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Food drive spreads holiday cheer

NAWC hands out 330 meal baskets

By BROOKE SCHULTZ
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The dreary weather on Saturday morning didn't stop the Newark Area Welfare Committee from spreading holiday cheer.

Saturday was the conclusion of an effort that collected thousands of pounds of food for those in need. Recipients lined up at the First Presbyterian Church of Newark while volunteers helped load the 330 food boxes onto dollies and walked them to the parking lot.

Mayor Polly Sierer, who serves as president of NAWC, said it was truly a community effort that brought the event together for another year.

Numerous schools, churches and day cares collected food for NAWC. Sierer noted that Hodgson Vo-Tech, Newark Charter School Middle School and Newark Charter High School all donated upward of 3,000 items.

"These three schools usually provide contributions. This year, they went above

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The week ahead

Windy Hills Luminary Night: Saturday, 6:30 to 9 p.m., in the Windy Hills neighborhood off Capitol Trail. As part of the community's unique annual tradition, the streets will be lined with luminaries (small candles in white paper bags), and many houses will be decorated with holiday lights. Rain date is Sunday.

Holiday concert: Saturday, 7:30 p.m., at Kirkwood Library, 6000 Kirkwood Highway. The First State Ringers bell choir will perform Christmas songs. Free.

Christmas Eve service: Monday, 6 p.m.

and 10 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Newark, 292 W. Main St.

Hangover Helper 5K: Tuesday, Jan. 1, 10 a.m., Olan Thomas Park, 89 Paper Mill Road. An after-party is planned at Klondike Kate's. Registration \$25 at www.fusionracetiming.com.

First Day hikes: Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1 p.m., at White Clay Creek State Park. Park staff invites community members to start off 2019 with a hike outdoors. Meet at the Carpenter Recreation Area, 880 New London Road, the Chambers Rock Road parking lot or the Judge Morris Estate parking lot. Call to register 302-368-6900. Free. For more information, visit www.destateparks.com/firstday or call 302-368-6560. Free.

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Candles line the streets of Windy Hills during the neighborhood's annual luminary night.

Pencader wreath ceremony honors military veterans

By JOSH SHANNON

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A group of Newarkers paused Saturday to remember the sacrifice of local veterans with a wreath-laying ceremony at the Pencader Heritage Museum.

Veterans and other community members laid wreaths honoring the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines, POW/MIA and the Revolutionary War soldiers who died at the Battle of Cooch's Bridge.

The event at Pencader was one of more than 1,400 similar ceremonies happening across the country and at U.S. military cemeteries abroad as part of Wreaths Across America.

The project began in 1992 when the Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington, Maine, had a surplus of wreaths and arranged to have them laid on graves at Arlington National Cemetery. The tradition continued largely unnoticed until 2005, when a photo of the wreaths went viral online.

The attention led to an influx of funds and volunteers, and the project expanded. Today, the project distributes more than 1.5 million wreaths.

"The freedoms we enjoy today have not come without a price," Col. Mike Wilgen said at the Pencader ceremony. "In the cemeteries throughout this nation are men and women who gave their lives so that we can live in freedom and without fear."

Pencader began participating in Wreaths Across America several years ago to honor the approximately two dozen American soldiers who died at Cooch's Bridge, the site of Delaware's only Revolutionary War battle. The museum is located on part of the Cooch's Bridge Battlefield.

The fallen soldiers are believed to be bur-



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Gen. Terry Wiley prepares to lay a wreath during the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Pencader Heritage Museum on Saturday.

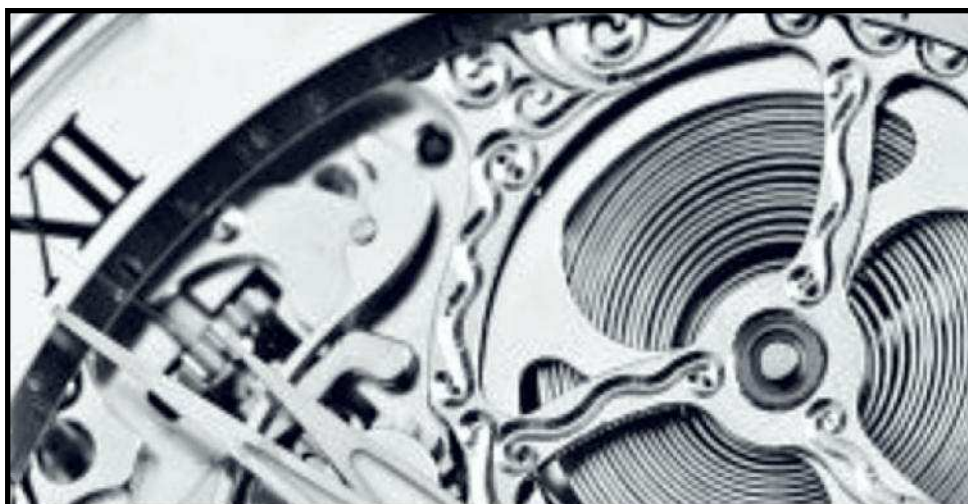
ied somewhere on the battlefield site. The exact location is unknown, but under a new preservation agreement, the state is planning archeological exploration in attempt to find their graves.

Bill Conley, who coordinated Saturday's event, noted that journals from Revolutionary War veterans indicate that five of the soldiers died at the foot of Cooch's Bridge.

"Any time you go over that bridge, just stop and think that right there in that vicinity, five American colonial soldiers paid the ultimate price as they tried to stop a professional army of Hessians and British soldiers marching on their way to Philadelphia," Conley said.

Saturday's event also featured an appearance by Ray Firmani, a 97-year-old World War II veteran from Elsmere. Wilmington author Mitchell Topal recently published a book, "Against All Odds: The Ray Firmani Story," about Firmani's experience in the war and the 25 B-17 bombing missions he flew.

Firmani spoke about the Battle of Cooch's Bridge and signed copies of the book.



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UD breaks ground on new athletic center, stadium renovations

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Wearing their blue-and-gold gear, season ticket holders, trustees and University of Delaware students arrived at Delaware Stadium on Tuesday to celebrate the day many have been anticipating for years.

At a ceremonial ground-breaking, UD marked a new beginning for the stadium and the start of construction on the new Whitney Athletic Center.

In November 2017, the university rolled out plans to “rebuild and reinvest” in the athletic facilities and sought to raise \$60 million for the project. Construction began as soon as the football season concluded.

The first phase includes renovations for the west side of the Delaware Stadium, including chair backs for all seats in sections C, D and E; upgraded restrooms and concessions; an updated press box, and a stadium club that houses a bar, food and exclusive seating.

The Whitney Athletic Center, to be built in front of the stadium, will benefit all UD athletes, not just football players, officials said.

Its amenities will include a student success center with space for tutoring, guest lectures and career preparation; a health and wellbeing center with a strength and conditioning space; athletic training;

food options; sports psychology areas and hydrotherapy tubs.

Athletic Director Chrissi Rawak said locating all those student-athlete services in one place is more efficient and will reduce the amount of time athletes spend traveling between the athletic complex and the main campus.

“They come down here to train, they go back to study, come down here to train. Some people are down here twice a day, because they’re lifting in the morning and then they’re practicing in the afternoon,” Rawak explained.

The Delaware Stadium stands will be completed before the next football season. The club and updated amenities, as well as the new athletic center, will likely be completed in June 2020, Rawak said.

She said the upgraded stadium will have “a better overall fan feel.”

“We’re the last school in our conference to do anything to our stadium. It’s been years since we’ve done anything, so it’s old and tired,” she added, noting that the facility has served UD well since 1952. “This is really going to create a different experience for everybody and a different feeling. One of the things that I really hope is also just a different sense of pride.”

Ken and Liz Whitney, who donated \$10 million to help build the athletic center, said collegiate athletics has deeply

impacted them and their family, which prompted them to support the project.

“Liz and I are big believers in the impact that athletics have on the overall university community,” said Ken Whitney, a 1980 UD graduate who played on the golf team.

After officials put on hard hats and used blue-and-gold shovels to dig into a pile of dirt that was dumped into the parking lot for the photo op, fans in attendance expressed their excitement about the planned renovations.

Mary Wherry, a season ticket holder for men and women’s basketball, shared in the moment with women’s basketball head coach Natasha Adair.

“Mary Wherry is our biggest supporter of just all athletics,” Adair said. “We go where Mary goes. This is why you come to UD, because of the people and the commitment.”

Wherry returned the appreciation.

“We love our coaches,” she said. “When she came, you couldn’t have found a happier person.”

A Newark resident, Wherry said she enjoys the sense of community between the athletes and fans.

“My children are long distance – Georgia, California – so these are my grandchildren, family. I love the kids,” she said. “I’m just that kind of person.”

Showing support off the



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

University of Delaware officials ceremoniously break ground on renovations to Delaware Stadium and construction of an athletic center.

court was important to her, she added.

“As a season ticket holder, you’re all caught up in games and competition. You don’t see what’s going on behind the scenes, which is what Chrissi Rawak has done since she’s been here,” she said. “Nothing’s more important to the coaches than having an audience and having people supporting them and their hard work that they do.”

Jill and Howard Trout have been season ticket holders for 50 years. The Pennsylvania couple made the 90-min-

ute drive down to Newark to see the groundbreaking because of how central the UD athletic program is to them.

“I’m very excited about it,” Jill said of the renovations. “[We came] to just support it and make sure we’re in with it.”

Howard, Class of 1971, said his first experience with rallying behind a football team came from attending UD.

“I just fell in love with it and I’ve been coming back ever since,” he said. “I love Delaware. I love the fact that they really understand the meaning of student-athlete – stu-

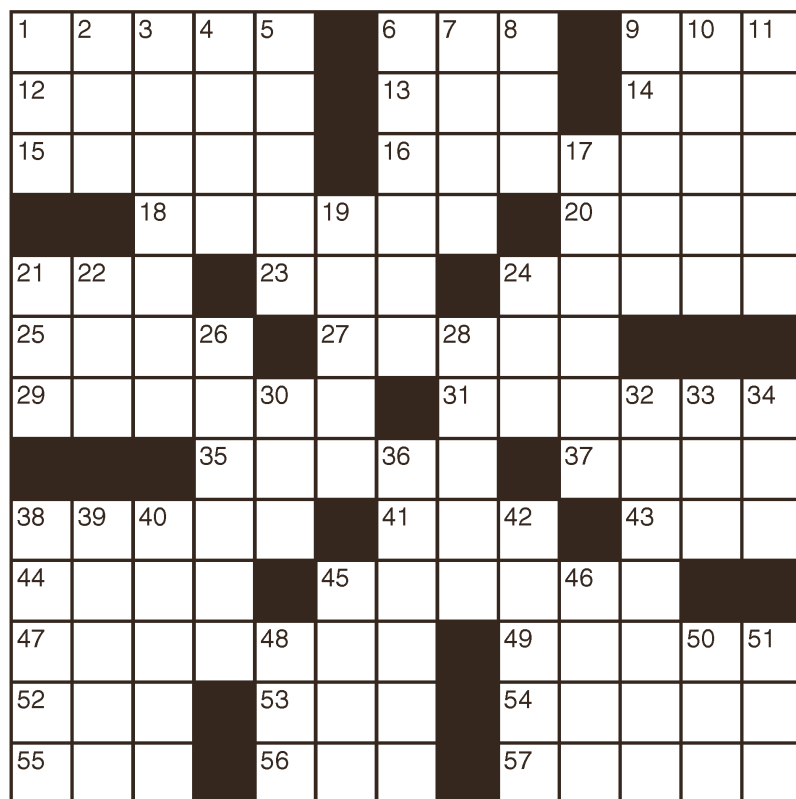
dent is first.”

The Trouts both acknowledged that the university is an important part of Newark and Delaware and think that this renovation is a way for UD to give back to the community and fans.

“I just think it’s a fun experience. We’ve met so many people and have so many friends because of Delaware football – tailgating, we go to all the road games too,” Howard added. “It’s like Mr. Whitney said: so many things in our lives have revolved around athletics and around Delaware football.”

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Two injured in rollover crash on Christina Parkway

By JOSH SHANNON

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Two people were injured in a rollover crash on Christina Parkway last week.

The crash happened at 5:41 p.m. Dec. 14 near the intersection of Christina Parkway and Science Boulevard, which is the entrance to Bloom Energy.

A 2010 Subaru Forester traveling east struck the back of a 2011 Nissan Versa, which then struck the back of a 2016 Dodge Ram, according to Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department.

The Forester overturned, trapping the driver's legs under the vehicle.

Firefighters cut off the roof and used air

bags to lift the Forester and free the driver, identified only as a 39-year-old woman. She suffered injuries to her head, arm and leg.

The woman was taken to Christiana Hospital for treatment, as was the driver of the Versa. Both injuries are non-life-threatening, Rubin said.

Eastbound Christina Parkway was closed for approximately an hour while crews cleaned up the crash.

Investigators are still investigating the circumstances of the crash and believe there could have been a fourth vehicle involved, Rubin said.

Anyone who witnessed the crash is asked to contact Cpl. Patrick Craig at 302-366-7100, ext. 3416, or pcraig@newark.de.us.



PHOTO COURTESY OF AETNA

Two people were injured in a rollover crash on Christina Parkway last Friday night.

Choate Street apartment burglarized twice in two days

By JOSH SHANNON

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An apartment on Choate Street was burglarized twice in two days, police said.

The first burglary happened between 6:20 a.m. and 10 p.m. last Friday, according to Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department. The burglar or burglars entered the apartment and stole undisclosed property.

Just a day later, at 8:25 p.m. Saturday, a burglar targeted the apartment again. The college-aged resident heard the front door open and then saw the burglar in his apartment.

The burglar made a statement to the resident and

fled as the resident called police, said Rubin, who declined to detail the burglar's statement.

Prior to the incident, a surveillance camera captured an image of the burglar riding his bike along Choate Street. The burglar was described as a white man, 40 to 49 years old, between 5 feet 7 inches and 5 feet 9 inches tall and 140 to 180 pounds. He had a thin mustache and was wearing a black jacket and gray hat.

Rubin said detectives are still trying to determine if both burglaries were committed by the same person.

Anyone with information about either incident should contact Det. William Anderson at 302-366-7100, ext. 3469, or wanderson@newark.de.us.



Police believe this man burglarized a home on Choate Street on Saturday evening.

Newark Police seek help identifying purse snatchers

By JOSH SHANNON

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Police are asking for the public's help identifying two people who stole a shopper's purse and wallet at the Acme in Suburban Plaza earlier this month.

Lt. Andrew Rubin, a spokesman for the Newark Police Department, described the scheme as a "distraction theft."

A woman approached the shopper just after 2 p.m. Dec. 8 and engaged her in conversation, Rubin explained. While the shopper was distracted, the second thief grabbed her purse out of her shopping cart.

Rubin said the pair is suspected of similar crimes in other areas of New Castle



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County. He described the suspects as white woman wearing a Dallas Cowboys sweatshirt and a white man with a white beard. They drove a silver sedan.

Anyone with information about the identity of these suspects is asked to contact Officer Justin Roberts at jroberts@newark.de.us or 302-366-7100 ext. 3493.

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The New Ark Chorale performs a Christmas concert at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Saturday.



Kobi Munn, 1, and Kali Munn, 3, pose with a doll representing baby Jesus during a live nativity event at Parkview Assembly of God last Friday night.



Anthony Prochet makes balloon animals at Parkview Assembly of God last Friday night.

Newarkers celebrate Christmas season



The war memorial on the Academy Lawn can be seen behind the city's Christmas tree.



A shopper donates to the Salvation Army outside the Acme in College Square on Saturday morning.



The city of Newark's Christmas tree lights up the Academy Lawn on Main Street.

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Newark's newest K-9 officer hits the streets

By JOSH SHANNON
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The Newark Police Department's newest K-9 officer has graduated training and will begin patrolling the city.

K-9 Luto, a nearly 2-year-old Malinois from Hungary, recently completed 12 weeks of training with his handler, Pfc. Corey Spencer. He is now certified to accompany Spencer on patrol and assist with tracking suspects.

Early next year, he will undergo further training to

learn to detect explosives, which will make him NPD's first explosive detection dog. That means NPD will no longer have to rely on neighboring agencies when a bomb dog is needed – such as over the summer, when a practice grenade was found in Rittenhouse Park, and officers had to wait for a dog from the Wilmington Police Department to search for additional devices.

Luto replaces K-9 Kody, who retired earlier this year after seven years of service. He joins K-9 Varg on NPD's

two-dog K-9 unit.

Luto will live with Spencer, who earned his way into the K-9 program by serving as a "bite dummy," assisting other K-9 handlers by wearing a bite suit and allowing the dogs to "attack" him during training and demonstrations.

All police dogs are trained in patrol – assisting their handlers with everyday tasks like tracking missing persons, searching buildings for intruders and taking down uncooperative suspects – and specialize in either drug detection or explosives detec-

tion.

Varg and NPD's previous dogs have all focused on drugs, but officials decided it was time for the department to have a dog that is trained to find explosives. While bomb dogs are called out to investigate bomb threats and other similar incidents, much of their work is behind-the-scenes and preventative, such as searching the sites of sporting events and other large gatherings to make sure there are no explosives.

Searching a high school

or large event often takes several dogs, and Luto and Spencer will likely travel around the state, assisting other police departments when needed.

Luto also has a big public relations role to play. The K-9 unit is one of the most visible components of the Newark Police Department and often gives demonstrations to school groups and at festivals.

"Luto's a very social dog," Spencer explained in August. "That's a big reason we chose him for Newark."



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON
K-9 Luto and his handler, Pfc. Corey Spencer, recently completed training and will now patrol Newark together.

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Wilmington author David Teague reads to kids gathered at the Newark Free Library for the unveiling of the 2017 edition of PAGES, a literary magazine created by the children. Submissions are being accepted for next year's edition of the magazine.

Libraries seek submissions for children's magazine

POST STAFF REPORT

The Newark and Bear libraries are inviting young authors to submit their work for publication in a children's literary and art magazine.

The "PAGES" magazine, now in its fourth year, is open to children ages 4 through 12.

Children may submit their handwritten poem, joke, comic, essay, short story, or hand-drawn art or collage on an 8-1/2 inch by 11 inch sheet of paper. The deadline

for submissions has been extended to Dec. 31.

Children can create their submission at home or at one of the libraries, where art and writing supplies are available.

The two libraries will each publish their own version of the magazine. Launch parties are planned for Feb. 23 in Newark and March 3 in Bear.

For more information, contact Pat Birchenall or Susan Montney at the Newark Free Library at 302-731-7550, or Renate Cumming at the Bear Library at 302-838-3300.

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Del-One Federal Credit Union won first place in the Downtown Newark Partnership's holiday window decorating contest.

Del-One FCU wins decorating contest

POST STAFF REPORT

Del-One Federal Credit Union took home first-place honors in the Downtown Newark Partnership's annual holiday window decorating contest.

The Main Street bank's windows were painted with numerous holiday images,

representing both Christmas and Hanukkah.

Meanwhile, Delaware Running Company won second place, and Lieberman's Bookstore came in third.

Nine businesses participated in the contest, and Newarkers voted for the winner online.



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Delaware Running Company won second place in the Downtown Newark Partnership's holiday window decorating contest.



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Lieberman's Bookstore won third place in the Downtown Newark Partnership's holiday window decorating contest.

OBITUARY

Paul Klemas

Our beloved son, Paul Klemas died on December 10, 2018 in Lansdowne, PA. He was born in Philadelphia but grew up in Newark.

While at Newark High he was in Madrigals and band, and went to Japan as an exchange student. He graduated from Newark High

with honors and entered the University of Delaware as an Alison Scholar. Health problems prevented Paul from further studies. He worked as a volunteer for the USO and helped many other people.

His son, John Paul; parents, Vida and Vic; and his brothers: Andy and Tom, are mourning Paul's death.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY JOSH SHANNON

A sewer project is causing lane closures on Main Street.

Sewer project causing lane closures on Main Street

POST STAFF REPORT

Main Street will see lane closures through the end of the year as a contractor installs a liner in the sewer main that runs under the road.

The project began Tuesday, and crews will work weeknights from 7 p.m. un-

til 7 a.m. The project was expected to last approximately two weeks, city officials announced Monday.

While crews are working, Main Street will be restricted to one lane of traffic.

Adding a liner to the sewer main will "greatly extend its useful life," officials said.

UD Trustees hold first public comment session

By BROOKE SCHULTZ
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For the first time, the University of Delaware allowed the community to talk directly to the Board of Trustees, holding a public comment session prior to the board's semi-annual meeting last week.

In order to speak before the board, individuals were required to fill out a form online at least 72 hours prior to the Dec. 11 meeting.

Individuals were given two minutes to speak, with a maximum of 10 minutes for the entirety of public comment.

Only two people took advantage of the new opportunity, which had been a long-standing request of open-government advocates.

John Morgan, a professor in physics and astronomy, discussed the university's reputation as Princeton Review's No. 1 party school,

a ranking announced right before students headed back to class this fall.

Morgan noted that when students decide where to attend college, perceptions matter as much as reality, and UD should take steps to counter the ranking.

"Its methodology may be unscientific compared with the Harvard School of Public Health's college risk behavior survey, but its rankings receive much more public attention, as did the notorious I'm Shmacked incident in September 2013," he continued.

He suggested the university no longer allow a link between UD logos and alcohol, noting that at Grotto Pizza, there are posters featuring a blue hen and beer.

He also posed the possibility of surveying the undergraduates who have been arrested for "alcohol-fueled misbehavior" to find what their majors are.

"This information should be used in determining the budgets of colleges," he said. "Keeping undergraduates busy with homework assignments to be done on weekends is the best way to keep them out of trouble."

The other speaker was a representative from PETA, which has spent months criticizing UD researchers' use of rats in experiments and has protested on campus before. Through much of the meeting, several protesters – one dressed in a rat suit – held signs.

"If UD aspires to be a leader in research, it must not only invest in modern infrastructure, but also make the transition away from archaic and ineffective animal models," said Sara Britt, who spoke on behalf of the organization. "It should join the 21st century's most forward-thinking scientists who focus on human-based approaches to studying

diseases, approaches that replace animals such as the use of human cells, advanced computer modeling and clinical studies with volunteers."

Despite the slim turnout, State Rep. John Kowalko, who has long been an advocate for a more open university, said the fact UD had allowed public comment is a step in the right direction.

"It's important that they don't feel confident that this small first step is going to eliminate the problem that I have, that the public has," he noted.

He added that because the university accepts taxpayer money, he believes it should have to face the public and allow the community, as well as the faculty and students it serves, the ability to question its decisions.

"I think it has been a long-term policy that has discouraged participation.

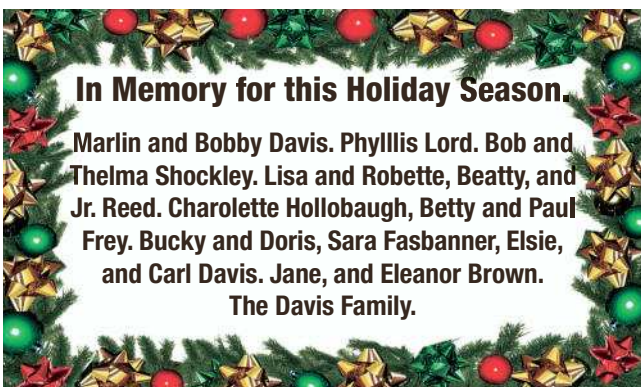
Now that the window has been opened, it will generate legitimate participation from the public, faculty and student body querying into what drives their decisions," he said.

He said that this type of dialogue would be helpful for decisions the board of trustees makes, adding that members may have a certain level of detachment from the day-to-day goings on in the city and university.

Newark Councilman Chris Hamilton also praised the public comment session.

"I know I've been very loud about that, and persistent," he said. "I give credit when UD moves forward. I think it's a good step to opening the university to public feedback."

Councilwoman Jen Wallace agreed, noting that there is still room for improvement, such as allowing day-of sign ups.





Jim Schulte takes over as Newark girls basketball coach

By JON BUZBY

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Jim Schulte is the new girls basketball head coach at Newark High, but neither the team nor the school is new to him.

Schulte has served as an assistant coach for the Yellowjackets for the past eight years, four of them under previous head coach Dan Deppe.

"I was so excited to hear that I would be head coach this year," said Schulte, who has taught at Newark High for nearly a decade as the supervisor of the Jobs for Delaware Graduates program. "I coach because I enjoy the game and watching students grow both athletically and academically."

Schulte's coaching career began in Allentown, Pa., in the early 1990s when he led Holy Spirit School to its first Allentown Diocese championship. He went on to serve as an assistant at several high schools in the area before taking over as general manager and head coach of the Allentown Crestettes, a semipro women's team.

"Having assisted numerous coaches through the years and the last being Dan Deppe, Dan prepped me to take over when he decided to step down," Schulte said. "All that experience, especially the most recent since times have changed, have prepared me. My coaching will be bringing back the old, but adding in some of the new."

Schulte played high school basketball for coach Dickie Schmidt, who during his illustrious career would lead Allentown Central Catholic High School's boys and girls teams



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Newark High girls basketball team has an optimistic outlook under new head coach Jim Schulte.

to a total of eight Quad A state championships.

"Dickie told me several things," Schulte recalled. "One – stick to the basics and drill them into your players, and two – get the best coaching staff you can to help you. Any given day at practice, we start with the basics, going through six different stations, reinforcing what needs to be addressed based on the previous game, and adding a little new so as not

to overwhelm the players."

Schulte's assistant coaches are Sam Valdez, who has been on the coaching staff the past several years; Don Passenant, who coached at Rising Sun High School in Maryland and has more than 30 years of experience; and Kaylah Chambliss, the student-manager of the University of Delaware women's team.

"Combined, we have over 60 years of experience on the bench,

and not many programs can say that," Schulte pointed out.

Newark has an experienced team on the floor as well. The Yellowjackets are led by tri-captains senior Katie Kinsella senior Janyah Brown and junior Selena Whelan-Postell.

"Katie is a deep-3 threat. When she is on, look out," Schulte said. "Janayah is our point guard and isn't afraid to shoot from anywhere and can drive. She's our leader on the

floor. And Selana is my work-horse, always trying to make everyone else better by giving her all."

Schulte calls junior Tiffany Wiley the team's "secretary of defense" and she, along with sophomore A.J. Desantis, will patrol the paint.

Newark's bench is deep and led by part-time starter, junior Dymond Gordon.

"She's another leader at the point and also my most versatile player," Schulte said.

Sophomores Gia Pipkin, Tamiyah Knowles and Brianna Espinal, along with freshman Mei Tobin will also see action.

"When I need a defensive stop and a hustler to spark the team, I turn to Gia," Schulte explained. "Tamiyah is my second enforcer in the middle, Brianna another long-range shooter, and Mei is another spark off the bench."

Newark (2-4) split its first four games before dropping two straight. Despite the setback, Schulte is optimistic about his team's abilities.

"My team is young but experienced," Schulte said. "All returners played varsity at least one year, and I look forward to a successful season. Although we'll take some lumps, it should be a good season. Our future looks awesome."

Corn hole tournament benefits Food Bank

The Food Bank of Delaware is hosting a corn hole tournament on Saturday, Jan 12 at 11 a.m. at Midnight Oil Brewing Company in Newark. Cost is \$50 per team. Register at www.fbd.org/cornhole.

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Volunteers help cart boxes of food to the cars of recipients as part of the Newark Area Welfare Committee's annual holiday food drive Saturday.

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and beyond and collected more food than ever before," she said.

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vious two days sorting the food and packing it into boxes.

Of the more than 300 people to receive a food box, 59 were seniors from Main Towers and elsewhere, and 43 were Spanish-speaking residents, Sierer said.

Assisting the Spanish-speaking families on Saturday were Christiana High School teacher Katie Sevilla and students from the school's ASPIRA club, a student-based leadership program that is aimed at Hispanic youth.

"The kids look forward to this every year," Sevilla said, adding that students who have graduated often return to help out.

The students also dis-

tributed toys they had collected for children whose families came to pick up a food box.

"It's fun and really nice helping people make their day better," said Adamari Lopez, a 17-year-old Christiana student. "It's always important to help people in this way and give them something to look forward to during the holiday."

For the recipients, the food boxes were a welcome gift.

"It will get us through and help," Kelly Jackson said, noting that she is caring for her brother who has a disability and her great-niece. She added that she is ready to pay the donations forward.

"If someone I know

needs a plate, I'm willing to share," she said.

For Elisa Williams, it lessens the stress of the holidays. She noted that she is raising her 5-year-old grandson and, while she's used to doing things herself, the help during the holidays is appreciated.

"I don't have enough money to meet my needs," she explained. "It's a very big help."

Elsie Reyes agreed.

"I'm grateful and thankful that they're helping other people who may be in a bind," she said. "I'm very blessed."

NAWC is driven completely by volunteers. To get involved, go to www.newarkareawelfare.org.

Out of the Attic



Newark Police Santa — 1972

This week's Out of the Attic item is a 1972 Newark Post photo of an unidentified girl visiting with Santa Claus at the Newark Police station.

Santa was on duty at the police station each weeknight and Saturday morning leading up to Christmas. Each child who visited would receive a goody bag and a color photograph of

the visit, Police Chief Bill Brierly told the newspaper.

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Four Christina schools recognized for academic success

Other schools qualify for aid due to poor test scores

By BROOKE SCHULTZ
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Christina schools represent a quarter of those recognized by the state for academic achievement and success last week.

Jones and Gallaher elementary schools were honored as 2018 Recognition Schools, an award created by the Delaware General Assembly in 2009. The schools will receive an \$8,000 award through the state's school improvement funds.

West Park Place and Wilson elementary schools were recognized as National Elementary and Secondary Education Act Distinguished Schools, in addition to their titles as a recognition school. They were the only two in Delaware to receive a national recognition.

The schools were selected based on their performance on state tests or their progress in closing the achievement gaps between student groups, including those from low-income families, racial minority groups and students with disabilities, according to Delaware Secretary of Education Susan Bunting.

Christina School District Super-



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Four Christina School District schools were recognized for their academic success. Wilson and West Park elementary schools were recognized nationally.

intendent Richard Gregg called the recognition wonderful.

"I think we have leaders and teachers working really hard to help improve the performance of the students in the schools. So whenever you're recognized for the hard work and dedicated attention you pay to the children, then it's rewarding," he said.

The district has focused on improving instruction through professional development, Gregg said.

"We have instructional leaders in these buildings who are following through on reinforcing good teaching. And so when you have good teaching, then you have student

gains. That's the natural thing," he said.

He noted that while they have had schools recognized in the past, the national recognition that West Park and Wilson received is a new achievement. Officials from the schools will travel to Kansas City, Mo., to participate in a conference and be recognized.

"For us to have such a nice representation from the district is really outstanding, because so often people are finding our areas in need for improvement," Gregg said. "And so when we have schools that are being recognized for the good work they do, I think it's important

that we celebrate that as much as we pay attention to the ones who are in need of improvement."

Newark High among schools in need of help

Meanwhile, several other schools in the district qualified for aid due to poor performance on state tests.

Bayard Middle School, Newark High School, Elbert-Palmer Elementary School and Stubbs Elementary School qualified for comprehensive support and improvement because they are in the lowest 5 percent of state testing or have a high school graduation rate of 67 percent or less.

These schools will share in \$3.4 million in federal funding along with the other schools in the state that fall into the same category.

Shue-Medill Middle School qualified for targeted support and improvement based on low performance of a subgroup of students, such as students with disabilities, English learners or students from low-income families.

Shue-Medill will develop school-level improvement plans and can apply for up to \$100,000 in grants.

Gregg said the district is working with the schools to address the shortcomings.

"You always want to see schools improve and, ultimately, our focus

is on what's best for children," Gregg said.

The first step is conducting a needs assessment, he said.

"It's always concerning when you have schools that are identified so publicly as in need of assistance, and so you want to provide support for the teachers and leadership in the building and you want to provide support for the children that are being served in that building," he said. "We concentrate our efforts; we concentrate our resources. We have a really strong teaching and learning team that is working with principals to help them find ways to improve the experiences for the children. So I think that's how you respond: you step up, and you provide the resources and supports that the schools need."

Gregg said that while it is important to focus on the schools that need additional support, he believes it is also important to emphasize the successes the district has.

"Positive things tend to continue to be repeated if they're reinforced," Gregg said. "So my thinking is, we need to continue to reinforce the positive things that are happening and recognize the positive things that are happening, not losing sight of the things that we need to still work on, but keep promoting those positive things so they don't stop happening."



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Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Plan Public Notice
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12/13/18
np 12/21 2823147

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Time: 10:00 a.m.

Owners: James Mau

Make & Model: 1987 FISHER

Tag & VIN: VIN# NCFC2732; Tag# MH28417

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