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UP FRONT

A Kodak moment

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

UR story this week about Thanksiving memories sparked some fond recollections for

I grew up in a small house, a very small house. My bedroom, which had been coverted from a carport; was the only room of size.

When the extended Streit clan would gather at our home

Thanksgiving, I remember the complicated task of moving most of the furniture out of my bed-

Streit room and replacing it with picnic tables for the

Thanksgiving feast.

I remember Thanksgiving
Day in 1984. We seated around my in-laws' dining table when it became clear that the birth of our second child was imminent. Our son, Tyler, was born the next day.

Remembering my departed grandparents and father, I find myself sitting here at the keyboard smiling. Cherished memories.

But then I also recalled an embarrassing holiday-related

It was November 1974 and It was November 1974 and I had just begun my dream job of editing my hometown newspaper. With a green, 24-year-old editor at the helm, I had produced my first issue of *The Catonsville Times*. Just like us here in Newark last

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Main Street decorates for Winter

By JOE OLIVIERI

POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

T takes five minutes for the bulb in Main Street boutique Bloom's vintage electric logs to warm up, but when it does, an orange glow flickers between the cracks, adding warmth to the wintry

fireplace scene.
Owner Mimi
Sullivan-Sparks
explained her week-old window dressing is about layers, from the antique mantle suspended from the ceiling to the metal snowflakes from New York. "I wanted different textures of white and silver," she said, "with colors that pop, like frosted colors

of lime green and pink in

places."
Sullivan-Sparks calls herself a perfectionist regarding design. She plans to drive to Philadelphia to buy additional lights. A local artist is working on stockings to hang over the mantle.

It was the customers, Sullivan-Sparks said, who inspired the fireplace creation through their requests for Christmas items.

'When they started asking," she said, "I started putting them

As Newark residents begin focusing on Thanksgiving, Main Street merchants have been crafting winter decorations for their shops

and restaurants. Adding to the holiday cheer, this year will be the first time the Downtown Newark Partnership will be awarding a \$100 prize for Best Overall Window in its third Annual Window Decorating
Contest. Other categories
include Most Creative,
Best Holiday Spirit, Best
Use of Lights, and Most
Colorful Window.

Brian Handloff, manager of Honorable Mention recipient National 5 and 10, said he had not been aware there was a contest the year the store had won.

"We just received a letter a little while later informing us we won,' he said.

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Another change eyed

Local restaurant hopes to get face lift

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

HE owners of the Crab Trap, located on Elkton Road at Amstel Avenue, have filed for a rezoning and special-use permit for the site. If it is approved, the restaurant and several residential buildings currently on the prop-erty would be demolished and replaced with a single three-story building.

The restaurant, which would be scaled back from 140 seats to 60, would fill the first floor, and 22 apartments would occupy the second and third sto-

Tim Thompson, owner of the Crab Trap said it is time for a change. "The building is not designed for restaurant," he said. "Right now, it's very awkward." Thompson hopes that the change would give a linear page specific. give diners more space, while creating a more logical flow for bustling employ-

The proposal goes before the City of Newark Planning Commission in

New money

Gift certificates bring shoppers to downtown

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

AIN Street is making the most AIN Street is making the most of the holiday shopping fury with its Downtown Newark Gift Certificate Program. The certificates are good in any of the participating 70 stores, and can be purchased by phone from Maureen Feeny Roser at 366-7030 or at Formal Affairs, Village Imports, Hyacynths and Dragonflies or Imports, Hyacynths and Dragonflies, or the City of Newark parking office in the Galleria.

The program is in the home stretch of its second year. "It's been incredibly

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NEWARK POST * POLICE BLOTTER

■ Police Blotter is compiled each week from the files of the Newark Police Department, New Castle County Police and the Delaware State Police by the newspaper staff.

Pedestrian hit, dragged

AMY Mikhael was charged with leaving the scene of an accident and failure to grant the right of way to pedestrian in a crosswalk after the car he was driving struck a 21-year-old University of Delaware student on East Delaware Ave on Friday, Nov. 19, at 10:14, a m. according to Newark 10:14 a.m., according to Newark

The student received minor injuries and was treated at the Christiana Emergency Center, police

Mikhael's vehicle struck the student while turning from South College Avenue onto East Delaware Avenue. The student was carried approximately 15 feet on the vehicle.

Eyewitnesses gave the vehicle's registration number and the driver was stopped at his home by a Delaware State Trooper.

Mikhael also was cited for failure to report an accident, police said.

Warrant obtained

EWARK police reported that they hold a warrant for the arrest of an 18-year-old man in connection with an assault that took place on Thursday, Nov. 18, at 1:46 a.m. in the 300 block Delaware

Police said a man, 50, was threatened with an 8-inch knife in his bedroom following an altercation in the home a few minutes earlier.

Police were called and the suspect fled, police said.

Man arrested stabbing co-worker

THE Delaware State Police have arrested a 45-year-old Wilmington man in connection with a stabbing that occurred this morning at the Conectiv power facility in Newark.

On Tuesday, Nov. 16, at approximately 6 a.m., troopers were called to the Conectiv facility at 401 Eagle Run Road,

Newark, to investigate a stabbing.

Upon arrival troopers were told that a 36-year-old man was sitting in a chair in the shop area when he was approached from behind by a suspect. The attacker stabbed the victim in the left forearm with a 3- to 4- inch folding knife.

The attacker then stabbed the victim again in the chest. Police said the suspect was taken into custody at the facility without incident.

Subsequent investigation by detectives revealed that on Monday, Nov. 15, the victim and co-worker had been involved in a verbal dispute at work

The victim was transported by ambulance to Christiana Hospital. He was treated for his injuries and released.

State Police detectives have charged William G. Paoli, 45, of Wilmington, with one count of assault in the second degree and one count of possession of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony.

Paoli was arraigned at Magistrate Court 11 and released after posng an \$11,500 secured bond, police said.

Head against wall

Newark police were called to the Sleep Inn, 630 S. College Ave., at 11:05 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 17, after a guest complained that someone was pounding the wall in an adjacent room. adjacent room.

The banging had forced a picture frame to fall from the motel wall, police were told.

A man in the adjacent room told police that he had been drinking and that he had been banging his head against the wall while talking on the phone. He said he was unaware that it was bothersome to others.

The victim told police she simply wanted to go back to sleep. The man told officers that he, too, was going to sleep.

Man hit in face

A 39-year-old man told Newark police that he was struck in the face while fueling his vehicle at the Texaco station, 1005 S. College Ave., at 10:07 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov.

The assailant also shouted racial ieers at the man.

The victim declined prosecution, police said.

Cash grabbed

Employees at the Dollar Tree store in the College Square shopping center told Newark police that a man waiting in line grabbed an undis-closed amount of cash from the register drawer while the clerk was making change for a customer.

The incident took place at 4 p.m.

on Wednesday, Nov. 17.

The suspect, described as a black male, in his early 30s wearing dark sweat pants and jacket, fled running in the direction of Wyoming Road.

Investigation is continuing.

Wiper damaged

A resident of the unit block Welsh Tract Road told Newark police on Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 2:53 p.m. that someone had damaged the passen-

ger-side wiper arm of her vehicle. On Monday, Nov. 15, at 3:12 p.m., the owner of a truck parked on Wilbur Street told Newark police that someone had damaged a side mirror and dented the tailgate.

Shoplifting arrest

A 28-year-old Brookside woman was arrested by Newark police following a shoplifting report on

Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 12:41 p.m., at the Payless shoe store at College Square.

Store employees told police a woman walked into the store wearing old shoes but was seen leaving dressed in new ones.

Police charged Anastasia Hyde, 28, of Newark, with shoplifting. She was released pending a court appear-

School incident

Newark police are investigating an assault at John R. Downes Elementary School, 230 Casho Mill Road, that took place inside a classroom at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov.

Bad checks passed

Newark police arrested a 25-yearold Wilmington man after loss prevention personnel reported that a man had passed six bad checks at the Happy Harry's store, 124 E. Main St., between Oct. 29 and Nov. 8.

Weapons gone

Martial arts weapons were reported missing from a home in the 100 block Woolen Way, Newark police reported at 8:40 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 15.

The resident said the thief entered through an unlocked rear door and removed the items from a living

Alcohol, noise law violations listed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued steppedup enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws here recently.

Marked units and special plain-clothes details operated here what police describe as "peak party periods" and other times.

Officers in street clothes also conducted "Cops In Shops" operations inside local liquor outlets, where it is illegal for any person under age 21 to enter a package store.

Some of the recent arrests

Microtac.
Kimberly A. Downs. 19, of Newark, on Friday, Nov. 12, at 11:40 p.m., misrepresenting her age, at Timothy's restaurant;

Whaelle M. Abdallah, 23, of Sewell, N.J., noise violation, on Friday, Nov. 12, at 11:21 p.m., at 610 Lehigh Road;

nt of U Lehigh Road;
Piero D. Ferrante, 18, of Manhasset, N.Y.,
underage consumption of alcohol, and Jared
D. Iraggl, 18, of Ocean, N.J., underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, Nov. 12, at
11:15 p.m.; and

William F. Eggers, 19, of Toms River, N.J., possession of an open container of alcohol, underage consumption of alcohol and possession of a ficticious license, on Friday, Nov. 12, at 1:40 a.m., at 191 S. Chapel St.

Police said all were released pending court appearances.



Turkey talk

Newarkers share their favorite memories

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

VERYONE knows that Thanksgiving is a day to spend with the family. It's a day to enjoy overeating, over talking and watching too many football games. But it's not the food or the conversation that we remember for years to come. It's the little things, the family traditions - and the cooking goofs -that linger in our minds. Here are a few favorite memories from some Newarkers.

Ryan German, owner of Caffé Gelato

In the German household, tradi-tion reigns strong. It's something they've been doing every year for almost a decade. It's the "Clean Plate Competition."

Every family member loads up on a little something from each dish. That means no skipping out on Grandma's chicken liver and rice, and definitely no skimping on the red beets. Then, at the end of the meal, the judging begins. "Who ever has the cleanest plate at the end wins," German says.

Even though German knows how to put together a good meal, as is evident by the success of his Main Street restaurant, he's not a sure thing for the win. In fact, it's quite the toss up. "It's a mix of who wins," he says. "It's pretty much a split." He took the title two years ago, but it is now his younger brother, Micah, who is the returning champion. But just because the brothers have swent because the brothers have swept the competition for two years running, the rest of 20-member dinner party shouldn't be automatically ruled out. "Once in a while my cousins win," German says.

Mayor Vance Funk, III

FOR Funk, one Thanksgiving memory stands out among the montage of mental snapshots of family gatherings.

Just after his oldest son was born, Funk was called to serve in Vietnam. He was not only a new husband, but a new father, too. And to spend the holiday away from his growing family was a somber event.

"All you ever did over there was take another page off the calendar that told you when you got to go home," he said. "It was hard

to be happy over there."

But Capt. Funk and the men
he served with did the best they could to lift each other's spirits.
"We did a lot of singing," he said.
"In particular, we really liked the song that goes, 'I wanna get out of this place'."

Despite missing home and the constant threat of attack, the men managed to sit down together and have their own Thanksgiving din-

ner. The mess hall table was filled with all the trimmings - turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, sausage, ham. "They had everything," Funk said. "They even had egg nog. God knows where they got that."

Karl Kalbacher, Newark City Councilmember

FOR Kalbacher, it's the holiday memories of days long since gone that put a smile on his face.

His childhood holidays were made of the same charmed ideas that make Hallmark cards price-

that make Hallmark cards price-less - giant turkeys, visiting rela-tives and lots of excitement.

"At that age, everything is fas-cinating," he said. "I recall vivid-ly watching everything around me, crawling through people's legs, getting in the way. When you're young, everything looks so big and phenomenal."

Those early years are always filled with enchantment. But even as Kalbacher got older, plenty of things happened to make the holidays memorable, especially when his mom was doing the cooking.

"One year, my mother was cooking the turkey, and I'm not sure how proficient she was at this," he said. "But she never took the plastic bag of gizzards out of the bird. Well, when we cut the turkey, we had quite a surprise."

Capt. William Nefosky, Newark Police Dept.

NEFOSKY'S favorite Thanksgiving memory did-n't happen on the holiday. It was 1971, his senior year at Christiana High School.

Nefosky was a Defensive Linesman for the Vikings football team. For years, the tradition went that the Christiana and Newark football teams would face each other on Thanksgiving day. And, for years, Newark would always win. But in 1970, the game had been moved to the Saturday following the turkey feast. And with the date change came another change in tradition

- a Christiana victory.
"I don't remember much of the game," he said. "But I do know that we were behind at half time and came back and won it."

Maureen Feeny Roser, administrator of DNP

FEENY Roser made that great mistake that all homeowners do when they move into a new house. She invited guests over.

"It was the first time that a lot of my relatives would even see the house,"she said. "We were having everyone over - 16 guests in all.

She did every conceivable thing to get the house ready for the dinner party she was throwing. She took several days off to polish silverware, peel potatoes and tidy up. Then, on Thanksgiving morning, it hap-pened. The kitchen drain stopped

"I just could not make the water go down," she said. She called in all the troops to figure out the problem. Her husband tried to snake the clog out. Her

brother-in-law tried cleaning the tubes. Before long, she even had people on the roof trying to decide if the problem stemmed from the house's drainage system.

"About two hours after everyone was supposed to arrive, my brother-in-law looked at me and said, 'You know, it's almost like you put a bunch of potato peels down the garbage disposal," she said. And she had. About 10 pounds worth. Fortunately, it wasn't anything a little Draino couldn't fix.

"I never had a garbage disposal before," she said in her defense. "So I didn't know what I could and couldn't put down there. Now every time time I host Thanksgiving, I get a lecture about how to use the disposal."





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ARTS ON CAMPUS

Family arts series begins at UD Dec. 5

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All performances are in Mitchell Hall. Performing Arts Series programs begin at 8 p.m., except for the Dec. 5 concert, which will begin at 2 p.m. Family Series pro-



grams begin at 2 p.m.

The Grammy Award-winning Chestnut Brass Company (above) will usher in the holiday season at 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 5.

The Philadelphia-based group has earned international acclaim for brilliant performances on modern and historical brasses. From pieces from the 19th Century to modern classics of today, the Chestnut Brass Company will ring in the season on the

Tickets for each of the Performing Arts Series events are \$17 for the general public, \$12 for UD faculty, staff, alumni and senior citizens, and \$5 for students and children. Tickets for Family Series events are \$12 for the general public, \$10 for UD faculty, staff, alumni and senior citizens and \$5 for students and children.

For tickets, call the Hartshorn box office at 831-2204, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

For general information, visit www.udel.edu/performingarts, or call 831-

New UD hotel a learning laboratory

THE University of Delaware's newest teaching and learning space is also a first-class hotel.

The just opened Courtyard Newark-University of Delaware offers all the services and amenities of a fine, business-class hotel, while also enhancing the educational and research opportunities for faculty and staff in the university's hotel, restaurant and institutional management pro-

The four-story, 126-room Courtyard by Marriott hotel is on UD's Laird Campus, off New London Road in Newark, next to the newly renovated John M. Clayton Hall Conference Center.

The convenient location is ideal for serving visitors to the conference center or other university events, as well as the larger community.

The hotel is a partnership between UD and the Shaner Hotel Group, which also is manthe University's Conference Services, providing key marketing and management support. Under the terms of the partnership, the university is the majority owner of the hotel.

Courtyard Newark-University of Delaware is a great addition to the city, to the University and to the Department Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management (HRIM), and UD students will benefit from excellent learning opportunities in a fine hotel.

The University's Department of Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management has a particular emphasis on industry-



related technology, and the hotel reflects that focus. One of the guest rooms is being used to test new concepts, from enhanced Internet access to energy conser-

UD's HRIM students will be involved in all aspects of the hotel, from the front office to accounts and engineering, sales

and marketing, similar to the hands-on experience HRIM students gain in the student-run restaurant Vita Nova.

Reaction positive to Town Conversation

ORE than 100 Newark residents, city officials and University of Delaware students and administrators discussed their concerns and experiences as a community and pledged to continue the dialog.

The discussion was the first-ever Town

Conversation organized by the Town & Gown Committee on Wednesday, Nov. 10, and held at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Willa Road.

The Town Conversation was an open forum designed for interested persons to express concerns and discuss the relationship between the city of Newark and the

University of Delaware.
Titled "Sharing Our Community," the conversation addressed a variety of issues, from traffic safety to neighborliness and drinking. About 30 students who attended received applause for participating.
"It was very good," April Veness, UD



Greg Chute, pastor of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, leads the discus-sion at Newark's first Town Conversation.

associate professor of geography, whose students in an undergraduate course, "Newark, Del. - People, Politics and Place," assisted the Town & Gown

Committee in its efforts, said. "I'm glad it was a nice back and forth. It pretty much did what I thought it was going to do-air

Mayor Vance A. Funk III praised the cheerleaders and HRIM students who took part in the first-ever Taste of Newark festival, and the hundreds of fraternity and sorority members who joined him during a recent parks and street cleanup campaign.

"These students are really trying to become part of our community," Funk, a member of the Town & Gown Committee, told Newark residents. "There are always a minority of people who are going to cause problems. Our job is to find out about the problems before you find out about the problems."

City Councilman Karl Kalbacher said outreach is "a two-way street" that requires the city to reciprocate the efforts being made by the university.

NOTE PAD

Open house for high schools

Christina School District invites the public to its three high schools for open house. Parents and students will have the opportunity to meet with instructional leaders and teachers, visit various clubs, view school presenta-

tions and take tours of the facilities.

Open houses are scheduled for Christiana High School on Tuesday, Nov. 30; Glasgow High on Wednesday, Dec. 1; and Newark High on Thursday, Dec. 2. Schools will be open from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

For more information on each school visit www.christina.k12.de.us/christiana, or /glasgow, or /newark.

Kids at the Biggs

The Biggs Museum in Dover has children activities the first Saturday of each month. On Dec. 4, from 2 - 3:30 p.m., children will make their own quilts to take home. The program is free for five to ten year-olds. Call 302-674-2111 to preregister. Biggs Museum is located at 406 Federal St. in Dover. Visit www.biggsmuseum.org for other programs and displays.

Choral celebration

A concert featuring the University of Delaware Schola Cantorum, the Newark High School Choir and Orchestra and Delaware's Children Chorus will be held Friday, Dec. 3 at 8 p.m. in the Newark High School auditorium, 750 E. Delaware Ave., Newark. Call 831-3397 for information.

Student of the Week

Shawn Creese, a fifth grader at Maclary Elementary School, was selected by Principal Charles Haywood and staff as this week's Student of the Week. Shawn is an exemplary student and citizen in and out of the classroom. He shows motivation and creativity in all areas from problem solving in math to projects in language arts. He makes everyone feel welcome as he offers handshakes and a smile. Shawn was recently selected as a winner in the State Fire Prevention Essay Contest.



Pennies for poultry

Feeding the hungry one penny at a time

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NE penny, two pennies, three pennies, four... Alone they don't represent much or have little buying power, but put 140,000 pennies together and they mean a lot.

That's how many pennies students and staff at Bayard Elementary School collected for their Pennies for Poultry program. Loose change was collected to purchase turkeys to be distributed to the

needy for Thanksgiving.
Under the direction of fifth grade teacher Christina James, six of her students were in charge of the school-wide project.

Each Thursday the students collected buckets of coins from each classroom and took them to Commerce Bank for counting. They kept weekly tallies of the totals for each room, plotted graphs in Microsoft Excel spreadsheets, and wrote thank-you letters to classes and local businesses who also contributed money.

On Wednesday, Nov. 17, with a total of \$1,400, the students, along with James, went to Shop Rite in Chestnut Hill Plaza in Newark to pick up their 140 turkeys. The turkeys were then delivered to a truck in Governor's Square that collected them for the Food Bank of Delaware.

Any additional money that was col-lected before school dismissed for the Thanksgiving holiday would be given to the Basket Brigade to purchase perish-

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Bayard fifth graders, from left, Dillon Jacobs, Billy Dickenson, Kenny Akojie and Jillian Hammond went to Shop Rite to purchase 140 turkeys for local needy families to be distributed through the Food Bank of Delaware. Their Pennies for Poultry program raised \$1,400.

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BY ALRED A. GRUBER, POST COLUMNIST

Suppose Benjamin Franklin had succeeded

TERE in America there is plenty to be thankful for. We can start by being thankful that Ben Franklin didn't always succeed.

Those with a love of history or trivia will remember some of Ben's worst ideas. He wanted to simplify the English language, thus proving he didn't understand the hankering Americans have for layers

and layers of complexity.

He may be excused because his interruptions weren't continuously interrupted with telephones, electronic mail, and advertising. I bet when he watched the Eagles play in Philadelphia, the field was named something simple and fitting like, Veterans Stadium

Staying within the context of Thanksgiving, we are told that Ben loudly nominated the turkey as the national bird.

Contemplate the consequences. Thankfully he lost. Otherwise late in every November we would be sitting down to a feast of roast stuffed Bald Eagle

How much is there on that bird to eat? Have you ever seen a naked eagle? I saw a virtual one once. I waded into the surf to rescue a half drowned

osprey tangled in a fishing line. That bird, some call a sea eagle, looked like a soaked Chihuahua and the thanks I got was a slash from his beak

The Pilgrims didn't realize the precedent they set featuring turkey at the first Thanksgiving.

Treading on the cur- Gruber

rent historical writing whim of, "What would have happened if" the pilgrims had featured moose at that first feast? Plenty of moose tramped about New England.

If that had become tradition, our men would be out in backyards all across the nation for days laboring over a large moose on a spit with a pineapple in its mouth instead of our mothers slaving over hot ovens for the big dinner. I'll bet the tradition would have multiplied into outside winter bars with six-foot TV screens, resembling ice-fishing shacks on a Minnesota lake.

Nothing advances invention like necessity. The moose idea would have been sounder environmentally reducing irritations from moose-car meetings, moose ticks and moose preference for exotic yard

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.

... Now there's a miracle of Thanksgiving someone writing a kind word about DelDOT."

shrubbery over the tough native species.

Instead of turkey farms, there would be moose ranches no doubt expanding business by adding moose rodeos, moose racing and moose rack decorating contests.

Santa's team would have morphed into moose – you dream up the new names for Donner, Blitzen and the rest.

I'm very thankful for the warriors nong us. Where would any nation be without them? Until peace comes to earth we need not only the armed forces to protect us, but all those other warrior workers, like Aetna Fire and Ambulance and police, et al. They rescue us from our stupidies.

My brother is a warrior. He thrashed about France in a tank destroyer, survived, came home and joined the New York City Fire Department.

After retirement to Florida, he is now an emergency responder. Equipped with a radio he provides communication and intelligence in crises providing assistance to the younger warriors doing the dirty work, and there is no dirtier, harder work than fighting forest fires.

Out on the road while your choler rises waiting for a red light to turn green, think a minute about the unappreciated people who laid the magic carpet for you

That new silky pavement and the pre-cise painted traffic lanes are a great improvement. Thank also the technicians who programmed those complex traffic control lights with the arrows and colors flashing, or solid, along with strobe lights and cameras that keep us from colliding at 40 miles per hour or more. Now there's a miracle of Thanksgiving – someone writing a kind word about DelDOT.

So on Thanksgiving Day we can, as a populace, thank all the mostly unnamed people who do so much for us.

As individuals we can thank all our begats and beloveds who in many cases are one and the same.

That should be the last word, but I want to unequivocally state I am thankful for fish, for without them there would be no fishing. However, I do prefer the idea of turkey rather than fish, eagle or moose for Thanksgiving dinner.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

1999: Deteriorating Budd site to sport new apartment complex

■ Nov. 28, 1929

Annual dinner at university

The University of Delaware celebrated Thanksgiving the early part of the week. The Women's College held its dinner, Monday night, and the eleventh annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Delaware College was held in Old College, Tuesday evening.

The speakers at the Women's College dinner were Dr. Walter Hullihen, president of the University; Miss Shelby Rice, who spoke for the commuters who were guests at the dinner; Miss Myrtle N. Volkhart, a member of the faculty, of the Modern Language department, Professor J. Senton Dougherty, who represented the men's faculty on the staff of the men's college; Miss Margaret G. Middleton, president of the senior class; Miss Rebecca A Williams, president of the junior class; Miss Phoebe E. Steel, president of the sophomore class, and Miss Kathryn M. Morris, captain of the freshman class, and Dean Winifred J. Robinson.

Give cups for poultry show

The Delaware State Poultry Association is one of the newer agricul-tural organizations that is made up of those members representing a large economic interest in this section of the country, with the result that it deserves the support of everyone who is con-cerned about the improvement of our

farming conditions.
In keeping with the recognition of theses

agricultural associations by other organizations such as the civic clubs in this state, the Kiwanis Club of Wilmington, through its agricultural committee, has taken the first step toward encouraging the Delaware State Poultry Association by offering for competition two silver cups at the State Poultry Show which will be held in Milford on Dec. 3, 4 and



'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.

■ Nov. 28, 1979

Newark police to get motorcycle officer

The Newark Police Department will take on a new dimension apprehending law breakers this spring when it adds a motorcycle officer to the

Lt. Charles Townsend, spokesman for the department, said Monday a one-year federal grant totaling \$44,000 for the program has recently been approved. The grant includes salaries for two officers for a selective enforcement operation, one of which will use a motorcycle. Money

is provided in the grant for the purchase and operation of the motorcy-

County moves to raze **Brookside Towers**

Betty Bart has looked upon Brookside Towers, the uncompleted building on Chestnut Hill Road, as an albatross for her neighborhood. Within three months work may be under way to eliminate that albatross.

The New Castle County government is preparing legal docu-ments to order the owner of the building, Benjamin Malman of Great Neck, N.Y., to demolish the steel structure

The owner has been warned since 1975 that if he cannot make the uncompleted building safe "more drastic action" would be taken, J. Michael Johnson, complaints officer and county attorney, said Tuesday.

Nov. 26, 1999

Ambling to build on former Budd site

It's official. After drawn out deliberations. Ambling Companies will receive \$40 million in tax free bonds to build a housing complex on South Chapel Street in Newark where the deteriorating remains of the

Budd Company sit.
With approval from both Delaware Economic Development Authority director Darrell J. Minott and Governor Thomas Carper, the Valdosta, Ga.based company may begin building before the end of the year with plans to complete at least half of the 206 units by August 2000.

Newark's visual history for sale

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

DEOPLE turn to Wynn Breslin for a taste of the past. She gives folks a glance at how things were by transforming history into art. And she does it all without even real-

izing it.
"Here, look at this," she says. It's the view from her back porch. The open space of her yard stretches several hundred feet until trees from the White Clay Creek State Park creep up along her property line.

This is what it all used to look like years ago," she says, pointing towards an oil painting hanging on the wall. It's a snow covered scene, one of rolling hills and a tiny building off in the distance. It shares remarkably few similarities with the wooded view from her porch.

"It's incredible to see how they've grown," she says of the

Cookie walk set Dec. 3

The Ladies of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will be holding their annual Cookie Walk-Soup and Sandwich Luncheon on Friday, Dec. 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. At a cost of \$6, their popular homemade vegetable beef or chicken corn soup will be served for lunch, along with a sandwich and chips. Quart containers may be purchased for \$4. An assortment of homemade holiday cookies will be available by purchasing a container and making your own selection. Tickets for the luncheon, or for information regarding this event, contact the church at 738-4331 any weekday morning.



Breslin

trees. "Now, that painting is a collector's item. Some people really like these pieces because it chronicles the history of the

Breslin has been painting the view from her backyard, and just about everywhere else throughout Newark, for 50 years. During that time, she's put together quite the collection of oil and watercolor paintings. And now, they're all for sale. On Dec. 4, 5, 11 and 12, Breslin opens her home, including the view from her back porch, to Newark's art collectors.

Even the most diverse tastes are satiated in Breslin's home

studio. There are watercolors of roses and impressionistic oils of Chamber's Rock Road. Scenes from her days traveling Europe mingle amid a portrait of the towering tree lurking beside the garage.

Breslin's work varies tremendously, a fact that puts a little smile on her face. "I don't go out and do a watercolor one day and an oil the next, "she says. "I do it in shifts. I'm like a locomotive, once I get started on something, I

just keep working."

But because she's been at it for 50 years, Breslin has had the chance to dabble her brush in a little of everything.

Even though her work varies, it is in no way cluttered. Certainly, there's a painting from every style and an array of mediums sitting in her studio. But there's a clear theme, too. And there's no greater joy for Breslin when guests figure out what that theme is. "Once they get the gist and they say, 'I get it,' well, that's what I work for," she says.

What it is: fine art holiday show Where: 470 Terrapin Lane When: Dec. 4, 5, 11, 12 from 1 until 3 p.m.

For information: 731-5738

Framing without borders

By JOE OLIVIERI

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

UTCH Touch Gallery owner Anne Hessel's training in art was traditional. She has a degree in fine arts from the University of Delaware and used to sell her oil paintings of landscapes.

Hessel draws from that background at her new gallery, helping customers choose among more than 2,000 frames, which vary in material from salvaged corrugated tin to 22-karat carved

"It's the artist in me that likes to play with materials," she said.

She left her hometown of Baarn, Holland 25 years ago. After meeting her husband in England, they spent seven years there raising their family before moving to Montreal. Eventually, she earned her degree from Delaware and owned a gallery in Philadelphia. Six years later, she made the permenate move to Delaware.

The Dutch Touch Gallery at the Shoppes at Louviers officially opened its doors Friday, Nov. 5, and began offering custom European art for sale.

Prices for framing vary since everything is customized, but Hessel said prices start at approximately \$60 and can go into the thousands.

"If you have a Picasso, you're not going to put an A.C. Moore frame on it," Hessel said.

Frames comes in all shapes and sizes, covering a wall on the left side of the shop in wood, metal, and gold.

Contemporary art lines the right and back walls of the gallery. Hessel said art prices range from \$1,500 to \$6,000. One piece that hangs in the shop's front window is Peter Philippus's "Dress Code 2." It is a patchwork of painted and stained glass, metal, and mixed media in the shape of a dinner jacket on a hanger. Taking "Dress Code 2" home costs \$5,500.

Hessel works together with the Holland Art House in West Chester, Pa. Owner Ben Gall said he finds most of the artists for the Holland Art House through his connections in the art world and some through the Internet.

One artist in particular he See GALLERY, 18 ▶

Double the number this year

TURKEY, from 5

ables, James said.

This is the second year James' class has conducted the poultry program. One of her students at Drew Pyle Elementary School last year conceived the idea. The number of turkeys purchased this year was more than double the first year's total.

"I think it is important to us to do this because we were doing it for a good cause, and I think they [the people less fortunate] would do it for us if they could," said Kenny Akojie, one of the student coordinators as he was helping to push the dolly loaded with cases of frozen turkeys through the grocery store aisles to the front door. "140 families will have turkey to eat now."



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FRIDAY

A BRANDYWINE CHRISTMAS Open daily, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Nov. 26 - Jan. 9. Family favorites on display include an extensive model train layout, a Victorian dollhouse, an antique doll display and "critter" ornaments made by the museum's volun-teers. This year's event is complemented by the spe-cial exhibition, Story Time: Children's Book Illustrations. From Thomas Nast's early drawings of Santa Claus for "Christmas Drawings for the Human Race" in 1890 to Charles Santore's interpretations of Beatrix Potter's "The Complete Tales of Peter

Rabbit" in 1986, this exhibition features over 40 excellent and delightful works from the museum's important and growing collection of children's book illustrations. Admission is \$8 for adults; \$5 for seniors ages 65 and over and students; free for children under six and members. Brandywine River Museum, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit the web

site at www.brandywinemuseum.org.
HOLIDAY SHOPS Nov. 26 - 28. This market features unique objects created by some of the region's most talented craftspeople. Approximately 12 artisans exhibit and sell their work on a rotating basis. Items for sale include wooden boxes, dolls, hand woven scarves, jewelry, pottery and more. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for seniors and students. Price includes admission to the Brandywine River Museum.Brandywine River Museum Courtyard, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-388-2700.
6TH ANNUAL OPEN PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW Nov. 20 - Dec. 23 gallery

hours: Mon - Fri., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and the second Saturday of each month 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. The free opening reception will be catered and open to the public. This photography reception will feature live music and poetry readings. The photography exhibition will feature awards sponsored by cameras etc. of Newark and Wilmington. Elkton Arts Center, 135 E. Main St., Elkton, Md. Info., 410-392-5740 or visit www.CecilCountyArtsCouncil.org.

SATURDAY

THE BUTTERBALL Noon - Midnight. A 12-hour contra dance with four callers and four bands. The event is sponsored by Heritage Dance Festival, Princeton Country Dancers, Thursday Night Dance Committee and Valley Contra Dance. Archmere Academy, 3600 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont. Info., 302-475-6428.

SANTA IN A HELICOPTER Two sessions: 10:30 a.m. - Noon & 1 - 2:30 p.m. For an interesting, edu-

cational, entertaining and unique way to celebrate the Christmas holidays, bring your children to visit with Santa at the American Helicopter Museum. Children get their pictures taken on Santa's lap. The cost is \$10 per child. The Museum is located near Brandywine Airport just outside West Chester. Info., 610-436-9600.

THE LOIS YOUNG SHOW Last Saturday of each month. 10:30 a.m. One

hour children's production which features puppets, songs, interactive stories, live music, and audience participation. Each month children learn a different style of music. Each month there is a different theme which invites the chil-



AT THE BRANDYWINE RIVER MUSEUM

"Visions of Sugarplums," a watercolor by Jessie Wilcox Smith will be on display as part of the 2004 holiday season at the Brandywine River Museum. The famous tradition of a "Brandywine Christmas" returns Nov. 26 through Jan. 9, with favorite displays of model train layout, Victorian doll house, antique doll display and critter ornaments along with a special art collection, "Story Time: Children's Book Illustrations." The museum is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except Christmas Day. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for seniors ages 65 and older and students; free for children under six and members. Brandywine River Museum is on Rt. 1 in Chadds Ford, Pa. For more info., call 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

dren to wear a special color and bring a stuffed animal to join in the fun. November's theme: "Giving Thanks for Family and Friends". Kids wear "as many different colors as you an" to celebrate the diversity of our friends around the world. Bring a drawing or picture of family or friends, or your "best friend" stuffed animal. Tickets are \$6 and are purchased at the door.

The New Century Club of Newark, Delaware Ave. and Haines St. No reservations. Info., 302-456-9227 or www.loisyoung.com.

CARTOONS AND CARICATURES Open daily, 9:30 a.m. - 4;30 p.m. Through February 13, 2005. Exhibition features illustrations that examine and illuminate a variety of social, political and cultural issues from the 19th and 20th centuries. Included are approximately 45 watercolors and pen and ink drawings by 33 well-known humorists. Admission is \$8 for acults; \$5 for seniors ages 65 and over, students with I.D., and children ages 6 to 12; and free for children under six and Brandywine Conservancy members. Brandywine River Museum, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit www.brandywinemuseum.org.

MEETINGS

■ TUESDAY, NOV. 30

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. every Tuesday. For men who like to sing at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E.

Main St. Info., call Will at 302-368-3052. DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support

group meeting at Evangelical
Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park
Rd., Newark. Info., 302-737-7239.
SWEET ADELINES 7:30 - 10 p.m. every

Tuesday. Singing group meets at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark.

Listeners and new members welcome

Info., 302-999-8310.

MONDAY

UD CHAMBER MUSIC RECITAL 8 p.m. The Department of Music presents a concert of string chamber music. Featuring student string ensembles performing the music of Mozart, Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Dvorak. Bayard Sharp Hall, Delaware Ave. and Elkton Road, Newark. Info., 302-

STITCHES OF ART AND COMFORT: DELAWARE QUILTS, 1740-2002. Through May 31. Celebrate the American tradition of quilting by viewing a comprehensive display of 100 unique

Delaware-made quilts featured at the Delaware State Museums Visitor Center and Galleries in Dover and in three other state museums. See an array of colors and quilt patterns reflected in this textile art form that visually provide clues to the history and culture of the state, the region and the nation from the 18th century to the present. The Delaware State Museums Visitor Center, 406 Federal Street, Dover. Admission is free. Donations are welcome. Hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. -5 p.m. on Saturday and 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Info., 302-739-

4266 or visit www.delaware.gov. LINE DANCING 1 p.m. beginner class; and 2 p.m. advanced class every Monday at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info., 302-737-2336.

WEDNESDAY

UD JAZZ I & II CONCERT 8 p.m. The program is directed by Tom Palmer and features Pat Metheny's "If I Could," Dennis Diblasio's arrange-ment of "Theme From Sesame Street," Mark Taylor's "Granada Smoothie," and Gordon Goodwin's "High Maintenance." The two Jazz Ensembles will also perform arrangements of such standards as "That Old Black Magic" and "Tenderly." Two student vocalists are featured. Admission is \$10, adults; \$7, seniors; \$3, students.

Tickets may be purchased at the door. Loudis Recital
Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Ave. and Orchard Road,

Newark. Info., 302-831-2577

THURSDAY

BEGINNER LINE DANCE 6 p.m. Beginner classes at the Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

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Madison St., Wilmington, Info., 302-571-8440.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 - 6 p.m. Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band Music at

Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr.,

Newark. Info., 302-737-2336.

FRIDAY, NOV. 26

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. at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

■ SATURDAY, NOV. 27

POST-POLIO SUPPORT 10 a.m. to noon fourth Saturday of month. Meeting at the Easter Seal Independent Living Center, Reads Way, New Castle. Info., call Paula Hentz at 302-369-3905 or 302-764-1714.

WOMAN'S MINISTRY Fourth Saturday of the month. Meeting to unite and share fellowship at Dale United Methodist Church, 143 E. Lake St., Middletown. Info., 302-378-9744.

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m. every Saturday at Greater Grace Church, 30 Blue Hen Dr. \$5 donation goes to missions. Info., 302-738-1530.

KARAOKE 8 p.m.- midnight every Saturday at the American Legion of Elkton. No cover, all welcome. Info.,

NATURE VIDEOS 1 p.m. every Saturday. Video and one-hour guided walk for all ages at Ashland Nature Center. Info., 239-2334.

MONDAY, NOV. 29

FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES Mondays at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street, Newark. Classes begin on September 20 for beginners and intermediate level. Info., 302-368-4942 or 302-368-8774.

MHA DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP 7 - 9 p.m. Mondays. Support group spon sored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 302-765-9740.

SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE 10:15 a.m

Mondays, 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 a.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 302-737-

CHORUS OF BRANDYWINE 7:30 p.m Men's barbershop rehearsals at MBNA Bowman Conference Center, Ogletown. All welcome. Info., 302-655-SING.

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

GUARDIANS' SUPPORT 6 - 8 p.m. Meeting for grandparents and all those raising others' children at Children & Families First, 62 N. Chapel St., Newark. Information and registration, 302-658-5177, ext. 260.
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■ WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1

MOMS CLUB/BEAR 9:30 a.m. first Wednesday of month at 345 School Bell Rd., Bear. Info., 302-832-2604.

AT HOME MOTHERS CONNECTION 7:30 p.m. First and third Wednesdays. Meeting for moms only at St. Barnabas

Church, Duncan Rd. Info., call Darlene Regan at 610-274-2165. LA LECHE LEAGUE 9:45 a.m. first Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., call Nancy Traub at 302-324-4444. SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. at St. Wednesday of the month. meeting and discussion on breast-feeding and mother-ing at the Bible Fellowship Church in Newark. Info., 302-838-9444. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info., 302-368-

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 6:30 p.m.first Wednesday of the month. Meeting for men who are survivors of and newly diagnosed with prostate cancer at the American Cancer Society's New Castle Office, 92 Reads Way, Ste. 205. Info., 302-234-4227.

CONSTITUENT MEETING 7 a.m. first and third Wednesdays of the month. Rep. Melanie George of the 5th District and Rep. John Viola of the 26th District will meet for morning coffee and discuss a wide variety of concerns with con-stituents at the Bob Evans Restaurant at

SPINAL CORD INJURY SUPPORT GROUP 5 - 7 p.m. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. Meetings feature speakers and topics of interest to people with spinal cord injuries, as well as the opportunity to speak with thera-pists and social workers. Meetings are held at the Wilmington Hospital, sixth floor OT Gym. Info., 302-428-6669.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Separated/divorced persons meet at Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. All welcome. Info., 302-737-5040.

GRIEFSHARE 7 p.m. Seminar and support group every week for those who have lost someone close to them. At Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info., 302-737-5040.

NEWARK DELTONES 7 - 10 p.m. at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., 302-737-4544.

TAI CHI 2:30 p.m. Wednesday or Monday; 11:15 a.m. Friday, at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., \$20/month. Info., 302-737-2336.

FAMILY CIRCLES 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-658-5177.

THURSDAY, DEC. 2

TRICKS OF THE TRADE 7 p.m. Real estate seminar on home buying and sell-ing first Thursday of every month at DEXTA Federal Credit Umon, 300 Foulk Rd, Wilmington, Free, Refreshments will be provided, seating is limited. RSVP 302-772-1200.

STORYTIME 10:30 a.m. every Thursday. Animal stories read by a lively storyteller near the Otter exhibit at Brandywine Zoo. Info., 302-571-7747.

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Judging takes place Dec. 1

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Handloff said staff members create the seasonal window dressings. He said gift wrappings and bows would be featured, as well as sleds, from Thanksgiving until the first week in January.

National 5 and 10 employee George Griebel said staffers try to get a good representation of all the products they sell in the window

"You want to fill up as much space as you can," he said. "Fill it up to give them something to look at, so every time they walk past they see something they missed.

Each vendor and restaurant that participates brings their own interpretation to window decoration, reflecting the products they sell and the image they want to present.

Main Street Florist manager Bryan Greim said he wanted to incorporate pine and holly into his window display, as well as

penguin, snowmen and moose plush toys.

Peace A Pizza general manager Seth Milman said a few creative college students would probably decorate their windows.

"People want to come in more when they see you care about making the place look cool," he said.

Dollar Store Assistant Manager Kim Wenner described their tinsle and bow stocked window as "eye catching" and they replace items as they get purchased out of the window.

"I think it has a positive effect on business," she said. "People are always asking 'where do you have that in the window in the store?

Downtown Newark The Partnership will send judges along Main Street on Wednesday, Dec. 1, and any decorated window is eligible to win. Winners will be notified the next day and formally announced at Winterfest on Friday, Dec. 3.

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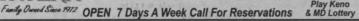
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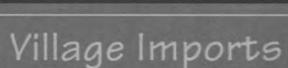
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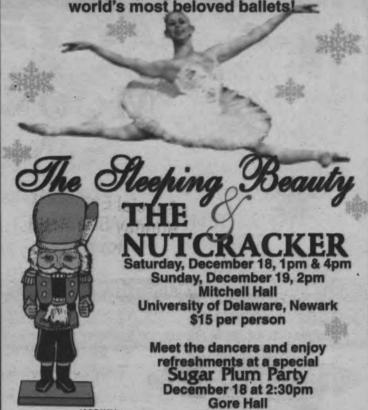
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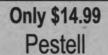
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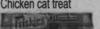
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Salesianum wins state soccer title

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Salesianum School capped off a perfect season with a convincing

5-1 victory over Caesar Rodney Saturday night in the championship game of the boys state high school soccer tournament at Wesley College in Dover

Wesley College in Dover.
The Sals, 20-0, took
away some of the drama,
but not the excitement of a
title game by scoring three
goals in the first five minutes of the match against
the previously unbeaten
Riders.

Junior Eamon O'Neill scored at the 1:23 mark to open the scoring. About two minutes later, Bryan Harris scored on Caesar Rodney's keeper Charlie Hajec to give the Sals a 2-0 advantage.

O'Neill then scored at 5:06, as the Sals continued to press the Riders on a chilly, rainy evening. Field conditions were better than expected as the game was played on the Wolverine Stadium's new synthetic Field turf.

Salesianum coach Scott Mosier said he was thrilled with his team's performance in 2004.

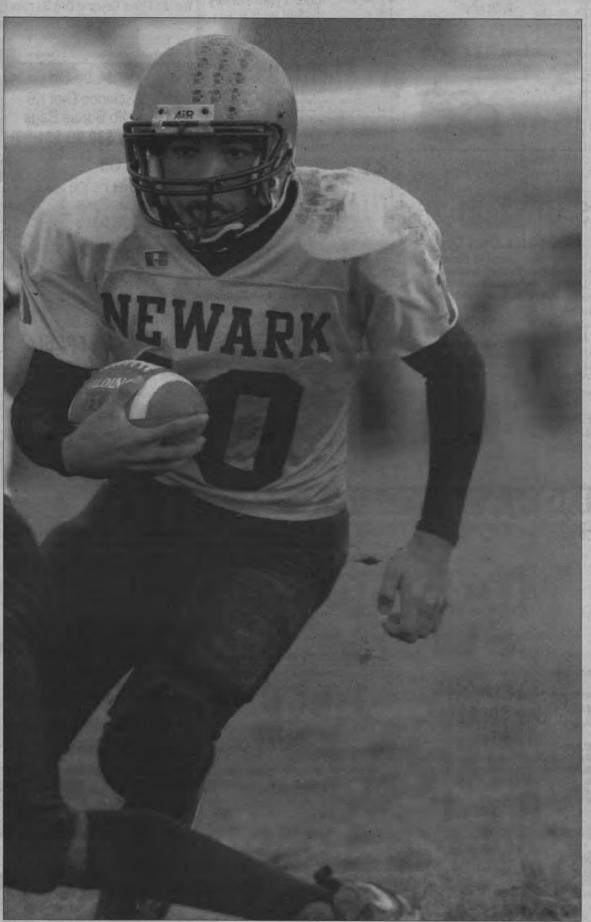
"I feel we played to our potential all season long. It's rare to have a team go out and play as well as you possibly can for a full season, but we played to the top of our potential 20 times," said Mosier.

Statiscally, the Sals finished their amazing season, scoring more than 100 goals, and only giving up six during the entire year. Even more amazing, the Sals only gave up 2 goals to in-state teams, one to Brandywine and the other to the Riders in playoff games.

Senior Matt Laudeman scored the final two goals for the Sals, one in the 33 minute of the first half, and the second in the 61st minute. Laudeman said having his team score the

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Newark rolls by Sussex Tech



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Newark quarterback Steve Williams threw for over 200 yards and three touchdowns in the Yellowjackets' victory over Sussex Tech.

Jackets prep for Sallies in semis

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Newark spotted Sussex Tech an early touchdown, then turned the game around, and trounced Sussex Tech 34-13,in the opening round of Delaware Division I High School Football Tournament Friday night at Hoffman Stadium.

The third-seeded Yellowjackets will face second seed Salesianum (9-1), this Friday night at Baynard Stadium in Wilmington. The semifinal game is set for 7 p.m.

Junior quarterback Steve Williams threw for three touchdowns and had another called back due to a holding penalty, and senior Chet Turner grabbed three interceptions for the 10-1 Yellowjackets.

Williams was 10-13 passing with 218 yards through the air against a team known for its run defense.

Ravens coach Bill Collick said a lot of his pre-game worries turned into harsh reality once the ball was teed up.

"We were concerned about their size and physical play, and then at one point in the game, we couldn't run the football, and then we couldn't stop them from running the ball," he said.

Trailing 13-12 late in the sec-

Trailing 13-12 late in the second quarter, Williams found 6-4 end receiver Austin Becker in the middle for a 27-yard touchdown on a fourth-and 13 play. The score capped an 86-yard drive, and gave Newark an 18-13 advantage at the half, and a lead it would never relinquish.

Newark coach Butch Simpson gave Williams credit for having an incredible night. "He found the open receivers, and we caught the ball. . We felt we would have to throw the ball against Sussex Tech, and Steve found everyone open who was open. It was a pretty nice night that way."

Newark put the game away early in the third quarter.

After the second half kickoff, Carter sprinted 54 yards for a touchdown on the first play from scrimmage. Carter also caught a two-point conversion to build the

See NEWARK, 17 ▶

Hens earn share of Atlantic-10 title

Freshman running back Omar Cuff matched a school record by scoring four touchdowns and the University of Delaware held off a late Villanova surge to post a 41-35 football victory Saturday afternoon at sold-out Delaware Stadium and claim a share of its second straight Atlantic 10 Conference title.

The win also earned the Blue Hens a spot in the NCAA I-AA playoffs. Delaware will host Lafayette Saturday at 3 p.m. in a first-round game.

The 11th ranked Blue Hens (8-7-1 A-10), the defending NCAA I-AA national champion, built a seemingly safe 41-21 lead early in the fourth quarter but had to hold off the Wildcats (6-5, 3-5), who scored three times in the

final nine minutes of the game.

Villanova actually had the chance

Campbell intercepted a desperation pass by Marvin Burroughs deep inside Delaware territory on the final play of the game.

The Hens, who share the conference title with William & Mary and James Madison, have now captured eight league titles since joining the conference in 1986

Delaware seemed to have the game wrapped up, but in this fierce rivalry, nothing is ever certain. Located just 45 minutes apart, Delaware and Villanova have played to an 18-18-1 series record prior to this game, with many games going down to the wire after big comebacks.

The Hens took a 41-21 lead on Cuff's fourth touchdown run of the day with 14:16 left to play, but Villanova battled back to

Villanova got a safety when Delaware quarterback Sonny Riccio ran out of the back of the end zone with 9:01 left to cut the lead to 41-23. Burroughs fol-lowed with an eight-yard scoring toss to Curtis Waltman with 6:08 and scored on a two-yard run himself with 2:29 remaining to cut the lead to 41-35. Delaware failed to move the ball in its next possession, giving the Wildcats one more chance. After a 35-yard pass to J.J. Outlaw moved the ball to the Villanova 40-yard

line, Burroughs launched one final pass but Campbell was there to intercept it on the eight-yard line and returned it 40 yards to end the game.

Burroughs, a sophomore firstyear starter, connected on 23 of 40 passes for 334 yards and one three times and sacked four times. The Wildcats held a 24-18 advantage in first downs and a 462-314 edge in total yards but

were hurt by four turnovers.

"After losing our opener to
New Hampshire, I never thought we'd be sitting here as Atlantic 10 Conference co-champions," said Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler, whose team has won two straight. "I'm so proud of this team. We've won back to back titles for the first time since 1991and that's a big deal. This was a great football game and I'm glad our seniors were able to go out and beat a good Villanova team in their final home game and win a conference championship. It doesn't get much better than that.'

Cuff, who ran for over 100 yards in his previous two outings and finished the day with 72 yards on 28 carries, opened the scoring with a one-yard run five minutes into the game on the Hens, first possession.

Villanova came back on the next possession to tie the score at 7-7 when Phil DiGiacomo scored from 11 yards out with 5:44 left in the first quarter.

But the Hens came back to take the lead for good at 14-7 when All-American candidate returned the ensuing kickoff 87 yards for a touchdown, his fifth career scoring return off a punt or kick. Garron Bible's interception set up a 21-play, 86-yard drive that resulted in a 26-yard field goal by Brad Shushman and Cuff with just 28 seconds left in the stanza to send the Hens into intermission up 24-7.

Burroughs ran 11 yards for a score on Villanova's first second half possession to cut the lead to 24-14. The drive was set up when Cuff fumbled at the Delaware 36yard line and Terence Taylor recovered. The lost fumble was just the fifth of the season for the Blue Hens and ended a streak of 443 straight carries by the Blue Hens without a lost fumble, a streak that dated back to the second game of the season.

After Burroughs, touchdown, the Hens answered with a twoyard scoring run by Cuff and a 29-yard field goal by Shushman, which was set up by a Rashaad Woodard interception, to go back up 34-14. Villanova's Terry Butler scored on a one-yard dive in the final minute of the third quarter to cut the margin to 34-21 heading into the final stanza.

Delaware turned in what proved to be a decisive defensive stand in the fourth quarter when Villanova drove 69 yards to the one-yard line with 11:22 left to play. But the Hen defense stopped Butler for no gain on a fourth and one to get the ball

Blue Hen quarterback Sonny Riccio hit on 16 of 26 passes for 191 yards while David Boler caught five passes for 108 yards, including two long gains that set up Delaware touchdowns.

Newark knocks off Sussex Tech

NEWARK, from 16

Jacket lead to 26-13.

After a three-and-out for the Ravens, thanks to one of Turner's pickoffs, Newark then drove 64 yards with Williams tossing a 21yard strike to Hayden Boyd for the touchdown with 4:21 left in the third quarter.

Williams's two-point conversion finished the scoring at 34-

"I just thank my linemen for doing a great job tonight," everybody on the o-line blocked real

good," said Williams.

Sussex Tech (7-4) shocked the crowd by scoring first on its second play of the game, when senior quarterback Brandon Hudson raced 60 yards for a touchdown.

Hudson also scored the Ravens other touchdown in the second quarter when he returned a Newark punt 83 yards for another score.

"This was a great game that I'll never forget," said Hudson. "And I think this season will help our program.

Simpson had plenty of praise

for the opposing quarterback.
"I think he's a class act, along with how he plays the game, he did to us twice, what we were fearful he could do to us, (scoring long touchdowns), but we were glad it was only twice," said Simpson.

"They're a tough football team, they play the game right, there was no surprise in what they brought tonight, and we are certainly pleased with the outcome," he said.

Sallies wins crown

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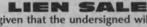
first few goals helped his team relax.

"Scoring early made it so much easier for us, and I think it took some of the fight out of them," he said. CR's senior Greg Vaughn

helped his team avoid the shutout, with a fine shot.







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Market potential lures gallery here

► GALLERY, from 7

mentions is Clemens Briels, whose brightly colored acrylic on resin works are for sale at The Dutch Touch Gallery. Gall said he found Briels working as an art director during his time as chief executive officer of a telecommunications company in Europe. "In 1990, I was his first customer,"

Gall said. Fourteen years later, he said, Briels is internationally known

As for why Hessel chose Newark for her shop, she said it is because of the area's rapid development.

development.

"The area is booming," she said. "Lots of homes need quality art."

She said that she loves the

work she is doing and believes in the importance of art.

"I think people need more art in their lives," she said. Gall agreed. "In a stressed

Gall agreed. "In a stressed world," he said, "we need a small haven. If you have a favorite chair and a painting, the stress goes away."

Right, Hessel in her new gallery.



Obituaries

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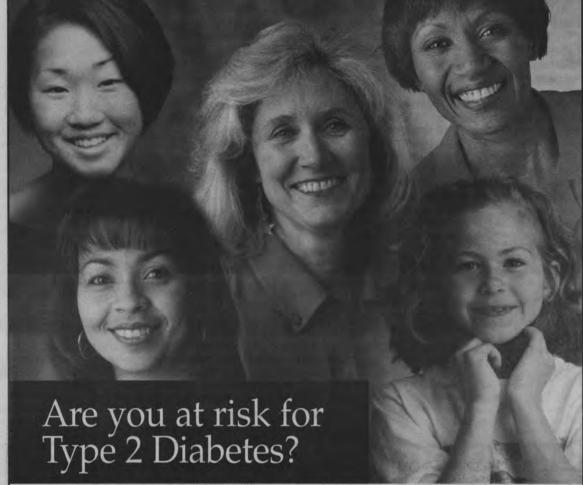
An idea that sells

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successful so far," said Feeny Roser, administrator of the Downtown Newark Partnership. "We have a redemption rate of nearly 60 percent, which is incredibly good for gift certificates and the downtown." The high redemption rate is important for Main Street businesses for one simple reason. If no one

redeems the gift certificates, then the businesses don't get the money. But with more than \$12,750 redeemed so far, the program seems to be working.

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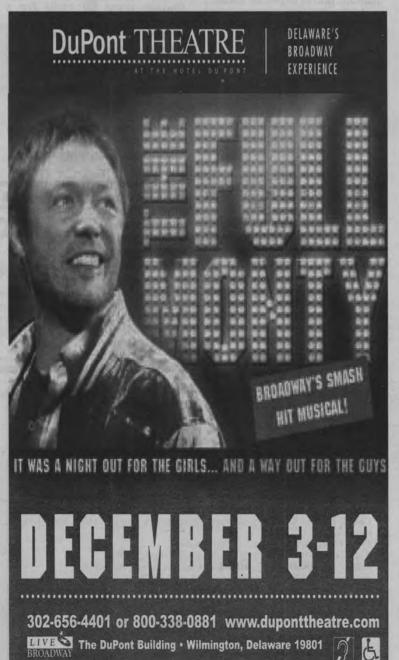
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week, because of the holiday, I had to quickly hustle to produce the Thanksgiving week paper early.

I thought it would be nice to have a photograph of a family sitting down at the holiday table on the front page.

the front page.

Mind you, this thought hit me about five days before Thanksgiving. Any such photo would have to be staged. Time was tight; it would have to be snapped the next day.

snapped the next day.

I called my cousin, Ann. She was a good Catholic woman and had six kids, stairstepped in age.

She agreed to break out the good china and flatware early.

She offered to clean her house (which, frankly, was a real effort for her).

Her husband kindly agreed to take time off from his job at Westinghouse to pose for the photo shoot.

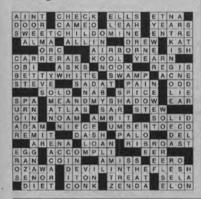
Both sets of grandparents prepared to travel to Ann's home at the appointed hour.

Then Ann asked about the turkey.

The shot wouldn't be right without a bronzed, steaming hot bird setting on a platter in the center of the festive table.

Reluctantly, Ann agreed to rush to the Acme and cook a Thanksgiving turkey four days before she'd have to cook anoth-

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 9.



er one

I was grateful for her willingness to help me out and excited about being able to feature Ann's family on the front page.

family on the front page.

The next day, Ann called me at the newspaper and said the bird was in the oven. The shooting was set for 4 p.m. – just enough time for me to snap the shots, rush the film to the photofinisher before closing, and get the print in my hands in time to meet the newspaper deadline the next day.

Then it started snowing. Not small flakes and flurries. Instead, the biggest fluffiest flakes I'd ever seen began piling up.

ever seen began piling up.
Ann called. "Yes," I told her,
the shoot was on. I had to fill that
spot on the front page the next
day.

By noon, there were four inches of snow. By 3 p.m., there were eight and Baltimore was in its usual snowstorm frenzy. (Thank God we didn't need milk and bread for the photoshoot.)

Four p.m. approached. I grabbed my trusty Minolta SR-T 101 and Honeywell flash and headed out in the terrible weather

Cooped up in the office writing all day, I had not realized how bad the travelling would be. Suddenly, I felt terrible that the grandparents had to be out in the now-near-blizzard-like conditions.

Luckily, I made it to Ann's safely. So had my aunt and uncle and the in-laws.

The freshly cooked turkey smelled good. The kids were all dressed in their Sunday best. My uncle, who hardly ever wore a tie, had one on. Everyone sat down. I set up my lights. Looking into the viewfinder, I remember thinking "this is the perfect shot for the front page." I snapped away.

I thanked the family, quickly packed up my gear and rushed out. I had to get to the photofinisher on time.

Traffic was snarled, actually at a standstill. The snow was a foot deep.

I abandoned my car. The snow had not been predicted and I was not dressed for wintry hiking. But off I trudged.

Exhausted and frozen, I made it to the shop one minute before closing. It was then that I realized that I had left my camera in the

Pleading with the businessman to wait until I returned, I hiked the mile or so back to my car, put the camera strap around my neck, then rustled up every ounce of stamina to rush back.

The photofinisher was still

there. With hands so cold I could hardly move them, I opened the back of the camera.

It was then that my Kodak moment evaporated.

I had not put any film in the camera.

It took me a couple of days to assemble the courage to call Ann and the others. But I did and let them know before the paper hit the streets that their picture would be absent from the front page. I clearly was more upset than them. "The turkey was great," Ann said offering some

words of comfort.

To this day, at weddings, funerals and milestone gatherings, every member of Ann's family forces me to relive the embarrassing details of the missed Kodak moment.

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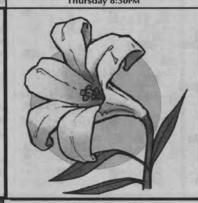
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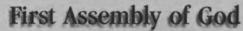


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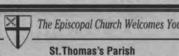


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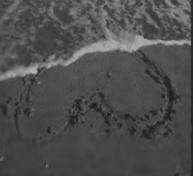
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DELAWARE VS. LAFAYETTE

Saturday, Nov. 27 at Delaware Stadium, 3 p.m.

Hens open playoffs against Lafayette

Delaware gets first-round home game against Patriot champs

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

The University of Delaware football team's good weekend was completed Sunday as the Blue Hens were selected as an at-large team for the NCAA I-AA playoffs.

Delaware knocked off Villanova 41-35 Saturday and felt confident of the berth that wasn't secured until Sunday's announcement.

The defending NCAA I-AA national champion swill begin defense of that title this Saturday at Delaware Stadium when the Blue Hens host first time NCAA tournament qualifier Lafayette at 3:05 p.m. The game will be televised live by College Sports Television (CSTV).

Saturday's victory also enabled the Hens to share the Atlantic-10 championship with James Madison and William & Mary Lefensia

the Atlantic-10 championship with James Madison and William & Mary. Lafayette (8-3) earned their bid by winning the Patriot League title with a 24-10 victory over arch-rival Lehigh Saturday.

"The goal of our program is to win the Atlantic-10 championship and we did that," said Delaware coach K.C. Keeler after hearing the news his team was selected for the playoffs. "Now we get a chance to play in the playoffs." to play in the playoffs.

After viewing some of the Lehigh-Lafayette game on television Saturday evening, Keeler sus-

pected he'd see the Leopards.

"That's who I thought we'd get," Keeler said. "I'm very excited. This is what you live for. It doesn't get any better than playing this week. There's nothing like having that practice on Thanksgiving

Day."

Delaware, which has won six national titles, including their first ever in I-AA last season with a 40-0 win over Patriot League champion Colgate

in the finals, will be making its 18th appearance in the NCAA playoffs, including its 13th trip as members of the I-AA classification. The Hens

are 22-15 all-time in those games, including a 14-11 mark in I-AA. The Hens, who have played 9 of their last 10 playoff games at 22,000-seat

Delaware Stadium, are 15-5 all-time in post-season action at home

For those that feel Lafayette will be an easy first-

round task, Keeler points to last season when Patriot League champ Colgate knocked off Massachusetts in the first round and went all the way to the national title game.

"There's a great lesson there," Keeler said of Colgate's success. 'You cannot take this team lightly because they're in the Patriot League. They've had success in the playoffs, beating Atlantic-10

The Blue Hens, who were ranked No. 11 in last week's The Sports Network

poll, were one of our Atlantic 10 Football Conference teams to

spot in the I-AA playoffs, a first in conference history. In addition to Delaware, No. 3 seed William & Mary will host Hampton, James Madison will travel to Lehigh, and New Hampshire will travel to No. 3 Georgia Southern. Should Delaware and William & Mary both win their first round games, they would meet again in the quarter-finals Dec. 4. Delaware downed the Tribe 31-28

back on Oct. 23.
"We will not look at anything but Lafayette," Keeler said. "It's all about one game. If you win that game, then you worry about the next one. Each game is like a steel-cage match. The winner sur-

vives and the loser is done."

In addition to No. 3 William & Mary, No. 2
Furman is on the Hens' side of the bracket.

The tournament's top seed is Southern Illinois, a team that Delaware beat 40-7 in last year's opening round. Georgia Southern is the tournament's fourth

Semifinal games will be played Dec. 10 and 11 with the national championship set for Dec. 17 at

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Delaware and Lafayette, former rivals in all sports except football as members of the East Coast Conference, will meet on the football field for the 25th time. Delaware leads the series 17-7 but the teams have not met since a 27-0 Delaware win Oct. 7, 1972 at Delaware Stadium

Delaware and Lafayette played in the first game in Delaware Stadium history on Nov. 15, 1952 with the Blue Hens winning 13-12 in a driving rain.

Tickets will be on sale all week. University of Delaware football season ticket holders will be able to purchase their season ticket seats by calling (302) 831-2257 or by stopping by the Delaware Field House Ticket Office. Season ticket holders will have through Wednesday, November 24 to purchase their seats. The hours of operation will be 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for these three days. The UD Season Ticket Office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday but will be open Friday, Nov. 26 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

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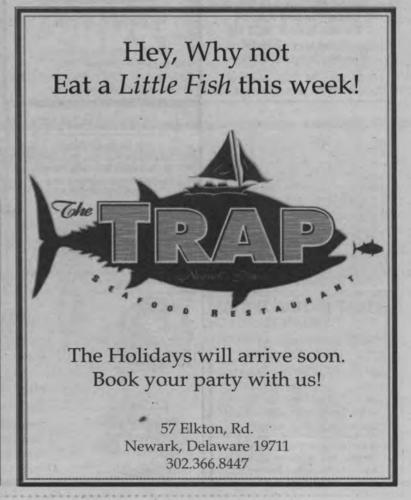
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