the Park N Shop plaza on South Main Street.

"I think this area is a good one for what we do," Paris said. "Thus far, I've gotten a really good response from the community, since they're happy to finally have a convenient option."

The gym opened last month in a vacant space that most recently housed Scott's True Value. It is the fourth local location of the fitness chain, joining ones in the Shoppes at Louviers, Four Seasons in Glasgow and Governor's Square in Bear, a gym which is also owned by Paris.

The opening of the gym is the first step in a strategic plan from the property management firm, DSM Commercial, to renovate and revitalize the Park N Shop plaza. A consortium of companies bought the aging, high-vacancy complex in June.

"Anytime fitness is a great tenant," DSM managing partner Tripp Way said. "We think that the addition of a tenant like this can reach more bodies, bring more interest and will improve the overall health of the center."

Paris said these changes will greatly impact not only his business, but the surrounding neighborhood.

"Being a part of this whole revitalization of this side of Newark is exciting," Paris said. "There's more housing going up, there's more buildings being refurbished



Chris Paris, owner of Anytime Fitness, is happy with his new location in the Park N Shop center on South Main Street.

and refaced, and I think that bodes well for the community as a whole."

Geoffrey Setyanto, manager of the plaza's Korean Martial Arts Institute, is happy to see DSM's improvements to the center so far.

"I'm for whatever other changes are out there because I think it brings not only business, but the quality of life around here, up a little bit," Setyanto said.

Although he could not disclose prospective tenant names, Way said there is potential for good activity at the center and DSM is cur-

rently working with more possible tenants.

Current tenants and community members have expressed interest in what the vacant M&T Bank at the corner of Apple Road and South Main Street will become. Original plans to turn the building into a Wawa gas station sparked a community uproar in 2013.

City officials previously told the Newark Post that they've heard from DSM that Wawa is no longer a likely tenant there.

Mayor Polly Sierer said Wednesday she is confident in DSM's ability to renovate the plaza into a beneficial shopping center for the community.

"I'm hoping that DSM finishes this year to really turn things around," Sierer said.

According to Newark Barber Shop owner Ed Grant, DSM has already repainted the parking lot and has fixed storm drains, sidewalks and the light fixtures along the outside of the plaza. He also said he's happy with the

company's choice to bring in Anytime Fitness.

"[Paris] has done a great job with that space, since it was empty for so long," Grant said. "It's great to see something that's new and clean."

Although Paris said he looked at several other spaces, such as Suburban Plaza, he is satisfied with the final location.

"There's a lot of foot traffic here," Paris said. "I think that the space at Suburban Plaza would've been just as good of a space, but this one was a little bit bigger and I was able to negotiate a pretty decent rent amount, which made it feasible for me."

With a limited number of gyms in the Newark area, Paris believes his business will benefit an "underserved Newark."

"I think it's a great location," Paris said. "And we have diverse mix of young professionals, as well as a lot of older people who have been here for 40 years."

Although Paris recognizes the possibility of University of Delaware undergraduates choosing to work out at UD's Carpenter Sports Building, Paris is confident that the business will attract graduate students looking to take advantage of the flexible 24-hour seven days a week availability at Anytime Fitness.

Paris sees a promising future for Anytime Fitness, as well as Park N Shop as a whole.

"Once it gets done, it will definitely make the center much more pleasant to look at, which in turn will hopefully drive more traffic here," Paris said. "I signed on for the long haul, so I'm all in."

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Water main ruptures on Main Street

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A 125-year-old water main under East Main Street ruptured Jan. 16, flooding one lane of the road for nearly a day and a half.

Sometime in the afternoon, water began bubbling up out of a manhole cover in front of the Newark United Methodist Church. City spokesman Ricky Nietubicz said the leak was in an auxiliary pipe leading from the water main to a nearby fire hydrant.

It caused large puddles in the left lane of the road. The public works department applied salt to the road to prevent the water from freezing, and no major icing problems were reported, Nietubicz said.

Officials planned to have the repairs done by day-break Saturday but later said that "unanticipated complexities" forced crews to halt work until late Saturday night. The project was com-



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

A 125-year-old water main under East Main Street ruptured Jan. 16, sending water bubbling up through a manhole cover.

pleted by Sunday morning.

Work was restricted to late night and early morning to minimize the effect of shutting off water service in the business district.

"There's a very narrow window from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. when water usage is low," Nietubicz said.

He said the water main, which was installed in 1890, is believed to be one of the first iron water mains in the

city. (Previously, wooden pipes carried Newark's water.)

The water main was re-lined approximately 15 years ago, he said.

This is the 14th water main break in Newark this winter and the sixth since Jan. 1.

The city tries to replace water mains after 100 years and annually spends approximately \$1 million on those projects, Nietubicz said.

Bill would tighten reins on UD development

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The city of Newark will gain a little more control over what and where the University of Delaware builds if the state legislature passes a bill that would require the school to abide by local zoning laws when functioning as a commercial developer.

UD has long been exempt from the city's zoning regulations, and those of other municipalities, thanks to its charter, which states that planning for buildings, improvements and expansions of the campus and other land holdings are controlled solely by the Board of Trustees.

Under the proposed law, which was introduced by Rep. Paul Baumbach on Tuesday, the university would retain its zoning immunity as long as the development relates to student services or academic research, such as a residence hall, dining hall, classroom building or parking lot.

For all other projects, Baumbach said, UD would have to follow the same rules and approval process as other commercial developers in the state. In Newark, developers seeking a zoning variance or special-use permit are required to come before the planning commission and then council.

District 1 Councilman Mark Morehead said UD has been going through the city's development review process for commercial projects over the last several years as a "best practice," even though it is exempt.

The Barnes & Noble bookstore on Main Street and the Courtyard Marriott hotel are examples of university projects with commercial components, he said.

"There's something of a gentlemen's agreement, if you will," he said. "Let's call it an understanding."

Alan Brangman, vice president of facilities at UD, said he doesn't see why Baumbach's bill is necessary, given the understanding between the city and the university.

"We think it's really in our best interest that whatever we're developing is consistent with the city's comprehensive plan and the city's zoning regulations," he said. "So far everything we've done has been."

He added that building the Barnes & Noble on Main Street instead of on campus was meant to support the downtown

business district.

The bookstore, however, is what prompted Baumbach to pursue the legislation. He said city council granted UD zoning exceptions for the bookstore five years ago, knowing full well the university could have taken the issue to court and won.

"I heard from members of council, 'Even if we say no, they can just trump us because they're exempt from our zoning,' and that was highly frustrating," he said. "What this does is remove a power from [the Board of Trustees] they've chosen not to utilize."

UD has taken the city to court in the past over zoning disagreements.

In 1973, when the Christina Towers were built on the Laird Campus, the concern was that the residence hall was too tall for the zoning district. Still, the Delaware Court of Chancery ruled in favor of the university.

The city and the university were at odds again last year when UD planned to build a 279-megawatt power plant and data center at the STAR Campus, formerly the Chrysler manufacturing plant. The university eventually decided against the project, following months of backlash from a resident group.

Sunset Road resident Amy Roe, a leader in the

movement against the power plant, said although she supports limiting the university's power, she is skeptical of how Baumbach's bill will regulate the STAR Campus because the land is owned by 1743 Holdings, a subsidiary of the university. Regardless, she said, she is nervous UD will continue to use its charter to their advantage.

"We're in new territory as far as land development by the University of Delaware," Roe said. "The university has been flaunting this in our face for many years, and the bookstore is the case in point."

Brangman said he is unsure where the fear is coming from.

"Our intention is to be good neighbors," he said. "We're obviously not looking to abuse what exemptions we have."

In regards to the STAR Campus, the issue wasn't about granting the university exemptions, but rather if the data center and power plant fit the "STC" zoning district, which was specifically defined by the city and UD, Morehead said.

The 272-acre STAR Campus is currently home to several commercial entities including a physical therapy clinic and nurse managed health center in UD's Health Sciences Complex, Bloom Energy and a building under construction by

Delle Donne and Associates, Inc.

Morehead said he is comfortable with the way the university has been voluntarily participating in the city's development review process thus far and is confident UD will remain consistent going forward.

"We've already done that for those 272 acres and we did that working together," he said.

Still, Morehead welcomes the clarity Baumbach's bill would provide.

"I think it makes good sense to codify this and make sure everyone's on the same page," he said.

City spokesman Ricky Nietubicz declined to comment, stating that the city has yet to review the legislation.

Baumbach said the bill would not just affect Newark, as the university owns property in Wilmington, Dover and Lewes, where a wind turbine spins out enough electricity to power the Hugh R. Sharp Campus. Between 2010 and May 2012, UD sold 2.3 million kWh of surplus electricity to the Lewes Board of Public Works.

In order to pass, two-thirds of each house of the legislature would need to vote in favor of the bill, and the Board of Trustees would need to approve changing the school's charter, according to UD

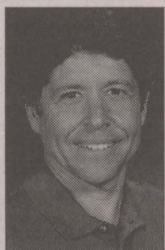
spokeswoman Andrea Boyle.

Baumbach said it is still early on in the process, but he expects the university to be on board.

"If all it does is write down what they're doing today, then there should be no problem with it," he said. "I think it's the right time for this conversation."

Brangman, on the other hand, said getting the Board of Trustees to change the charter is a big deal for what he sees as a non-existent issue.

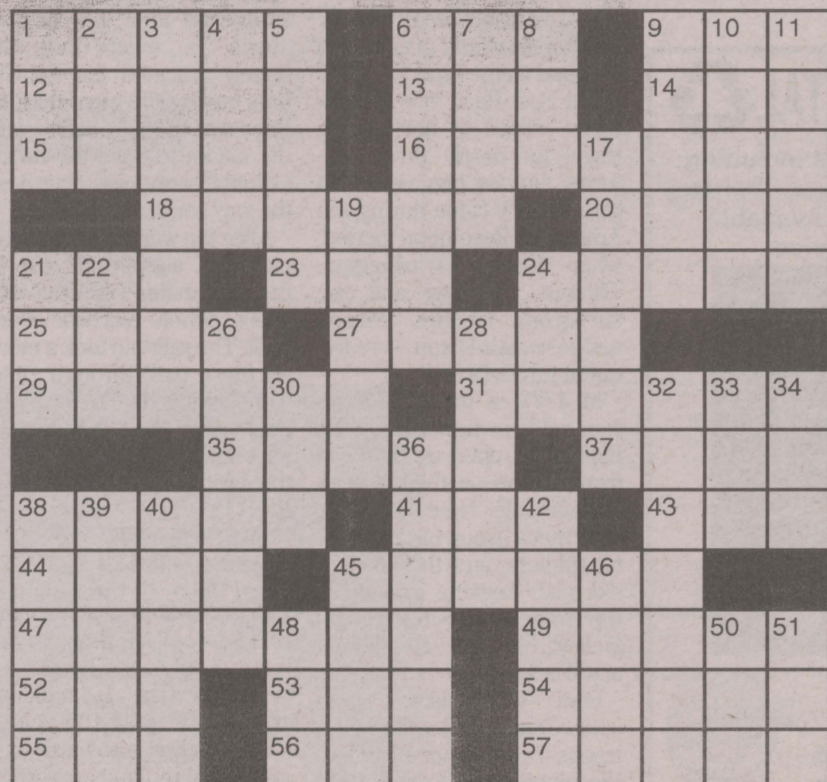
"We're probably putting a lot of effort into something that's not worth it at the end of the day," he said.



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Colonial highway carried presidents, generals, Revolutionary War heroes

New book traces history of Old Baltimore Pike precursor

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It's surrounded on both sides by residential neighborhoods built in the 1970s and '80s. It's dotted with strip stores and gas stations. For locals in the know, it provides a back road to the mall.

But for long-distance travel, today's Old Baltimore Pike can't hold a candle to its high-speed counterparts, Interstate 95 and U.S. Route 40.

However, it wasn't always that way. As a Delaware native's new book recalls, Old Post Road, as it was called back then, was a major colonial highway.

Caesar Rodney used the

road for his famous midnight ride to Philadelphia. George Washington traversed it many times, stopping at taverns along the way. It was also the main route for U.S. Mail delivery in the area — hence its name.

"It was the only road in 18th-century Delaware that went to Baltimore," said Ken Baumgardt, whose book "Along Delaware's Old Post Road: From Claymont to Iron Hill" will be published later this month as part of Arcadia Publishing's "Images of America" series.

The 127-page pictorial book is the third authored by Baumgardt, a historian for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and former president of the Christiana Historical Society.

For his first book, he delved into the history of Delaware Park, the racetrack that sits adjacent to his childhood home in the Rutherford neighborhood. Next, he wrote the history of Rodgers Tavern in Perryville, Md., which he passes every day on his train ride to work in Baltimore.

For his most recent project, he stuck close to home as well. Very close, in fact — Old Baltimore Pike runs directly in front of the home in Christiana where he lived until mov-



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This photo, taken about a century ago, shows the muddy condition of Old Baltimore Pike, looking west near the intersection with Pleasant Valley Road.

ing to Bear last year.

"It gives me a reason to go out and learn about local history," said Baumgardt, 55, a graduate of Christiana High School and the University of Delaware.

Also called King's Highway, Old Post Road was built in 1666 and follows a 13-mile course through Delaware that includes today's Old Baltimore Pike, Maryland Avenue and Philadelphia Pike. It ran through all the major towns at that time: Brandywine Village, Wilmington, Newport, Stanton and Christiana. Newark, a tiny college town, was accessible via a road believed to be roughly where Chapel Street is today.

"Before that, everybody had to have a house right on the

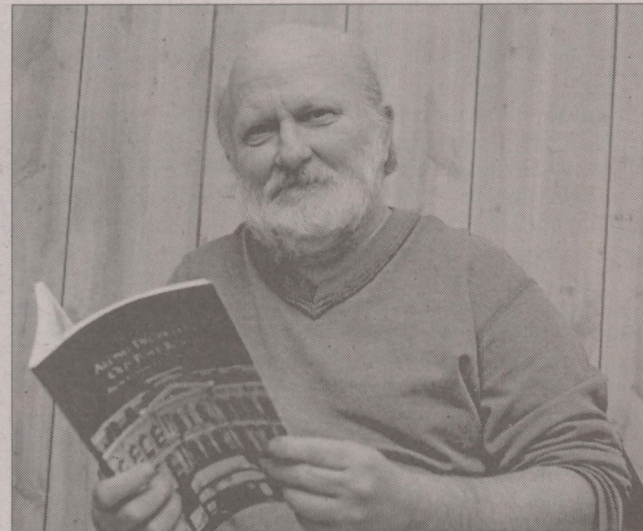
coastline and travel by boat," Baumgardt said.

Old Post Road likely began as a Native American path but was eventually improved by the governing forces of the area. It was paid for by a lottery as well as through fees collected at primitive toll booths.

"They were basically a log on a pedestal. They'd swing the log and let you by," Baumgardt said. "That's the origin of the term turnpike."

In the early days, the road was surrounded by woods in between each town, possibly with a few farms interspersed. A trip through Delaware to Baltimore or Philadelphia was far from easy, Baumgardt said.

"The road was mainly dirt



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Ken Baumgardt, a Delaware native and a graduate of Christiana High School, recently wrote a book about the history of Old Post Road, which included present-day Old Baltimore Pike, Maryland Avenue and Philadelphia Pike.

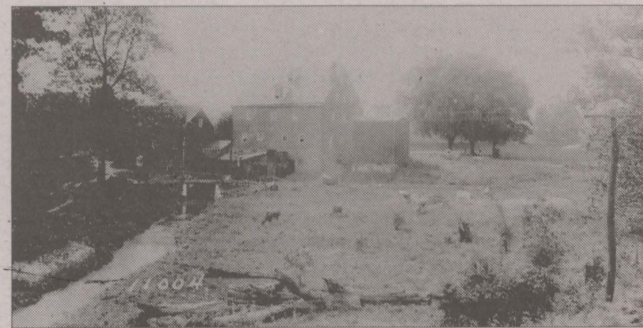


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The Cooch-Dayett Mill, pictured prior to a devastating fire in 1903, was an important flour mill at the corner of present-day Old Baltimore Pike and Route 72. The building now houses the Pencader Heritage Museum.

and full of potholes and ruts. It was very muddy and slow to drive on," he said. "They would probably break wheels, and horses would get stuck in the mud all the time."

Old Post Road was the primary means of north-south travel for nearly three centuries, but its biggest brush with history came during the American Revolution period, when George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and the surveyors Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon were frequent travelers on it.

In 1777, a group of Hessian soldiers fighting for the British marched up the road from Elkton on their way to Philadelphia. Near Iron Hill, they met a group of Continental soldiers, and the ensuing skirmish became known as the Battle of Cooch's Bridge, Delaware's only Revolutionary War battle.

Four years later, some 6,000 Continental and French troops — commanded by Gen. Washington and French Gen. Jean Baptiste Donatien de

Vimeur count de Rochambeau — marched down the road and across Cooch's Bridge on their way to Yorktown, Va., where they ultimately defeated the British, thus ending the war. Old Post Road was the only highway in the nation to have the entire Colonial army pass over it on the way south.

After the war, Old Post Road played a significant role in the new nation until the mid 1800s, when railroads were built. The railroad took a more northern path through Delaware, giving rise to Newark's importance as a manufacturing center but also decreasing the prominence of Old Post Road.

The colonial highway's fate was sealed in the 1920s when Route 40 was built and became the primary means of travel through Delaware before being upstaged by I-95.

"Along Delaware's Old Post Road: From Claymont to Iron Hill" (\$21.99) goes on sale Monday at www.arcadiapublishing.com.

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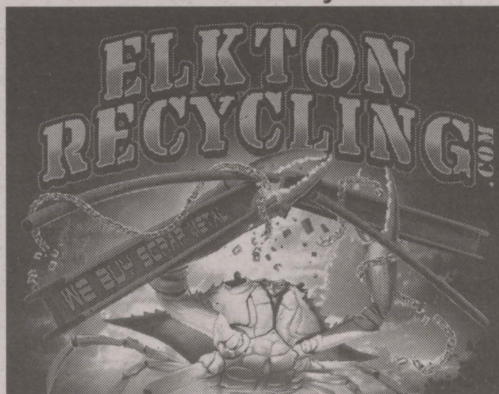
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Police: Bank robbery suspects caught laundering money

Dye-stained cash spotted at Delaware Park

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A Glasgow duo's trip to Delaware Park last week ended in a jackpot for Newark Police.

Authorities say the two men were using cash stolen from an Elkton Road bank — money that was stained by

a dye pack surreptitiously slipped into their bag by a teller at American Spirit Federal Credit Union.

Lt. Bill Hargrove, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said it appears the men weren't actually gambling but instead using the casino to launder the money. They allegedly bought chips with the stolen bills and then cashed out, in an attempt to walk away with clean money.

However, troopers in the

Delaware State Police gambling enforcement unit noticed the dyed bills and were able to track them back to the men, identified as William B. Baker, 30, and James Collins, 43.

"They noticed the dyed

bills, did some research and saw that we had the most recent bank robbery," Hargrove said.

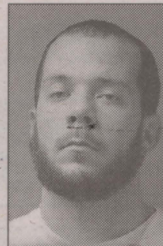
The troopers contacted Newark Police detectives, who raided Collins home in the 200 block of Joycelyn Street in

the Glasgow Court mobile home park. There, they found evidence linking the two men to the bank robbery, Hargrove said.

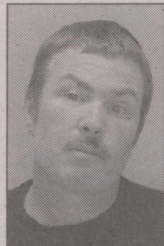
Police allege Baker, who also lives in the mobile home park, entered the bank wearing a mask at approximately 1 p.m. on Jan. 9 and handed the teller a note demanding money. Collins served as the getaway driver, and the two fled into Cecil County, Hargrove said.

Both men were arrested at Collins' home Jan. 14 and are charged with first-degree robbery, wearing a disguise during the commission of a felony and second-degree conspiracy, all related to the bank robbery. DSP also charged them with money laundering, theft and receiving stolen property.

They were committed to Howard R Young Correctional Institute in lieu of \$35,000 secured bond.



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COLLINS

Two hurt in Paper Mill Road crash

By JOSH SHANNON

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Two people were injured early Sunday morning when a car and an SUV collided on Paper Mill Road, north of Newark.

The crash happened at 12:57 a.m. near the intersection with Smithmill Road, according to Sgt. Michael A. McCole, a spokesman for New Castle County Paramedics.

First responders arrived to find a 29-year-old woman trapped in her car. Fire-

fighters from Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co. freed her after approximately 25 minutes, McCole said. She was taken to Christiana Hospital to be treated for injuries to her leg and possible internal injuries.

The 27-year-old man who was driving the SUV suffered from neck and back pain and was also taken to Christiana Hospital.

Delaware State Police troopers are investigating the crash. Identities of the drivers have not been released.



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Two people were injured early Sunday morning in a two-vehicle crash on Paper Mill Road.

POLICE BRIEFS

Power tools stolen from truck on Apple Road

The driver of a construction vehicle is missing several power tools after parking overnight on Apple Road last week, police said.

According to Newark Police spokesman Cpl. James Spadola, the incident occurred sometime between midnight and 8 a.m. on Jan. 13 in the 500 block of Apple Road.

The driver told police he left the vehicle unlocked in a driveway overnight and when he returned in the morning, he noticed storage cabinets in the truck were open. Approximately \$1,500 worth of power tools, including a manual grinder, chipping gun and hand drill, were missing from the truck.

Spadola said police are still investigating the incident and have no suspects at this time.

Laptops, TV taken from Firethorn Court home

Residents living on Firethorn Court are missing several electronics after their home was broken into last week, police said.

According to Newark Police spokesman Cpl. James Spadola, the break-in occurred

Jan. 12 between 4:30 and 9:40 p.m. at a home in the unit block of Firethorn Court, off Willa Road.

The residents told police they left their home unlocked and when they returned they noticed a few bedrooms had been rummaged through. A laptop from a dining room was missing as well as two laptops from upstairs bedrooms. A flat screen TV was also taken, bringing the estimated total of stolen items to \$3,850.

Spadola said police are still investigating the incident and have no suspects at this time.

Thief steals tailgate off pickup truck

A pickup truck is missing its tailgate, and the driver suspects it was stolen last week while parked in Suburban Plaza.

According to Newark Police spokesman Cpl. James Spadola, the victim believes the incident occurred sometime between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. on Jan. 15 in the Suburban Plaza parking lot off Elkton Road.

He told police he parked his 2014 Chevy Silverado at the shopping center for about an hour and then dropped the car off at Sandy Drive, where it stayed overnight. At approximately 7:15 a.m. the next

morning, he noticed the tailgate was gone and believes it was removed from his truck while the vehicle was parked at Suburban Plaza.

Spadola said the tailgate is estimated at \$1,000.

Police continue to investigate the incident and have no suspects at this time.

Police: Maryland man allegedly stole meat from Acme

Newark Police are searching for a man they believe stole \$500 worth of meat from the Acme at Suburban Plaza in December, although the incident was reported Jan. 12.

Police identified the suspect as Charles McClellan, 45, of Chesapeake City, Md.

According to NPD spokes-

man Cpl. James Spadola, the incident occurred at approximately 4:40 p.m. on Dec. 21, when an Acme manager noticed a suspicious man, later identified as McClellan, with a concealed object in his coat.

After McClellan left the store in a dark-colored Dodge Durango, Spadola said, the manager reviewed the store's video footage and determined he had stolen two large tenderloins worth \$100 each. Earlier footage showed McClellan entering the store at 1:30 p.m. that same day and stealing three additional tenderloins, Spadola said.

Based on the investigation, Spadola said, police obtained a warrant for McClellan's arrest on two counts of shoplifting. Anyone with info on his whereabouts is encouraged to email Michael.wolfrom@cj.state.de.us.



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An employee of the Dunkin' Donuts on Elkton Road was robbed at gunpoint Sunday afternoon.

Dunkin' Donuts employee robbed at gunpoint Sunday

By JOSH SHANNON

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Police are searching for an armed man who robbed the Dunkin' Donuts on Elkton Road on Sunday afternoon.

Lt. Bill Hargrove, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, said the robber entered the doughnut shop at 4:49 p.m. wearing all black clothing, black gloves and a white-and-black bandanna concealing his face. The man "immediately displayed a dark-colored handgun," Hargrove said.

He then threatened an employee who was on break and sitting at a table in the restaurant. After stealing the employee's personal belongings, the gunman left the store and ran across Elkton Road toward McIntire Drive.

A K-9 team searched the area but was not able to find the man.

Hargrove said no further description or surveillance footage of the robber is available.

According to Newark Post archives, Sunday's incident is the fifth robbery at that Dunkin' Donuts since 2010.

Anyone with additional information on this incident should contact Detective James Skinner at 302-366-7110 ext. 135 or James.Skinner@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the Internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

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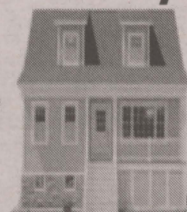
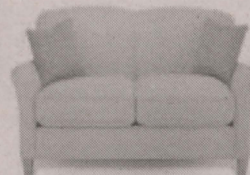
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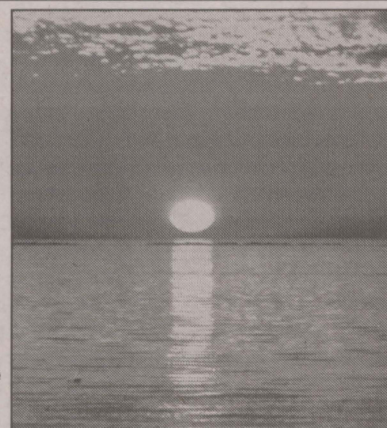
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PROGRAM

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"I love getting to run around and play," Alex said. "Plus, I like the yummy snacks."

Formerly known as "We Wanna Play Day," the School's Out Kids Day Off program caters to children ages 5 to 12 and is held on weekdays when the Christina School District is not in session. Upcoming program dates include a school in-service day on Feb. 13 and President's Day on Feb. 16.

The \$48 registration fee must be received by the Newark Parks and Recreation Department one week prior to the program date. Parents interested can call 302-366-7060 or visit www.cityofnewarkde.us for more information.

"Their parents don't have to be working," Tyler DeBruin, Parks and Recreation supervisor, said. "If parents just want their kids to have something fun to do, there's normally a variety of activities."

Tori Paruszewski, recreation leader for the program, said it is a great way to help parents who work and gives children something to do other than sit at home and watch television.

The program is an extension of the city's before and after school care program and attracts many of the same children.

"It gives the kids a way to interact with each other," Paruszewski said. "And if it's a certain holiday, we try to integrate that into their activities, so they're learning and still having fun."

On Monday, the group spent the morning making "I have a dream" dream catchers, using colorful ribbon and string. Paruszewski said the activity incorporated both an arts and crafts element as well as a small historical lesson into who Martin Luther King Jr. was and his hopes for equality.

The kids were given mini marshmallows and toothpicks before lunchtime as a building activity, but also as a mid-morning snack.

"The marshmallows started off as more of a winter thing, to make snowflakes, but they decided to let their imaginations run wild and make marshmallow towers," Paruszewski said.

Recreation counselor



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To avoid losing the game, Grace Yang held very still during "Ghost in the Graveyard," a favorite amongst the students participating in the School's Out Kids Day Off program.

Sarah Page said that through both activities, the kids were engaged and had fun.

"It's a good time," Page said. "And a lot of these kids are from either West Park or Downes where I work, so it's nice to have familiar faces."

Paruszewski said the group would later participate in running or dodgeball-type games, possibly venturing out to the playground behind the center.

Paruszewski, who has been working with Newark's Park and Recreation Department for six years, said her time as a counselor has been rewarding.

"I like being able to make the kids happy, see them learn and watch them grow," she said.

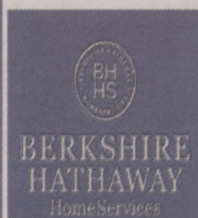


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To give students like Kaname Walls activities to do on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the Newark Parks and Recreation Department offered the School's Out Kids Day program.

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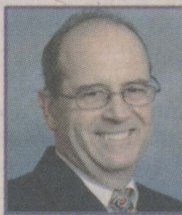
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Teacher's love of music turns into lifelong career

By KARIE SIMMONS

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Everything Elizabeth Stevens says comes out as a song.

Kneeling on the floor, surrounded by a group of wide-eyed toddlers, a tambourine in one hand and a drumstick in the other, the 36-year-old music teacher is like a one-woman show.

"Music is always going on in my head," she said. "I often joke that I'm a walking jukebox. If you give me a topic, I can come up with a song."

Stevens, who lives in Newark with her husband and their four young kids, has been sharing her love of music with children ever since she founded Newark Music Makers four years ago. Classes meet in a studio in the St. Thomas Episcopal Church on South College Avenue.

She said her professional experience stems from a lifelong love of music.

Growing up in central Florida, Stevens always enjoyed the power of a tune, even from a young age.

"It gives us the ability to communicate without words and create beauty in the world around us," she said. "It's like a gift that we've been given that we have to share with everyone."

Stevens played the piano until she was in middle school, and her mother encouraged her to try oboe. That's when her life changed, she said.

"From seventh grade on, I knew that's what I wanted to do," she said.

Stevens went on to major in oboe at the University of South Florida. From there, she received a masters degree in oboe performance from Northwestern University and a doctorate in music from Michigan State University.

Before moving to Newark and teaching in the University of Delaware's School of Music, Stevens held positions at the University of Michigan-Flint, University of Windsor in Ontario and the Flint School of Performing Arts. She also has an orchestral career and has performed with symphonies in Delaware, Illinois, Michigan and Florida.

Over the years, Stevens has had students of all ages, even adults, but her passion is early childhood music education.

"I love seeing what a simple song can do to light up a child and get them excited," she said.

In a typical week, Stevens teaches approximately 14 classes at Newark Music



Elizabeth Stevens, founder of Newark Music Makers, sings a song about a spider to a young child in her music class at St. Thomas Episcopal Church on South College Avenue.



Elizabeth Stevens, founder of Newark Music Makers, bangs on a drum during a music class for toddlers.

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SPOTLIGHT ON NEWARK'S WORKING MEN AND WOMEN

Makers, and in any given class, both parents and children can be heard singing along to her creative tunes. Most of the songs are original creations, and inspiration can come from just about anywhere – the weather outside, the changing seasons or something as simple as bath time or peek-a-boo, she said.

During the infant and toddler classes, she said, she tries to speak entirely in song. Unlike any other age group, children respond better to melody, she said.

And the songs are catchy, too.

"I hear all the time that kids are singing in the car or at home, and that makes

me happy to hear," Stevens said. "That means I'm doing something right."

Stevens said music is important for a child's development. Studies have shown that exposure to music can foster early reading abilities and improve motor skills and language skills in young children. Further-

more, she said, learning rhythm, tempo, pitch and dance can set a child up to play an instrument when he or she is older.

But that's not all music can do, and that's why Stevens loves her job.

Beyond the developmental benefits, Stevens believes music does something

more, something special. She said music creates feelings and memories unlike any other.

"We all still remember the songs our parents sung to us when we were younger, although we may not remember the stories they told us," she said. "Music has a way of sticking with you."



Elizabeth Stevens, founder of Newark Music Makers, sings as children in her music class run underneath a colorful parachute.

City's Restaurant Week in full swing

Some eateries chose not to participate this year

By NICOLE SULLIVAN

Special to the Post

Lee Ann Cappiello and her husband, John, dine at Taverna several times a month. But on Wednesday afternoon, the Avondale, Pa., couple made the trip to Newark's Main Street specifically for the eatery's two-course Restaurant Week lunch menu.

The Cappiellos have attended the Downtown Newark Partnership's Restaurant Week for the past three years, enjoying the opportunity to try new foods at each restaurant without spending too much money.

"We love Restaurant Week because restaurants don't dumb down the food," Cappiello said. "They keep it interesting and delicious. And now we've got so many leftovers from this one meal, so we're taking those home."

She added that although she and her husband will probably venture to Del Pez and the Stone Balloon Ale House throughout the week, Taverna remains at the top of their list as a favorite.

"We might even come for dinner tomorrow night," Cappiello said.

Although many diners like the Cappiellos came out for lunch throughout the week, hungry customers only had the option of attending 14 participating restaurants this year, down from the 19 restaurants that took part last year.

It is the lowest number of participants since Restaurant Week's launch in 2007.

"A few decided not to participate this year, but I don't know if there's a specific reason," Ricky Nietubicz, DNP administrator, said.

Nietubicz also said the

DNP's merchants committee changed its promotional tactics for Restaurant Week, focusing more on check inserts and window ads at the restaurants.

"Different advertisement mixes reach different populations," Nietubicz said. "For the last several years a lot of folks who are already coming to downtown once or twice are our good target market to remind them of our events."

To judge the success of the new promotional focus would be hard, Nietubicz said, simply because the week is not finished.

Santa Fe Mexican Grill manager Kristin Cronin said business at her restaurant has been strong this week.

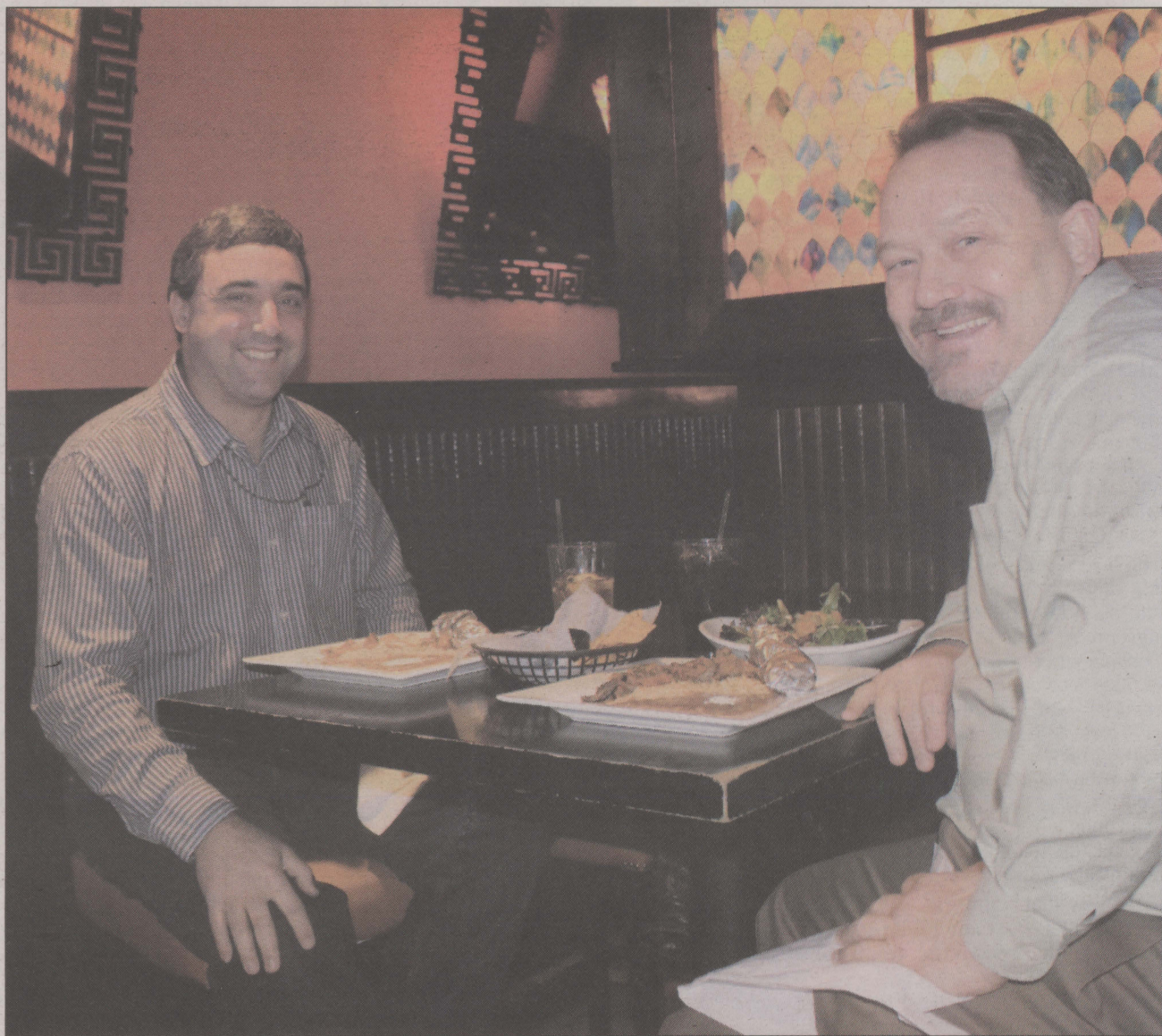
"Restaurant Week's been awesome," Cronin said. "A lot of people are coming in to check out the menu and lunch has been booming. A lot of people have come in for dinner too. We've had twice as many people come in on a Monday than we normally would."

Ralph and Donna Martin made it a point to try Santa Fe's prix fixe menu on Wednesday afternoon.

The couple ordered the adobo chicken and rice soup and the tamales platter with two homemade cheese, jalapeno tomato and onion tamales as well as the winter salad and chicken mexicana dish, marinated and tossed with a tomato, onion and jalapeno salsa.

"I love that most places offer an appetizer and a main meal, since some places that do Restaurant Weeks elsewhere offer only one option," Donna Martin said.

Restaurant Week continues through Sunday, and participating restaurants offer a variety of specials, such as a two-course lunch for \$10, a family meal for \$22 and two-and-three-course dinners for \$22 and \$28.



David Blake and Jack Penick visited Santa Fe Mexican Grill on Wednesday afternoon to take advantage of the Restaurant Week two-course lunch menu.

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A group of UD students dine Wednesday at Home Grown Cafe to take advantage of the \$10 lunch special, trying new menu items on a college budget.

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Newark High's Jarod Wilson breaks 20-year-old track record

By JON BUZBY
Newark Post

Heading into this year's winter indoor track season, Newark High runner Jarod Wilson had already made his mark as a two-time first-team All-State cross-country selection and indoor state champion. However, on Jan. 17 at the Yale Track Classic in New Haven, Conn., the senior made perhaps his biggest mark on the sport here in the First State.

It was at Yale University where Wilson broke a 20-year-old Delaware state record in the 800-meter run with a blazing time of 1:56.05.

"It's pretty crazy, honestly," Wilson said. "I remember starting indoor track my freshman year, never having run before, and looking at the big dogs on my team and in the state in complete awe. I never really thought I'd be in a position where I'd be so competitive, let alone break a state record. It's really rewarding and great to see what I've accomplished."

The previous record of 1:56.72 was held by Steve Sinko, who set the mark in 1994 while running for St. Mark's.

"I knew that Jarod was going for it [at Yale] and I fully expected the record to go



LISA MCARTHUR

Jarod Wilson set a new 800-meter indoor state record on Jan. 17 at the Yale Track Classic. The previous record, held by Steve Sinko, stood for 20 years.

down," said Sinko, who is now the head track coach at Newark Charter. "When I set the record, I really had no idea it would last that long. After

watching Jarod run last year at the DIAA indoor state championships and again at the New Castle County outdoor championships, I thought he

would be the one to finally take it down. I'm glad he was able to make it happen."

Wilson has had a great senior season to date. At the Christmas City Relays at Lehigh University in December, he won the mile with a time of 4:29.38 and came back an hour later to win the 400-meter run in 50.18. Both were meet records.

"Jarod has extreme range," Newark coach Mike Mooney said. "He is an exceptional athlete who has the ability to focus every day on every drill, every workout."

Wilson is well-liked by his teammates and is as accomplished off the track as he is on it.

"Jarod accomplishes all of this with great humility and a real care for his teammates and fellow competitors," Mooney added. "He excels equally in the classroom. He is currently ranked second in the senior class and participates in several leadership organizations on both the state and national level."

Sinko knows firsthand what it takes to reach Wilson's level of success.

"I still remember the amount of hard work that was put in to make that effort happen, so I can really appreciate what Jarod has done," Sinko

explained. "By all accounts he is a good, hardworking young man, and I'm very happy he was able to reach that goal and make the record his own."

Wilson was quick to credit others.

"I have a really great support network between my coaches, my mom and my team," said Wilson, who is undecided about college but looking at MIT, Dartmouth, Annapolis, West Point and Lehigh. "They provide the push and motivation. Especially the team. They make it possible to grind out the tough runs and workouts that we do. Running with them has been a blast."

UD cheer squads excel at Nationals

It was another impressive showing for the University of Delaware spirit teams last weekend as the Blue Hens Co-Ed Cheerleading team captured its second straight national title at the Universal Cheerleaders Association and Universal Dance Association National Championships at Walt Disney World.

In addition to the national title, mascot YoUDEe finished second in the Mascots Open Division and the Dance team

placed second in both the Division I Jazz Division and the Division I Hip-Hop Division.

Delaware Sportswriters and Broadcasters banquet scheduled

The state's best athletes, coaches and teams will be honored at the Delaware Sportswriters and Broadcasters Association's 66th annual banquet on Feb. 16 at noon at the Sheraton Wilmington South Hotel. One of Newark's local athletes will receive the Buddy Hurlock Unsung Hero Award, to be announced in the Feb. 6 edition of the Post.

Tickets are available for \$30 at delasports.org.

Sports JaM debuts on Fox Sports 1290

Matt Pencek and I are co-hosting Sports JaM, a show that tries to jam as much sports talk as possible – local and national – into 30 minutes on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. The show is also available on podcast at FoxSports1290am.com/media.

Contact Jon Buzby at JonBuzby@hotmail.com and follow him @JonBuzby on Twitter.

'Most interesting' women behind latest REP production

By DARA MCBRIDE
Special to the Post

Spoiled, immensely wealthy and utterly miserable, heiress Epifania Ognisanti di Parerga declares she will kill herself at the start of the latest Resident Ensemble Players performance.

"But it is a romantic comedy," said Elizabeth Heflin, who portrays Eppy, adding the play has a bit for everyone, "stage fights and romance."

George Bernard Shaw's "The Millionairess" opens on Saturday, and runs through Feb. 8. The Resident Ensemble Players, or REP, is a professional theater company with a full-time ensemble located at the University of Delaware. Ian Belknap, artistic director of New York's The Acting Company, helms the current production.

The performers will have play-goers following the story of the self-declared "most interesting woman in England."

As the actress behind that woman, Heflin isn't too bor-

ing herself. She graduated from UD's Professional Theatre Training Program in 1992. She went on to perform in New York, Los Angeles and Houston, with leading roles in such plays as "The Crucible," "Arsenic and Old Lace" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream", as well as some TV and soap opera credits.

She's happy to now be taking on the role of Eppy, citing the source material.

"George Bernard Shaw writes maybe the greatest women. His heroines are typically very smart. They're strong mentally, strong physically," she said, adding her character studies judo.

In the play, Eppy – disgusted with her husband and furious with her par amour – encounters a new love interest: an Egyptian doctor who is not the least impressed with her money or her formidable personality. The quick-moving comedy has a set to match. The set is set on a turntable, so actors can move between four locations quickly.

But beyond gimmicks



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Elizabeth Heflin as Epifania Ognisanti di Parerga fights with John Renshouse as Adrian in the comedic play "The Millionairess."

and comedy, the play does carry several messages about love, while also examining the differences between the "haves" and have nots."

A closing monologue on marriage is what Heflin said she finds most moving in the play.

"She says at the end any committed relationship is 'infinitely dangerous heart tearing ever-changing life of adventure,'" Heflin recounts of her character. "Any committed relationship, it is

dangerous. You give your heart and soul to people and you can be hurt."

Heflin said she relates the message to her 9-year-old daughter.

"She changes every two months. Just when I think I've figured her out, she changes again," said Heflin, who said she is a single mother and often brings her daughter to the theater during rehearsal.

"I'm afraid she has the acting bug," she said, adding her daughter has ap-



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Elizabeth Heflin as Epifania Ognisanti di Parerga tries to charm Lee Ernst as the Doctor in the Resident Ensemble Players' "The Millionairess."

peared onstage but not in a speaking role. Heflin said she hopes there is a play in the future where the pair appear together. "It would be great, I think. I'm just happy when she gets to do it, because then she's really happy."

Up next, Heflin will take on a small role in the REP's upcoming performance of "Juno and the Paycock." For those who would like to hear more from Heflin, audience members have

a chance to meet and talk with the cast following the Jan. 29 and Feb. 5 productions.

A complete schedule, directions and information on purchasing tickets can be found at the REP's website, www.rep.udel.edu or by calling the REP's box office at 302-831-2204. Tickets are \$23 to \$29, with discounts for students and seniors.

The Roselle Center for the Arts is located at 110 Orchard Road.

OBITUARIES

Vera Estelle Mahon Duff

Vera Estelle Mahon Duff died at the age of 99 on January 14, 2015 at the Country House in Greenville, DE, where she had lived for 22 years. She was born in Kearny, NJ, on November 11, 1915, to Caroline Jorgenson Mahon and Fred Mahon.

As a child, she lived in Haskell, NJ, and she graduated from high school in Butler, NJ. She was married to Alan Dallas Duff Jr. on March 18, 1939, in Manassas, VA. Alan served as a Captain in the Army Air Corps during World War II and was stationed in Okinawa, Japan.

After the War, Vera and Alan lived in Wilmington, DE, where Alan worked for the DuPont Company. In 1951, they moved to Newark, DE, where Alan worked at the Louviers Building, and Vera became a Welcome Wagon Hostess. In 1953, Vera and Alan and their two school-aged daughters moved to Aiken, SC, where Alan worked for the Atomic Energy Commission at the Savannah River Plant, near Aiken. Vera took up golf in Aiken, and it became a lifetime passion. She played until her 90th year at the Newark Country Club, where an annual golf tournament has been named for her. She had two holes-in-one during her golfing years.

Vera was predeceased by her husband, Alan Duff, and is survived by her two daughters, Diana Duff, of Captain Cook, Hawaii, and Susan Duff Bresnick, of East Hampton, NY, as well as her granddaughter, Polly Duff Kertis, and great-grandson, Peter Burns Kertis, of Brooklyn, NY. Her closest friend and frequent companion Margit Boer-Toy, of Newark, her son-in-law, Paul Bresnick and grandson-in-law, Gary Kertis, also survive her.

A celebration of Vera's life will be held on the afternoon of Sunday, January 25, at 3 p.m. in the Delaware Lounge at the Methodist Country House, 4830 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE 19807. For further information call 302-654-5101. To send condolences visit www.rtfoard.com.

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Mabel E. Loyd

Mabel E. Loyd, age 95, of Newark, DE, passed away peacefully at home while surrounded by her family on Thursday evening, January 15, 2015.

Born in West Salem, IL, on December 2, 1919, Mabel was the daughter of the late Clarence N. Ginther and Roxie O. (Blood) Ginther. She was a talented homemaker who devoted her life to caring for her loved ones.

Mabel was a woman of strong faith and was a founding member of Calvary Baptist Church in Newark where she worshipped for over 60 years. She gave of her time and talents by serving as a Sunday school teacher and as a member of the choir. Active in her community, she served as a Girl Scout leader for many years. Mabel was exceptionally creative and enjoyed crafting, crocheting, ceramics and oil painting. In her leisure time, she liked fishing and hunting in her younger years, bowling in her senior years and loved a good game of cards with friends. Mabel was a beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother and dear friend to many and will be deeply missed by all.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers. Mabel is survived by her loving husband of 74 years, Robert R. Loyd; daughters, Virginia L. Jenson (Bernard) of Landenberg, PA, Barbara E. Stevens of Newark, DE and Beverly R. Smith of Cuyahoga Falls, OH; eight grandchildren; and eleven great-grandchildren.

A visitation for family and friends was held from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Thursday evening, January 22, 2015 at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 121 W. Park Place, Newark, DE. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday morning, January 23, 2015, at the Calvary Baptist Church, 215 E. Delaware Avenue, Newark, DE 19711. Interment will follow in Gracelawn Memorial Park, 2220 N. DuPont Parkway, New Castle, DE.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Mabel's name may be made to the Calvary Baptist Church, at the address listed above, or to the Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay, Attn.: Capital Campaign Building Fund, 501 S. College Ave., Newark, DE 19713.

To sign guestbook, visit spicermullikin.com.



Newark Senior Center receives re-accreditation

POST STAFF REPORT

Newark Senior Center has successfully completed the National Institute of Senior Centers accreditation process for the third time in 15 years, officials announced last week.

NSC is the only senior center in the state to complete this accreditation process. There are more than 200 senior centers in the United States who are accredited and more that are going through the process.

Accreditation is unique to the senior center field and demonstrates outstanding leadership and commitment to quality programs and services to older adults, officials said.

NSC was commended for its vision, collaborative relationships, program diversity, volunteer engagement, an involved board of directors and an executive director with "a vision for the future." The NISC Peer Reviewer also recognized the center as up-to-date, spacious, clean and accessible to all members.

As a result of some of the feedback given to NSC officials, they recently developed a new Early Memory Loss Program and will work to improve the center's newsletter and other marketing efforts.



NEWARK POST FILE PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

In this 2014 file photo, Carla Grygiel, executive director of the Newark Senior Center, shows off the expanded cold storage space in NSC's renovated kitchen.

Out of the Attic



Newark area rich in faith communities

This week's Out of the Attic item is a 2009 picture showing Ott's Chapel on the west side of Iron Hill at 750 Otts Chapel Road. The chapel was built in 1871 to serve a community of farm families who had come from Finland and settled in that area. As did all settlers, they brought their ways of living with them, including their faith practices.

The first settlers in the Newark area were the people we today call Native Americans, whose ancestors crossed the Bering Strait from Asia to North America about 20,000 years ago. They followed animal herds and gradually migrated until they covered most of North America by about 12,000 years ago. They gradually began to grow more and more of their own food. By 1000 A.D., their smaller band-level societies had evolved into tribes with well-defined territories and distinctive material cultures. They also had well

defined understandings about life and their faith practices.

When the Europeans came here in the 17th and early 18th centuries, they brought their well-established faith practices with them from home. Most included a special gathering place for group worship and fellowship, though there were differences in theology, practice and group organization. Some groups met in private homes or public halls.

The first place built as a church was Welch Tract Baptist Church (1703). Then followed Pencader Presbyterian Church at Aikentown (1710), White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church (1723), Christiana Presbyterian Church (circa 1732), Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church (1740), Salem Methodist Church (1809), Wesley Methodist Chapel (1811), Ebenezer Methodist Church (1824), Christiana Methodist Church (1827),

St. Thomas Episcopal Church (1843), First Presbyterian Church (1843), Village Presbyterian Church (1843), St. John's AUMP Church (1848), Newark Methodist Church (1851), St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church (1868), Ott's Chapel (1871). Many more places of worship have been built in the Greater Newark area during the 20th and 21st centuries.

Do you have pictures, stories, information or suggestions for Out of the Attic? Send with your contact information to: Out of the Attic c/o P. O. Box 86, Newark, DE 19711. Visit the Newark History Museum on South College Avenue beside the bridge open now through March only by appointment made by calling 302-368-9845 to schedule. Website: www.NewarkDeHistoricalSociety.org. Message phone: 302-224-2408, E-mail: newarkdehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com, Postal mail: P. O. Box 711, Newark, DE 19715.

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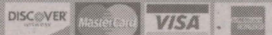


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EMPLOYMENT

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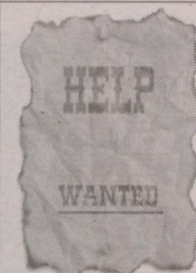
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Apartment Unfurnished

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The Kent Island
Bay Times

General Assignment News Reporter

There is an immediate opening for a general assignment news reporter at the Bay Times on Kent Island. This is a combined position for the Bay Times and Record Observer, weekly newspapers covering Queen Anne's County in Maryland.

Candidates must have strong writing, organization, research and people skills. In addition to writing, the position requires ability to provide clean copy and to take photographs and video. Duties include assigned beat work of meetings; police and fire coverage and other spot news, and court coverage, in addition to features. The successful candidate must be flexible, attentive to details, diplomatic, able to take direction, and able to multi-task. Must be able to work cooperatively with the public. Bachelor's degree in journalism or related field required or equivalent work experience. Must have own transportation. This is a full-time position, with weeknight and weekend assignments part of the job.

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General Merchandise

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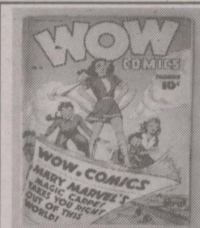
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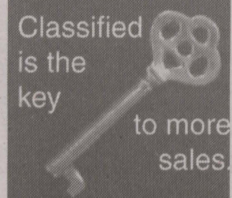
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LEGAL NOTICES

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF ISAPORA DASHA JEFFERIES-WEINFELD Petitioner(s) TO ISADORA DASHA WEINFELD NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HENRY M. WEINFELD intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his minor child's name to ISADORA DASHA WEINFELD.

HENRY M. WEINFELD
Petitioner
Dated: 1/10/2015
2496818

np 1/16,23,30

LEGAL NOTICES

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF DANIELLE NICOLE GUSEMAN Petitioner(s) TO DANIELLE NICOLE JONES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DANIELLE NICOLE GUSEMAN intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to DANIELLE NICOLE JONES.

DANIELLE NICOLE GUSEMAN
Petitioner
Dated: 1/14/2015
2497394

np 1/23,30,2/6

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF ALNIOH CEION ALNAIREUS WHITTLE-VALN Petitioner(s) TO CEION ALNIOH MARSHALL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BYRON MARSHALL intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his minor child's name to CEION ALNIOH MARSHALL.

BYRON MARSHALL
Petitioner
Dated: 1/5/2015
2495982

np 1/9,16,23

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF TRISTAN URIAH JENKINS Petitioner(s) TO TRISTAN URIAH ROJAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TAYA JENKINS and MICHAL ROJAS intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change their minor child's name to TRISTAN URIAH ROJAS.

TAYA JENKINS
MICHAEL ROJAS
Petitioners
Dated: 1/14/2015
2497404

np 1/23,30,2/6

LEGAL NOTICES**CITY OF NEWARK DELAWARE SOLICITATION OF CANDIDATES NOTICE**

The City of Newark will hold its annual municipal election on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. The offices for which an election will be held are the office of Council Member for Districts 1, 2 and 4. Council Members serve two-year terms.

Any qualified voter of the city who, for a period of at least 15 years next preceding the election has not been convicted of a felony, as that crime is designated by the State of Delaware, and who has resided in the city for at least one year next preceding the election, shall be eligible to hold the office of Council Member. A qualified voter, eligible to hold the office of Council Member, shall mean a person who is a registered voter at the time his/her nominating petition is filed and who resides in the district he/she seeks to represent.

All nominations for city council shall be declared by petition which can be obtained in the City Secretary's Office, 220 South Main Street, Newark, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Each nominating petition shall be signed by the candidate and, in addition, shall bear the signatures of 10 qualified voters residing in the district from which the candidate seeks election. Petitions with all requisite signatures must be filed with the City Secretary by 5 p.m., EDT, on Monday, February 9, 2015 in order to be eligible for candidacy in the April 14, 2015 election.

QUESTIONS should be directed to the City Secretary's office, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 302-366-7070.

Newark Election Board
2495729

np 1/9,23,2/6

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CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

January 26, 2015 – 5:30 P.M. – CC

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

- Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(2) for the purpose of discussions on site acquisitions for publicly funded capital improvements.
- Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(4) for the purpose of a strategy session with respect to collective bargaining. (Potential employee benefits)
- Executive Session pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(9) for the purpose of discussing personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees are discussed.

(Executive Sessions to conclude at approximately 7:00 p.m. with Council meeting to resume immediately after. Council may continue Executive Sessions after the conclusion of the agenda of the regular business meeting.)

SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION THANKING KMART FOR SHOP WITH A COP SPONSORSHIP

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION THANKING BRETT GARWOOD FOR NPD VOLUNTEER SERVICE

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION PRESENTATION – JARED WASILEFSKY

1. ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:

- Public (3 minutes per speaker)
- Elected Officials
- University
 - Administration
 - Student Body Representative
- Lobbyist
- City Manager
- Council Members

2. ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:

- Approval of Special Council Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2014 (Postponed by Council From the January 12, 2015 Meeting)

*3. SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- Special Reports from Manager & Staff
 - Recommended Changes to City of Newark Charter – Finance Director
 - Boards and Commissions Review Committee Update and Proposed Path Forward – Director of Legislative Services
 - Recommendation to Council Regarding the Service of Council Members on Committees – City Solicitor
- Resolution 15-__**: A Resolution Allowing Council Members to Serve on Committees Established by City Council When Authorized by Ordinance

*4. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:

- Bill 14-27** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Creating a Pension Committee
- Bill 14-28** – An Ordinance Amending the Amended Pension Plan For Employees of the City of Newark, Delaware, Regarding Enumerating the Duties of the Pension Committee
- Bill 15-01** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19, Minors, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Amending the Penalties For Unlawful Entry of a Minor in to Places Within the City Where Alcoholic Liquors are Kept, Sold, Dispensed or Served
- Bill 15-02** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Changing Certain Penalty Provisions and By Requiring That Individuals Who Elect the First Offenders Program For a DUI Offense Obtain an Ignition Interlock Device In Order to Secure a Reduced Period of License Suspension in Accordance with State Law
- Bill 15-03** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Creating the Position of Director of Economic Development and Communications

*5. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:

(Secretary's Note: The Special Use Permit advertised for public hearing for 140 East Cleveland Avenue has been postponed to a later date.)

*6. ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR PUBLISHED AGENDA:

- Council Members: None
- Others: None

*7. RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS:

- Recommendation on the Purchase of Replacement Police Vehicle from State of Delaware Contract No. GSS14013-POLICEVEH
- Recommendation to Purchase SCADA Integration Services for Replacement of the Subsurface Monitoring System at the Reservoir and Establish a Professional Services Contract for SCADA Integration Services

*8. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: None

*9. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:

- Reappointment of John Horner to the Conservation Advisory Commission At-Large Term to Expire March 15, 2018

10. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of Council Workshop Minutes – January 5, 2015
- Receipt of Alderman's Report – January 7, 2015
- First Reading – Bill 15-04** – An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Plan by Changing the Designation of Property Located at 21, 27, 39, 45 and 49 Center Street – **Second Reading – February 23, 2015**
- First Reading – Bill 15-05** – An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Rezoning from RS (Single Family Detached Residential) and NCV (New Center Village to BB (Central Business District) 0.846 Acres Located at 21, 27, 39, 45 and 49 Center Street – **Second Reading – February 23, 2015**

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TO
ARNEL CHINJE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that AZUNDA A. CHINJE intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to ARNEL CHINJE.
AZUNDA A. CHINJE
Petitioner
Dated: 12/31/2014
np 1/9/16/23 2495930

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
PETYA FIST
Petitioner(s)
TO
PETRA D. FIST
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PETYA FIST intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to PETRA D. FIST.
PETYA FIST
Petitioner
Dated: 1/5/2015
np 1/9/16/23 2495911

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
DARLENE BRIGANCE GRILLIOT
Petitioner(s)
TO
DARLENE KIM BRIGANCE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DARLENE BRIGANCE GRILLIOT intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to DARLENE KIM BRIGANCE.
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Catherine Marie Scott
1/15/15
np 1/23 2497609

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Leonard A. Womer
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in the number of students in UD's English Language Institute. In 2008, UD instituted a conditional acceptance program, which guarantees foreign students enrollment to the main campus provided they complete the ELI program.

Now, 2,200 ELI students come through Newark each year, but are not counted in UD's enrollment statistics. Some live with host families, but many live in "Global Community Apartments," which are units set aside in various apartment complexes and house three international students along with one American counterpart.

In total, ELI students occupy approximately 200 rental units.

'An extremely tight housing market'

By interviewing the majority of landlords in Newark, Urban Partners determined the vacancy rate for rental properties in the city to be approximately 2.9 percent.

Many of those vacancies are at The Retreat, which opened behind Suburban Plaza in September. By next fall, after The Retreat has had time to establish itself, the vacancy rate is expected to fall to just under 2 percent.

"That's an extremely tight housing market," said James Hartling, of Urban Partners. "Generally, if we see a 5 percent vacancy rate, developers start to build more units because they think the market is there."

Hartling said his calculations show that the city needs to add approximately 50 units each year to keep that same vacancy rate. The units currently under construction can handle the anticipated growth for the next four to five years, he added.

However, Hartling cautioned, that calculation only provides for enough housing to hold steady at a 2 percent vacancy rate.

If more than 50 units were added each year, he suggested, that could reduce rent in some locations and encourage more non-students to relocate to Newark.

"Students get the housing first because they're paying more," he said. "If there's a tighter housing market, it doesn't mean there's less students living in town, it

means there's less other people living in town."

City officials have often said they would like more young professionals and families to live in the city, particularly downtown.

Issac Kwan, also of Urban Partners, said that, for instance, if developers instead built 70 units each year, that would likely mean the extra 20 would be absorbed by non-students.

"It's a policy decision," he said.

Notably, the study did not examine the effect of increased rental housing on traffic, parking or city services. Nor did it determine the point at which the market would become oversaturated.

New apartments trump older rental homes

More and more, students are opting for new, downtown apartment complexes, rather than older rental houses in residential neighborhoods.

Not surprisingly, modern amenities like the glitzy clubhouse and pool offered by The Retreat prove more appealing than an aging home on Cleveland Avenue or a rental property in a neighborhood far from campus.

Though the newer complexes carry a hefty price

tag — a four-bedroom cottage at The Retreat rents for \$3,200 per month — the price doesn't seem to deter students, or in many cases, their parents.

"The fact is people are willing to spend more money to pay for their kid's college housing than they are for their own house," Hartling said. "Demand for quality new off-campus student housing is extremely high."

Speaking at a Jan. 13 meeting of the Rental Needs Assessment Committee, developer Kevin Mayhew said he has seen firsthand how students are gravitating toward downtown complexes.

Mayhew, who recently built student-housing complexes on New London Road and Delaware Avenue, said that for years, he rented a home in Nottingham Green to students. Two years ago, students stopped wanting it, and now a family rents it, he said.

Likewise, this spring he plans to sell a former rental home in the Binns neighborhood.

Jeff Lang, one of the biggest developers of rental properties in the city, said the increase in development downtown starting in the 1990s was in part an effort to take pressure off single-family neighborhoods.

"We think we've assisted

in that very well," Lang said.

Hartling said that despite anecdotal information, pressure on single-family homes has not been relieved "by any substantial amount."

However, he said neighborhoods could bear the brunt if apartment construction downtown slows.

"If you don't provide student housing, students will be pushing out single-family renters," he said.

Affordable housing lacking in city

Newark has a "severe shortage" of affordable housing units, Urban Partners reported.

Including properties for low-income families (such as Victoria Mews and various Newark Housing Authority locations) and properties for low-income seniors (Main Towers, Marrows Court and NHA's Independence Circle), there are only 453 income-restricted rental units in the city.

This summer, NHA will open its 56-unit Alder Creek complex on Cleveland Avenue. However, that will barely make a dent in the organization's 1,300-family waiting list, the study reported.

"There's a huge demand for affordable housing," Kwan said.

Many questions remain

Urban Partners will present its final findings to city council sometime next month. At that time, council will vote on whether to proceed with Phase 2 of the rental needs assessment.

As currently planned, the second phase would use the data collected to recommend policy changes related to rental housing and provide examples from other towns that Newark could emulate.

City planner Michael Fortner said he's interested in hearing an assessment of the city's programs to encourage homeownership and how Newark can attract more young professionals downtown.

"It's tricky," Fortner said. "Young professionals are going toward urban areas, but we have a lot of the benefits of urban areas."

He also wants the study to examine the city's code enforcement and landlord regulations. Some of those policies came under fire in 2009 when a group of landlords sued the city over what it called unfair regulations. Under a settlement, the city was required to reduce its rental permit fees.

Urban Partners also intends to use the next phase to answer the following questions:

- Should there be additional rental housing availability for the market-rate, non-student community? If so, what household or family sizes should be encouraged?

- Should there be additional rental housing availability for low-and-moderate income households? If so, what household or family sizes should be encouraged?

- Are there certain neighborhoods where the market should be shifted to non-student renters or owner-occupants?

- Should Newark continue its policy to concentrate student rental housing as close to campus as possible? How does that change the parking requirement for downtown?

- What are the best practices in rental housing code enforcement?

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Who Lives in Newark Rental Homes?

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Editor's note: Volunteers at the Pencader Heritage Museum have been digitizing old Newark City Council meeting minutes. They share excerpts with Newark Post readers in a weekly column.

June 1900: Rules were being established allowing Delmaria Telephone Company to operate in town. The company guaranteed subscribers were to have

unlimited service between Newark and Wilmington's 1,200 subscribers with no extra toll charges. Newark subscribers would be given coupon books for use when in Wilmington. If the number of Newark subscribers warranted it, the phone exchange would be open 24 hours a day; otherwise from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., "it being the Company's desire to accommodate with-

out extortion." Delmaria would be required to build a pole line the entire length of Main Street: chestnut poles painted white to within 8 or 10 feet from ground, there to the ground to be council's choice of olive green or red. The residential charge would be \$3 per month and the business charge would be \$3.75.

July 1900: Curbing and guttering were completed

in response to citizens' complaints in May. Water meters ordered installed in hotels, livery stables, public buildings, manufacturing establishments and railroad water tanks, as they were largest water users.

August 1900: The board of health bought an oil stove for \$2, use not stated. Near-by residents complained of a band (prob-

ably fire company band) practicing in the town building and asked that it be stopped. No action was taken.

Attention was directed to poor condition of town well cover at the water plant. Bids were to be taken for a replacement. Irving Hoffecher was newly hired as superintendent of the Water and Light Department with a salary of

\$60 per month.

See the original minutes at Pencader Heritage Museum, 2029 Sunset Lake Rd. (Rt. 72 south of Newark.) Regularly open first and third Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Other times by appointment. Contact the website pencaderheritage.org or call 302-737-5792 for an appointment. Family friendly, handicapped accessible and always free.

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