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UP FRONT

We live here, too

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

I DOUBT that you missed it but, just in case, I remind you this week, Oct. 3-8, is National Newspaper Week. It's not nearly as exciting as National Asparagus Month or International Pickle Week, nevertheless it is the once-a-year opportunity for our industry to celebrate its role in American society today.

With the Dan Rather-CBS fiasco grabbing headlines in a ferocious election season, some may not think there's much to celebrate.

I disagree.

I am at the head of the line of people who question the national media. Most of the problems and excesses are on the electronic side, but journalists at national and big-city publications often approach news coverage significantly different than we do here at the Newark Post.

The same can be said for most community newspapers. We are closest to our constituency (when was the last time you had a chat with Dan Rather?) and can customize our coverage for our readers.

Admittedly, we have our warts and weaknesses. In our case, slim resources in a small staff and news space limit our coverage. We have many critics. As painful as it is at times,

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Dinner and dancing

Collaborations lure new faces downtown

By JOE OLIVIERI

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"FILET, Ballet, and Cabernet," a dining and entertainment collaboration between Caffé Gelato and the Mid-Atlantic Ballet, is the latest in a list of diverse events involving local businesses aimed to bring people to the downtown area.

The Sunday, Oct. 10 promotion consists of a four-course filet mignon and wine dinner at Gelato followed by a performance of Sara Taylor Warner's "The Firebird" at the Mid-Atlantic Ballet's studio one block away on Main Street.

There are still tickets available for the two sittings, according to Sara Taylor Warner, founder and executive artistic director of the Mid-Atlantic Ballet.

Collaborations and promotions between businesses are not necessarily new to downtown, but there has been

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A Home Grown vision

Expansion, closing of store positive for business

By JIA DIN

POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With its dim lighting, artsy decor and soulful

music playing lightly in the background, walking into the Home Grown Cafe is like being transported into a metropolitan mecca of trendiness with

an edge. And now there's even more of it.

Home Grown on Main Street recently doubled in size to 5,000 square feet.

Owners Eric Aber, 28, and Sasha Aber, 27, said they had been thinking of expanding the small restaurant since January. After receiving approval from the city of Newark, renovations began in early June and were completed in early July, during which time the cafe remained closed.

In order to expand the restaurant, it was necessary to close down the companion store, previously located next to the cafe. The renovations also required the owners to take out a hefty seven-year loan, Sasha Aber said.

These changes will help in attracting a diverse crowd, Eric Aber said. "I've worked in restaurants a lot and it's important for the atmosphere and food to appeal to everyone."

"Here you'll see students sit-

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NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY SCOTT MCALLISTER

Planners okay project

Annexation plan for hospice, adult community advances to city council

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

THE City of Newark Planning Commission unanimously approved annexation for a 19.2-acre property located off of West Chestnut Hill Road, which will serve as the home for the future Village of Chestnut Hill children's hospice and adult community.

Despite a troubled history for the Independence Way property, plans moved ahead with few problems at the Oct. 5 meeting. The use of the land, which has in the past served as a heroin clinic and a home for troubled youths,

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Changes in the wind

By DARREL W. COLE

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

UNDER new city ordinances recently approved, properties must be maintained to more specific standards and vehicles illegally parked can get the "boot" instead of being towed.

The new regulations and restrictions to the housing and property maintenance codes will take effect immediately, while the new tire-locking option for illegally parked cars could begin in two months.

The Newark City Council approved both ordinance amendments at its Monday, Sept. 27 meeting. Newark Building Director Ron Sylvester said some of the old property ordinances are too general which leads to problems in bringing violators to court, and/or explaining to property owners what

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Armed robbery at video store

NEWARK police are investigating an armed robbery that took place at 11:54 p.m. at Blockbuster Video in the College Square shopping center.

Police reported that two black men entered the store. One suspect displayed a silver handgun and the two ordered employees to the rear of the store.

In the back, the pair ordered the victims to empty a safe and give the suspects a security video, then fled out the rear door with the stolen goods.

Investigation is continuing, police said. Any person with information about the robbery is asked to contact Newark police, 366-7111.

NPD arrests three for Suburban robbery

Newark police arrested two men and one woman for the robbery of a 26-year-old woman as she was walking through the parking lot in Suburban Plaza Monday, Oct. 4 at 9:47 p.m.

The victim told police that she was approached by a man who asked her for directions before lunging at her and taking her wallet.

The man then fled the area. Police were notified almost immediately, and a witness was able to provide information about the vehicle.

Through that investigation, police arrested Bobby Barben, 24 of Shai Circle in Bear, Shannon M. Barben, 23, of Elkton, Md., and Patricia Snaveley, 21, of Shai Circle in Bear.

Police said Bobby Barben robbed the female and Shannon Barben drove the getaway vehicle. Snaveley is the owner of the vehicle, police said, and was arrested early in the morning of Oct. 5 driving the vehicle. Inside, police found a gun, which had been stolen in a recent burglary, and other property.

Bobby Barben is charged with one count each of second degree robbery and conspiracy. Shannon Barben is charged with one count each of second degree robbery and conspiracy and carrying a concealed deadly weapon. Snaveley is charged with one count of carrying a concealed deadly weapon.

All three appeared before JP Court. Bobby Barben and Shannon Barben were committed to Howard Young Correctional Facility in default of \$3,000 and \$4,000 secured bonds, respectively. Snaveley was released on \$1,000 unsecured bond.

Welsh Tract head-on

New Castle County Police are investigating a drunk driving crash that resulted in the death of a 22-year-old male.

On Saturday, Oct. 2 at 5:20 p.m., county police and paramedics rushed

Clifton still upset

NEWARK City Councilman Jerry Clifton again expressed his frustration that railroad officials failed to contact Newark police after train operators saw something unusual alongside the tracks after a UD freshman was hit and killed by another train.

What two of the four trains saw Sept. 12 was most likely the body of the girl, Rachel Payne, 18, of Connecticut, although operators described seeing a "bundle" or "pile" of clothes or rags along the tracks near Cleveland Avenue and North Chapel Street. But despite reporting the sightings to CSX dispatch (based in Florida), railroad officials never checked out the sightings, nor notified local authorities to check it out.

"It's a travesty that CSX didn't take the time to call our police," Clifton said at Newark City Council's Sept. 27 meeting. "For that family to have to know what happened ... is truly upsetting. That CSX followed protocol is a cop out. They should have determined what was on those tracks."

Clifton said that in a time when ter-

Tests not back

NEWARK Police Department investigators still are waiting for toxicology reports following the gruesome death Sept. 12 of a University of Delaware freshman on the CSX railroad tracks.

Lt. Susan Poley said Monday that it is not unusual for reports from the medical examiner's office to take several weeks to arrive at police headquarters.

NPD officials hope to clarify if alcohol or other drugs contributed to the tragic death of the 18-year-old Connecticut woman.

Lt. Poley could offer no prediction when the report will be available.

NPD detectives were disappointed that they have not received any calls

from the student community after an article and photograph of Rachel Payne were printed last month in *The Review*, the UD student newspaper that serves the Newark campus.

Poley said police were hopeful that someone would come forward with information about Payne's activities on the fateful Sunday morning. "We were hoping someone would recognize her and remember seeing her that night," she said.

Payne died from massive head and internal injuries after she was struck by a freight train at 3:25 a.m. traveling east to Philadelphia on the tracks above North Chapel Street near Cleveland Avenue.

Payne was most likely killed about 3:25 a.m. when she was hit by a freight train. She was returning to her residence from a party and got lost. After that, four other trains passed by the site. One reported at 4:50 a.m. to its dispatch seeing a pile of rags alongside the tracks. A fourth train reported at 5:52 a.m. that it ran over a "pile of rags or possibly a body" but was told to keep moving because another train was close behind.

Finally, at 6:25 a.m. a fifth train stopped and found Payne's body. At no time beforehand did CSX send crews to check out the reports, nor did they notify local police.

to the unit block of Welsh Tract Road after receiving a report of a two-car collision. They arrived to find a Jeep Cherokee and a Nissan Sentra had been involved in a head-on collision near the Bella Vista Apartments.

An investigation revealed that the Nissan Sentra was traveling eastbound at a high rate of speed, crossed over the center line and slid into the path of an oncoming Jeep.

The 22-year-old male driver of the Nissan was trapped for some time but eventually was removed and taken to the Christiana Hospital, where he died, police said.

A 23-year-old male passenger was also taken to the hospital; he had been thrown 25 feet from the Nissan. He is listed in serious condition. They were not wearing seatbelts, said police.

A mother, an infant and a 2-year-old were traveling westbound on Welsh Tract Road in the Jeep. They were all treated and released from the hospital. The children were properly restrained in car seats and their mother was wearing her seatbelt.

The investigation continues although speed and alcohol were contributors to this accident, police said.

Bottle attack

A 22-year-old University of Delaware student told Newark police on Sunday, Oct. 3, at 2:24 a.m. that she had been struck in the mouth with a bottle while breaking up a party in the unit block East Cleveland Avenue.

Police said they found the victim holding a blood-soaked towel to her face. The woman suffered a cut lip and mouth and the loss of two front teeth.

Later, at the Christiana Hospital emergency room, the victim told police she had hosted a party Saturday. After the "keg was kicked" and the host attempted to disperse the large crowd that was gathered, a fight developed and the attack took place.

Witnesses described the scene in the rear yard as "chaotic."

East End assault

The driver of an automobile leaving the parking lot of the East End Café, 270 E. Main St., was attacked and his car damaged, Newark police were told.

Witnesses said that on Sunday, Oct. 3, at 1:59 a.m., a man flagged down the vehicle and stood in front of the victim's car. When the car stopped, the man jumped on the car's hood and dented it, then punched the driver in the face.

Police said the victim's face was cut and his eyeglasses were broken during the attack.

A short time later, Newark police arrested Derrek A. Becker, 22, of Philadelphia, and charged him with assault. He was transferred to Gander Hill prison, police said.

Muddy trail

Newark police are investigating the destruction of lawns in Barksdale Estates on Tuesday, Sept. 28, at 6 p.m. during flooding caused by heavy rains.

Witnesses said the streets were flooded and a young driver stalled a vehicle at Julie and Sue lanes. After he was able to restart the vehicle, the car "hopped the curb" and travelled along Julie Lane towards Casho Mill Road, tearing up muddy lawns in the process, police were told.

Officers said their investigation is continuing.

Domestic spark

Newark police reported that an alcohol-fueled domestic fight erupted on Saturday, Oct. 2, at 5 p.m. in the 200 block East Park Place.

The four victims declined prosecution, police said. An intoxicated man was watched by police until the man's father arrived.

A bottle was thrown at a Jeep Cherokee and shattered its rear window.

Bone-breaking assault

Newark police reported that a 31-year-old Wilmington man was hit and cut on the head and suffered a broken wrist on Sunday, Oct. 3, at 1:15 a.m. on North Chapel Street near New Street.

The victim's sister told officers the attack took place after someone called her names and her brother "stood up for her."

The man was taken to the Newark Emergency Center for treatment.

Officer sees man hit

While driving by on Saturday, Oct. 2, at 5:23 p.m., a Newark police officer saw a man strike another on the parking lot of the 7-Eleven, 235 E. Delaware Ave.

The patrolman stopped and ordered the assailant to halt, however, the suspect fled. After a short foot chase, Curtis M. Pierce, 21, of Lewes, was taken into police custody and charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. He was released pending court appearances.



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FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS REMEMBERED

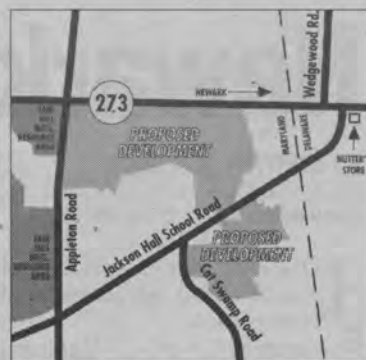
Traditionally since 1982 a grateful nation has honored its fallen firefighters during the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend. On Sunday, Oct. 3, the names of the 107 brave men and women who died nationwide in the last year were read by members of the Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company at the siren tower adjacent to Fire Station 9 on Academy Street. Pictured here is Fire Safety Specialist Diane Silverman reading the names, while Assistant Chief Sam Palermo rings the bell. The memorial ceremony included a prayer for those who died. None of the fallen firefighters are from Delaware. Flags were lowered Sunday.

Huge Md.-Del. border development slow going

ASTON Pointe, the 300-home development in Cecil County, Md., just across the Delaware border, has been told by Cecil officials that the project needs more work before it can be presented for preliminary approval to the county Planning Commission.

The project has generated much interest from Newark area officials and residents because many fear the increased traffic flows will cause further traffic congestion on Newark area roads.

Also, Newark developer William Stritzinger has made no secret of his desire to lure the Newark Country Club to his development, which will include



a golf course and clubhouse. The Country Club membership, however, has made no decision on the proposal that would bring its club to Maryland and transfer its Newark property to Stritzinger.

The Aston Pointe project earned concept approval from

Cecil County in April.

But at its September meeting, the Cecil County Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) said that roads need to be improved first because 3,800 more vehicle trips per day would be added to local roads.

The TAC, which provides technical advice to developers before projects go to the planning commission, also said that more detailed plans for the clubhouse need to be presented.

The development would be built on approximately 390 acres on Appleton Road across from Fair Hill Natural Resource Area. It is bordered by Rt. 273 in Maryland and Jackson Hall School Road.

Tuesday deadline for voter registration

TO vote in the Nov. 2 General Election for U.S. President, Delaware Governor, state Senate and Representative, and various New Castle County positions, the last day to register is Tuesday, Oct. 12.

To do so, contact the New Castle County Department of Elections at 302-577-3464 for information. Or, the Elections office is at the Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French St., Suite 400, Wilmington. The office will be open until 7 p.m. Oct. 12.

You may also register to vote at: Division of Motor Vehicle offices when applying for, renewing or updating a Driver's License or State ID Card; at State

Service Centers (Department of Health and Social Services); at the Department of Labor — Division of Training and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation; at WIC Program offices when applying for services or assistance; at Armed Forces Recruitment Offices when applying for services; at the Office of the Commissioner of Elections, 32 Lookerman St. Suite M107, Dover, DE 19904; at some Social Security offices; at institutions of higher education when you register for classes; and, at private and governmental entities that apply to the Commissioner of Elections and are trained by the Office of the Commissioner of Elections to serve as temporary registrars.

Up to the day of the election,

people can update a voter registration record for an new address or legal name change.

Child care honors

Gov. Ruth Ann Minner has announced the winners of the sixth annual Governor's Award for Excellence in Early Child Care and Education.

Local winners include: Family Child Care (New Castle County): first place, Shirley Lee, and second place, Sharon Williams, both of Newark. Teacher from a Center or Preschool (New Castle County): first place, Tara Sutton and second place, Laura Morris, both of University of Delaware Laboratory Preschool in Newark.

Community to celebrate Pencader heritage

By JIA DIN

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

AREA residents will have the opportunity to celebrate the rich history of the Glasgow/Bear area at the annual Pencader Heritage Day Saturday, Oct. 9.

The event, which will take place at Glasgow High school from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., features arts and crafts, activities for children, live music, and food.

Paul Bauernschmidt of the state Heritage Commission and one of the organizers of the event, said the purpose is to celebrate the anniversary of the Pencader Hundred.

In 1701, William Penn granted land to three Welshmen, which is now the area known as the

Pencader Hundred, encompassing 30,000 acres in Newark, Glasgow, Christiana and Bear.

A group of residents became interested in this piece of history in 2000, Bauernschmidt said, and came up with the idea to hold a heritage day in honor of it.

The history of the Pencader Hundred will be told through artisans' displays of crafts in an outdoor market. Also, school plays, a drill competition from Glasgow High School, a live bluegrass band, pony rides and hay rides are a few of the many activities to be held.

"All other historical societies have heritage days," Bauernschmidt said, "so we thought we should celebrate the giving of land by Penn."

He said he hopes people will become more interested in the



WILLIAM PENN

history of the area.

"This is a good way of providing information to the community," he said. "This area has some pretty neat history."

Bauernschmidt said it is important for people to know about their community's history, especially newcomers to the area. With all the new development

going on in the Glasgow area, he said, the area is expanding, which provides another reason to preserve the unique history.

"It's important to let new people know what's going on," he said. "It's also good for old-timers who might not know all of the history that's out there."

Many area residents have already been working hard to promote and protect the area's historical character. The Pencader Heritage Area Association is working with the state to develop a program to identify historical sights, while other groups are lobbying hard to preserve open space through historical markers. And, just recently, a historic marker was placed at Aiken Tavern on Glasgow Avenue, recognizing a group of historic places.

Bauernschmidt said every year the organizers of Pencader Heritage Day try to do something different.

"There are new twists every year," he said. "This year there's a 'Magic Carpet' activity. It's a big secret, you'll have to come to see it."

The heritage day provides a good outlet for people who want to learn new things and meet new people, Bauernschmidt said.

"The kids love it and it lets Mom and Dad know what's going on in the community," he said. "It's a good way to network with fellow Pencader Hundred folks."

The free event is sponsored by the Pencader Heritage Area Association, Christina School District and Glasgow High School.

'Bach's lunch' series at Bayard-Sharp underway

BEGINNING with a discussion of the upcoming presidential election and ending with the traditional "Carols for the University," the popular, free Bach's Lunch Series will be held from 12:10-12:50 p.m., on select Wednesdays this fall, in Bayard Sharp Hall, Elkton Road and West Delaware Avenue, in Newark.

The challenges and rewards of creating classical music videos will be discussed in "The Making of a Music Video" by Jennifer Barker, associate professor of music and composer, and John Palmer, cameraman, on Oct. 13. Their joint CD/DVD project, *Geenyoch*, is due for release in early 2005.

"Welcome UD's New Cellist" on Oct. 20 will highlight Larry Stomberg, new assistant professor of music, who will play music for the cello, including Bach's Suite in D Minor.



Julie Nishimura, accompanist-coach, and David Herman, Trustees Distinguished Professor of Music, will join forces as "A Dynamic Duo" on Oct. 27 and perform a variety of works for piano and organ.

"Baroque Flute and Harpsichord" on Nov. 3 is a sampling of music from the Brandywine Baroque Ensemble's current season. Eileen Grycky, assistant professor of music, plays an

18th-Century wooden flute with the ensemble, and Karen Flint is the harpsichordist and artistic director.

"The Role of Social Science Research in the Study of Hazards and Disasters" will be discussed Nov. 10, by Havidan Rodriguez, director of UD's Disaster Research Center. He will talk about the role, research and contributions of the center in terms of understanding of societal pre-

paredness and response to disasters.

Outstanding UD flute students will play "Music from Across the Pond" on Nov. 17. Featured will be solo flute repertoire by composers from far away.

A program for Dec. 1 will be announced later.

"Carols for the University" on Dec. 8 will feature the Jefferson Pipe Organ, instruments and voices in music for the season and include carol singing by the audience.

This performance will be repeated at 5:15 p.m.

Local filmmakers host 'Willy Wonka' at Newark cinema

REGIONAL independent filmmakers are bringing the children's classic film "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory" to Newark Cinema Center Saturday, Oct. 9 to raise money for upcoming projects.

Two showings are scheduled at 1 and 3:30 p.m. and will be accompanied by jugglers, clowns, face painting, and prizes. For each showing, 465 tickets are available.

Gordon DelGiorno, of Film Brothers Productions, said the universal appeal of the 1971 film attracted his brother and him to choose it over other films.

"We thought, what's the one movie that's timeless?" he asked. "When kids see this visual spectacular, they're in awe of it."

The fundraiser for the independent filmmakers is the latest event in the five-year history of Film Brothers Productions. The brothers DelGiorno have made four "in-your face" style comedy films reminiscent of and inspired by "Airplane," early Adam Sandler films, and "There's Something About Mary" creators, the Farrelly broth-

ers. "Our premieres have been sell outs at the Newark Cinema Center," he said.

Their last project, "Getting Even," was a revenge comedy involving senior citizens.

DelGiorno also worked on the film treatment of the 2003 Jack Black comedy "School of Rock."

He plans to direct a light comedy about a midlife crisis in the spring and to work as a production manager on a Washington D.C. production company's action film next summer.

For more information, go to www.filmbrothers.com or call DelGiorno at 302-559-2324.



Physical therapy opens new clinics

The University of Delaware's Department of Physical Therapy is opening two new clinics on campus to reflect curricular shifts in the doctorate-level program and to augment existing physical therapy services within the University and Newark communities.

The Neurological and Older Adult Clinic (NOA), located on the third floor of the McKinly Lab, specializes in physical therapy services for older adults and is accepting new patients.

The Pediatric Clinic, located in the new Early Learning Center, will offer integrated rehabilitative services, including occupational, speech and physical therapy. Plans are to begin accepting patients on a limited basis in

October, with a full-capacity schedule anticipated by January.

The existing clinic in McKinly Lab, the Sports and Orthopedic Clinic, offers complete physical therapy services. It will maintain its normal schedule, with operating hours from 8 a.m.-7 p.m., weekdays.

The addition of the two new clinics was motivated by UD's expanding physical therapy curriculum. Ranked fourth in the nation, the program recently switched from a one-and-a-half-year master's program to a three-year doctorate program. The added facilities will augment hands-on training opportunities for students, while serving a growing need in the Newark community.

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POST COLUMNIST

What's up with sun-dried tomatoes?

By ALFRED A. GRUBER

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

HAVE you noticed the supermarket ads trumpeting such and such a product contains sun-dried tomatoes? How in the world do they dry a mushy tomato?

I've put some slices on the back patio in the sun only to discover enthusiastic bacterial excrescences along with gorging flies and yellow jackets. Ugh.

Add to the tomato puzzle the suspicious term; vine-ripened. If my fruits go ripe on the vine, predatory tomato beasts with big teeth or beaks rip into them. We may yet look forward to ads noting such and such a product contains not only sun-dried tomatoes, but Vine-Ripened Sun-Dried Tomatoes and before you can do a 360, the acronym, VRSDT, will be in the weekend supermarket ads.

Picking tomatoes at their peak of ripeness and getting them to a sun-drying place will be challenging.

The way it will be accomplished is this:

Our neighbor state, New Jersey, is the hands down champ in raising tomatoes; no question. They will need a partner state where sunshine abounds sans humidity and that means Arizona or New Mexico. It's New Mexico as you will see. To get those Vine-Ripened fruits out west in a hurry will require a fleet of cargo planes in migrating lines blotting out the Delaware sun. Then, plenty of acreage is needed to lay out sliced tomatoes on the desert floor. The demand might even cover the state.

New Mexico will forever be colored red on school maps whether they vote Democrat or Republican.

Sun drying means that just about everything in New Mexico will have to be removed to make room for sliced tomatoes. Already the state tree, yucca, is harvested to manufacture gluten-free flour for sale in health stores (It bakes into little bread loaves and tastes great).

Those little burros the old prospectors in the movies kept, to bray at their stale jokes, are being sent to Lancaster County,

■ 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.



Gruber

“... New Mexico will forever be colored red on school maps whether they vote Democrat or Republican.”

Pa. Would you believe when those little critters are well fed they grow up to be muscular mules? Surely you've seen Amish farmers out making hay with a five-mule spread. Those are really fattened and fully grown burros.

After yucca, one of the few green plants in the state is the palm tree. New Mexico palm trees are in great demand in Florida to help out that hurricane ravaged place.

So the influx of tomatoes from New Jersey to New Mexico will help out our Florida friends and not send all those senior citizens streaming back north to further increase our traffic burden.

We've already got their kids and grandkids. If this all works out we can indeed bless VRSDT.

Earlier I removed Arizona as a candidate for the Vine-Ripened tomato drying business. That state is already covered with retirees which are a much more cost effective crop than tomatoes.

Further I doubt Montana, Nebraska and the Dakotas want those people back except to bring money.

New Mexico has another raw material in great demand back east; large rocks.

Notice yard design around million-dollar homes includes a couple of big rocks out front. They no longer paint them like in the olden days. No-one had money to even remove rocks then. They were painted white with the house number in black so Pop could find his house after the after-work beer (or two). Maybe today after the after-work cocktail (or two), each rock is coded to buzz the onboard GPS or ON-STAR locator at the proper moment.

Flying rocks back east in empty planes will strengthen the financial bottom line.

That about sums up the business revolution in VRSDT except for scheming by some nefarious underhanded operators.

They are rounding up New Mexico state birds and selling them in the east.

But who the hell here knows the difference between a road runner and a parrot?

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's "Out of the Attic" photo shows the Western Auto franchise which was founded by George and Mildred Policastro in 1953. In 1955 they were joined by Mr. Policastro's brother, Ted. The business later expanded and relocated to 140 E. Main St., a space formerly occupied by Goodwill. It offered a full range of hardware, housewares and major appliances. The store closed in 1985 upon the retirement of Ted Policastro who by that time owned and operated the franchise. The photograph shows the original location, 131 East Main Street, adjacent to Jude's Diner. The photograph is from the collection of Bob Thomas who provided research for the Newark Historical Society. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. For information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post throughout the years

■ Oct. 10, 1929

Prevention of fires subject of classes this week in Newark

During this week in the Newark Schools, emphasis is being placed on the matter of Safety in connection with Fire Prevention.

In the social science classes stress was laid on the economic and safety point of view.

The science classes turned their attention to "what to do in case of fire" - the use of extinguishers and causes of fire which are the direct result of carelessness.

In health and hygiene classes special stress was laid on first aid in case of injury from fire.

The agriculture classes directed their attention to safety from fire on the farm.

Fire insurance was studied in arithmetic.

Beagle trials here this week

The fifteenth annual trials of the Eastern Beagle Club started near Newark on Monday morning, and will continue until Saturday afternoon. The club, which comprises members from Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Virginia,

has been holding its trials here for a number of years, and this year the entry list is one of the largest in its history. Last night the club held its annual banquet at the Delaware Tea House.

■ Oct. 10, 1979

Children's deaths remain a mystery

Two area first-graders died last week. Although the deaths are as yet unexplained, they are "definitely not connected," according to Dr. Gallcano Inguito of the State Medical Examiner's office.

Inguito pointed out that in the deaths of Megan Smith, 5, Newark, and Allen Gurtier, 6, Wilmington, the preliminary tests were inconclusive, no similar symptoms were reported and the children lived and attended school in widely-separated areas.

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

1999: Questions flood in before vote on Newark reservoir

► PAGES, from 6

Megan was taken home from school on Tuesday, Oct. 2 complaining of a stomach ache. She stayed home again on Wednesday and died, unexpectedly, about midday before she could be taken by ambulance to the Newark Emergency Room, according to her mother, Mrs. Charles Smith.

Allen Gurtier Jr., 6, died in his sleep on Saturday night or Sunday morning, Oct. 1, according to Dr. Inguito. "There's a very sketchy history on his death," Inguito says. "His mother said he felt weakness and tiredness several days before but didn't mention any other symptoms at all," he said.

Future uncertain after collapse of church

"We've had so many problems already, and now this," said Rev. Henry McIntire Jr. this week referring to the recent collapse of the Mt. Zion U.A.M.E. church

under construction on New London Road near Cleveland Ave.

The church collapsed after heavy rain during the weekend of Oct. 1. The extremely heavy rain came "just at a time that the building was most vulnerable," McIntire said. "We had just finished the roof and the washout plus the extra weight made the foundation buckle. It's really a set back for us."

■ Oct. 8, 1999

District seeking principals

Lack of teachers are a perennial issue in the Christina School District each year but some schools opened this year without a principal.

Acting principals currently handle the head administrative duties at three of the district's 28 schools.

Christiana High School, Kirk Middle School and Stubbs Elementary School are presently being run by director of student

services Tom Downs, curriculum supervisor Dave Nichols and Leisure Elementary assistant principal Cheryl Arnold, respectively.

As of this week, the odds that the schools will receive new principals before January seemed low since Holton says that the hiring process, which is neither quick nor easy, can take eight to 12 weeks.

What's with the water?

Although they do not all affect

a decision on the upcoming bond referendum to borrow funds to purchase a Newark reservoir site, questions are already coming in thick and fast about water supplies and costs in general.

City staff answered some of the first ones presented by residents and others at the most recent city council meeting on Sept. 25.

According to city finance director George Sarris, property taxes will increase approximately \$20 to \$34 per year for the average household in Newark if the

bond referendum for the land purchase is passed.

All property owners, individual and corporate, within the city limits get one vote each in the bond referendum on Nov. 2.

City staff assured residents there are "no strings" attached to the \$1.7 million funding approved for the city in the state bond bill passed by the General Assembly this summer.

"We have to use it for the reservoir and we have to use it by July 1, 2001," said Sarris. "That's it."

Stuck in same traffic

► UP FRONT, from 1

we listen because criticism helps us better understand our readers, even if we don't please them.

However, we do receive compliments as well. In recent months, we've been applauded repeatedly for our intentional increase in schools coverage. My column four weeks ago on parenting struck parallels in readers' lives; never before have I had so many calls from people who I do not know. The simple publication of a photo of an Eagle scout or a sensitive story about a local tragedy often garners nice, handwritten notes from grateful readers.

Here at the *Newark Post*, we are able to survive in an incredibly difficult and fragmented media marketplace because we live here. Our kids go to the same schools as our readers. We shop at the same stores, sit at the same seemingly way-too-long traffic signals, and encounter the same frustrations. We live the same lives as our subscribers.

For example, take Robin Broomall, our education reporter. She symbolizes the best in community journalism.

She came to our staff through the back door. I've known Robin for years through Rotary. Several summers ago, when we were suffering from staff turnover, I asked Robin to help out "temporarily." She is clearly intelligent, resourceful, and talented. After all, she is a former teacher, Dale Carnegie instructor, and former manager of the leadership devel-

opment firm's local office. And she's lived in Newark for decades. She and her husband, Jim, raised their family and have always worked here.

Robin got hooked on the role she could play here in the life of the Newark community. And she never left.

About a year ago, because of her background, she perceived an opportunity to significantly expand our coverage of local schools. She sought to boost stories about little noted "good news," like spelling bee winners, as well as sometimes controversial stories about school board and administration activities. Not surprisingly, she won the support of our news editor, Darrel Cole, and me.

Historically, school boards and education reporters clash. In Robin's case, the Christina panel saluted her last spring with its highest citizen service award.

I'm singling Robin out here. But all our staff, in different ways and in varying degrees, share a devotion to community journalism. I salute them for their efforts as I ask you to appreciate the role of this newspaper in the community that we both choose to call "home."

■ *When not trying to deny to himself that he's been behind the keyboard at local papers for more than three decades, the writer is publisher of this paper and The Business Ledger, Delaware's 10-year-old business-to-business monthly that also is headquartered in Newark.*



MARK FARNER
Formerly Of Grand Funk Railroad
is appearing at
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at the Wilmington Waterfront

MARK FARNER, Formerly Of Grand Funk Railroad,
joins Club Phred in a benefit concert for
The Christina Educational Enrichment Fund

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Mark will be performing a partial set of his hits while Club Phred (The Wilmington News Journal's 2004 Readers Choice #1 Local Band Award Winner) has graciously accepted the challenge to back up Mark Farnner, Formerly Of Grand Funk Railroad. Club Phred will also be performing their usual high-powered set of classic 60's and 70's rock.

Tickets

are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door
and are available at The Kahunaville Box Office.

For information contact

The Kahunaville Box Office at 302-571-8402 or
The Christina Educational Enrichment Fund at 302-832-5879,
or visit www.kahunaville.com or www.clubphred.com.

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OUTLOOK

Cast vote responsibly

By KATI DALY

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

On a sun-drenched Sunday in Newark, thousands of people gathered on the University of Delaware's Green to take part in the annual Community Day event.

Service organizations, businesses and politicians set up tables loaded down with literature to promote their causes. As people strolled around, I could not help but note that many were wearing (well, some were covered in) pins and stickers supporting the candidates of their choice.

Even young children were sporting these stickers, and I had to wonder if they even know what County Council is, or what voting really means.

In the weeks leading to the Nov. 2 General Election, we will be bombarded with election information and advertisements from the candidates' campaigns, by media and by pre-election pollsters. This is an excellent time to educate children on our democratic process. It's never too early for youngsters to understand what a privilege and responsibility voting is.

First, you as a parent can set an example by registering to vote by the Oct. 12 deadline. For information on how, call 302-577-3464.

Here are some ways parents can help their children understand elections and guide them toward a process in which they will someday take part.

■ Know the facts about Delaware: In New Castle County there are 14 state Senate districts (although only six are on the Nov. 2 ballot and only one race is contested), and 27 districts in the state House of Representatives (where only 12 seats on Nov. 2 are contested).

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WALK IN THE PARK

Contributing writer Joe Olivieri offers his perspective on some of the best places to relax in Newark

PHOTOS BY SCOTT McALLISTER

Now that the thick summer humidity saunters out of town, many Newarkers may gravitate beyond the reach of their air conditioners in search of verdant spaces at one of the city's 31 registered parklands.

For those adventuresome folks, here are some suggestions to best enjoy what Newark has to offer:

■ Best morning jog: Folk Park. A large parking lot and a location off Rt. 896 make this park convenient in a morning routine. The slightly sloping circular path around trees and grassy hills after dawn is a lovely backdrop to raising your heart rate. Also the distant hum of cars from the highway and the location at the top of the hill adds a sense of electricity to your visit. Welsh



Tract Road.

■ Best for walking, biking or running: James F. Hall Trail. Cutting through several parks and neighborhoods, you're likely to run into someone you know on this scenic, well-groomed trail. Gentle turns and small hills and valleys make the trail bicycle friendly. You can take breaks on nearby benches or tackle the entire 1.7 mile distance in one session. Entrances off of Barksdale, Apple, South College, Academy and Wyoming Roads.

■ Best romantic excursion: Karpinski Park. This lovely field has beds of pretty flowers in bloom to marvel at while strolling with someone special. With residential areas and the reservoir as its neighbors, your visit will likely be quiet and peaceful as well. But visit ahead of time to scope out a place to park. Watch the sunset there. Old Paper Mill Road.

■ Best place to spend a Sunday: Rittenhouse Park. Go exploring on the winding, well-marked trails that snake through the park or have lunch at the riverside picnic tables. There are playgrounds for the kids and open spaces for games. Thanks to the park's sheer size (45.9 acres), the best part is how easy it is to forget you are still in a city. West Chestnut Hill Road.

■ Best playground: Norma B. Handloff Park. Three tennis courts, two baseball courts, a tennis practice wall, and lots of classic (monkey bars, anyone?) and unusual playground equipment make this park a great time for everyone. Check out the tire swing. Barksdale and Casho Mill Roads.

■ Best place to relax: George Wilson Center. The stately old trees in this small park seem right out of a children's story and are perfect places to read. Or bring a blanket and watch clouds pass by. New London Road.

■ Best place to burn energy: Fairfield Park. If you are too energetic to watch television and not in the mood for a prolonged session of exercise, visit Fairfield Park. There is a big field to walk around in, as well as tennis courts, basketball courts, and shad-

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Newark Symphony readies new season at Loudis Hall

FOR some the Fall season signals end of things, e.g., flowers, grass, leaves of deciduous trees, etc.

For others, including me, Fall signals the beginning of things, e.g., new fine and performing arts seasons on both sides of the Atlantic. Locally that means a new season for the Newark Symphony Orchestra.

A very catholic program is on tap for the 2004-05 season with music dating from Johann Sebastian Bach through Dimitri Shostakovich including "stops" along the way at the music of Gioacchino Rossini, Felix Mendelssohn, Peter Tchaikovsky, Richard Wagner and other notables.

There will be four concerts

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.



Voter training

► OUTLOOK, from 1

ed). Find out who the candidates are in your district and what their politics are. Research their qualifications and promises for your community with your kids.

■ **Get them involved:** When kids are actively involved in the community, they better understand the effect government policies have on them, their schools and their neighbors. Encourage children to seek out volunteer opportunities. Support children in writing letters to representatives about issues they find important. Spend time together reading the newspaper to learn what is going on in the world.

■ **Growing leaders:** Taking on a leadership role in the school, your community or a local organization. It will allow kids to see what it means to get involved and make positive contributions. To engender leadership qualities in children, start at home. Delegate responsibilities such as taking out the trash or doing the dishes.

By involving your children in this year's election, you start them on the road to becoming responsible citizens. If you teach your kids about elections now, they are more likely to vote when they are of age.

THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

this season, all of them held in the Anthony Loudis Recital Hall of the Amy E. du Pont Music Building on the campus of the University of Delaware and all beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The first concert is on All Hallows Eve and is appropriately titled "Halloween Frights." The first work on the program sets the tone for the evening. It is Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor. When I was a young boy attending "B" movies at our neighborhood Strand Theater or Saturday afternoons downtown at the Grand, this was the music used in every film that featured a ghost, or a haunted castle, or Dracula, or any other locale or personage designed to inspire fear. It was always on an organ and began fortissimo. Are any of you old enough to remember that? Don't rush to answer.

Also on the program that evening is Nicolo Paganini's Violin Concerto No. 2 and Hector Berlioz's Symphonie Fantastique. The soloist in the Paganini will be Thomas

DiSario. This is Mr. DiSario's first appearance with the orchestra although he has performed several times in the NSO Chamber Series.

He has been a soloist with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra and the Concerto Soloists of Philadelphia.

NSO Music Director Roman Pawlowski will be on the podium. I wonder if he will enter wearing a long, black cape with a high collar?

The assistant conductor of the Delaware Symphony will be on the podium for the second concert of the season on Dec. 19.

Benjamin Shwartz, a graduate of The Curtis Institute and a student of Otto-Werner Muller, is the winner of the coveted Presser Music Award and the founder of the Philadelphia Sinfonietta.

On the program that Sunday evening is Gioacchino Rossini's "Italian Girl in Algiers" Overture, Felix Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor, Op. 64 and Peter Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5 in E minor. Maestro Shwartz and the Newark Symphony will be joined by Pavel Ilyashov as soloist in the



Newark Symphony Orchestra Music Director Roman Pawlowski will be on Loudis Recital Hall podium for three of the four concerts of the local orchestra during the 2004-2005 season.

Mendelssohn concerto.

The violinist, a native of Minsk, Balarus, and began winning music awards at the age of 9. He has performed as soloist under many conductors including Wolfgang Sawallisch and Charles Dutoit.

The concert of March 6 will be the first of two featuring the winners of the Newark Symphony's Youth Competition.

This concert will feature the winner in the high school division.

Since the competition winner will have his/her choice of a con-

certo to be performed with the orchestra, that spot on the program is still unannounced.

Other works to be heard that evening include Dimitri Shostakovich's Festive Overture and Jan Sibelius' Symphony No. 2 in D. Roman Pawlowski will be on the podium for this concert and the next.

The season finale will be performed on May 22 and feature the winner of the college division of the youth competition in a concerto to be announced after the winner is selected.

The concert will open with the Introduction to Act III of Richard Wagner's "Lohengrin" and conclude with the Symphony No. 6 of Gustav Mahler.

In addition to the four orchestra concerts, the Newark Symphony offers a series of four chamber concerts. They are held Saturday evenings Nov. 20, Feb. 4 and April 2 in the Newark United Methodist Church on Main Street.

For a complete listing of all concerts, works to be performed or to order tickets you may write the orchestra c/o P. O. Box 7775, Newark, DE 19714 or call at 302-369-3466.

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FRIDAY

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MARK FARNER & CLUB PHRED 8 - 10 p.m. Mark Farner, formerly of Grand Funk Railroad, will join Club Phred in a benefit concert for The Christina Educational Enrichment Fund. Tickets are \$35 at the door. Kahunaville in Wilmington. Info., 302-571-8402.

FALL FASHION SHOW 2 p.m. Moss green and adobe clay are the colors coming straight from your garden to your wardrobe this fall. Tweeds and faux suede are also said to be the featured fabrics this season. Find out more about the latest style trends during this event by Talbots and Bon Worth. See models strutting down the runway wearing these classics revisited. Tickets are \$8. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

STILL BREATHING CONTEMPORARY MUSIC ENSEMBLE 8 p.m. The University of Delaware Department of Music will present this performance. Admission is \$10, adults; \$7, seniors; \$3, students. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Trabant or Bob Carpenter box offices on the UD campus. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Ave. and Orchard Road, Newark. Info., 302-831-2577.

VISIONS & REVISIONS: ARTISTS & POETS IN DIALOGUE Exhibit through Oct. 9. Artists Doris Crowley, Debbie Hegedus, and Wynette Sims, and poets Larry Kelts, Rich Boucher, and Jeffrey Little each shared three works through this unique project. Each poet chose artwork to respond to, and the artists did the same with the poems. Newark Arts Alliance, 100 Elkton Road, Newark. Info., 302-266-7266.

SATURDAY

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FALL FLEA MARKET 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. This event is not only fun, but profitable and can be a great time for the whole family. If you do not have anything to sell, don't worry, because there will be a large assortment of new and used items available for purchase. George Wilson Community Center, Newark. Info. and to register, call 302-366-7069.

WILLY WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY 1 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. Matt Slap Subaru invites you to enjoy a showing of this movie and an afternoon of Oompa-Loompa style fun. Balloon sculpting, face painting, jugglers, clowns and much more. Tickets are \$8 at the door. F & G Cinema Center, Newark Shopping Center, Main Street, Newark. Info., 302-559-2324.

PENCADER HERITAGE DAY 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. with a 9 a.m. breakfast. This free event will begin with a pancake breakfast served by the Glasgow Lions Club. There will be a charge for breakfast. Artisans will be displaying crafts from the era in their outdoor market. Live, old-time bluegrass. Family events include pony rides, hay rides and the children's "woodpile activity." Glasgow High School, Rt. 896. Info., 302-368-2717.

RESOURCE FAIR 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Newark United Methodist Church to Hold Resource Fair. The Northeast Regional Manager for the Cokesbury Bookstores, Richard Gross, will be present to answer questions and gather



Rock Legend

Mark Farner, the lead singer, guitarist, and songwriter for the original Grand Funk Railroad, will be performing new music as well as his legendary hits with the help of

a Newark-based band. Farner will be backed by Club Phred at a fund-raising concert on Friday, Oct. 8 at Kahunaville in Wilmington. The event benefits the Christina Educational Enrichment Fund. Club Phred takes the stage on Wilmington's Riverfront at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. For information, call the Kahunaville box office, 302-571-8402, or CEEF, 302-832-5979. The Enrichment Fund is an all-volunteer non-profit devoted to acknowledging the achievements of students in the Christina School District.

suggestions. Area church staff and lay leadership are invited to attend this event and browse a wide selection of materials available for sale from the United Methodist Publishing House. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., Newark. Info., contact Donna Hitchner 302-368-8774 ext. 32. **MODERN DAY GYPSIES** 2:30 p.m. Musical performance by Lisa Johnson, Kim Parent and Geri Smith in Longwood's Main Fountain Garden. All concerts are included in general Gardens admission of \$14 for adults, \$6 for ages 16-20, \$2 ages 6-15 and free under age 6. Group rates are also available. Info., 610-388-1000 or visit www.longwoodgardens.org.

THURSDAY

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FILET, BALLET & CABERNET 4:30 p.m. & 7 p.m. Mid-Atlantic Ballet will join Caffè Gelato for a special fundraising event featuring gourmet dining and dance. After dinner, guests will walk a short distance to MAB and be seated in the Blue Studio Theatre to enjoy a performance. Tickets are \$39.99 per person and must be purchased in advance. Caffè Gelato, 90 E. Main St., Newark. Tickets and info., 302-266-6362.

HALLOWEEN HOOTENANNY 2 - 5:00 p.m.

Build a scarecrow, paint or carve a pumpkin, join a hayride, enjoy live performances from the Cole Younger Band, storyteller and a fabulous fall day. Activity fees vary. Brandywine Creek State Park (just off the intersection of Route 100 & Rt 92), Adams Dam Road, Wilmington. Park admission fees are \$2.50 per Delaware State Licensed Vehicle and \$5.00 for Out of State vehicles. Info., contact Brandywine Creek State Park at 302-577-3534.

TUESDAY

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LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE in the Nov. 2 General Election is today, by 7 p.m. To do so, contact the New Castle County Department of Elections at 302-577-3464. Or, go to the Elections office at the Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French St., Suite 400, Wilmington. The office will be open until 7 p.m.

GLOBAL WARMING IN THE CHESAPEAKE 7 - 8 p.m. The Film "We are All Smith Islanders" will be presented during this event. This alarming, ground breaking film about the dangers and solutions associated with global warming in the Chesapeake region documents how global warming is affecting agriculture, wildlife, health and tourism. No charge. Fair Hill Natural Resource Center's Nature Center in Cecil County. Info. and reserve a seat, call 410-398-4909.

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY application deadline is 4:30 p.m. The Christina School District Board of Education is accepting applications for the District D vacancy created with the resignation of current board member Christopher Reed. Residents living in District D are being asked to submit a letter of application and resume to the school board. Info, 302-454-2500.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13

LOW BRASS ENSEMBLE RECITAL 8 p.m. The University of Delaware Department of Music presents Jay Hildebrandt, director. Admission is \$10, adults; \$7, seniors; \$3, students. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Trabant or Bob Carpenter box offices on the UD campus. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Avenue and Orchard Road, Newark. Info., 302-831-2577.

THURSDAY, OCT. 14

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

LATINO MAGAZINE NIGHT 5 p.m.-1 a.m. Never a cover. Always a good time. Come experience sophisticated night life at The Red Room, 550 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, OCT. 8

FAMILY & COMMUNITY 1 p.m. second Fridays. Continuing education to promote better way of life at County Extension Office, South Chapel St., Newark. New members welcome. Info., 302-738-4419 or 302-831-1239.

SATURDAY, OCT. 9

LYME SUPPORT GROUP 10:30 a.m. second Saturday of each month at the Kirkwood Highway Library. Info., 302-996-9065 or e-mail TLizzy@snip.net.

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.

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

SUNDAY, OCT. 10

BEAR DANCERS Second Sunday. Square dancing from 2-5 p.m. No partner or experience needed. Dress comfortably and bring clean, soft-soled shoes. No smoking or alcohol. 208 Mariner's Way, Bear. \$6 Info., 302-838-0493, ext. 5.

MONDAY, OCT. 11

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.

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., 302-737-2336.

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.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info., 302-368-2318.

TUESDAY, OCT. 12

CANCER SUPPORT 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays at Silverside/Carr Executive Center, Bldg. 405, Wilmington. Info., 302-733-3900.

MEETINGS

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.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13

EAST END CIVIC ASS'N 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Wesleyan Church, George Read Village. Info., 302-283-0571.

SKI CLUB 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Hockessin Fire Hall. Week-long & day ski trips, sailing, biking, rafting and more planned. Persons of all ages welcome to join. Info., 302-792-7070.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT Noon. second Wednesday of the month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Free & open to public. Info., 302-737-2336.

BINGO 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Lunch available for \$2.25/platter at 11:45 a.m. Info., call 302-737-2336.

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.

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

THURSDAY, OCT. 14

BRIGHT FUTURES 1 p.m. Breast cancer support group meets second and fourth Thursdays at Christiana Hospital in the Medical Arts Pavilion 2. Info., 302-733-3900.

DSI THUMBS UP 7-8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thursdays. Stroke support group meeting offering educational topics, peer support and guests who are experts in rehabilitative services at the NewArk United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Sponsored by Delaware Stroke Initiative. Free. Info., 302-633-9313.

TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. second and fourth Thursday. Greater Elkton chapter

meets at Cecil County Department of Aging to develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Info., 443-553-5358.

NAMI-DE 7:30 p.m. support group meeting for family of persons living with mental illness the second Thursday of every month at St. James Episcopal Church, Kirkwood Hwy. Info., 302-427-0787.

NEWCOMERS WELCOME CLUB 10 a.m. The guest speaker will be Nancy Zippe, food editor at the News Journal. She will talk about cookbooks, healthy eating and her work at the paper. All women are welcome. White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church - 15 Polly Drummond Hill Rd. Newark. Info., call Sandy at 892-9801.

EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. Class to encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

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.

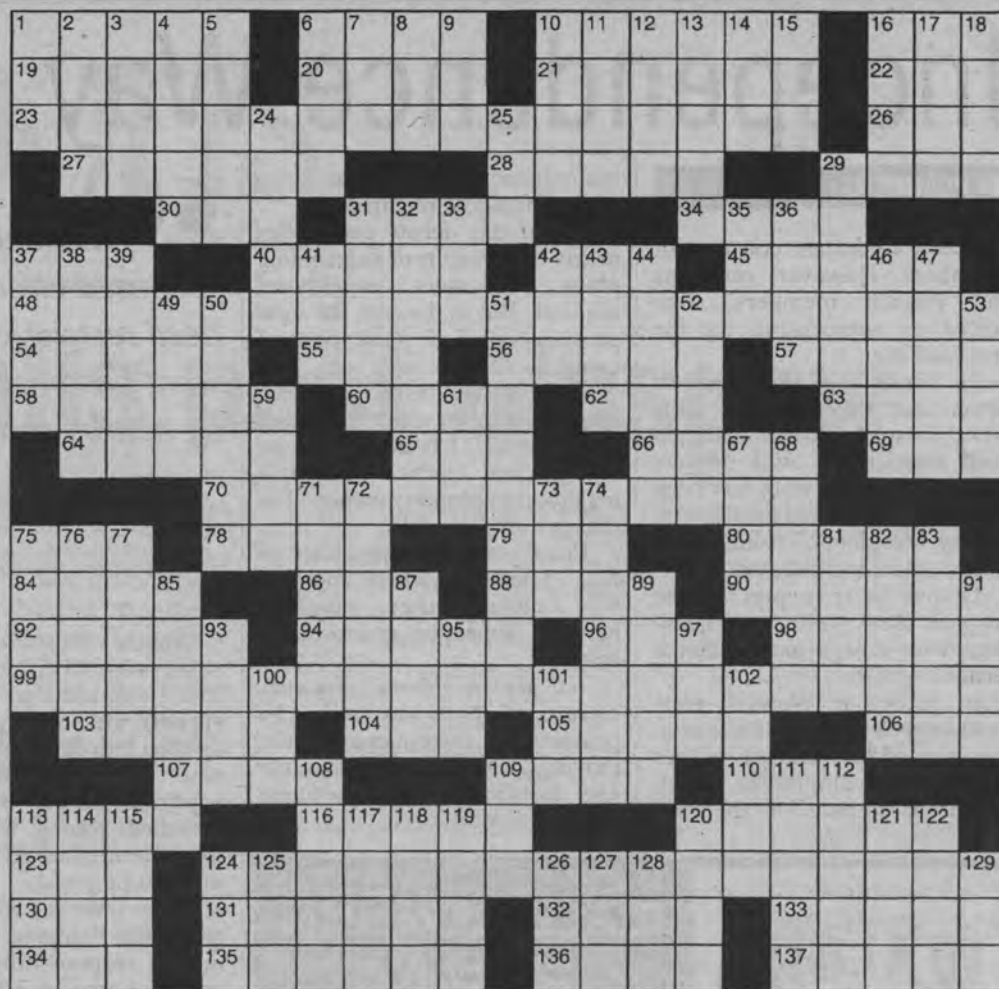
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PEOPLENEWS

Newarkers honored by Del Tech

Delaware Technical & Community College presented the 2004 "Excellence in Teaching" and "Excellence in Service" Awards at its annual Collegewide Employee Recognition Event. Eleven faculty and eighteen staff members received these awards, including teacher Pamela Sue Mark of Newark and service employee John E. Szotkiewicz of Newark.

Winners received a medallion and photo recognition at each campus.

The "Excellence in Service" Award recognizes the contributions, achievements, dedication, and talents of Delaware Tech non-instructional employees. Winners received a commemorative plaque and a \$500 cash award.

Stapleford receives medical degree

Liza J. Stapleford, formerly of Newark, received a medical degree from Tufts University in Boston.

In June Liza began an internship in General Medicine and residency in Radiation Oncology at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

Liza graduated from University of Delaware in 1999 with a B.A. in Neuroscience and is a 1995 graduate of St. Mark's High School.

Stapleford finishes first year on faculty

Thomas A. Stapleford just finished his first year on faculty in the liberal studies program at Notre Dame University in Indiana. He resides in South Bend with his wife Cathy and daughter Jane. Stapleford completed a Ph.D. in the History of

Science at Harvard University in June 2003 and a Master's in Artificial Intelligence from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland in 1998. He received his B.S. in mechanical engineering and his B.A. in Liberal Arts at the University of Delaware. He is a graduate of St. Mark's High School.

Scarberry makes list

Cecil Community College is pleased to announce that Corrie Scarberry of Newark, a part-time student, made the deans list for the spring semester.

Filling presented with scholarship

Back to Basics Learning Dynamics, Inc., Delaware's largest independently operated tutoring and instruction facility, recently presented Michelle Filling with its fifth annual Teacher Education Scholarship.

The scholarship is awarded annually to a Miss Delaware contestant who is pursuing either an undergraduate or graduate degree in Education.

The award is administered by the Miss Delaware Scholarship Organization.

Filling, Miss Eastern Shore 2004, is a 24-year-old Newark resident and a teacher of undergraduate English classes at the University of Delaware.

Filling received a Bachelor's degree in English Education from West Chester University in May 2002 and a Master's degree in English from the University of Delaware in May 2004.

Currently Filling is enrolled in the English Ph.D. program at the University of Delaware.

Open house Oct. 16 at Christiana fire company on Salem Church

The Members and Officers of Christiana Fire Company will host a Fall Open House on Saturday, Oct. 16 from noon to 4 p.m.

The open house coincides with National Fire Prevention Week and will be held at Station 3, at 600 Salem Church Road, between Reybold Road and Old Baltimore Pike. Christiana Fire Company will partner with New

Castle County Police, New Castle County Emergency Medical Services, New Castle County Office of Emergency Preparedness, Delaware State Police, Delaware State Fire School, Delaware State Fire Marshal, Christiana Care Health System and neighboring fire companies to provide fire prevention information and safety education, live demonstrations,

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Independence Way project gets nod

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has been a constant concern for neighbors. However, residents and council members alike voiced an appreciation for the proposed use.

"I think it is important to stress...that the proposed childrens' hospice, with associated deed restrictions, will remove from the location what has been considered a problem land-use by nearby residents," said Roy Lopata, planning director.

Despite local support for the hospice, there were some questions over design and technical details.

In particular, Newark residents argued over an increase in the size of the natural barrier between developments, who should be responsible for road

maintenance and where sidewalks should be required.

All of this debate came after nearly two months of redesigning plans to meet neighbors' requests. But in the end, the slow process satisfied most parties' concerns.

"When we asked for an increase in open space and more narrow roads, I believe we were heard," said Cathy Rookard, a neighboring property owner. "For that, we are grateful."

Plans were revamped after an Aug. 3 meeting where approval was tabled after conflicts between developers and residents arose.

As per neighbors' requests, more open space was created by planning for more narrow roads, moving cottages closer together and eliminating an apartment complex for 50.

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ROY LOPATA

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING FOR THE CITY OF NEWARK

Another drastic change made to the proposal concerned zoning. The commission decided to approve the property after it was divided into two subsections. The adult housing section was approved for RT (single family detached) zoning, which differed from the original AC (adult community) proposal.

This change was made to allow the Planning Commission more responsibility in the approval process, while speeding

things along for the applicant, Diversified Holdings, Inc.

The future hospice was awarded its own approval for AC zoning. Lopata explained that while it may seem counterintuitive to approve a childrens' hospice for an adult community zoning, it was the decision that made the most sense.

"Hospices and hospitals are either zoned for commercial development or for an adult community," he said. "I didn't think

commercial zoning was something the neighbors would want, so we went with AC."

Neighbors and prospective residents will have to wait to hear a final resolution on one more issue. The verdict over whether the roads will be publicly or privately maintained is still out.

State Rep. Stephanie Ulbrich, who lives in nearby Summit View, voiced her support for the commission to declare the property's streets as public roads.

After her mother moved into a similar community several years ago, Ulrich experienced firsthand how demanding it can be for a neighborhood committee to repair roads.

"Many residents had no idea when they moved in that how hefty the expenses can be, especially for those on a fixed income," she said.

However, because of the decreased mobility on the narrowed roads, the planning commission was hesitant to approve The Village of Chestnut Hill for public repair funds.

They opted to let Newark City Council members decide who will make road repairs when they discuss the final approval to begin building.

When the facility was first built in the early 1990s, it housed the Head Injury Recovery Center. Since the center's demise, the facility has often remained vacant in between uses as a drug recovery center and a center for troubled youths.



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Bleiler more than just a good player

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Saturday's game between Delaware and Maine had everything a Blue Hen fan could possibly want: a dramatic, high-scoring, come-from-behind thrilling victory over a nationally ranked Atlantic-10 rival. So why did I feel a little sick afterward?

Sean Bleiler's injury.

Bleiler, the Hens' senior captain, went down with a torn ACL in the first quarter. He'll be out for a few weeks at a minimum and maybe the season.

I realize injuries happen all the time in football. It's part of the game. I've been around football for a long time and know all that. Yet, I still felt a little different about this injury than all the others I've witnessed.

I'm not going to pretend to be a good friend of Bleiler or anything, but I've had some contact him outside of football.

For some crazy reason I'm taking some graduate classes at the University of Delaware. Bleiler, who graduated in May, is taking four MBA classes while still playing on the football team. He's in two of the same courses that I am. It should be noted that it's only necessary to take three graduate level courses to be eligible to play a sport. That he's taking four during his final season shows a lot about him in my opinion. For those that still care what kind of representatives that the school puts out on the athletic field, he's a damn good one.

One of the first things that is done in these courses is the professor goes

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Valania

Newark rolls past Glasgow

Big 2nd half breaks open tight game

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Another week, another lopsided Newark High victory, another time the opposition feels better about the game than the Yellowjackets. It's been a strange season.

Newark topped cross-town rival Glasgow 35-6 Friday night at Hoffman Stadium to improve

its record to 4-0 on the season. The Dragons fell to 1-2 under first-year coach Kevin Scannell.

Leading by just a 7-6 margin at halftime, Newark dominated the second half, scoring on three of its five possessions and returning an interception for a touchdown. Two of the touchdowns, however, came in the game's closing minutes when the Dragons were in desperation mode, going for it on fourth downs deep inside their own territory.

"It was really only a 21-6 game," said Newark coach Butch

Simpson. "I think their coaching staff did a great job of getting them ready to play this game. With rain and flooding and missed day of practice, it was a hard week on everybody and they accomplished a great deal (after getting beat 38-0 by Middletown the previous week)."

It took Newark just four offensive plays to take a 7-0 lead in the first quarter. Glasgow mishandled the opening kickoff and was pinned back at its own 10-yard line. Unable to move the ball, the Dragons punted from their end zone and Newark took over at the

Dragons' 26-yard line.

Sam Cotton finished off the short drive with an 11-yard scoring run.

"That opening kickoff really messed us up," said Scannell, who played for Newark and graduated from the school in 1989. "That gave them a short field and they took advantage of it."

So while the game looked early as if it was going to be a romp — and ultimately ended up as one — the rest of the first half was an unexpected tussle for the

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Blue Hens win thriller over Maine



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

UD has last rally; earns victory

Delaware running back Niquan Lee scored his fourth touchdown of the game with 45 seconds remaining to give the Blue Hens the lead and Kyle Campbell batted down a long pass in the end zone as time expired as the fourth-ranked Blue Hens defeated eighth-ranked Maine, 43-38, Saturday afternoon at Delaware Stadium.

Delaware junior quarterback Sonny Riccio, who led a Blue Hen attack that amassed 560 yards of total offense and scored six touchdowns, set school records with 33 completions, 51 pass attempts and 13 consecutive completions during the first half. Wide receiver Justin Long also set a school record with 16 receptions, while his 236 yards were second all-time behind Eddie Conti's 354 yards receiving against Connecticut in 1998. Lee also tied a school record with four rushing touchdowns, becoming the ninth Blue Hen to rush for four scores and the first since Daryl Brown in the 1994 season.

The Blue Hens, who won their fourth straight to improve to 4-1 overall and 3-0 in the Atlantic 10, led 37-28 with 14:44 remaining after a one-yard run by Lee, but Maine quarterback Rob Whitcomb found Christian Pereira for a 10-yard touchdown pass just 58 seconds later to pull the Black Bears within 37-35.

After Delaware punted on its

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Niquan Lee bulls his way into the end zone for the Hen's winning touchdown against Maine Saturday.

St. Mark's falls to Dover

Turnovers help Senators to win over Spartans

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Turnovers plagued St. Mark's for the second week in a row, as the Spartans fell to Dover 17-9 Friday night in a non-conference game.

While St. Mark's was struggling on offense, the Senators offense also had a tough night with the Spartans' quick defensive unit.

Dover, meanwhile, had five takeaways on defense, including two fumble recoveries and three interceptions. Two of the interceptions and the recovery of a Scott Wallace fumble lead directly to all 17 Senator points.

Dover's senior tailback Johnson Udezulu rushed for 112 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Senators' attack. Udezulu, who played with an injured hamstring, said it was an important game to win.

"The coaches said we'd have a tough game tonight, and they were right, but it was also impor-

tant to get back on the winning track after losing two in a row," he said.

After a scoreless opening quarter, the Spartans put together a drive that ended with a Wallace to Rich Cook 12 yard touchdown pass on the first play of the second quarter. Brett Leffet's extra point attempt sailed wide left, to give St. Mark's a 6-0 lead.

The Senators then began to move, but a drive stalled when quarterback Darrius West was sacked on a fourth down play.

Several plays later, linebacker Joe Simmons intercepted, and returned the ball to the Spartan four-yard line. On the next play, Udezulu punched in, and Jordan Naftzinger added the PAT for a 7-6 lead with 5:51 left until half-time.

At 3:59, Jason Spellman picked off another Wallace pass, setting up the Senators in Spartan territory. St. Mark's defense stiffened again, but Naftzinger added a 24-yard field goal to extend Dover's lead to 10-6.

The Spartans put together a last drive before half-time, but Leffet's 52-yard field goal attempt was just a few yards short, and off to the left.

Both teams played solid defense in a scoreless, hard-hitting third quarter. St. Mark's

ground attack was hampered by the absence of running back Cody Vantrease, who was injured in the first half after receiving an errant helmet in his back at the end of a play.

Dover extended its lead to 17-6 at the 8:50 mark of the fourth quarter, when Udezulu traveled 33 yards around right end on a power sweep.

St. Mark's moved the ball well in the fourth quarter, but could only manage a 22 yard Leffet field goal to make the final score 17-9.

The Spartans made a last ditch effort in the closing moments, but the Senators knocked down a pass in the end zone to warp up the victory.

Spartan coach Vinne Scott said he was upset more with the turnovers, than with the loss.

"We have to stop giving the ball away. It's difficult to maintain any offensive consistency when you have so many turnovers like we did again tonight," he said.

The Spartans are now 1-3 on the season, while Dover improved to 2-2. Next up, the Spartans tangle with the undefeated Newark Yellowjackets Friday night at Baynard Stadium.

Dragons play tough first half

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Jackets.

Glasgow set off on a 10-play drive on its next possession but ended up having to punt. After forcing a punt on Newark's next possession, Glasgow struck quickly.

Quarterback Marcus Dosser connected with Duron Duker on an 80-yard pass run over the middle for a Dragons' touchdown. The extra point was missed and the lead was just 7-6 with 8:47 to play in the second quarter.

It was the Dragons who had the best scoring opportunity before halftime, but a 30-yard field goal attempt went wide just before the intermission.

"That first half really exposed us," Simpson said. "That's a tribute to them. We've been winning by big scores, but I haven't been happy with the way we've been playing."

The second half was all Newark.

Steve Williams capped the opening drive of the third quarter with a three-yard touchdown run. Sam Cotton covered 37 of the 43 yards on six runs. Cotton finished the night with 175 yards on 21

carries.

After holding Glasgow on three plays, Newark got the ball back at its own 43 and marched 10 plays to the four-yard line before fumbling.

The Jackets again quickly forced a Glasgow punt and took over at the 49-yard line. Cotton made quick work of the drive, racing 49 yards for a touchdown to make the score 21-6 with 10:58 to play in the game.

"We did a little better in the second half, but we just haven't gotten better as the season has gone on and I always thought that was one of our trademarks. Our expectations are still high and we still have high hopes."

Esthervell Cotton added a 24-yard touchdown run with 2:35 to play in the game and Carlos Carresquillo returned an interception 21 yards for a score with just 33 seconds left in the contest.

"I'm proud of the way we came out and competed," Scannell said. "We battled all four quarters. I challenged each one of them during the week to come out and play hard for the entire game and I think we did that."

Delaware-Navy trip scheduled

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Brey, Martelli at local hoop coaches clinic

UD coaches will also be at Goldey-Beacom

Notre Dame coach Mike Brey and St. Joseph's coach Phil Martelli will be featured speakers at the inaugural First State Coaches Clinic Oct. 10 at Goldey-Beacom College.

Philadelphia University coach Herb Magee will also be a speaker. In addition, University of Delaware men's coach David Henderson and women's coach Tina Martin will also be speakers at the clinic, which is designed for basketball coaches at all levels.

The clinic runs from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

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Riccio, Long have big days as UD tops Maine

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next possession, Maine, which fell to 2-2 overall and 0-1 in the conference, drove to the Blue Hen three-yard line before settling for a 21-yard field goal by Mike Mellow to take its first lead of the game at 38-37 with 7:12 remaining.

The Blue Hens were forced to punt on their next possession but held the Black Bears to a three-and-out to get the ball back at the Maine 47 with 3:34 left. Delaware had a third and five at the Maine seven-yard line when Lee rushed for a first down to the one, and the following play he plowed into the end zone to put the Blue Hens up for good. Maine drove to the Delaware 28, but on the last play of the game quarterback Ron Whitcomb's pass into the end zone was batted down by Campbell.

"What a great football game, what a great win," said Delaware coach K.C. Keeler. "They're an outstanding football team. Somebody told me that (Maine coach) Jack Cosgrove said he still felt he had the better team. He may be right about that. But our kids found a way to win."

Riccio finished with 415 passing yards and a touchdown, while David Boler caught nine passes for 80 yards and Joe Bleymaier added five catches for 50 yards. Lonnie Starks was the leading rusher for the Blue Hens, as he ran 14 times for 76 yards. Delaware played most of the game without senior running back Sean Bleiler, who left in the first quarter with a knee injury.

Riccio's 33 completions broke the previous record of 28 set by Andy Hall last year against UMass, while his 51 attempts broke B.J. Webster's previous mark of 45 set against Bucknell in 1983. His 13 consecutive completions were one more than Matt Nagy had in 1998 and Bill Vergantino had in both the 1991 and 1992 seasons.

Whitcomb was 22-of-40 with three touchdowns for the Black Bears, while Christian Pereira had nine catches for 143 yards and two touchdowns.

Delaware struck first when Riccio scored on a 12-yard touchdown run with 6:10 remaining in the first quarter to cap a nine-play, 75-yard drive.

Delaware, which had not scored a first quarter point in its first four games of the season, made it 13-0 when Riccio found Long for a 28-yard touchdown pass with 2:27 remaining in the opening quarter.

Lee scored his first touchdown of the day with 12:11 left in the second with a one-yard plunge to cap a nine-play, 69-yard drive and give Delaware a 20-0 advantage, but Maine running back Marcus Williams scored from 18 yards out just 42 seconds later to put the Black Bears on the board.

Delaware would answer on its ensuing possession by going 73 yards in 10 plays, capped by another one-yard run by Lee, to go up 27-7. Again Maine answered, as Whitcomb connected with Pereira for a 20-yard touchdown pass with 2:35 left in the half, but the Blue Hens responded with a seven-play, 31-yard drive that ended with a 41-yard field goal by Brad Shushman to take a 30-14 lead.

However Whitcomb hit Josh Radulski with a seven-yard scoring strike with just six seconds left in the half to make it a 30-21 game at the break.

Williams, who finished with 85 yards on 25 carries, brought the Black Bears within two by scoring from seven yards out with 9:23 left in the third quarter before Lee put the Blue Hens back up nine at 37-28 early in the fourth.

Delaware is idle this week and returns to action on Saturday, October 16, with a 1:30 p.m. game at Hofstra.

Hens ready for open week

By MARTY VALANIA

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Open weeks during a football season are often looked forward to with much anticipation.

While getting a week off during the grueling season seems like an appealing thing, it doesn't always work to a team's advantage.

Take the Delaware football team, for example. The Blue Hens played 16 straight weeks last year — not one open date. How did that work out?

Contrast that to the team's recent history of open dates. The Hens haven't fared so well after most of them.

How did Maine do after its open date? The Black Bears stumbled and bumbled their way through the first quarter Saturday as Delaware raced to a 20-0 lead.

"This is a big week for us to get healthy and to get better," said Delaware coach K.C. Keeler, clearly looking forward to the open date. "We're going into the meat and potatoes of our conference now. There are a lot of big ball games left."

"This isn't a vacation week. It's a week where we need to work hard and get better."

While welcoming the open

date, Keeler also sees the other side.

"When you're playing well, you almost wish you didn't have a week off," he said. "Maine is the perfect example. But we've talked about this right from the beginning. We need to get work done."

Keeler hopes his senior leadership will take care of any potential letdowns or bad starts to games.

After the week off, the Hens travel to Hofstra before coming back home for a big Atlantic-10 game against William & Mary. The Tribe are 3-1 and 2-0 in the conference. William & Mary's lone loss came in a wild 49-38 game at Division I-A North Carolina.

Following the William & Mary game, the Hens travel to undefeated Navy. They then face back-to-back road games at James Madison (3-1, 2-0) and Richmond (2-2, 1-0). In all, their next four conference opponents have just two league losses combined. Throw in an unbeaten Navy team that is on the verge of the Top 25 and it's easy to see why Keeler welcomes the week off to get ready for a difficult stretch.

QB play improves

Sonny Riccio had quite a day against the Black Bears. The junior transfer completed 33-of-51 passes for 415 yards against a Maine defense that gave up just seven points at Mississippi State.

He's come a long way since the opener against New Hampshire when half of Delaware Stadium wanted him replaced.

"We protected better and we caught the ball better," Keeler said. "When everybody else plays better, it makes the quarterback's job easier. That being said, he made progress against UMass and made a huge jump this week."

A-10 update

Delaware may be off but there are three big games in the conference this week.

Villanova is at Northeastern in a must win for both teams. UMass is at James Madison. It's a must win for the Minutemen and a chance for the Dukes to make a statement.

Maine tries to rebound at Richmond.

The Hens can sit back and see what happens.

Injured Hen represents UD well

► BLEILER, from 13

around the room and asks everybody to introduce themselves and tell a little bit about what they do.

Well, in MBA courses there are big wigs from throughout the business community and they let you know it.

Bleiler introduced himself by saying he graduated in May and was just trying to further his education. No mention of being on the football team, no mention of being a captain, no mention of being a national champion.

This isn't Auburn or Tennessee, so I guarantee most, if not just about all, of his fellow students have no idea who he is. He appears fine with that.

He was also fine with talking, laughing and interacting with the

30-somethings and 40-somethings in the class — even when we had to do goofy stuff like measuring vertical leaps (he won).

Watching from the sideline, I knew it wasn't good when Bleiler didn't get up right away on his four-yard carry up the middle. That feeling didn't get any better when he was helped off the field and had no weight on his injured knee.

As he stood there on crutches, forced to watch one of the biggest games of his final season and probably having horrible thoughts about the prognosis of his knee, he looked over and caught my eye. "Good thing we measured vertical jumps last class," he said with a half smile.

Now, I don't know about you, but I can't imagine myself as a

23-year-old senior captain of the football team even talking to some old guy on the sidelines about class. I would've buried my head under a towel and felt sorry for myself like most other people.

But that's the difference between Sean Bleiler and most other people. It's not hard to see why he got a game ball Saturday. It's not hard to see why his teammates chose him captain.

If Bleiler does somehow manage to work his way back on to the football field this season (don't bet against him), be ready to go nuts in the stands. If he doesn't, take solace in the fact that as good a football player as he is, he's even a better person and he'll be successful in whatever he does in life.

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Board meeting

The Christina School District Board of Education meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m. at Bayard Elementary School, 200 S. DuPont St., Wilmington. Public is invited. For the agenda visit www.christina.k12.de.us.

Student of Week



Bethany Horgan, a third grader at West Park Elementary School, was selected by Principal David McCarthy as this week's Student of the Week. Mr. McCarthy says Bethany is the most thoughtful and dependable student he has ever had at West Park. Everyday she is on time, has her homework done and answers lots of questions. She is a free spirit. She doesn't follow the crowd, but the crowd follows her. Most importantly, Bethany says she likes school.

More to learn than ABC's

Full-day kindergarten targets at-risk kids

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

DRESSED in a crisp white shirt and navy pants, tiny five-year-old Lewis stood hesitantly in front of his peers and introduced himself.

"My name is Lewis. I have five boys and one girl in my family," he said quietly.

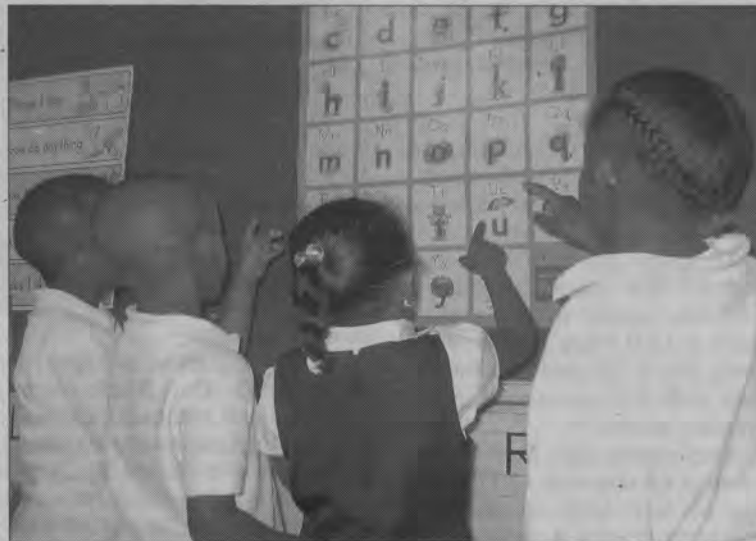
"Class, let's give Lewis a cheer," Jill Hoda, the teacher, said.

"Lewis, Lewis, give him a cheer. Lewis, Lewis, we're glad you're here," chanted 12 little voices.

When Lewis returned to his spot on the rug, his face beamed and he stood just a little taller. When he went to his table to practice writing R's, Lewis gripped the marker and wrote very carefully on the little white board in front of him.

The was only Lewis' eighth full day in school but already he knew to follow his teacher's directions and work hard and he would be rewarded with praise, recognition and an occasional Skittle.

After lunch Lewis and his class went to the room next door with teacher Michelle Bonacci and her assistant. Working in



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Students in the full-day kindergarten class at Palmer School have already mastered their letters from A to R. Small group activities for half the day provide opportunity to reinforce the skills presented in the regular curriculum.

small groups and getting more individual attention, Lewis got reinforcement and additional practice on the skills he had worked on in the morning.

Lewis' school day began at 8:20 a.m. and would end at 3:15 p.m. He is enrolled in full-day kindergarten at Elbert Palmer Elementary School

■ Selection process

The Christina School District has 13 full-day kindergarten

classes. This is the second year the district has held the classes, targeting at-risk students. In 2003-2004 there were five classes throughout the district. This year there are full-day sessions held at Bancroft, Bayard, Palmer, Brookside, Jones, McVey, Wilson and Brader schools.

While pre-school and formal play groups, where alphabet, numbers, phonics, science and sometimes reading are introduced, seem common place for many children today, for Lewis

and many of his classmates, kindergarten is their first experience in a formal academic setting. Already on their first day of school these students are months, sometimes years, behind other kindergartners academically and socially.

Studies reveal students attending full-day kindergarten show greater gains in reading and math, have better attendance, show greater self-esteem and have a higher graduation rate, according to Sally Faar, director of special education for Christina Schools.

Students with lower economics and limited English proficiency who get more time and attention to meet their diverse learning needs early in their education show the greatest benefits.

The program consists of half-day traditional kindergarten program with one teacher and half-day of reinforcement of skills in small groups, with supplemental services and additional resources, with another teacher and a paraprofessional. Half of the day they are in a group of 12 students. The other half of the day they are in small groups of one to five or working one on one with phonics and reading intervention. It's a regular kindergarten curriculum with the extra attention and reinforcement added in.

There are 12 students in each group, thus 24 per class. The tra-

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No vote, but represented

Fifth graders learn from legislators, vice versa

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

TOO young to vote? Yes, fifth graders are, but that doesn't mean they aren't being heard, state Rep. Helene Keeley, D - Wilmington, told students at Bayard Elementary School.

"You might not think you are being represented, but your voices are being heard," Keeley told students in Tim Werbrich and Julia Doooley's classes during Legislators Back to School Week on Sept. 22.

In fact, Keeley said students were the biggest influence in her vote to support the ban on smoking in public places.

Keeley was invited to speak to the

students as part of the civics standards for fifth graders, showing how they can get involved in government and make a difference.

She realizes that representing thousands of people as their voice in Dover, you can't make 100 percent of the people happy every time, but that's what's great about a democracy. "You must compromise and come to an agreement," she said.

"Not every bill that is made is perfect. Sometimes we need to go back and review the laws," she said. For example, the three-tiered diploma will be up for debate when legislature reconvenes in January. Keeley did not vote for it originally. She will be asking the students for their input since this bill will affect them in the future.

What can those too young to vote do now?

Keeley suggested they write to their



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Rep. Helene Keeley reminded fifth graders at Bayard School that even though they are too young to vote, their voices are still heard by the legislators in Dover.

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Old NHS yearbooks for sale

Newark High School has been cleaning out storage rooms and found extra copies of old yearbooks, the Krawen.

The library will keep five copies of each year, but will sell the extra copies.

Prices range from \$10 to \$50 depending on the condition of the yearbook.

Proceeds from the book sale will be used to up-grade the NHS library. A multi-media area is being added where students can check out materials to support

classroom instruction. Audio cassettes, compact discs, videos tapes and DVD's will be added.

Yearbooks available for purchase: 1954, 1955, 1966, 1972, 1978, 1980 - 1987, 1989 - 1996, 1999 - 2003.

Additionally, composite class pictures are selling for \$5 each. The years available for those are 1974 and 1977 through 1985.

To purchase a yearbook or class photo, call librarian Donna Reed at 454-2151 ext. 129.

Life skills most important

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ditional kindergarten program serves only 17 or 18 students per class. All 13 of Christina's classes are full.

To determine where the full-day programs would be held and who would attend them, the school district first assessed which buildings would have space available, targeted the academically at-risk students and then screened all students within those schools.

They used developmental indicators, a language assessment skill screening and a district developed kindergarten assessment.

When the students were identified, letters were sent to the families for an agreement to participate in the full-day program. Student-parent-teacher contracts were signed to signify a commitment from all three parties.

Christina's full-day kindergarten classes in 2003-2004 were funded through Title I monies. This year's classes are funded through 2003 referendum dollars, Title I and special education funds.

■ Full-day challenge

"They're just like little sponges, soak up so much," Hoda said after one fast-paced session teaching the concepts of over, under and through to a lively song in her morning group. The students were on their feet dancing, with the energy, enthusiasm and excitement that only five-year-olds can have.

But developmentally most children at this age need a rest break in the afternoon. After lunch and a short "silent sustained" break, the afternoon sessions are high energy with no down time, said Hoda. "With the curriculum and intervention all afternoon they are so busy and learning."

"These students really are bright. We expect to see some kids reading by the end of the year," said Hoda.

The full-day program also gives the teachers more time to get to know the youngsters, nourish their development and build their social skills.

"School is not just about numbers and reading. It's also about life skills," Hoda said. "The more we can teach them, the more they can learn. And we learn from them, too."

'Don't give up, it will happen'

▶ VOTE, from 16

representatives to voice their opinions. In addition, they can encourage their parents and grandparents to vote on Nov. 2.

"We are a free country. There are so many other countries out there that can't do what we do everyday," Keeley said, citing examples of what she observed during a recent trip to Poland and Hungary.

"In America people can make choices for themselves - what church to attend, whether or not to wear glasses, what hair style you want."

Dooley's class presented Keeley with a list of concerns about the school's neighborhood

- gang problems, vandalism, distrustful neighbors, drug problems and theft. Even though these were issues for the Wilmington City Council representative, Keeley said she was glad to have the students input and concerns, because she learns from her constituents, too.

Keeley, who represents District 3 in the Bayard area of Wilmington, will be starting her fifth term as representative. She first ran in 1996 and lost three times before successfully beating her opponent by only 31 votes. She had one piece of advice for the future voters.

"If you really want something in life, don't give up. It will happen," Keeley said.

Students invited to enter photography contest

Delaware Sierra Club is sponsoring a statewide photo competition, for both adults and children, culminating in an awards reception in November.

This is one way for children interested in photography to gain recognition for their special photographs and to see how they stack up against other amateur

photographers.

All proceeds will go directly to support the Delaware Chapter's efforts to protect the environment.

Entry fee for children under 16 years old \$5 per entry. Photos should be submitted by Oct. 15 to be eligible to win one of four prizes. The contest will be judged

by a panel of photographers and design professionals.

To find out more about the photo contest and to obtain a copy of the application flyer with contest rules, send a SASE to Sierra Club, 100 West 10th St., Wilmington, DE 19801, or visit the chapter Web site at www.delaware.sierraclub.org.

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Ballet & filet latest in new downtown events

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an increased effort to entice more than just the student crowd to downtown Newark. Most recently, on Sept. 26, Mayor Vance Funk III's first Taste of Newark was a smashing success pairing 30 of Newark's restaurants and food servers with wines on the lawn at Old College. It was such a success that even some prominent members of the community were scrambling to get tickets to the sold-out event. Next year's event will have 600 tickets sold instead of the 400 this year.

Manager Rico Dellamonica of Margherita's Pizza said they look

forward to downtown events such as Newark Nite and others, because "they're the busiest days of the summer we have."

Iron Hill Brewery manager Eric Maney said the restaurant experiences an influx of new customers during and after an event.

"Actually some of the days when they close down the street, it's slower," he said, "but when the street is open we see a marked increase."

James B. Streit Jr., chairman of the Downtown Newark Partnership who is also the publisher of the *Newark Post*, reiterated the importance of attracting and maintaining interest in the downtown area.

For info

...about the dinner and ballet show, call 302-266-6362 or www.midatlanticballet.org.

"There might be ballet enthusiasts in Wilmington, Hockessin, and Dover that wouldn't normally visit Newark, but this unique event would attract them," he said. "And if they like it, they'll tell their friends and come back."

Warner of Mid-Atlantic Ballet is excited about the "Filet and Ballet" collaboration with Caffé Gelato.

"Ballet parents might go to Caffé Gelato and restaurant patrons may attend one of the performances at Mitchell Hall," she said. "We can both develop new audiences."

Gelato owner Ryan German said he expects a waiting list, since "every wine dinner we've held sold out, including our beer dinners and champagne brunches."

He stressed the need for fun downtown activities for adults in the community.

"I think it's important to have special events, to give couples a reason to get a babysitter and go have something to do, a night out or an activity," he said.

Warner said the size of her studio makes for an intimate interaction with the approximately 60-person cast.

"My dancers are some of the best in the country and I know this without a doubt," she said.

Other new events this summer have been:

■ The Harley Owners Group Rally on June 24 and 25 which included a scavenger hunt, bike shows and contests;

■ The Food and Brew Fest on July 17 featuring local breweries and restaurants; and

■ Classic Car Show on Aug. 4 with between 300 and 500 cars participating.

Husband-wife team involved in business, Partnership

► HOME GROWN, from 1

ting next to family's sitting next to professional business people." Sasha Aber said.

The Abers, who met in high school and have been married for six years, started out by selling their items at various festivals and concerts. Eight years ago they decided to create a permanent home for their business in Newark, where Sasha Aber grew up.

The store portion, also called Home Grown, sold everything from novelties to jewelry and incense. The cafe portion opened four and a half years ago and gradually became increasingly successful, Sasha Aber said.

She cites its success to the city needing a healthy, more upscale restaurant that was not completely college oriented, she said.

The cafe's success meant making the hard decision to close the store to make more room for 40 more seats. The restaurant

now seats 136 not including the deck, which seats up to 36, Eric Aber said.

Since the expansion, Sasha said the restaurant is able to accommodate more people, allow for large groups for private parties, and hold events such as wine or organic themed dinner. By creating a seasonal menu which caters to meat eaters and vegetarians and vegans alike, Sasha said there is much variety for everyone.

With local artwork displayed on every wall, the modern furniture and the edgy lighting, it's clear that the Abers have a taste for the arts.

Eric Aber, a volunteer on the events committee of the Downtown Newark Partnership, is involved in initiating plans to partner with local theater groups such as the Chapel Street Players and the University of Delaware's Professional Theatre Training Program by offering discounts or other specials. "It would be a

great way for us to network with arts centers and with our customers."

Sasha Aber, a member of the merchant committee of Downtown Newark Partnership, said it is important for businesses to be involved in promoting culture.

Jewelry cases filled with necklaces, bracelets and earrings made from different stones such as amber and turquoise line the two entrances of the restaurant. These cases remain as remnants from the now-closed down companion store and carry jewelry for sale. Most of the jewelry is hand crafted by Sasha while some are imported.

"We still have an extensive jewelry collection," Eric said. "We like the novelty of being able to have a nice dinner and wine and then being able to buy someone a necklace afterwards."

The renovations included making the mini-bar more prominent, which creates a more chic,



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Brandy Willever pours a martini at Home Grown.

trendy look, Eric said.

"We keep a good collection of alcohol, we bring unique products to Newark," Sasha said. "It's like bringing a little of Manhattan to Newark."

The Abers are anticipating the

fall season to be the best one ever.

"What happens this fall will be an indicator of the rest of the year," Sasha said. "It'll be fun to see everyone's faces when they see the changes, and to hear the buzz going around the city."

Relax

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ed picnic tables for after you're worn out. Stamford Drive.

■ **Best place to be alone:** Fairfield Crest Park. Even the geography seems to indicate it wants to be left by itself. Hidden at the top of a hill on a neighborhood side street, you have to approach the park by foot since there is no parking. Trees surround the small enclave. Bring a book or just a bad mood and enjoy the solitude. Lynn Drive.

■ **Best after-work park:** Phillips Park. Accessible from the James F. Hall Trail, this park has a relaxing atmosphere in which to unwind. The benches in the shade overlook a blanket of grass that advances towards the wall of trees. Aside from an occasional train speeding by, the loudest sounds are probably crickets. Stare at the expansive view of the sky, drag your feet in the dirt under swings, and mellow out after a hard day's work. B Street.

■ **Best after-school park:** George Read Park. Located across the street from Newark High School, the 2.8-acre property is a great place to escape to after a long day of classes. You can sit in the bleachers of the baseball field or find a quiet place to do homework. You can also watch the cars drive past on nearby East Delaware Avenue. Delaware Circle.

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needs to be improved. Newark Police Chief Gerald Conway said giving parking enforcement officers the option of putting a boot on a vehicle's tire instead of towing is a more time and cost-saving option for police and the violator than towing it in some cases.

The specific ordinance, the section, and the old and new requirements are as follows:

Housing and property maintenance ordinance

■ Vacant Land or Lot.

Old law: "Areas should be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition."

New law: Clarifies what has to be maintained and distances to property lines and right-of-ways. Specifically, the front lot line

maintenance must be 20 feet from abutting right-of-way; side lot maintenance must be 10 feet from developed or improved lot.

■ Maintenance of Approved Off-Street Parking Areas.

Old law: "Parking spaces and similar areas shall be in a proper state of repair."

New law: Such off-street residential or commercial parking areas and service roads are a hazard when unpaved, pot-holed, poorly striped or present a physical danger or nuisance.

■ Grass Areas Between the Curb and Yard.

Old law: This section was not addressed previously, except in one section that states "all premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 10 inches."

New law: Grass areas between curbs and front, rear and side

yards or curb to the face of their fence abutting the alley must be free of litter, weeds, trash and other materials.

■ Fencing.

Old law: "All fences shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair," a vague definition that has caused problems when it comes time to enforce, Sylvester said.

New law: Fencing is in disrepair when its posts list, lean or buckle to specified measurement defined in the code. Any broken, missing or unsightly components of the fence must be repaired or replaced with similar materials or construction methods. Graffiti or spot painting not part of the original design scheme will be considered blight. Barbed wire or similar fencing is not allowed.

■ Exterior Materials.

Old law: "All exterior property and premises shall be main-

tained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition."

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Chief Conway said the "boot," as it is commonly known, will provide many benefits.

■ Currently, when an officer sees an illegally parked or abandoned vehicle they can either issue a citation or have it removed by a private tow truck. If the later option is chosen, the officer must wait for the truck. The person must go to Aldermans

Court to pay a fine, and then find a way to the tow truck impound yard where they then pay that company.

■ Under the new ordinance, the officer could instead put a boot on the wheel. Once found the driver must still go to Aldermans Court to pay a fine, but could also pay the \$50 cost to have the boot removed, then return immediately to their vehicle.

■ Not only is the new option more efficient, but it could earn the city more money. Police officials said that in 2003 police ordered the towing of 750 vehicle for violations. If the department would have instead placed a boot on the vehicle, the department (instead of the tow truck company) could have earned \$37,500, based on a \$50 boot charge.

The new ordinance also states that if the driver does not go to court to get the boot removed within 48 hours the vehicle could still be towed.

Conway said the estimated \$2,232 to purchase 20 boots is available within the police department's current budget. He expects officers to be able to use

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Alan Wallach Stein, WWII flight instructor

Newark resident Alan Wallach Stein died Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004 in the Kutz Nursing Home, Wilmington.

Mr. Stein, 88, taught flying in WWII and he served on the Board of Directors of the Mutual Housing Association of South Central Connecticut.

He and his wife, Helen spent many years living in various towns on the Connecticut seashore including Guilford, Essex, Old Lyme, and East Haddam. He worked in textile sales.

He is survived by his wife, Helen (Littsky) Stein who currently resides at the Kutz Nursing Home; two daughters, Marian Valenti of Peekskill, N.Y. and Cindy Sweet of Westchester County, N.Y.; a son, Alan Stein Jr. of White Plains, N.Y.;

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

Hazel Pedersen Immediato
Jacqueline M. Renshaw
Alan Wallach Stein
Michael Anthony Cermele
Veril Wilson Hunt ("Chief")
John William Royer Jr.
Irene O. Haass Boehner
Robert Jay Childress
June M. Stevens
Ross E. Anderson Jr.
Reva M. Leader
Nicole Rae Otter

Hazel Pedersen Immediato, honored by House for D-Day service

NEWARK resident Hazel Pedersen Immediato died Friday, Sept. 24, 2004.

Mrs. Immediato attended the Nursing School of New England Deaconess in Boston, Mass.

When WWII broke out, Mrs. Immediato enlisted in the United States Army and served as a first lieutenant army nurse from 1941-1946.

The Delaware House of Representatives recently honored Mrs. Immediato for her courageous service during the D-Day Invasion.

She was one of six nurses on the HMS Prague hospital ship, which transported 70,000 wounded from Normandy Beach back to England hospitals.

In 1946, she married her sweetheart, Nicholas, a medic on the HMS Prague, in London.

They returned to the United States and began the family business of Three Little Bakers.

Her nursing career later continued at the Veteran's Hospital in geriatric nursing.

Mrs. Immediato was very active in Christian service in the

Elsmere, Cedars and Newark Churches of Christ and to her family.

She is survived by Nick, her husband of 59 years; a daughter, Eva, and her husband, Jim Rose; and a son, Ted, and his wife, Isabel.

She is also survived by six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

A service was scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 28 at the Three Little Bakers dinner theatre. Burial is private.

three step-sons, Michael Gordon of North East, Md., William Gordon of Newark and Jon Gordon of Boston, Mass.; a step-daughter, Andrea Sheppard of San Diego, Calif.; a brother, Lawrence Stein of Hingham, Mass.; 16 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

A service was scheduled for to be held at Nut Plains Cemetery, Nut Plains Road, Guilford, Conn.

Ross E. Anderson Jr., Del. state chamber president 1960-78

Newark resident Ross E. Anderson Jr. died Monday, Sept. 27, 2004.

Mr. Anderson, 83, was an officer and boat captain in a PT boat squadron in the Solomon Islands, New Guinea and the Philippines during WWII, leaving with an honorable discharge in January 1946.

After the war, he began his career in the Chamber of Commerce in Kalamazoo, Mich., then continuing in Streator, Ill. and Jefferson City, Mo.

In 1960, he became the president and chief executive officer of the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, serving in that capacity until 1978.

He then worked for New Castle County Vo-Tech School District as a job development student advisor for special education students and as a grant coordinator for the Del Tech Stanton and Wilmington campuses.

He was the past president and board member of the New Castle County Vo-Tech District, past president of the National Council of State Chambers of Commerce, and a lec-

turer and instructor in organizational management at University of Houston and Syracuse University management seminars.

During his career at the State Chamber of Commerce, he co-organized and participated in a Delaware Trade Mission to Spain, Yugoslavia, Poland, and Cuba.

He is survived by his wife, daughters, Judy Hart (Gerry) and Katie Antonelli (Joe), both of Newark; and sons, Ross III ("Skip") and Mark (Kim) of Tacoma, Wash.; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his

sister, Bettye McKenzie of Harlingen, Texas and several nieces and nephews and their families.

A service was scheduled for Monday, October 4 at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

The family requests donations to Odyssey Hospice, 1407 Foulk Rd., Suite 200, Wilmington, DE 19803; or the Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church, 500 McKennan's Church Rd., Wilmington, 19808.

Nicole Rae Otter, 18

Newark resident Nicole Rae Otter died Tuesday Sept. 28, 2004, in the duPont Hospital for Children, after a lifelong battle with cystic fibrosis.

Miss Otter, 18, graduated from Christiana High School in 2004, where she was a member of FFA, the school honor roll, and was captain of the cheerleading squad.

She was currently attending Delaware Technical and Community College, studying radiology.

She studied ballet, tap and dance. Miss Otter worked as a title clerk at Eastern Marina for two and a half years.

She is survived by her parents, Lawrence and Kimberly Otter of Newark; her brother, Christopher Otter of Newark; grandmother, Norma Otter of Elkton, Md.; and all of her aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A service was scheduled for Monday, Oct. 4 at Beeson Memorial Services of Newark.

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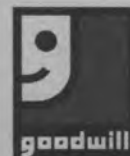
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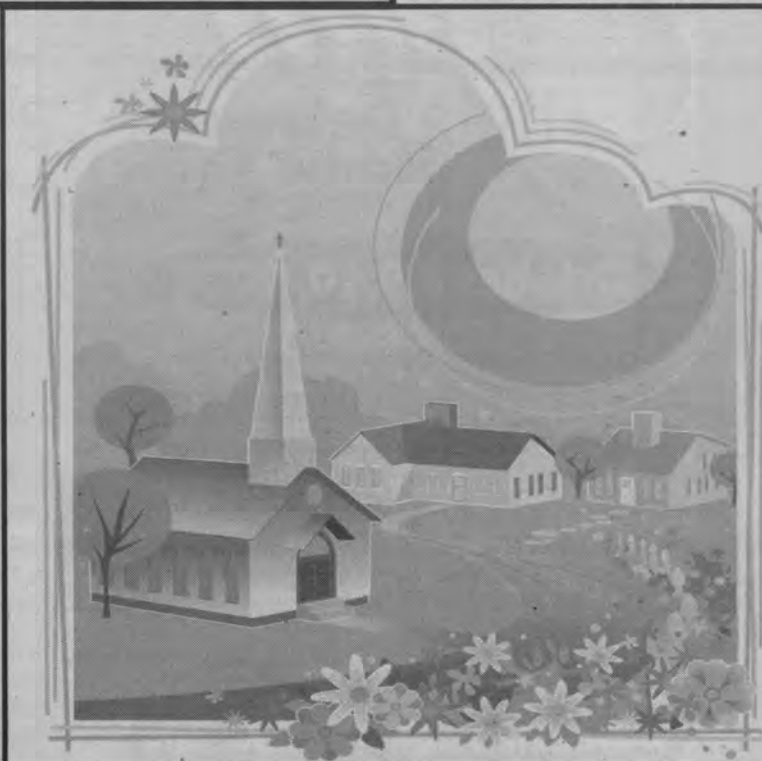
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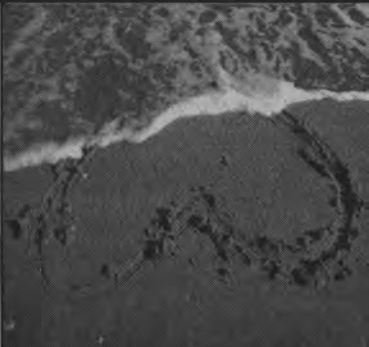
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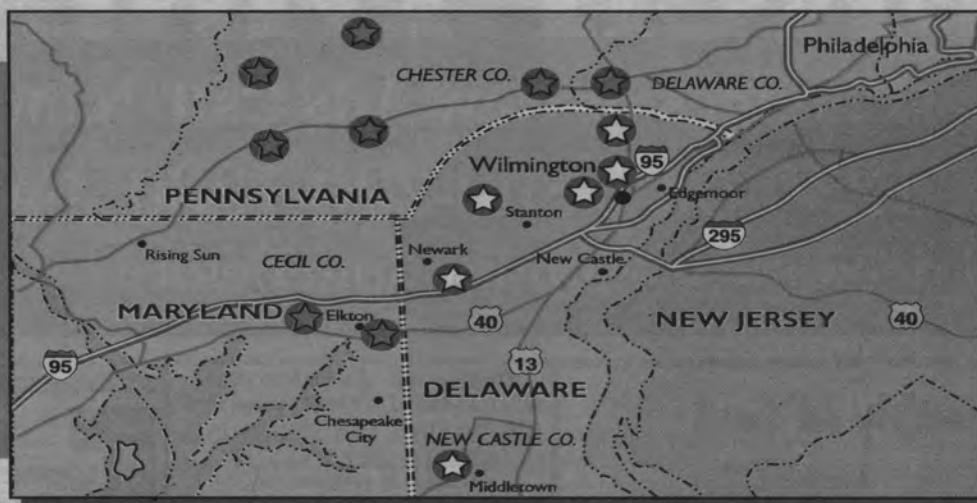
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