

UP FRONT

Budget cuts deep

By **MARTY VALANIA**

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Let's face it — public education is not important to the people of this state.

Vision 2015, No Child Left Behind, teacher accountability, school accountability, school rating systems, school choice, the DSTP, story after story and editorial after editorial about the declining state of education in this state — all just a bunch of meaningless rhetoric.

People have spent years coming up with ideas and making decisions on trying to improve the public education system in this state — yet we're preparing to enter a new fiscal year with public school districts being asked to reduce budgets by 8 percent.

Just about any improvement that has been made is in jeopardy of being wiped out in one fell swoop.

Think about where you work. If you were in charge of the budget of your business or your department — or even your own position — and you had to make a budget for next year with zero percent

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Happy 250th, Newark!

Community commemorates founding in a big way

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

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"Hear ye, hear ye," shouted Mayor Vance A. Funk III, wearing traditional Colonial garb and ringing a hand bell. "All residents gather 'round for some very important words from King George II."

The scene that took place the afternoon of Sunday, April 13, on the Academy Building lawn along Main Street easily hearkened back to the day 250 years ago when Newark first became a chartered community.

An open-air market with livestock and baked goods was set up nearby, not far

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Speeding fines going up?

Newark Council discusses idea at Monday's meeting

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

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In an effort to improve pedestrian safety in city neighborhoods, Newark City Council will consider changing the speed fines for motor vehicles.

Council discussed the idea at its Monday, April 14, meeting. A proposal, which will be drafted into ordinance form and voted on at a later date, calls for the "base fine" to be raised from \$20 to \$25. The fine for vehicles exceeding the speed limit by 15 miles per hour would be increased from \$3 to \$8 for every mile per hour traveled over the speed limit.

Councilman Dave Athey, who has made traffic and pedestrian safety one of his top goals, introduced the idea after receiving input from the Newark Police Department.

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State proposes education funding cuts

DOE asked to absorb \$100 million of the \$212 million shortfall in 2008-09 state budget

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Governor Ruth Ann Minner's press release touting her 2008 legislative agenda last week presented initiatives to improve education, health care, public safety and the environment in Delaware, including legislation to create a health disparities registry, expand the SEED scholarship program and promote energy efficiency.

However, Minner addressed looming spending cuts in areas such as education only by citing their absence. "I look forward to continuing the successful initiatives that have improved the lives of Delawareans," Minner said. "Unfortunately, the current economic crunch is forcing us to cut costs wherever possible and will not leave much room for new programs."

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Police arrest man with one-pound of marijuana

A routine traffic stop on Saturday, April 12, led to the arrest of a 27-year-old Bear man after police detected the odor of burnt marijuana in the car and searched the vehicle, finding a gallon-sized plastic bag filled with marijuana.

Police said the incident happened at 5:24 p.m., on Christina Parkway. An officer observed a 2008 Nissan Maxima rental car traveling on the parkway with a broken rear, vent-style sub-window.

During the traffic stop, the officer detected the smell of marijuana. In addition to the pound of marijuana, the search yielded a partially burnt marijuana cigar and \$1,788.85 in cash.

Police arrested the driver, Adam Reece Lex of the 100 block of Lake Arrowhead in Becks Woods. He was charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana, maintaining a vehicle for drug distribution, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

He was arraigned via videophone before Justice of the Peace and was subsequently committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Facility in Wilmington in default of \$2,750 secured bond.

Suspect wielding knife robs Dunkin Donuts

A clerk at the Dunkin Donuts at 1142 Elktion Road in Newark was robbed at knife-point on Sunday, April 13, at 12:15 a.m., said Newark Police.

Police said the 57-year-old clerk reported that two suspects entered the store together and one of them produced a knife. The suspect with the knife demanded that the clerk open the cash register, and they fled after taking money from the register. Both suspects were seen leaving in a dark colored Ford pick-up truck with a third person driving, said police.

The first suspect was described as a white male, late teens to early 20s with a thin build, short hair and wearing a white t-shirt. The second suspect was described as a white male, 20 to 30 years old, with a thin build, shaved head and wearing a striped shirt and dark

POLICE BLOTTER

Police looking for runaway teen

Newark Police are looking for a 13-year-old girl who ran away from a home in the unit block of Nathan Hale Court shortly after moving to Newark from Virginia.

Police said Victoriana "Torrre" Dunham was last seen on Friday, April 11, at 10:08 p.m. Dunham had moved to Newark to live with her aunt about two weeks ago, said police, and had been experiencing some depression as a



Victoriana "Torrre" Dunham

result of all of the changes.

Police said Dunham, who often wore her hair up in a bun, was last seen wear-

ing tights, a jean skirt and an orange tank top. She also had a yellow blanket with her when she left home.

Police said the girl is without money or contacts in the Newark area, and her family is very concerned for her welfare.

The Newark Police Department is asking anyone who may have seen her to call 9-1-1 immediately to report her whereabouts to police.



Suspect 1

colored jeans. No description was available for the third sus-



Suspect 2

pect. Anyone with informa-

tion regarding this investigation should contact Detective Nelson with the Newark Police Department at 366-7110, ext. 136 or call Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

Student lights classmate's hair on fire

The Delaware State Fire Marshal Deputies arrested a 13-year-old male student from Kirk Middle School on Tuesday April 8, and charged him with reckless burning, third degree assault and reckless endangering first degree.

The arrest came after the student had intentionally ignited another student's hair on fire, which caused a burn to the student's neck area. The incident occurred in school on Monday, April 7.

School officials notified the State Fire Marshal's office and a Deputy Fire Marshal conducted the investigation.

The 13-year-old male was arraigned in J.P. Court and released to his mother on \$1,500 unsecured bail. The student has been suspended from school.

Van crashes into house

On Friday, April 11, at 11:40 a.m. a state-owned van being driven by a State of Delaware employee was involved in a collision in the unit block of Westfield Drive in Newark.

As the van approached the intersection of Casho Mill Road, an undetermined mechanical malfunction stopped the brakes from working properly, said police. To avoid entering the intersection, the driver left the roadway, entered a lawn, and came to a stop when the front end of the van made contact with the house.

Neither the driver, James Chege, nor his one passenger sustained any injuries. Damage to the van, a 2000 Dodge Caravan, was estimated at \$500, said police.

No one was inside the house at the time of the crash. The Newark Building Department inspected the home and determined that the damage did not pose a risk to residents. Damage to the house was esti-

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Weekly crime report

STATISTICS FOR MARCH 30 - APRIL 5, 2008, COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

	INVESTIGATIONS			CRIMINAL CHARGES		
	2007 TO DATE	2008 TO DATE	THIS WEEK	2007 TO DATE	2008 TO DATE	THIS WEEK
PART I OFFENSES						
Murder/manslaughter	0	0	0	1	0	0
Attempted murder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnap	1	0	0	1	1	0
Rape	3	3	0	0	1	0
Unlawful sexual contact	1	4	0	0	3	0
Robbery	11	7	0	33	12	2
Aggravated assault	16	10	2	11	22	0
Burglary	48	27	3	140	17	4
Theft	248	249	24	131	82	1
Auto theft	32	28	0	3	2	0
Arson	0	2	0	0	1	0
All other	18	22	1	77	73	1
TOTAL PART I	378	352	30	397	214	8
PART II OFFENSES						
Other assaults	121	94	8	102	81	2
Receiving stolen property	0	0	0	14	16	0
Criminal mischief	162	122	6	67	48	5
Weapons	2	6	4	28	29	5
Other sex offenses	9	3	0	2	2	0
Alcohol	77	53	5	120	160	13
Drugs	47	45	1	129	116	4
Noise/disorderly premise	163	168	10	86	79	7
Disorderly conduct	250	237	11	51	108	2
Trespass	40	39	1	32	31	0
All other	171	163	10	70	83	8
TOTAL PART II	1042	930	56	701	753	46
MISCELLANEOUS						
Alarm	449	343	22	0	0	0
Animal control	133	106	11	0	3	0
Recovered property	60	55	3	0	0	0
Service	2276	2194	145	0	0	0
Suspicious person/vehicle	255	206	16	0	0	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	3173	2904	197	0	3	0

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TOTAL CALLS 486 7362 413 6272

Newark Arts Alliance opens to crowd

Volunteers readied Main Street space in time for debut

By CHRISTINE NEFF

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Grand was a fine way to describe the reopening of the Newark Arts Alliance last Friday, April 10.

Crowds poured into the new facility in the Market East Plaza to check out the gallery and classroom space, enjoy performances by local musicians and entertainers and view the exhibit currently on display, "Impressions of Newark."

NAA Executive Director Terry Foreman said she was "thrilled" by the turn out and the "huge, huge volunteer effort" that readied the building for its grand debut. Between 60 and 70 volunteers dedicated time to preparing the space after the NAA moved to 276 E. Main Street from its location in the Grainery Shops on Elkton Road, she said.

One of those volunteers, Jeff Smith, said he came nearly every day over the last few weeks to help with painting the walls and ceilings. "I am really happy with how it turned out, but there's still work to be done," he said.

Smith encouraged members of the Newark community to



NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY NICK KADICK

Terry Foreman, executive director of the NAA, shows off the new gallery space.

check out the new space and get involved with the organization. "Join, bring us artwork or volunteer," he said. "It's a good group of people and being part of this group makes you feel good."

Foreman said the NAA is officially back in business with spring classes starting soon and regular hours in effect. Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 12 to 7 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, 12 to 3 p.m.

For more information about classes or to register, visit www.newarkartsalliance.org or call 266-7266.



Artwork currently on display as part of the "Impressions of Newark" exhibit.

The grand opening included performances by local musicians.



A visitor to the NAA looks through artwork available in the gallery store.



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City commends service of Councilman Frank Osborne

Osborne represented District 5 for past 10 years

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

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Councilman Frank Osborne ended his longtime service to Newark city government on Monday, April 14, after representing District 5 on Newark City Council for parts of four decades.

A longtime Newark High School teacher, he was first elected to council in 1967 and served until 1970. In 1998, he decided to renew his involvement in local government and defeated incumbent Nancy Turner to return to city council.

Councilman Jerry Clifton told Osborne, "I can't thank you enough for coming forward in the time frame you came forward," calling it a "tough time" for the district and city. "You brought back stability to that district and brought back a different style of representation," he said.

Osborne served 10 years after that, defeating a challenger in 2002. In 2008, he decided not to seek another term.

Ezra Temko, a 22-year-old graduate student at the University of Delaware, will



NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY CHRISTINE NEFF

Councilman Frank Osborne, left, receives a hug from Mayor Vance A. Funk on his last day serving city council.

take his seat on council. Temko won an election held last week in District 5 that brought out more than 700 voters.

On Monday, fellow council members and state officials expressed their gratitude for Osborne's years of service.

Councilman Paul Pomeroy called Osborne a "role model and mentor, somebody I've

looked up to for a long time."

State Senator Steve Amick said, "I think we're going to miss you more than any of us know at this point. You've been a tremendous advocate for the city."

Amick and State Senator Liane Sorenson presented Osborne with a tribute from the Delaware Senate. State



Osborne, who had served as District 5 representative 14 years, addresses council chambers in one of his last times as councilman.

Representative John Kowalko read a tribute from the Delaware House of Representatives, and City Council passed a resolution in appreciation of Osborne's service.

On council, Osborne was instrumental in establishing the city's rental property and off-campus housing ordinances, supporting open space preservation and fostering economic development on Main

Street. He strongly supported the Memorial Day Parade and Newark Veterans.

Osborne said, "I want to thank all of the people that I've represented over the years for their encouragement in what I've done for the city."

He also thanked council members who served with him in the past and present. "It's been a great group of people to work with," he said.

UD counts its carbons

University launches measure of carbon footprint

By **CHRISTINE NEFF**

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How big could a footprint really be?

Well, the University of Delaware is about to find out just how big its "carbon footprint" — a measure of the impact its activities have on the environment — really is.

In the coming year, UD scientists and students will conduct a study to determine the university's carbon footprint, looking at everything from the effects of dining services to transportation, landscaping and recycling.

UD President Patrick Harker announced the initiative at an event held on campus last Thursday, April 10, calling it an "important step for the university and beginning of a new commitment to sustainability on our campus."

"This inventory," he continued, "will give us a good picture of where we currently stand and enable us to better plan what we should be doing

in the future."

John Byrne, distinguished professor of public policy and director of UD's Center for Energy and Environmental Policy, will head the project. Byrne contributed to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, which received a Nobel Peace Prize in 2007.

UD will utilize methodology pioneered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the study, said Byrne. "The methodology will be consistent with the way in which carbon footprints are being measured around the country and around the world," said Byrne.

After sizing up its footprint, the university will take steps to reduce its impact on the environment, said Harker. Special attention, he said, will be given to actions that showcase the university's leadership in research, technological innovation and policy initiatives.

Byrne said the university could realistically reduce its impact by 20 to 30 percent over the next 10 years.

The initiative has the support of UD students. The

2008 graduating senior class chose to support the project financially, dedicating to it the senior class gift.

Senior David Tully said his classmates took a vote on how to use the gift. "The response across the board... was great. The green initiative definitely was top priority among the students," he said.

Senior Matthew Engler found the results to be "exciting." "It was really exciting to see that not only more students were getting involved, but they were really passionate about something," he said.

UD has also launched a new Web site, www.udel.edu/sustainability, that gathers together information about the many activities and ongoing research at the university that deal with environmental sustainability.

Second annual Nefosky run to be held April 25

The Newark Police Department Fraternal Order of Police Lodge is again organizing a run/walk event to memorialize Newark's late police chief and raise funds to aid cancer research and patients.

This year's Chief William Nefosky Memorial 5K will be held Friday, April 25, at the Newark Reservoir along Paper Mill Road. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. at the reservoir base, and the non-competitive 5K walk/run kicks off at 6:30 p.m.

Nefosky, a 28-year veteran of the Newark Police Department, died Jan. 16, 2007, of pancreatic cancer. His dream of being police chief of his hometown — realized just 11 months before — was cut short by his untimely death at the age of 52.

In September 2007, Newark Police and the Nefosky family held the first 5K, a very successful event that attracted more than 350 participants and raised nearly \$12,000 for the

American Cancer Society.

The goal of that event, said Lt. Gerald Simpson, was to memorialize the chief and recognize his service to the community, while raising funds for cancer research and education. "We felt like we achieved those goals last year, and we feel like we're on track to do it again," he said.

In addition to the Nefosky family, the department has received assistance from the city of Newark Parks and Recreation Department in organizing this year's event. Timothy's Restaurant on Paper Mill Road has also agreed to donate 10 percent of all sales made between 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., on April 25, to the cause.

Simpson said, this year, proceeds will benefit two organizations — the American Cancer Society and Compassionate Care Hospice that aided the Nefosky family.

Already, more than 100 people have registered. Simpson hopes to beat last year's turnout. T-shirts will be guaranteed to those who pre-register. To do so, visit WWW.NEFOSKYRUN.COM.

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In Our Schools

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Family Day Fundraiser

The Delaware AeroSpace Education Foundation will host a Family Day, 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 19, at Big Oak Park in Smyrna. Activities include rocket launching, RC planes and kite flying demonstrations, water quality presentation and tour, solar viewers, a spinning device and a hands-on clean water exhibit. This is a rain or shine event. Refreshments available for purchase. Entrance fee \$5 per person; children 3-and-under free. Visit www.dasef.org or call (302) 454-2432 for more information and directions.

Delaware 4-H Scholarships

The Delaware 4-H Foundation is offering \$2,500 in college scholarships for youth who have five years in 4-H, with at least three years in the Delaware 4-H program. Current college students, as well as college-bound high school seniors, are eligible to apply. Winners will be selected on the basis of 4-H projects and activities, community involvement and extracurricular activities. Application deadline is May 1. For more info or to receive an application, visit <http://ag.udel.edu/extension/4h> or call 302-831-2501.

Youth Service Day

National and Global Youth Service Day will be celebrated on Friday, April 25, 7 p.m., at the Newark Library. The Cooks and Bakers of Delcastle High School's Culinary Arts program will be producing a "Who-ville-licious" Celebration of the 104th Birthday of Dr. Seuss. No charge for the evening of creating Cat in the Hat Hats, Yurtle's Caramel Turtles, Green Eggs, and Thidwick the Moose Chocolate Mousse, Dr. Seuss stories, book giveaway and more. Participants are asked to bring a new or gently used children's book to benefit CHILD Inc. Event sponsors include Barnes & Noble, Hy-Point Dairy, the Delaware State Education Association and Learn & Serve Delaware.

Local students among Young Playwrights

By MARY E. PETZAK

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Students from Christina School District are among honorees in the 2008 Delaware Young Playwrights Festival (DYPF). Two Christina students were honored in the middle school division, and five students were honored in the high school division.

Honorees of the middle school division include: "The Path To Her Dream" by Kaitlyn Ennis of Newark (Shue-Medill Middle School), "Aggy" by Bronwyn Thomas of Wilmington (Hanby Middle School), "The Wall" by Alex Weinfeld of Wilmington (Talley Middle School).

In "The Path To Her Dream," a spunky young girl gets some help from a grumpy bookstore owner as she enters a poetry contest and navigates through a tough family time. "Aggy" tells the gently empowering story of an older brother who convinces his younger sister that she can have an impact in the world. "The Wall" is a lyrical drama about a young graffiti artist striving to find the best outlet for his talent in a world that doesn't seem to recognize his voice.

Honorees of the high school division include: "home" by Katie Brinn of Newark (Ursuline Academy), "Discovering Dreams" by Danielle Goldstein and Josh Guessford of Dover (Dover High School), and "Age Resistance" by Allison Huskins and Jessica Huskins of Wilmington (Newark High School).

In "home," a theatrical, movement-based drama, four aspects of one girl's identity fight to be heard as the girl struggles to build the founda-

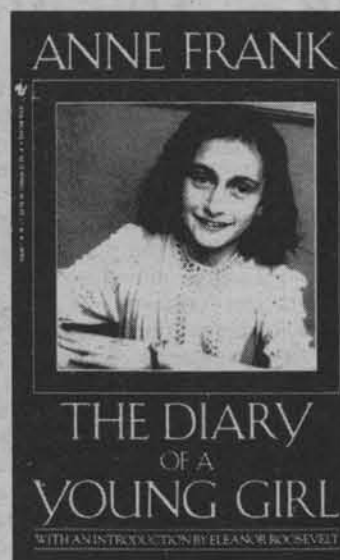


Kaitlyn Ennis of Shue-Medill Middle School was a finalist in the 2008 Young Playwrights Festival.

tion of who she is and how she's going to live. In "Discovering Dreams," a middle-aged mailman yearning to be an actor gets a friendly push from a casting director's secretary in this tender comedy about loving the person inside of you who is just waiting to get out. In "Age Resistance," a quirky comic-drama set in a near future where any one over the age of 60 has to be kept in a special care institute, four seniors desperate for respect plot their escape from the Sunny Smiles Nursing Home.

Middle School semi-finalists include: "Inventors Incorporated" by Elizabeth Biener of Talley Middle School, "The Boy Who Saw" by Briana N. Lamet of Hanby Middle School, "Pulling Up Roots" by Brendan B. McDermott of Cab Calloway School of the Arts, "The Chicken or the Egg" by Savannah Strange of Hanby Middle School, "Children Tell The Wildest Things" by Hannah Tattersall of Ursuline Academy, and "All The World's A Stage" by Gina Wong of Hanby Middle School.

High school semi-finalists include: "Yours, Mine, and Ours" by Jake Bartsch of St. Elizabeth High School, "I Think I Can Help You There..." by Jacqueline Bryk of Mount



This year's Young Playwrights' theme — "Just because someone's young doesn't mean they don't have anything to say" — was inspired by a quote from "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Pleasant High School, "The Flip-Flop Chair" by Hannah Drosehn of Christiana High School, and "The New Kid Test" by Joshua Stidham, Adam Stachecki, and Justin Taylor of Campus Community High School, Uncle Bones by Matthew Young of Newark High School.

Middle school honorable mentions go to: "Finding Charlie" by Alyssa Johnson and Beth Schlecker of Caravel Academy, "Money Trees" by Cassie Lukasiewicz of Kirk Middle School, and "A New Song" by Jacki Miller of Caravel Academy.

High School honorable mentions go to: "Stockholm Syndrome" by Meg Barton and Brianna Tong of Charter School of Wilmington, "We Are So Not Going To Take This Anymore" by Ellen Coyne of Christiana High School, "Groomsday" by Alexi Lemper, Bryan Watts, and Heather Yealey of Middletown High School, and "The Grip" by Sean Ryon of Sanford School.

The three middle school win-

ning plays will be given staged readings on Tuesday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

The high school winning plays will be given full productions on May 8-9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the high school performances are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children.

The High School Gala Performance with an awards ceremony and reception is planned for May 8. All festival events are held at DTC. For more information and to purchase tickets, contact the DTC Box Office at 302.594.1100 or visit www.delawaretheatre.org.

In 2008, the Company received 523 plays from 733 playwrights — the most students to ever write for DYPF — with schools in all three Delaware counties participating.

This year's theme, "Just because someone's young doesn't mean they don't have anything to say," was inspired by "The Diary of Anne Frank."

"As always, we were amazed at the breadth of topics that students approached in their plays this year," said DTC artistic associate David Stradley. "Anyone who thinks we only received plays about teenagers feeling like they weren't being understood would be sorely mistaken."

The staged readings of the three middle school winning plays, Stradley added, "puts the focus squarely on the words of these talented authors."

Delaware Theatre Company's Delaware Young Playwrights Festival is made possible, in part, by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Delaware Division of the Arts, a state agency committed to promoting and supporting the arts in Delaware. Delaware Theatre Company is located at 200 Water Street, on Wilmington's Riverfront. For a list of all Christina District students who submitted plays, visit www.christina.k12.de.us.

Bank of America grant for pre-college math

Delaware Technical & Community College received a \$50,000 grant from the Bank of America Charitable Foundation to help students succeed in pre-college math through one-on-one and small group tutoring.

During the 2007-2008 academic year, the grant will serve approximately 300 students at DelTech's four locations by providing professional tutors

who will help them qualify for college-level math courses. According to enrollment data, pre-college mathematics is the pre-college course needed most by incoming freshman at DelTech. More than 1,500 Delaware Tech students enrolled in the course last fall.

According to Lois Speg, program coordinator for math at the Stanton campus, the pass rate for students with Bank of

America tutors was 25 percent higher than classes without a tutor. "Because these tutors are also mentoring them, the attendance, attitude, and preparedness of our students has markedly improved as a result of this program," Speg stated.

DelTech's president, Dr. Orlando J. George Jr., is especially pleased with the program's success so far. "Helping these students meet with early

success in a course they find challenging is significant because our research tells us that students who complete pre-college courses in the first semester have a higher graduation rate," he stated.

Bank of America has a 10-year goal to give \$1.5 billion to nonprofit organizations engaged in improving the quality and vitality of their neighborhoods.

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A book review – 'The Arrival'

By AL GRUBER

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

If a picture is worth a thousand words then Shaun Tan's word count for "The Arrival" is perhaps a half million not counting the 60 immigrant portraits on the frontispiece. This textless graphic novel is the story of a man leaving his country to establish a new home for his family in another land.

The nations are not named but, to the newcomer, everything is strange including the language as seen on signs. The best example of the entire story is the iconic view of the great hall at Ellis Island where all the printed signs are in gibberish. To the American reader, it is a shock but that painting emphasizes the tale is not about the United States but anywhere on this earth or elsewhere.

Excepting the humans, most of the other objects are surreal illustrating how difficult life is for an absolutely complete stranger. For instance, the food is as other-worldly as is the language and the plumbing. Even pets are weird. The homeless immigrant is not spared difficulties as forms of slavery, dictatorship and war are experienced. All is not difficult, as kindnesses appear and even a pet adopts him. Subjects such as fear, happiness, poverty and time are easily recognized. I like the mechanism of the passage of time on the ocean liner that carries him to his new world: small illustrations of different cloud formations in the days and nights.

As a schoolboy, Shaun Tan, like



Gruber

other children, spent time dreaming and drawing space creatures, dinosaurs, robots and that ilk. He persisted while the rest of us went to 'other things. Mostly self taught in book illustration, he earned an honors degree from the University of Western Australia in English literature, art history theory and criticism. In 1992, he won the International Illustrators of the Future Contest. He painted the 20 square meter mural in the children's section of the Subiaco Public Library in Perth.

"The Arrival," published in 2006, has won numerous awards for fiction and picture books. It is designed for older readers rather than young children as it deals with complex issues including apathy, imperialism, memory and depression. Tan thinks of "Animal Farm" as a starting point for both writing and illustration. He admires Star Wars, Dr. Who and Star Trek.

Illustrations need not be descriptive of text as is common in children's books, but either can react in separate ways. Where there is a lot of text, Tan uses less visual and where the visual dominates, fewer words. "The Arrival" pushes the genre to 100 percent visual art. The art is not comic book fare but of the highest quality. He took four years to satisfy himself with the construction. Seven book reviews are excerpted on the back cover giving seven different reactions from the critics. The experience casts a Klieg light on our forebears who came here.

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.

OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's Out of the Attic features a postcard of Main Street Newark, published in 1950. The postcard is part of the University of Delaware Library Postcard Collection, which contains more than 2,000 postcards of Delaware and nearby areas. The cards date mainly from the very end of the 19th century to the mid 20th. The collection can be viewed online at www.lib.udel.edu. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in these space. Special care will be taken. For more information, call the Newark Post, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

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PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the Newark Post through the years

April 20, 1933 Town Council Organized Last Tuesday Evening

At an organization meeting of the Town Council, last night, Mayor Frank Collins was re-elected as president. Herman Wollaston, newly elected member of the council was sworn in as representing the Middle District.

The office of assistant street superintendent has been abolished.

Presbyterian Pastors' Salaries up to Congregation

Concurrent with a discussion on pastors' salary reductions,

delegates to the Presbytery of New Castle, meeting in the First and Central Presbyterian Church, defeated a proposed measure that churches temporarily suspend the pastors' minimum salaries level and at the same time call upon congregations and patient indulgence and that no salaries be lowered wherever possible.

April 19, 1978 Parents organize anti-busing committee

Demonstrators protesting the suspension policy of the Newark School District last week have now organized a new group that will oppose forced busing.

The group, known as Parents for Children's Rights, says its intent is "to put a stop to busing through legal and peaceful means." The parents took their first step in that direction last Monday when they staged a protest in front of the Newark School District Administration building.

S. College Ave. is safer now

Increased patrols have helped to reduce substantially the number of accidents on South College Avenue, according to Newark police Lt. Lawrence Thornton.

Personal injury accidents have dropped 37 percent and property damage accidents have

dropped 36 percent between January 1 and April 1, 1978, as compared with the same period in 1977, Thornton said.



"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.

April 17, 1998 Graduated license proposed

State Representative Pamela Maier (R - Drummond Hill) believes that a bill which creates a new licensing system for teen drivers in Delaware will be "well received" by her colleagues in the House. The legislation has already been approved in the State Senate.

Young drivers comprise a disproportionately large number of serious and fatal automobile crashes in Delaware and across the nation. Graduated licensing is designed to allow young drivers to progress through lev-

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Greater Newark teen named Youth of the Year

Will Townsville plays important role in Boys & Girls Club

Will Townsville of Newark, a member of the Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club, has been named the Youth of the Year for the State of Delaware.

A junior at Glasgow High School, Townsville consistently places on the Honor Roll and participates in the Student Government Association, basketball and baseball teams, yearbook committee, Leaders of America and Jefferson Finance Awards committee.

At the Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club, he has served as president of the Keystone Club – a teen group dedicated to

leadership, community service, and character building – for two years and volunteers for several projects and special events year-round.

“As a 10-year member of our club, Will has not only participated in a variety of programs, but he encourages other kids to participate in them as well,” said Stuart Sherman, director of the Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club. “Our Teen Center is a huge success, due to teens like Will spreading the word among his peers.”

Sherman continued, “We always knew that Will would be our club’s Youth of the Year...we were just counting

down the years until he was eligible to compete.”

Townsville and 11 other candidates from Boys & Girls Clubs throughout the state participated in the competition. Judging was based on leadership qualities and service exhibited through home and family; moral character; service to community; school; service to club; life goals; obstacles overcome; communication; and poise.

According to Joseph L. Yacyshyn of Wilmington Trust, a judge, “Each of the candidates was remarkable and inspirational. They represent the best of the best of Delaware’s young people. Although only one will advance to the regional event, all are winners.”

The eleven other finalists were Brian Rosario, Appoquinimink

Boys & Girls Club, Anthony Flowers, Clarence Fraim Boys & Girls Club, Jerel Breece, Claymont Boys & Girls Club, Melanie Stalworth, Dover Air Force Base Boys & Girls Club, Ki’Ara Rufus, Greater Milford Boys & Girls Club, Charles Robinson-Snead, Laurel Boys & Girls Club, Brittany Cupery, Oak Orchard Boys & Girls Club, Lauren Ewing, Simon Circle Boys & Girls Club, Gregory Henry, Smyrna Clayton Boys & Girls Club, DeVong Peck, Wesley College Boys & Girls Club and Rebekah Stiegler, Western Sussex Boys & Girls Club.

Being named Youth of the Year is the highest honor a member can receive.

“I think Will was a good choice for YOY because he is a

very well rounded teen who is an example to all of his peers,” said Amber Hickman-Taylor, teen director of the Greater Newark Boys & Girls Club. “He has been an active member of our club since he was 6, and the impact that he has made on teen programs here at the Greater Newark Club is tremendous.”

Townsville will receive \$3,000 in scholarships – \$1,000 each from the Reader’s Digest Foundation, Janosik Family Charitable Foundation, and Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware – as well as a Hewlett Packard laptop computer and digital camera donated by the Delaware College Investment Plan.



Townsville

Chapel Street Players to perform ‘Nickel and Dimed’

Comic/tragic play shows life at minimum wage

The Chapel Street Players performing group tackles a relevant topic with its latest production, “Nickel and Dimed,” a play based on the best-selling book about a middle-class, middle-aged woman attempting to survive on \$7 an hour.

Barbara – played by CSP veteran Stacie Ruiz – is prepared for hard work but not, at 55, for double shifts and non-stop aches and pains, for having to share tiny rooms and live on fast food because she has no place to cook, for begging from food pantries and gulping handfuls of Ibuprofen because she can’t afford a doctor.

For failing, after all that, to make ends meet.

In the book “Nickel and Dimed, On (Not) Getting By in America,” Barbara Ehrenreich writes about her odyssey in a vivid and witty, yet sobering way. The stage adaptation is a focused comic epic shadowed with tragedy.



Lively co-workers accompany Barbara on stage: Gail, the star waitress pushing 50 who can no longer outrun her troubles; Carlie, the hotel maid whose rage has burned down to disgust; Pete, the nursing home cook who retreats into fantasy; Holly, terrified her pregnancy will end her job as Team Leader at Magic Maids, and with it her 50-cent raise; and Melissa, the “Mall-Mart” associate, who befriends Barbara and offers her a place to live.

While Joan Holden’s stage adaptation was originally written for a cast of six people playing multiple roles, Chapel

Street Players’ Director Marsha Amato-Greenspan utilizes a diverse cast of 14 talented community actors to show the increasing number of people living at minimum wage and the poverty level.

Amato-Greenspan went beyond the normal processes for rehearsing community the-

ater by providing the entire cast and crew with a copy of the book and giving them the exercise of trying to live for a week on minimum wage.

This is a play recommended for those with an interest in labor, living wage, health-care, affordable housing or childcare issues. It is a play for teachers who want to provide their students a lesson on human rights and show how approximately 29 percent or more of Americans live.

Performances of “Nickel and Dimed” will be April 24 and 25, May 2, 3 and 9, at 8 p.m., and May 4 and 10 at 2 p.m. After the Friday, April 25, performance, the cast and production staff will host an open discussion with the audience.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$13 for senior citizens and \$5 for students. The box office

opens Sunday, April 20. For reservations, call 368-2248 or purchase tickets by credit card at www.chapelstreetplayers.org by clicking on the TicketLeap icon.

Group rates, as well as requests for open discussion with the cast and production staff, are available by contacting the Box Office Manager. In addition, CSP is offering a \$2 discount off any adult and senior citizen ticket to those who bring \$2 worth of canned goods to be donated to Newark area food closets.

Young drivers

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els of licensing so that their responsibility for themselves and their passengers grows in proportion with their experience.

Violent students targeted

A bill introduced in the

Delaware Assembly on April 7 would require Delaware school districts to immediately suspend and place into an alternative program any student who assaults or offensively touches a school employee.

Speaker of the House Terry R. Spence seeks to reduce assaults against those working in Delaware’s public schools.

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OUTLOOK

Crafts from your backyard

By CAROLINE ROMEO

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

After the long months of winter, there is nothing like a warm, sunny, spring day. Flowers are blooming and the ground comes to life. The last of winter's hold is breaking free. Have you ever wondered if you could use your creativity to interact with the natural world around you? With some imagination and a little help from a few small hands, you can make some wonderful projects that will beautify your home and help build your child's appreciation for the environment.

'Outlook' is a weekly feature prepared by the New Castle County Cooperative Extension Service

Winter winds love to knock sticks and twigs to the ground. Once your composting bin is full, what can you do with those extra few pieces? One idea is to take the sticks and break them into pieces about 2 to 3 inches long. Glue them to a piece of cardboard to make a frame. Add some feathers or pretty stones to embellish your work. Finally, stick a picture (maybe a pretty landscape or a family portrait) in the frame and enjoy.

Speaking of twigs, what about helping our feathered friends? In the spring months, bird parents are constantly looking for items to build their nests. Gather items like short twigs, small pieces of fabric, short bits of yarn or string, flower petals, leaves, feather, dried grass or even cotton batting. Place the items in a mesh bag so they are easily accessible to the birds. Hang the bag on a fence or pole and watch your "construction materials" become new homes. Those new fledglings need

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NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY CHRISTINE NEFF

Participants in the C.E.R.T.S. Adult Action Center on Independence Way in Newark range in age from 21 to 35. Individuals decide how they would like to spend their days, from baking brownies to playing t-ball.

Life and learning after 21

Young adults with disabilities find success at Adult Action Center

By CHRISTINE NEFF

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In August, Valerie Werner's son, Andrew, turns 21, an age when persons like him with multiple severe disabilities age out of therapy programs available to them in the school system.

Had it not been for C.E.R.T.S., Adult Action Center here in Newark, Werner would have been worried about her son's future: Would he lose some of the gains he made in occupational and physical therapy? Would his quality of life be reduced if she could not provide for his needs at home?

But, instead of worry, Werner has only a vision of a bright future for Andrew. "This is a dream come true — more than I had ever hoped for my son," she said of the program

he will join this summer.

The idea for C.E.R.T.S. — Collaborative Effort to Reinforce Transition Success — came about nine years ago when a group of parents and educators from the Leach School (a New Castle County school for youth with disabilities) saw a need for a day program for young adults with severe disabilities.

"We wanted them to have a day habilitation program where they would be engaged and motivated, and they would also continue to receive the therapy that they received in the public school system," said Werner.

At the time, said Vivian Davis, executive director of C.E.R.T.S., the common thinking was that learning stopped for these individuals when they turned 21 and aged out of the school system.

But, she said, "Life is just beginning at 21. We firmly believe...that there is so much more to learn once they get into this program."



The program — called the Adult Action Center — is designed for young adults aged 21 to 35. It has grown from five to 10 participants since its 2006 opening and has had to change locations to accommodate needs.

Now, the center occupies a wing in a former head trauma center located at 13 Independence Way in Newark. Exceptional Care for Children takes up the balance of the building.

The program operates Monday through Friday. Participants pick their activities for the day, from learning to cook brownies to playing a game of t-ball. Everything is done with the goal of stimulating them and encouraging them to be as independent as possible.

"The goal of C.E.R.T.S. is

to be a step above," said Davis. "We want to provide a program that is therapeutic and stimulating. Our goal is to be the first adult, certified 'MOVE' program in the state."

MOVE stands for Mobility Opportunities Via Education. It uses an activity-based curriculum to teach persons with disabilities basic functional motor skills needed for life at home and in the community.

Cindy Spink, C.E.R.T.S. program specialist, came to the Adult Action Center with the purpose of incorporating MOVE there. It's typically used with kids but research has shown its effectiveness for adults, as well, said Spink.

To start, she assesses participants' current abilities and, through interviews with them

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Speaker discusses Delaware's role in female aviation

First women to fly for military reported to duty at New Castle

By PATRICIA E. LANG

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Wednesday, April 9, published author and certified pilot Jan Churchill spoke to an audience of approximately 30 people at the Pencader Heritage Area Association Museum about World War II New Castle Airbase female bomber aviators.

Churchill, who has written numerous articles on military aviation, has also written several books, including "From Delaware to Everywhere: New

Castle Army Air Base — New Castle County Airport."

During World War II, the first women to fly for the American military reported for duty at New Castle Army Base, now New Castle County Airport. The squadron commander was Nancy Love.

Churchill talked about how, prior to the start of WWII, Britain was beginning to take action against the Axis powers. It was in 1940 that the U.S. sent Liberty Guns to Britain. Due to the Neutrality Act, which meant that the U.S. was not directly involved with the war at that time, the planes with these guns could not be flown from the U.S. to England.

So pilots such as Nancy Love would fly the planes to the Canada border, get out of

the plane, push it over the border and then fly on to Nova Scotia. The plane would then take off for Britain, and Nancy Love and others would get on a ship from Nova Scotia to home.

In September 1942, telegrams were sent to women pilots across the U.S., asking them to join the Womens Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron (WAFS). Teresa James, a flight instructor and air show pilot, took the train from Pittsburgh, Pa., to Delaware to join the WAFS. James wrote in a diary of her experiences. Churchill read James' first reaction to the NCC Army Base, then under construction and knee deep in mud. Part of the passage was about how men didn't believe women could

drive cars. If a woman backed into a parking space and succeeded, men would think she was either lucky, or that it was an accident. James wondered, if men reacted to women drivers like that, how they would react to women pilots?

In 1943, the WAFS became the WASP. They never flew in combat, but the Air Corps made clever use of these female aviation pilots. Their job was to ferry planes. Churchill related how male pilots in WWII didn't want to fly the B17s and the B29s because the engines would sometimes catch on fire. The Air Corps would have the

women pilots fly those planes first. And, the male pilots couldn't refuse to fly them, after that.

Churchill said the WASP disbanded, suddenly, December 16, 1944. She and others interested in their history put up a historical plaque at the NCC Airport Terminal in 1985. In 1995, a statue of Nancy Love (sculpted by Charles Park, who was a P47 pilot in WWII) was dedicated at the same terminal.

For information on the PHAA lecture series, and other museum activities call 737-5792, or go online to www.pencaderheritage.org.

Nature can inspire crafts

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some food. Find some pinecones and cover them in peanut butter and a covering of birdseed. Hang the pinecone from a tree branch and watch the birds' new favorite "hangout."

When it is warm outside, who doesn't love a little picnic with friends and family? But those spring time breezes can wreak havoc. Mother Nature does have a solution. Find a good size rock (about the size of the palm of your hand). Give it a good scrubbing to get off the winter's dirt and grime. Using water-based paint, cover the rock in a base coat of one color (primaries and pastels are always a nice touch). Then use other colors of paint to give it a decorative flair. Use your new weight to help hold down napkins or other paper goods, or even make several and use them as place cards for gatherings.

You can also use other natural objects to decorate. Take some small flowers and some construction paper. Position the flowers on the paper and cover them (on both sides) with clear

contact paper. You then create beautiful placemats. Curl some twigs into circles to make napkin rings. Use flowers and green leaves to make a great centerpiece. Soon your outdoor events will be the talk of the town.

You can even use natural items to accessorize your look. Take small stones, wash them and paint a unique design on them. Tie some hemp or yarn around them to make a necklace. Take some small flowers and hang them upside down, allowing them to dry out. Cut off the blooms and hot glue

them to barrettes or a pin to spruce up an outfit.

Sometimes, giving children objects and letting them use their imaginations can create the most unique art. Have them glue found objects to make an animal or a natural scene. Let them dip leaves or flowers in paint and create their own stencils. Even let them create their own "pet rock" to take care of.

No matter what kind of arts or crafts you are into, you can find inspiration in nature. Use found objects to create one of a kind art to appreciate and bring a little of the outside in.

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and their families, gauges what they hope to accomplish. She then isolates the skills needed for them to achieve their goals and repeats those skills, over and over.

"It takes up to 2,000 repetitions for them to learn something," she said. "So everything we do repeats itself all day long."

Spink said she has seen "tremendous progress" among participants since starting the MOVE program three months ago. Individuals have graduated from wheelchairs to upright standers. "And then they start moving their feet — and that's an amazing thing to see," she

said.

The C.E.R.T.S. center operates on funds provided by the state of Delaware, grants and monies raised by the board of directors. The board will be holding its biggest fundraiser of the year, a 5K run/walk on the James Hall Trail in Newark, on Saturday, May 3, with the help of the University of Delaware fraternity, Kappa Sigma.

The race starts at 9 a.m. at 720 Academy St. Preregistration costs are \$12 for students and \$16 for all others. After April 25, cost is \$15 for students and \$20 for all others. Race day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. For more information, call 731-0301 or e-mail, jenkinscm@comcast.net.

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LIVE MUSIC 10 p.m. Featuring Rory. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main, Newark. Info, 266-6993.

FULL MOON FRIDAY 7 p.m. "Frog Walk." \$4. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.

MUSICAL PROGRAM 7 p.m. Featuring "Violin Music and Dance." Newark Free

Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark. Info, 731-7550.

BUSINESS SEMINAR 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Community Hope of Delaware hosts a national Business Leadership Event featuring author, Dr. John Maxwell. \$85. Life Community Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd., Newark. Info, 294-9094.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

LIVE MUSIC 9:30 p.m. Featuring "Long Walk Home." Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

LIVE MUSIC 10 p.m. Featuring Daniel Rose with Lady Bug Landslide. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main, Newark. Info, 266-6993.

BENEFIT WALK 8 a.m. Walk MS:AIG Wilmington Riverfront 2008. Meet at Frawley Stadium, Newark. Info, 655-5610.

SPAGHETTI DINNER 4:30 - 7 p.m. Benefits Boy Scouts Troop 255's June trip to New Mexico. Adults \$8, children \$4. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 455-1315.

COMMUNITY CLEAN UP 9 - 11 a.m. Celebrate Earth Day and help the community. Meet at City of Newark Municipal Bldg., Elkton Rd., Newark. Info, 366-7033.

SPRING CLEAN UP 8:30 a.m. Celebrate Earth Day at the 17th Annual Christina River cleanup. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.

EARTH DAY EVENT 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Check out the nature center or go for a hike to Mason Dixon's Tri-State Marker. White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.

EARTH DAY EVENT 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Party for the Planet. Brandywine Zoo, Wilmington. Info, 571-7788.

BUS TRIP 7:30 a.m. Newark Parks & Recreation sponsors a trip to the American Horticultural Society's River Farm in historic Alexandria, Va.

\$37, Newark residents \$32. City Municipal Bldg., Elkton Rd., Newark. Info, 366-7060.

LIBRARY PROGRAM 2 p.m. Mia Phoebe, friend and confidante to Tennessee Williams, shares her memories of the famous playwright. Newark Free Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark. Info, 731-7550.

MEN'S HEALTH CONFERENCE 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Offering free health screenings and information sessions. Chase Center on the Riverfront, Wilmington. Info, 324-4227.

JOB FAIR 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Delaware Health and Social Services offers job opportunities in the healthcare field. Herman Holloway Sr. Campus, Springer Building, 1901 DuPont Hwy., New Castle. Info, 255-9100.

KID'S DAY 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Hosted by Safe Kids New Castle County. Demonstrations, safety booths, car seat checks and more. Bellevue State Park, 800 Carr Rd., Wilmington. Info, 831-2667.

THEATRE 8 p.m. Featuring two Elvis impersonators in "Blue Suede Shoes." \$27-\$32. The Grand, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Info, 652-5577.

BUSINESS WORKSHOP 9 a.m. - noon. Encore presents "Marketing: Planning & Implementation Series." Workshop I: Develop Your Market Plan. \$35, \$100 for all 4. Score Office, 1007 N. Orange St., Wilmington. Info, 573-6552.

FAMILY DAY 1 - 4 p.m. DASEF's Bi-Annual Fundraiser with fun, family activities. \$5. Big Oak Park, Smyrna. Info, 454-2432.

GARDENING WORKSHOP 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. "Herbs, Herbs, Herbs." Free. Sinking Springs Herb Farm, Elkton, Md. Info, 410-398-5566.

DAFFODIL SHOW 1 - 6 p.m. Also Sunday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square, Pa. Info, 610-388-1000.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

CONCERT 3 p.m. The Northern Delaware Oratorio Society presents "A World Premier of a New Choral work by Amateur Choir." \$10. John Dickinson High School, Wilmington. Info, 737-1082.

CONCERT 3 p.m. Music & Arts Recital featuring the Westminster Ringers of Westminster Md. First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark. Info, 731-5644.

BENEFIT RIDE 10:30 a.m. Delaware Law Enforcement for Special Olympics hosts an 80-mile police escorted motorcycle "Ride to the Tide." \$25. Begins at UD Football Stadium. Info, 831-4653.

ENERGY SEMINAR 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. "Power Up at Hagley"

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CELEBRATE EARTH DAY!



Help clean up the community by participating in one of several events happening this weekend in honor of Earth Day. On Saturday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., volunteers will pick up trash around the city of Newark. Interested helpers should meet at the Municipal Building on Elkton Road. For more information, call 366-7033. Volunteers will also be cleaning up the Christina River and several of its tributaries, including White Clay Creek, on Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. To register or for more info, call 838-1897 or visit www.ChristinaRiverCleanup.org.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

MEN'S BREAKFAST 7:30 a.m.

Saturday. \$5 donation goes to missions. Life Community Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd. Info, 738-1530.

MUSEUM OPEN 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

First and Third Saturday. Dedicated to the history of Pencader Hundred and the Cooch's Bridge battlefield. Free. Pencader Heritage Museum, Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. Info, 737-5792.

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9:30 a.m. Third Saturday. All painting levels welcome. Yearly dues. Claymont Community Center, 504 S. Clayton St., Wilmington. Info, 239-9884.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

KNITTING KNUZ GUILD 1 p.m.

First and Third Sunday. Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, 1941 Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info, 452-0146.

DELAWARE ACCORDION CLUB 2

- 5 p.m. Third Sunday. Meeting for an open mic session. Open to the public. College Town Cafe, I-95 Exit I-B, Route 896N, Newark. Info, 328-4803.

MONDAY, APRIL 21

DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP

7:30 - 9 p.m. New Directions Delaware presents "Bipolar Disorder: Life After Diagnosis." Free. UD Trabant University Center, Newark. Info, 286-1161.

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GROUP 7 - 9 p.m. Mondays.

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NEWARK ROTARY CLUB 6:15 - 7:30

p.m. Mondays. Timothy's, 100 Creek View Rd, Newark. Info, 453-8853.

SCOTTISH DANCING 7:30 p.m.

Mondays. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 368-2318.

ENGLISH CLASSES 1 and 7 p.m.

Mondays. English Conversational Classes. Free. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 368-8774, or esl-numc@hotmail.com.

TAI CHI 3 - 4 p.m. Monday

(Advanced); or Wednesday, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. (Beg/Intermediate). \$20 per month. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info, 737-2336.

TAI CHI 10 - 11 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

- 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. \$70/month. Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 Main St., Newark. Info, 373-2918.

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Wilson Center, 303 New London Rd., Newark. Info, 366-7060, or www.newarkjazz.net.

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STRENGTH TRAINING 10:15

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

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Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. \$70/month. Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 Main Street, Newark. Info, 373-2918.

KUNG FU 6:30 p.m. Mondays,

Wednesdays, and Fridays; 10 a.m. Saturdays. \$100/month unlimited sessions. Shao Lin Tiger and Crane Kung Fu Academy, Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main, Newark. Info, 737-4696.

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Mondays. Berea Presbyterian Church, 957 Old Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Info, 737-7239.

DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS 6:30 p.m.

Mondays. For children ages 5 - 12 of families experiencing divorce and separation. Berea Presbyterian Church, 957 Old Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Info, 737-7239.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY 7 p.m.

Third Monday. White Clay Creek Church, 15 Polly Drummond Hill Rd., Newark. Info, 737-2100.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

NEWARK MUSEUM 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.,

Tuesday through Friday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Closed Monday. Free. Exhibits celebrate Newark's 250 years as a chartered community. Info, 224-2408.

HEALTHY HIKE 8 a.m. Tuesdays.

White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Rd., Newark. Info, 368-6900.

CONSTITUENT BREAKFAST 7

- 8 a.m. Tuesdays. Join Rep. John Kowalko for coffee and conversation. Friendly's Rest, 1115 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 577-8342.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m.

Tuesdays. For men who like to sing. New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info, 376-8934.

DIAMOND STATE CHORUS OF

SWEET ADELINES 7:30 - 10 p.m. Tuesdays. Women's acapella singing group. Curious and enthusiastic singers welcome. Limestone Presbyterian

Church, 3201 Limestone Rd.,

Wilmington. Info, 731-5981.

BALLROOM DANCING 6 - 7 p.m.

Tuesdays in March. Instruction by members of the UD Dance Team. \$60. Cecil County Arts Council, 135 E. Main St., Elkton, Md. Info, 410-392-5740.

PARKINSON'S STRENGTH

TRAINING 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

OPEN SWIM 4:30 - 7 p.m. Tuesdays

and Thursdays. Gore Aquatic Center, Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

YOGA 2 - 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9

- 10 a.m. Thursdays. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

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\$70/month; Shaolin Martial Monks School, 181 Main St., Newark. Info, 373-2918.

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Thursdays. \$70/month unlimited sessions. Shao Lin Tiger and Crane Kung Fu Academy, Market East Plaza, 280 E. Main St., Newark. Info, 737-4696.

BELLY DANCING 6 - 8 p.m. First and

Fourth Tuesday. \$10/session. Cecil County Arts Council, 135 E. Main St., Elkton, Md. Info, 410-392-5740.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

COMMUNITY MEETING 7:30 p.m.

The West Branch Civic Association hosts a public meeting with Bill Stritzinger on the Country Club

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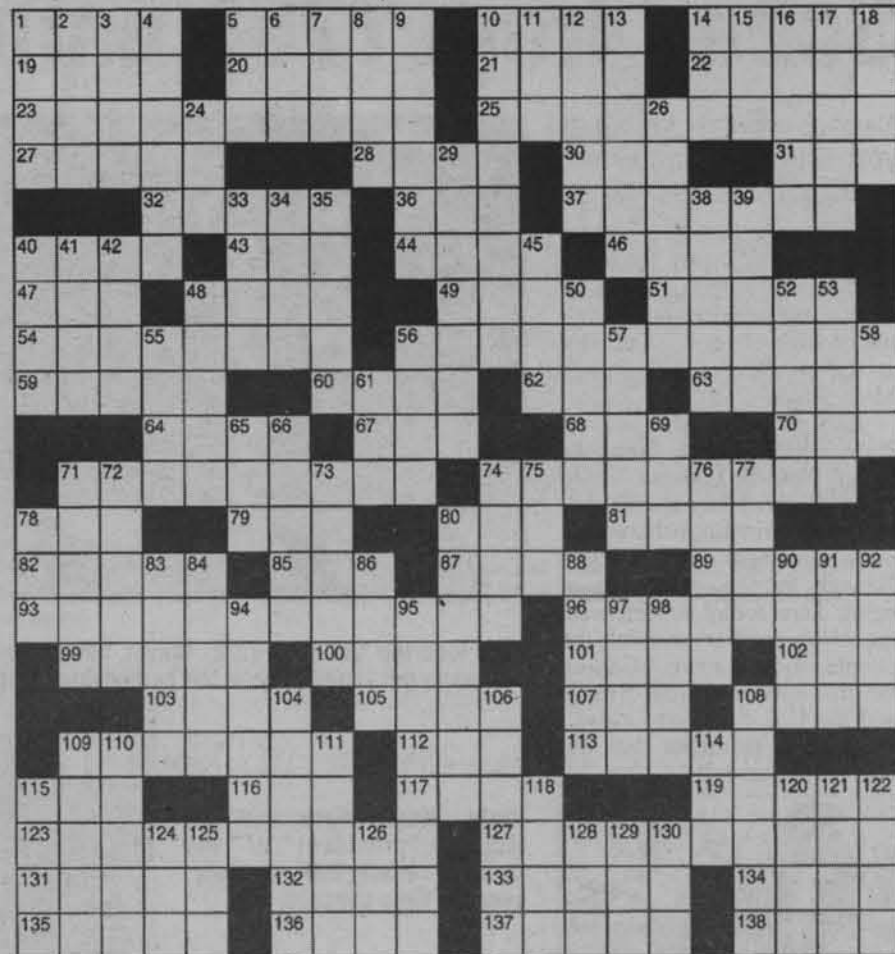
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CONSTITUTION BREAKFAST 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Terry Schooley will attend to field questions and concerns. Eagle Diner, Elkton Road. Info, 577-8476.

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

EVENING YOGA 5:30 - 7 and 7 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Sponsored by Newark Parks & Rec. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 366-7060.

TAI CHI 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Free for people touched by cancer. The Wellness Community in New Castle, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2850.

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Support group meeting. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd. Info, 737-2300.

GRIEF SHARE 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Seminar and support group for those who have lost someone close to them. Praise Assembly, 1421 Old Baltimore Pike. Info, 737-5040.

RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION GROUP 7 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Current events and religious discussions led by Rev. Bruce Gillette. Limestone Presbyterian Church, 2301 Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info, 994-5646.

ANXIETY DISORDER 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Second and fourth Wednesday. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. To maintain the privacy of members, support group locations not published. Info, 654-6833.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

YOGA 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Thursdays. Free, pre-registration is required. For people touched by cancer. The Wellness Community in New Castle, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2850.

TAI CHI 4:15 p.m. Thursdays. Free for people touched by cancer. The Wellness

Community in New Castle County, 4810 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington. Info, 995-2850.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 - 6 p.m. Thursdays. Features ballroom and line dancing. Free. Meets at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

WOMEN'S DEPRESSION 7 - 9 p.m. Thursdays. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration. Info, 654-6833.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. Thursdays. Meeting and breakfast. The Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info, 738-9943.

BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:20 - 10 p.m. Thursdays. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark. Info, 368-4644.

DSI THUMBS UP 1 p.m. Second & fourth Thursday. Support group spon-

sored by Delaware Stroke Initiative. Free. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 633-9313.

TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday. Develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Union Hospital, Main Floor, Room 2, 106 Bow St., Elkton, Md. Info, 443-553-5358.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP 2 - 4 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday. Free. Newark United Methodist Church, 69 E. Main St. Info, 737-7080.

COLONIAL STATE KNITTERS 7 p.m. Fourth Thursday. Limestone Medical Center, Room 005, Limestone Rd., Wilmington. Info, 838-0446.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP 3:30 p.m. Fourth Thursday. For Spouses. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 737-2336.

For a complete list of meetings visit our website: www.newarkpostonline.com.

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and explore ways to meet energy needs. Hagley Museum, Route 100, Wilmington. Info, 658-2400.
PRESENTATION 5:15 p.m. "Preserving Delaware's African-American Experience." Free. Delaware Theatre Company, 200 Water St., Wilmington. Info, 594-1100.

MONDAY, APRIL 21

WORLD HEALTH DAY 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m. Sponsored by UD's Alpha Lambda Delta. Free food, performances, and raffles. UD, Newark. Info, worldhealthUD@gmail.com.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

BUSINESS WORKSHOP 5:45 - 8:45 p.m. Also Tuesday, April 29. Score presents Small Business Startup Series.

Workshop III: "Effective Business Plan Writing Made Easy." \$70. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info, 573-6552.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

LIVE MUSIC 9:30 p.m. Featuring "3 Legged Fox." Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

LIVE MUSIC 10 p.m. Featuring Mad Sweet Pangs & Guest. Home Grown Café, 126 E. Main, Newark. Info, 266-6993.

FOLK DANCE 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. With Sharon Kleban. \$4. Arden Gild Hall, 2406 Granby Rd., Wilmington. Info, 478-7257.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

MUG NIGHT 9:30 p.m. Featuring Laura Lea & Tripp Fabulous. Deer Park Tavern, 108 W. Main, Newark. Info, 369-9414.

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Scene from 1758 unfolds on Academy Lawn

Newark reenacts founding year with open-air market, reading of charter

It looked to be 250 years ago on Sunday, April 13, when the city held an open-air market and a celebratory reading of King George II's charter at the Academy Lawn along Main Street.

A special guest, Andrew Pryce of the British Embassy, joined Newark's Mayor Vance A. Funk III for the official reading of the old English version of the document. Pryce thanked Newark "for the opportunity of being here today to celebrate the 250th anniversary with the people of your town." Calling the ties between Great Britain and the U.S. "still very close," he wished residents "all the best in the future."



Both wearing Colonial garb, Mayor Vance Funk, left, and Jim Whisman get ready to read the celebratory proclamation.



Andrew Pryce, left, of the British Embassy attended the event on Academy Lawn that marked the city's beginnings as a chartered community.



Right, Mayor Funk and Bill McLain, president of the Newark Historical Society, bury the time capsule.



Left, Mayor Funk shovels dirt into the time capsule hole.



The Colonial market included a demonstration of wool making.



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300 people attend 250th banquet at UD's Clayton Hall

On Sunday, April 13, about 300 people attended a banquet at Clayton Hall on the University of Delaware campus in honor of the 250th anniversary. Among

the guests were Governor Ruth Ann Minner who presented a proclamation to the city and UD President Patrick Harker.

Guests received a special commemorative print done by folk artist Carol Dyer. Historian Carol Hofferker delivered an entertaining talk on Newark history, saying it "represents a microcosm of the history of the American town."



NEWARK POST PHOTOS BY MATT BASHAM

Jack Billingsley and E. Lowell Jacobs attended the anniversary gala Sunday evening.



Governor Ruth Ann Minner and UD President Patrick Harker at the gala.



Students from the Delaware Military Academy presented colors at the event.



A Colonial Mayor Vance Funk III greets Governor Ruth Ann Minner.



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Runners take off in the 250th Anniversary 5K held Friday, April 11. The race started on Main Street and finished at Creek Road. Proceeds from the event benefited the Newark Historical Society museum.

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Young Yellowjackets softball team looks to keep improving

By JOE BACKER

The Newark Yellowjacket softball team features a young squad this season, a very youthful squad.

Head coach Bill Street, now in his 11th season with the Lady Yellowjackets said this year, the team has five freshman, four of which are starters.

"There's no doubt we are very young this year. My two pitchers are freshman Sierra Shaw and Caitlin Craig, and right now I'm rotating them," said Street. "I know we have a lot of talent this year, but it may take a while for it to come to the surface against some tough high school competition."

Newark's record fell to 2-7 following Tuesday afternoon's road loss to Delcastle.

"We played a fine game until the late innings, when Delcastle scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth to pull out a 5-4 win against us," said Street.

Sometimes, having a young squad can be a bit nerve-wracking, but that's not the case, according to Street, who said that everyone has shown plenty of patience with the team's growing pains.

"I'm impressed and very pleased with our senior leadership this year," said Street. "Our two senior captains, Kaitlyn Cavanaugh and Kylie Walsh have been great working with the younger girls. And they have been very patient with them."

Street added that seniors always want to go out with a winning season, but he's pleased the seniors are working hard to achieve a good season now in '08, but they also realize the importance of building for the future, after they graduate.

Street noted the team also played well against Flight A power Middletown.

The Lady Jackets' goal this year is to have at least a .500 season. Street said that may be difficult to reach this year. "But it wouldn't surprise me if we beat a top team before the end of the season."

Newark wins three straight



Yellowjackets improve to 8-2 with the victories

By JOE BACKER

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Newark's baseball team kept on the winning trail, winning all three games it played during a busy week.

On Tuesday afternoon, the Jackets won their eighth game overall with a 5-4 Flight A victory over Delcastle.

Senior Billy Morton started on the mound, but Chadd Lane won in relief as Newark pushed across a run in the top of seventh to pull out the narrow victory.

Austin Bartley, Brandon Ellis and Morton each stroked doubles in the contest.

The Jackets improved to 8-2 overall, and 5-2 in conference, while Delcastle dropped to 2-5 overall and 2-5 in Flight A.

On Monday afternoon, Newark pounded St. Elizabeth by the count of 8-0. In this game, Ellis tossed a four-hit shutout. He also went 4-4 at the plate and collected two RBI.

The Jackets continued their season-long hitting spree, as Morton was 2-3 with 4 RBI. The Vikings Nick Corrigan provided St. Elizabeth's only offense of the day, going 2-3 against Ellis.

Last Saturday, Newark's bats were booming despite the cloudy, rainy weather conditions as early morning showers put the game in jeopardy.

But once the game got underway, there was no doubt the Jackets were ready to play.

Newark banged out 10 hits in a 9-0 romp over Dover.

David Hopkins was in charge on the mound all day against the Senators, throwing a two-hit shutout while striking out ten batters and yielding only one walk. Newark had several offensive heroes as Hopkins helped his own cause by going 2-4. He was aided on offense by catcher Andrew Young, who was 2-3 with an RBI and Morton, who had another fine day at the plate going 2-2 with a triple and two RBI.

PHOTO BY LINDSEY STUDIO

Newark High's Billy Morton had five hits in the last week to help the Jackets to three victories.

Blue Hens baseball team gets win over Temple

Dean launched a grand slam while Ryan Cuneo and Alex Buchholz both knocked in three runs to help the University of Delaware baseball team cruise past Temple, 16-3, at Skip Wilson Field on Tuesday afternoon.

Dean, who entered the game as a defensive replacement in the seventh, provided the offensive highlight of the contest when he cleared the bases with a grand slam in the eighth. Cuneo and Buchholz also finished with two hits and three RBI apiece, while Kyle Davis went 3-for-4 with a double and two runs scored for Delaware (12-22).

With its offensive outburst,

Delaware posted its largest margin of victory on the road since downing Hartford, 13-0, on March 17, 2004.

Following two scoreless innings, the Blue Hens broke open the game in the top of the third when the first six batters of the inning reached base safely off Owl starter Ben White (1-2). After a double by Davis and walks to Pat Dameron and Adam Tsakonas loaded the bases, Buchholz followed with an RBI single before Scott Shockley and Cuneo both chased in two runs with back-to-back doubles.

Trailing by five, Temple (16-18) brought in reliever Matt Blackburn to quiet the

threat, but the sophomore right-hander found the Hen offense to be just as taxing as White did after Jared Olson and Dameron roped RBI singles to stretch the team's lead to 7-0.

Delaware eventually tacked on one more run in the fifth on an RBI single by Bill Merkler. One inning later, the team added two more when Davis and Tsakonas led off with two straight hits before Buchholz knocked in the former with an RBI groundout and Cuneo brought in the latter with a single to right.

After Temple got on the board with a two-spot in the bottom of the seventh, Delaware responded with a six-run inning

in the eighth. Tsakonas scored the first run of the inning after roping a single to left before moving to second on a passed ball and coming around on a hit by Buchholz.

Shockley and Cuneo both followed with walks to load the bases before Dean, in his first at bat of the game, crushed a grand slam to left. Merkler scored the team's last run of the contest when he reached on an error, moved to second on Davis' third hit of the game, and scored on Temple's second miscue of the inning.

With the run support, starter Corey Crispell (2-3) cruised through the first five innings of the game, scattering four hits

before giving way to the bullpen in the sixth.

The outing was Crispell's second strong performance in a row after earning a spot as a mid-week starter for Delaware. He has picked up wins in both of his starts since being handed the new role last week, allowing just six hits and two earned runs over 10 innings of work against Rutgers and Temple.

Combined with their 17-2 victory over Saint Joseph's last month, the Blue Hens have now beaten their two Big 5 opponents by a 33-5 margin this season. Delaware and Temple will square off again on May 7 in Newark.

St. Mark's wrestler wins national championship

St. Mark's High wrestler Sean Boylan won the 46 kilogram (101.25) pound championship at the Asics Fila Cadet Freestyle Nationals in Akron, Ohio over the weekend.

Boylan, a sophomore who won the 103-pound state championship earlier this year, rolled through the tournament, defeating Maryland's Eric Friedman 2-0, 5-0 in the championship match.

The Spartan wrestler won all eight matches he wrestled in - never dropping a period the entire weekend.

"Sean was coached by Sheldon Thomas throughout the tournament and that's a special thing to have a former St. Mark's standout and a former FILA national champion accompany him," said St. Mark's coach Jay Bastianelli about Boylan's experience. "Next up for Sean will be the FILA World Championships in

Bulgaria so he has his goals set high."

The title qualifies Boylan for the opportunity to represent the United States in Bulgaria this summer in the FILA World Championships.

In addition, St. Mark's sophomore, Sean Dolan and Spartan freshman Josh Snook earned All-American status at recently held High School Nationals in Virginia Beach, Va.

Dolan finished fifth at 112 pounds at the National High School Coaches Association's Sophomore Nationals while Snook placed sixth at 125 pounds.

Dolan won six matches and lost only two close ones to become a sophomore All-American.

Snook, who lost to the eventual champion in his first match, reeled off six straight victories to earn his Freshman All-American placing.

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Delaware native to screen new film at Newark Cinema

'Leaf' tells story of former NFL quarterback

"Leaf," a movie written, directed and starred in by Delaware native Tim Carr, will be screened at the Newark Cinema in the Newark Shopping Center, this Sunday, April 20.

"Leaf" tells the story of former National Football League quarterback Ryan Leaf who was selected second overall pick in the 1998 NFL Draft after Peyton Manning. While scouts predicted Leaf would go on to have a successful career, injuries and performance failure cut that career short.

Carr, who has performed in films, TV commercials and series, wrote the script for this movie after wrapping up a supporting role in the film "Rocky Balboa." "I sat down, wrote a script about infamous NFL cautionary tale Ryan Leaf,

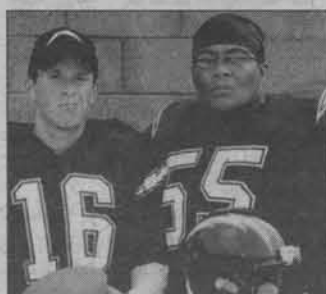
packed on 15 to 20 pounds to play the guy and rounded up a pretty gifted ensemble cast," he said.

The cast includes Delaware actors Lyman Chen, Frank Panuto and Eric Austin. Some of the scenes were filmed in Wilmington and at the former Shaggy's Restaurant in Newark.

"So this is a project that's been filmed in, like, seven states, written by a Delaware guy, featuring some Delaware cast and has played to packed houses in Philadelphia, New York, New Jersey, and now, drum roll please, Newark," said Carr.

"The future looks good for 'Leaf' as well," he continued. "After this, we do a few more East Coast shows and then plan the West Coast." Carr also hopes to screen the film in Iraq for stationed troops.

Admission to the movie is \$3. The only Newark showing



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Tim Carr as Ryan Leaf and pro wrestler Eric The Smoke Moran as Junior Seau.



The poster for the film, "Leaf," directed by Tim Carr.

will be Sunday, April 20, at 8:15 p.m.

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Newark plans day for customers

On Friday, May 2, the City of Newark will hold its tenth Newark Customer Appreciation Day.

The event, sponsored by the Customer Service Department, will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first floor of the Newark Municipal Building. Light refreshments will be served throughout the day, and there will be prize drawings.

► BLOTTER from 2

mated at \$3,000, said police. No charges were filed.

Police investigate fight

Police investigated a fight in which several unknown suspects beat two friends with a club on Saturday, April 12, at 4:06 a.m., in the 200 block of E. Delaware Avenue. One of the victims had multiple wounds to the forehead and was bleeding and disoriented when police arrived. He and a second victim, who suffered a gash to his head, were taken to the emergency room for treatment. The suspects fled before police arrived at the scene. Investigation will continue.

Other incidents

A 50-year-old resident of the 100 block of Kinross Drive reported that several unknown youth shot a BB gun at her home from the railroad tracks behind her house on Sunday, April 13, at 2:58 p.m. The BBs broke the glass in one of her kitchen windows, said police.

Graffiti was found on the rear of the Post House Restaurant in the 100 block of E. Main Street, police were told on Sunday, April 13, at 6:41 a.m.

Police were called to investigate a fight involving 15 to 20 people outside a home in the 100 block of E. Cleveland Avenue on Sunday, April 13, at 2:18 a.m. Several suspects have been named. Investigation will continue.

Three suspects stole more than \$50 worth of seafood from a supermarket in the 100 block of College Square, police were told on Saturday, April 12, at 12:57 p.m. The suspects failed to pay for the items in the self-checkout lane. Investigation will continue.

A road sign at the intersection of S. Chapel Street and Delaware Avenue was found broken in half, bent and laying on the sidewalk on Saturday, April 12, at 2:56 a.m.

A portable table saw was stolen from the porch of a home in the unit block of Prospect Avenue, police were told on Friday, April 11, at 3:15 p.m.

Graffiti was found on a sign, shed and air conditioning unit outside of a temple in the 300 block of Possum Park Road, police were told on Friday, April 11, at 9:03 a.m.

Two adult students at a school in the unit block of Amstel Avenue were issued criminal summonses for disorderly conduct and offensive touching after they got into a fight on Friday, April 11, at 9:01 a.m. Police said Nicole Antenucci, 19, of Wilmington, and Summer Constant, 22, of Newark, engaged in a mutual fight, which caused a 63-year-old Maryland woman to be pushed down the stairs. Both women were released pending court appearances.

Music & Arts Recital Series of First Presbyterian Church presents the Westminster Ringers of Westminster, MD Sunday, April 20, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.



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Special events marked Newark's 250 years

▶ 250th, from 1

from where the first villagers in Newark would have traded their wares. A sheep baaed from its cage as a Colonial re-enactor read the old English version of the town's charter, granted on April 13, 1758.

In it, the King officially awards the townspeople of Newark "the power and privileges of having fairs yearly, and one weekly market for the encouragement of trade."

After reading the wordy and archaic document aloud, Jim Whisman said cheerfully, "With that said, God bless King George," and a "Hip, hip huzzah" went up from the crowd.

The reading of the celebratory proclamation was just one of several special events held over the weekend to celebrate Newark's 250th anniversary. Good weather and large turnouts made the weekend a great success.

A 5K walk/run took place Friday night to benefit the Newark Historical Society. On Saturday afternoon, thousands of Newark residents lined Main Street to watch the hour-long Heritage Parade, which included representatives of Newark's schools, civic groups, veterans associations, businesses, city government and more.

On Sunday, residents buried a time capsule filled with items that reflect life in today's Newark, from current newspapers to the minutes of city council meetings, pictures from the annual Memorial Day parade to a copy of the "Histories of Newark" book.

"Newark has always been a town of vibrant activity, a town of people caring about each other's needs," said Bill McLain, president of the Newark Historical Society.

He noted the many volunteers that came together to make the 250th anniversary a success, giving special recognition to Mayor Funk, who spearheaded the event. "This would not have happened without his early and continual leadership," said McLain.

Funk passed his thanks on to the crowd and the nearly 200 volunteers that assisted at all of the events. "This has been a very special occasion for us, and we couldn't do it without your help," he said.

On Sunday evening, about 300 people attended a banquet at Clayton Hall on the University of Delaware campus. Attendees mingled in the lobby looking at historic exhibits before sitting down to a formal dinner. Old images of Newark from the UD Library Postcard Collection flashed on large screens at the front of the hall.

Among the guests were Governor Ruth Ann Minner who presented a proclamation

Winners of the 250th Anniversary Heritage Parade

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Best high school band – Alexis I. DuPont High School
Best small marching group – VFW Post 475 Honor Guard
Best medium marching group – Chinese American Community Center
Best large marching group – Delaware Sengerbund and Library Association



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to the city offering congratulations "on reaching this significant milestone." Tributes also came from the Delaware State Senate, Delaware House of Representatives and New Castle County government.

Said County Executive Chris Coons, "Congratulations, Mayor, on your vision, and to all of the people who worked so hard to pull this off."

After the dinner, Historian Carol Hoffercker gave an entertaining and engaging talk on Newark history, saying it "represents a microcosm of the history of the American town."

She touched on the immigration of Scots-Irish to the area and the founding of Frances Allison's small preparatory

school that eventually evolved into the University of Delaware. Hoffercker called this, "the beginning of Newark becoming what we all know it to be – the Athens of Delaware."

She noted the British soldiers that marched up Main Street during the Revolutionary War, the way the Civil War divided a population situated so close to the Mason-Dixon line and how the end of World War II fueled Newark's growth into "the Newark we know today."

"Newark," said Hoffercker, "is America writ small enough to be understood." She continued, "It is home, and it is a community well loved and well worth celebrating."



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A 'no-win situation for everyone involved'

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cutbacks are part of real-life business.

The cutback in this case, however, is the education of the children of Delaware – the future leaders of the state.

If people really were serious about public education, they'd be up in arms about this proposed cut. They would be calling their state legislators and demanding that another way be found to cut the state budget.

Just about every proposal and plan out there to help public education talks about increasing money spent on resources – now, instead, we're

going to cut resources.

So we've seen years and years of people getting worked up and fighting for slight improvements here and there in public education – and now we're going to cut teachers, staff and programs.

And just for fun – let's throw another wrinkle into the process.

This big cut in resources must be done before actually knowing how much money they will have to spend.

Yep, state law says that all public school staff members not being renewed must be

notified by May 15. School districts, though, won't know the actual budget cuts until the end of June when the Delaware Economic and Financial Advisory Council (DEFAC) releases its figures and the General Assembly passes the final budget.

That's just stupid.

Yeah, yeah, that's what the law says – but can't we be practical when it comes to issues like this?

We care so little about education that we won't even mandate the DEFAC come up with findings a few weeks earlier

so that decisions can be made with some real information.

Instead, some districts will cut too many jobs for fear of running a deficit and angering taxpayers – that would be the same taxpayers that more often than not over recent years reject referendums that would up their tax burden by a whopping \$12.37 per year.

It's a no-win situation for everyone involved.

It's hard to believe that public education is important to people when these are the decisions districts are faced with.

Council will consider changes to speed fines

► FINES, from 1

"I get very concerned about the speeds in residential neighborhoods," he said. "It's been documented – but it's pretty much common sense – if you're hit by a car that's going 25 miles per hour, you're going to be injured, but you'll probably make it. At 35, you're probably going to be severely injured and some deaths may occur. Much over 35 and it's a fatality."

Athey hoped that the increased fees for excessive speeding would cause drivers to be more aware. He recommended that the surcharge apply to drivers caught going 10 miles per hour over the speed limit, instead of an initial recommendation of 20 miles per hour or more.

"To me, I believe that's too high," he said of the recommendation. "That's 45 (miles per hour). There is absolutely no excuse for anybody to be going 45 on a residential

street."

Councilmen Paul Pomeroy and Jerry Clifton said they agreed with Athey's logic. "I think a person could reasonably be expected to keep the car going (within) 10 miles per hour (of the speed limit)," said Clifton.

But the Police Department had concerns that the surcharge would make less of an impact if put into effect at 10 miles per hour over the limit.

NPD Capt. John Potts said, "Officers have a threshold and,

generally, it's around 10 miles per hour. Beyond that, they will stop somebody, and lower than that, they won't. Normal people can do (10 over) without thinking."

After further discussion, council agreed to draft the ordinance with the 15 mile per hour threshold.

Also at Monday's meeting:

Council approved stop signs to be installed on Dunsmore Road, Turnbridge Road, Farnsworth Drive and Aylesboro Road at their inter-

section with White Chapel Drive near the Newark Senior Center.

"I can tell you, there are some pretty good speeds going up and down that road," said Councilman Clifton, in voicing his support for the signs.

The traffic committee had earlier approved the signs by a 5 to 3 vote. A unanimous vote of council Monday sealed the deal.

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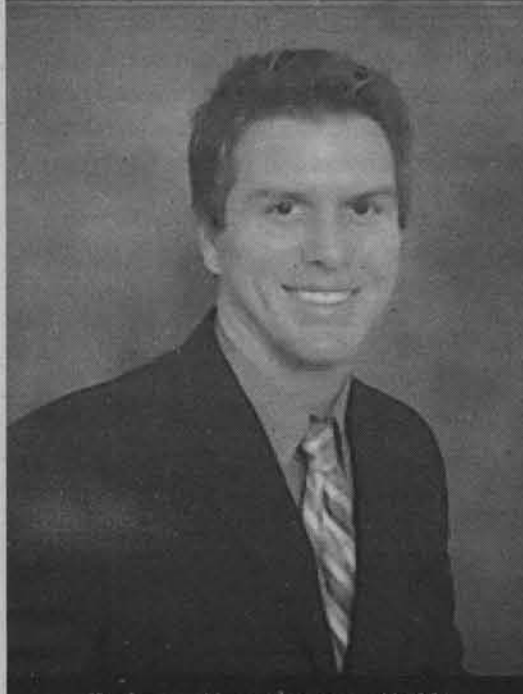
Special Olympics Ride to the Tide

This Sunday, April 20, Delaware Law Enforcement will Ride to the Tide for Special Olympics Delaware, completing an 80-mile police-escorted motorcycle ride from Newark to Lewes.

The ride, organized by the Delaware Blue Knights, starts at 10:30 a.m. at the University of Delaware Football Stadium Parking lot. After a rest stop at Smyrna, the group will trek onto Jake's Seafood on Route 1 in Lewes.

Cost to participate is \$25 for riders and \$20 for passengers. Lunch will be provided at the end of the ride.

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AAUW honors math/science students

The Newark AAUW and Georgetown Coastal AAUW honored outstanding female Delaware high school juniors for achievement in math and science at a luncheon on Sunday, April 13, at the University of Delaware.

New Castle Country honorees:

AI duPont-Katherine Diehl
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McKean-Catherine W. Gillette

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Padua-Teresa Marie Brodeur

Red Lion Christian-Melanie Hartman
Sanford-Katharine Brown
St. Elizabeth-Caitlin Papili

St. Marks-Jennifer Rawding
Tatnall-Juliet Bottorff
Tower Hill-Caleigh Azumayo

Ursuline-Sarah Dodge
William Penn-Heather Colbert

Wilmington Christian-Molly MacGray

Wilmington Friends-Maya Alison Overby Koretzky
St. Andrew's School-Vivian Jordan Smith

Featured speakers at the luncheon were Sarah O'Neill and other members of the University of Delaware chapter of Engineers without Borders. The University of Delaware student chapter of EWB has focused on providing potable water to a village of 3,000 people in Bakang, Cameroon.

Districts told to prepare alternative budgets

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According to a statement received from James R. Scanlon, school superintendent of Brandywine School District, the state is projecting a \$212 million shortfall (about 8 percent of its total budget.) "The school districts and all state departments have been asked to develop alternative budgets that would include 8 to 10 percent reductions in state funding," Scanlon stated. "For Brandywine, that represents between about \$6 million and \$7.5 million."

Christina District school superintendent Lillian Lowery stated that the Department of Education was told to find ways to cut \$100 million from its budget (almost half of the total shortfall), which includes state funding for public school districts. "Each public school district in the state has been instructed to find ways to cut its state funding by 10 percent," Lowery stated. "For Christina, a 10 percent reduction in state funding translates into \$12.2 million. State funding provides money for many things, including professional development, summer school, school discipline, transportation, employee

payroll, and other school and student resources. The District is looking at all sources of state funding for possible reductions."

Robert J. Andrzejewski, school superintendent of Red Clay Consolidated School District, issued a statement noting that school superintendents around the state have been meeting with representatives from the state Budget Office and the Comptroller General's Office on this issue. "We have communicated our belief that cuts of this magnitude are not feasible and would be devastating to our school systems," Andrzejewski stated. "We believe these proposed cuts are in direct conflict with the path forward that the Red Clay community approved in the February referendum. We also communicated to state officials that state budget cuts cannot be offset by local dollars."

For Red Clay, the cuts represent budget reductions between \$8 million and \$10 million dollars in the 2008-09 budget. "In addition, the state has not committed to funding full-day kindergarten for next year in several districts throughout the state," Andrzejewski stated.

Christina District has already felt the impact of the state's lowered expectations. At the

April 8 regular school board meeting, Financial Review Committee chairman Frank McIntosh told said that monies for the District's mandated transition to Neighborhood Schools was unavailable. "It appears, at this time, that we will not be able to take advantage of the Neighborhood Schools Act transition funding," McIntosh explained. "We received a letter from the state telling us that no funds are available at this time."

The Neighborhood Schools Act of 2000 ordered school districts to establish and implement a plan for neighborhood schools in Northern New Castle County that is fair and equitable to all affected children in New Castle County. Christina District's approximately 15 miles separating the Wilmington portion from the Newark and Bear/Glasgow portions made this virtually impossible until

last November when the taxpayers approved funding to allow a new middle school in Wilmington and a new elementary school in Bear.

Each District is required to implement its Neighborhood School Plan within 18 months of receiving payment of \$1.25 million from the General Fund for transition costs incurred by the district in implementing the plan. Christina District is already implementing its plan; however, the transition funds are an additional loss to their efforts to dig out of and move ahead of their own budget crisis and a state loan in 2006.

McIntosh held out some hope for the transition funds. "Perhaps, this situation might change in the future and we should keep this in mind as we go forward," he told the school board.

The state budget office has asked all of the state super-

intendents to develop alternative budgets reflecting the cuts. However, this has been presented to use as merely an "internal exercise," at this point. "If the state does eventually decide to pull back funding for education," said Scanlon, "we will ask our community to please contact their legislators about the importance of education and to let them know your support for our schools. Education must be a priority." Lowery also stated that the budget reductions to state funding for education have not been finalized. "Christina will continue to collaborate with its employee groups, school leaders and elected officials to address this issue," Lowery stated. "We remain committed to communicating financial information in a clear and timely way to all members of the Christina community."

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Richard Allen Peterson

Richard Allen Peterson, 83, of Newark, died on Thursday, April 3, 2008.

Born in Oak Park, Ill., on July 17, 1924, he was the son of the late Harry Peterson and Charlotte Brown Peterson. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during both World

■ 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:

Morris J. Barto
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John Clark Dollins
Aaron Sean Flowers
William P. Hayden
Thomas J. Hoffman
Richard Allen Peterson
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Allen Dale Pierce
Mary Etta Tripp
Helen Vermeychuk
Gwendolyn M. Windle

Ethel Flora Hauber Crowe, 91, teacher, community volunteer

Ethel Flora Hauber Crowe, 91, of Newark, died at her home on Saturday, April 12, 2008, after a long illness.

She was born Dec. 11, 1916, in Wilmington, the daughter of the late Arthur "Dutch" Hauber Jr. and Mildred Tarbutton Hauber, both of Wilmington. She moved to Newark with her family as a young child. She was a cheerleader and played field hockey and basketball while attending Newark High School. While in high school, Ethel Hauber met her future husband, Joseph J. Crowe Jr., from Glen Nor, Pa., who was a student at the University of Delaware.

Upon graduation from Newark High School, class of 1935, she attended Sweet Briar College in Virginia, where she participated in the student government, the YWCA, the modern dance group, the Chung Mung Association, the annual May Court and the Yearbook Committee. Following her

graduation from Sweet Briar College in 1939 with a B.A. in English and Drama, she returned to Newark and was an active member of the Newark Drama Society from 1939-1941.

On June 14, 1941, she married Joseph J. Crowe Jr., and the couple then moved to Hanover, Pa., where Joseph Crowe was a high school teacher and coach. Following the outbreak of World War II, the couple moved to Ottumwa and Iowa City, Iowa, where both of their children were born and Joseph Crowe was serving as a Lieutenant Commander at the Naval Air Station. The family returned to Newark following the end of World War II. Ethel Crowe was a substitute teacher in the Newark Special School District and the Stanton School District. After raising her children, she taught English in the Stanton School District for 18 years, where Joseph Crowe was a social studies teacher until his

untimely death in 1967.

An active and widely traveled woman throughout her life, she was a member for many years of the Newark Country Club, the Newark New Century Club and AAUW. She was also a life-long member of First Presbyterian Church, where she served as a deacon, a member of the Women's Association and a member of the Circle Group. In addition, she was a docent for the Brandywine River Museum, a life member of the Newark Historical Society, a member of the Sweet Briar Alumnae Committee for the Class of 1939 50th reunion, and a volunteer aide in the Newark Emergency Room (1978-1980). She was a member of a bridge club with life-long friends for over 55 years and visited regularly with the Lunch Bunch, a group of high school classmates who met monthly for lunch.

She is survived by her daughter, Patricia C. Ward

and her husband, Aubrey P. Ward Jr., of Columbia, Md.; her son, Joseph J. Crowe III (Terry); Fred Pritt, her grandniece and her grand-nephew, Katherine Pritt and James Pritt of Ithaca, N.Y.; and her friends in the Newark area. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by her great aunt, Flora Hauber Derbyshire; her sister-in-law, Katherine Crowe Seitz and her husband, Dr. Nevin H. Seitz, and her niece, Sally Seitz Pritt.

A funeral service was held on April 16, at First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark. Interment was in Head of Christiana Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association; the Compassionate Care Hospice Foundation, Newark, DE; or First Presbyterian Church c/o R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home, 122 West Main St., Newark, DE 19711.

War II and the Korean War. A chemical engineer by profession, Peterson received his master's degree in chemical engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He was employed with the DuPont Company until his retirement and had been a member of many pro-

fessional organizations, including the American Institute of Engineers, the National Council for Geocosmic Research, and the American Chemical Society (emeritus member).

He loved his community and served as president of the North Star Civic Association and as

president of the Henderson Union Association, a community group dedicated to the orderly evolution of northern New Castle County. He was a member of the Historical Society of Delaware, possessing a great interest in American History, (particularly the world

War II era). He was also a member of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark, where he was instrumental in the construction of the church and served as president from 1961 to 1963.

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He is survived by five children, Barbara Hrudu of Newark, Lawrence Peterson of Las Vegas, Nev., Rick Peterson of Chicago, Ill., Stephen Peterson and his wife, Lauren, of Newark and Carla Kahlbaugh and husband, George, of Danbury, Conn.; four grandchildren; six stepgrandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Patricia Stevens.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 12, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark, 420 Willa Road, Newark.

Morris J. Barto

Morris J. Barto, 96, a resident of Luther Crest, South Whitehall Township, and formerly of Newark, died April 11, 2008, in the Luther Crest Health Care Center.

Born in Hartford, Conn., he was the son of the late Horrace H. and Josephine (Tammany) Barto. He was a mechanical engineer for the Chamber Works of DuPont Chemical, Deepwater, N.J., for 37 years, retiring in 1973. Barto was a 1931 graduate of Alexis I. DuPont High School, Wilmington, and a 1937 graduate of the University of Delaware. He was a member of the Church of Our Merciful Savior Episcopal Church, Carneys Point, N.J., and served on its vestry. He was treasurer of Layton's Lake Inc. for 14 years, and board member of the Villa Belmont Association for six years. He was also a former scoutmaster of Troop-3 in Carneys Point.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Anna Mae (Gehret) Barto. Also surviving are a son, Dr. Andrew G. Barbo and his wife, Dr. Margaret Speas, of Leverett, Mass.; and two daughters, Josephine A. Hintz of Freehold, N.J., and Margaret

J. and her husband, Dr. John J. Snyder, of Basking Ridge, N.J. Other survivors include a sister, Dorothy Dean of Wilmington. There are four grandchildren, Thomas Hintz, Anna Barto, Charles Barto and Andrew Snyder.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, April 15, in the Klee Funeral Home, 1 E. Lancaster Ave., Shillington, Pa. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Shillington.

Contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Denise L. Broderdorp

Denise L. Broderdorp, 55, of Newark, died on Saturday, April 5, 2008.

She was born in Elkton, Md. She attended William Penn High School and, after graduation in 1970, she pursued a career in nursing. She was an active participant in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

She is survived by her husband of almost 31 years, Edward William, and their children, Scott Broderdorp and his wife, Kati, of Elkton, Md., Craig Broderdorp of Orlando, Fla., and her daughter, Dawn Conway and her husband, Jeffrey, of Middletown. She is also survived by her granddaughter, Alissa Broderdorp; her parents, Cullis and Margaret George of Newark; her brother, Edwin George and his wife, Carol, of Beverly Hills, Fla.; and her brother, Kenneth George and his wife, Michelle, of New Castle; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held on Monday, April 14, at the McCrery Memorial Chapel, 3710 Kirkwood Hwy. Interment followed at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear.

Contributions may be made to the Northeast Relay for Life "Family and Friends Team" in care of American Cancer Society, 92 Reads Way, New Castle Commons, 19720.

John Clark Dollins

John Clark Dollins, 58, of Midlothian, Va., formerly of Newark, died April 7, 2008.

He attended VCU and began a career as an adventurous entrepreneur, starting businesses such as New Morning Rockers, Board'em (the first skateboard shop in Richmond), Mugs Away dart pub and Dollins Custom Painting. After working for Honeywell, Inc. in the early '80s, he began a long career as a developer in Chesterfield County working with George B. Sowers & Associates, helping develop subdivisions including Clarke's Forge, Riverton and Founder's Bridge. His contracting business, D.C. Builders, later known as Dollins Construction, built homes throughout the county. In 2002, he started his own real estate consulting company, Dollins Development Services, and was responsible for developing subdivisions such as The Links of Mill Quarter and Chesdin Harbor.

Son of the late Alvin L. Dollins, he is survived by his mother, Margaret D. McMullen of Wilmington. He is also survived by his wife of 32 years, Lisa R. Dollins; three sons, Nicholas Ryan, Donna Peters and her husband, Kim; his mother-in-law, Phyllis Rosati; and nieces, nephews and many other friends and relatives.

A memorial service was held on Friday, April 11, at Bliley's Central, 3801 Augusta Ave., followed by a graveside service at Hollywood Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 92 Read's Way, #205, New Castle, DE 19720 or to the Newark High School Stadium Fund, c/o Tom Jones, Treasurer,

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Aaron Sean Flowers

Aaron Sean Flowers, 19, of Newark, died Friday, April 11, 2008. A funeral service will be held at noon on Thursday, April 17, at New Destiny Fellowship Church, 906 E. 16th St., Wilmington. Viewing is from 10 a.m. - noon.

William P. Hayden

William P. Hayden, 56, of Newark, died on Monday, April 7, 2008.

He was Cadet Commander of the New Castle Squadron Civil Air Patrol and was nominated to attend the United States Air Force Academy. He was a graduate of Alexis I. DuPont High School, Delaware Technical and Community College and Goldey Beacom College. He worked in the local banking industry until 1991, when he became too ill to continue.

His father, Marion M. Hayden, died on May 2, 2005. In addition to his mother, Ida (Calcagni) Hayden of Hockessin, he is survived by his five sisters, Elizabeth A. Cawthray, Mary L. McDonald, Jean M. Svadlenak, Kathleen H. Lorenz and Susan Noce; and his nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, April 12, at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Interment followed in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Ashland.

Contributions may be made to Connections, 500 W. 10th St., Wilmington, DE 19801 or to the Alliance for the Mentally Ill in Delaware (NAMI DE), 2400 W 4th St., Wilmington, DE 19805.

Thomas J. Hoffman

Thomas J. Hoffman, 63, of Newark, was born May 23, 1944, and died on Thursday, April 10, 2008.

He was a quality control engineer who worked at General Electric, Chalmers & Kubec and various other companies as an engineer and manager. He served in the Army National Guard for 28 years.

Hoffman is survived by his partner in life, Desiree Baca; his son, Demetrias Hoffman; and stepdaughter, Annastasia Baca. He also leaves three sons from a previous marriage.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, April 16, at the Mealey Funeral Home, Limestone and Milltown Roads, Wilmington. Interment followed in All Saints Cemetery.

Thomas J. Phillips

Thomas J. Phillips, 65, of Newark, died on Friday, April 4, 2008.

Phillips served as the Chief of Police with the Clayton Police Department and later joined Globe Union Battery, where he was employed as a manager. He also owned and operated an Interstate Battery Franchise and, prior to retirement, managed a chain of gas stations.

Phillips is survived by his mother, Dorothy (Biggans) Phillips; his children, Thomas J. Phillips and Michelle Quillen; his grandchildren, Christopher, Michael and Matthew Quillen and Amanda and Aimee Phillips; his great-grandson, Timothy McKernan; and his sister, Theresa Tobin. He was predeceased by his son, David W. Phillips; his father, John T. Phillips; and his sister, Mary Beth Phillips.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, April 10, at the Doherty Funeral Home, 3200 Limestone Rd., Pike Creek. Interment followed in Saints Peter & Paul Cemetery, Springfield, Pa.

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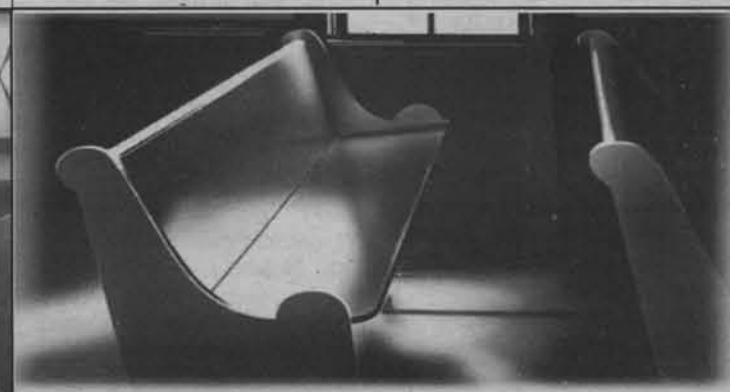
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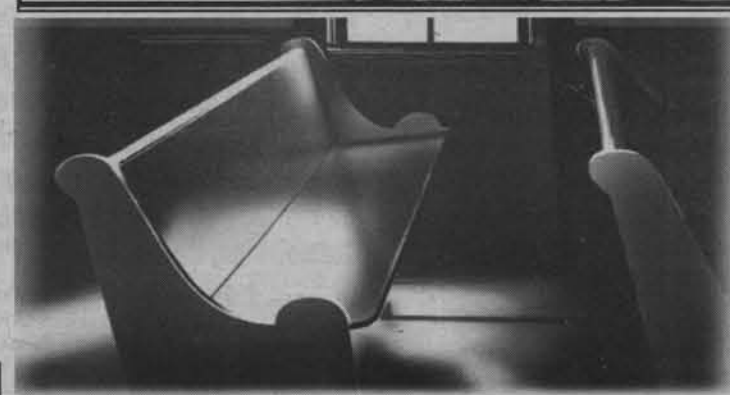
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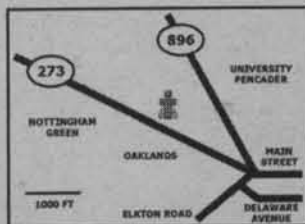
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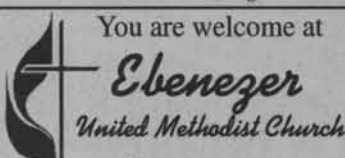
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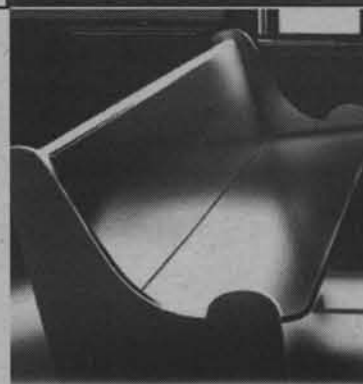
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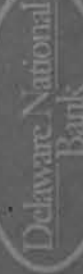
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LEGAL NOTICE

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF Vincent Joseph Ceccola, Jr. PETITIONER(S) TO Vincent Joseph Crandon NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Vincent Joseph Ceccola, Jr. intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Vincent Joseph Crandon.

[Signature]
Petitioner

Dated: March 24, 2008
np 4/18,25,5/2

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with Title 7, Chapter 54, Section 5406(b) of the Delaware Code, the Director of the Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, Department of State, hereby gives notice of the discovery of unmarked human skeletal remains on the former Simmons Farm site, tax parcel 10-033.00-040, northeast of the intersection of routes 40 and 7, in Bear, New Castle County. The property is now part of the Lincoln Center Development. The remains of 10 individuals, interred between 1787 and 1839, were uncovered. Archival research indicates the site is the location of the James Partridge family cemetery. The landowner proposes to rebury the recovered remains within the original cemetery lot.

Any persons who have reason to believe they may be next-of-kin to these individuals or have evidence that they have relatives buried in this location should contact the Director, Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, 21 The Green, Dover, DE 19901-3611; telephone 302-736-7400; weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; within thirty (30) days of this Notice. np 4/18,25

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public auction, on May 19, 2008 at 4:30 p.m., at PS ORANGECO INC./PUBLIC STORAGE, 3801 N. Dupont Parkway, New Castle, DE 19720, the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

- A109 - Lesa Freerksen - bed frame, mattress, suitcase, 10 totes
 - A116 - Tina Maichle - chest of drawers, fan, toys
 - A150 - Deborah Henry - air conditioner, 4 boxes
 - A159 - Fernando Miranda - 1 box, fan, picture
 - A160 - Sharmaine Collins - 10 boxes, microwave, portable TV
 - A234 - Fred Smalls - 30 boxes, clothing, 5 totes
 - A238 - Brian Cramer - auto parts, tires
 - A242 - Rosemary Mullings - fish tank, table lamp, stereo, 2 portable TVs
 - A247 - Shawn Black - 2 office chairs, ladder, water heater
 - B413 - Wyatt Brower - dryer, washer, microwave, exercise equipment
 - C623 - Tiffany Honie - sports equipment, kitchen table, portable TV
 - D725 - Loretta Brown - 50 bags, bicycle, clothing, suitcase
 - E913 - John Beauchesne - box spring, mattress, vacuum, sofa
 - E915 - Dion Smith - 30 boxes, speakers, stereo
 - E924 - Cora Mills - bicycle, 20 boxes, 10 totes
 - E927 - Michelle Samuels - 20 bags, 2 bicycles, 3 boxes, 20 totes
 - B432 - Lakie Jackson - headboard, mattress, sofa, chest of drawers
 - D822 - Donald Gatling - 30 boxes, 3 totes, 5 suitcases, ironing board
 - E1022 - Yvonne Dixon - 20 boxes, 10 totes
 - F249 - Calvin Slay - bicycle, computer, monitor
- np 4/18,25

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RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Tanya Banks residing at, 37 Pepperwood Lane, Bear, DE 19701 will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons, for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.

Tanya Banks
4/14/08

np 4/18

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

Dated: 3/31/08
np 4/11,18,25

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Travis Michael Lawler
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Travis Michael Terry
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Travis Michael Lawler intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Travis Michael Terry.

Travis Lawler
Petitioner

Dated: 4/4/08
np 4/18,25,5/2

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Jordan Alexander
minor child
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Jordan Terry
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jordan Alexander intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Jordan Terry.

Patricia Terry
Petitioner

Dated: 4/8/08
np 4/18,25,5/2

LEGAL NOTICE

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RE: DEADLY WEAPON
I, Michael Charles Hewlett residing at, 25 N. Fawn Drive, Newark, DE 19711 will make application to the judges of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County at Wilmington for the next term for a license to carry a concealed deadly weapon, or weapons, for the protection of my person(s), or property, or both.

M. Hewlett
4/11/08

np 4/18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Joseph Robert Lacovara-Switzer
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Joseph Scarborough Switzer
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Joseph Robert Lacovara-Switzer intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Joseph Scarborough Switzer.

Joseph Switzer
Petitioner

Dated: 3/28/08
np 4/4,11,18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Jajuan Wayne Earl
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Juwon Darnell Earl
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jajuan Wayne Earl intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Juwon Darnell Earl.

Kimberly Graham
Petitioner

Dated: 4/4/08
np 4/11,18,25

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Sandra M. Walther
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Sandra M. Daly
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sandra Walther intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Sandra Daly.

Sandra M. Walther
Petitioner

Dated: 4/4/08
np 4/11,18,25

LEGAL NOTICE

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Eric D. Saunders
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Erik Saleem Bey
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Eric Daune Saunders intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Erik Saleem Bey.
Eric Saunders
Petitioner

Dated: 3/31/08
np 4/4,11,18

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY
IN RE: CHANGE OF NAME OF
Ra'neya Tiani Collins
PETITIONER(S)
TO
Ra'neya Tiani Williams
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Taliah Williams intends to present a Petition to the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, to change his/her name to Ra'neya Tiani Williams.

Taliah Williams
Petitioner

Dated: 3/26/08
np 4/4,11,18

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public sale on May 19, 2008 at PS ORANGECO INC./PUBLIC STORAGE, 201 Bellevue Rd., Newark, DE 19713, (302-737-3253), at 12:00 p.m., the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

A086 - Candice Kaufman - boxes, table, 4 chairs
A046 - Sandra Lawton - boxes, lamp, clock
B037 - Tanisha Washington - bags, boxes, TV, toys
B123 - Michelle Williams - totes, suitcases, boxes
D003 - Diane Prince - 40 bags, lamp, cooler, box spring
F004 - Jacqueline McCray - 40 boxes, washer, sports equipment
np 4/18,25

LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at a lien sale on 5/19/08 at 2:00 p.m. at:

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The personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

D031 - Tracy Czerny - misc. household items
C109 - Deborah Tomasetti - 4 bags, clothing, fan, toys
C052 - Dorothy French - ladder, stove, 5 totes
P012 - Tim Carroll - red utility trailer
P040 - Tim Carroll - blue Ford pick-up
C135 - Deborah Cole - air conditioner, 2 bicycles, vacuum
E047 - Rhiana Todd - washer, dryer, 4 kitchen chairs
G007 - Anthony Kaminski - misc. household items
C176 - Alissa Mercado - box spring, mirrors, stereo, console TV
D047 - Robert Allen - 2 dressers, 2 fans
np 4/18,25

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE**

APRIL 28, 2008 - 7:30 PM

Pursuant to Section 402.2 of the City Charter, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, notice is hereby given of a public hearing at a regular meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 220 Elkton Road, Newark, Delaware, on **Monday, April 28, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.**, at which time the Council will consider for Second Reading and Final Passage the following proposed Ordinance:

Bill 08-08 - An Ordinance Amending Ch. 30, Water, Article VII, Water Resource Protection Regulations, By Adopting & Incorporating Subsequent Amendments to the Current Water Resources Agency's Water Resource Protection Area Map

Patricia M. Fogg, CMC
City Secretary

np 4/18

LEGAL NOTICE

Andrew Yeung has on **March 31, 2008** applied with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for license to serve alcoholic beverages for a premises located at 217-218 Louviers Drive, Newark, DE 19711.

Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against the application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least ten signatures of residents of property owners located within one mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within one mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd floor, Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before **April 30, 2008**. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If you have questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's office.

np 4/11,18,25

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The Newark Housing Authority 2008 Annual Plan is available for review by the public. It can be reviewed during business hours from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A Public Meeting for comments is scheduled for 5/20/08 at 6:00 p.m.
np 4/4,11,18,25,5/2,9

LEGAL NOTICE

MONSERRATE, INC. t/a SANTE FE MEXICAN GRILL, has on April 11, 2008 applied with the Office of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner for approval of an "extension of premises patio permit" to a restaurant with a liquor license on the premises located at 190 E. Main Street, Newark, DE 19711.

Persons who are against this application should provide written notice of their objections to the Commissioner. For the Commissioner to be required to hold a hearing to consider additional input from persons against the application, the Commissioner must receive one or more documents containing a total of at least ten signatures of residents of property owners located within one mile of the premises or in any incorporated areas located within 1 mile of the premises. The protest(s) must be filed with the Office of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commissioner at the 3rd floor, Carvel State Building, 820 North French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The protest(s) must be received by the Commissioner's office on or before May 12, 2008. Failure to file such a protest may result in the Commissioner considering the application without further notice, input, or hearing. If anyone has questions regarding this matter please contact the Commissioner's office.
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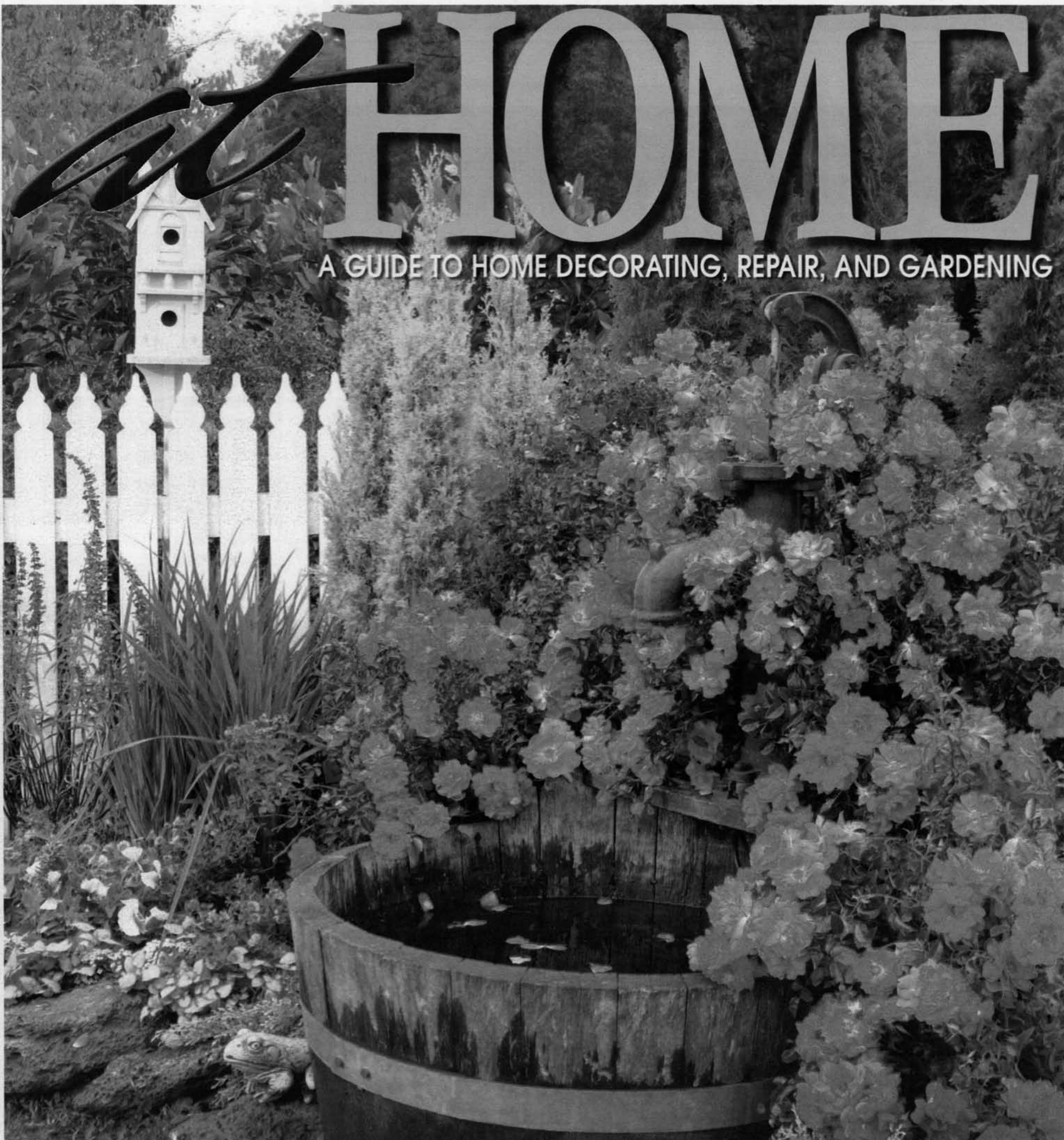


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Are you looking for a way to make your home stand out and increase resale value without spending your life savings? According to a survey of 5,000 U.S. home owners by Remodelestimates.com, the interest in remodeling remains high for homeowners though they are more conservative about

costs in light of declining home prices.

With so many options available for the do-it-yourself homeowner, it can be confusing to know where to start. Homeowners should consider the following questions: What remodeling project will give you the most value impact for prospective

buyers? What is the price range for remodeling and addition projects?

According to *Remodeling Magazine's* "Cost vs. Value Report 2007," the national mid-range average for a deck addition was more than \$10,300; a mid-range kitchen remodel (major) was more than \$55,500; and a sun room addition was nearly \$70,000.

A much less expensive alternative is to add a water feature to enhance your backyard landscape. Water features not only add aesthetics to a yard and home but also provide a calming, serene and eco-friendly environment that everyone can enjoy.

"Landscaping and the appearance of your yard is a critical point to making your home stand out in today's market," said Mark Munley, vice president of sales and marketing for Firestone Specialty Products. "You don't have to be discouraged by high remodeling costs because something simple, such as installing a backyard water feature, is easy, cost efficient, and can provide you with a higher resale value."

Building a water feature

It is easy to become discouraged with many home improvement projects because of the complicated installation processes. Water features, on the other hand, range in size and complexity from the novice all the way up to the DIY expert.

The most important factor is to decide what size and shape water feature is appropriate for your

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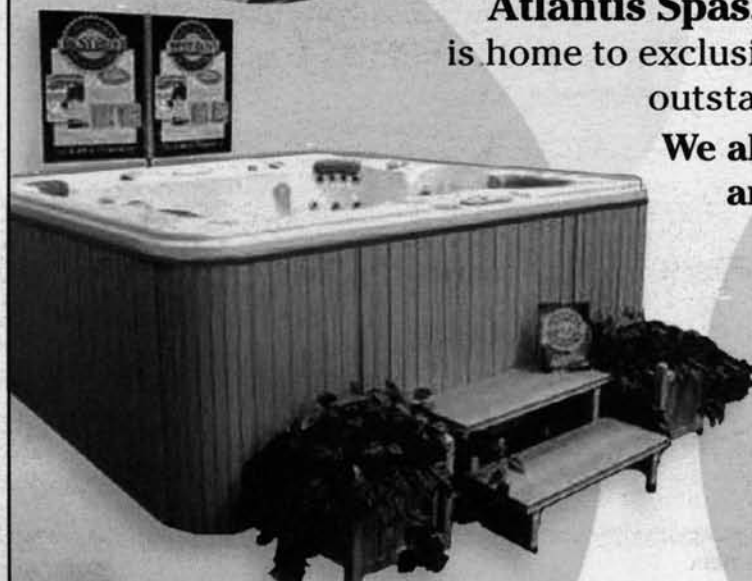
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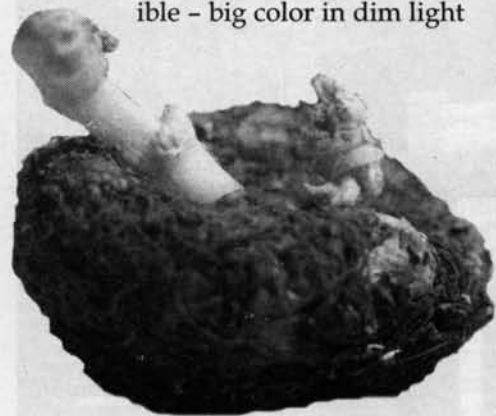
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Oh, behave! Begonia's bad girl image is undeserved

Shade-loving, big-blossomed tuberous begonias have a reputation for being difficult characters in the garden. True, they're particular about how they're treated. But it's also true that it doesn't take much to keep begonias happy.

Once you understand their needs, growing begonias becomes easy and so worth any small effort. Why? For gardeners with shady gardens, begonias offer something irresistible – big color in dim light



from flamboyant flowers that bloom non-stop mid-summer till frost.

Following are tips from the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center in Danby, Vt. (www.bulb.com) to help any gardener "get" begonias.

Begonia basics

Begonia tubers are available in early spring from garden retailers and mail-order firms. In late spring and summer, potted nursery begonias are available from garden retailers to plant "as is" into the garden or containers.

Begonias are tender summer bulbs, very susceptible to frost. Don't plant them out in the garden until the threat of frost has passed. Generally, they take 12 to 15 weeks to bloom and then bloom and bloom, till the season ends.

For earlier bloom, start tubers indoors in pots in late winter/early spring (about six weeks prior to the

last usual frost date in your area).

Begonias love soil that drains well and shaded locations out of the wind. They don't like full sunlight. Beyond these basics, three other conditions that can influence begonias are day heat, night heat and humidity. Ideally, begonias perform at their best where:

- day time temperatures are warm, up to 90°F

- night time temperatures are cool, around 55° to 60°F

- average humidity is 69 percent or above (insufficient summer humidity is rarely an issue here in the Northeast).

Where conditions veer from ideal, adapt growing conditions slightly if you can. For instance, where too hot or wet, simply grow begonias in full shade or containers. Containers make it easier to control soil conditions and can be positioned to minimize exposure to sun, heat and wind.

Tips for growing the best begonias

1. Select begonia tubers that are firm to the touch.
2. Choose clean containers (at least 2-3 inches deep) with a drainage hole. Use a commercial potting soil mixed with peat moss and sand, so soil stays moist but not soggy.
3. Place tubers in the soil mix with their convex (rounded out) side pressed gently onto the surface of the soil. Cover with half an inch of soil.
4. A warm humid setting is optimal for promoting growth. Keep soil moist, but not wet. Never let soil dry out completely.
5. When shoots reach six- to eight-inches tall, transplant to the garden or outdoor containers. (By this time the threat of frost should be past.)
6. Plant tuberous begonias in well-drained, moisture-retentive soil with a high humus content. Space plants one per square foot. Keep away from direct sunlight, midday heat, and wind.
7. Most upright-flowering plants will need staking.
8. For sturdier plants, pinch off extra or too long stems when the plants are developing. Keep the strongest three stems and nip off any others. For fewer but bigger flowers, pinch off early developing flowers, until the plant reaches 10 inches.
9. In fall when night frosts hit, begonia season is over. Either bid begonias adieu as annuals or, prior to a killing frost, lift the tubers for over-winter storage. To store: after letting the tubers dry off for several days, layer them in peat in a cool dry place (45° to 50° F). In spring, replant plump, healthy tubers for another season of bloom.

Pink Supreme is a true easy-care rose

Flower Carpet Pink Supreme is the eighth variety to join the popular Flower Carpet series of easy-care groundcover roses from Anthony Tesselar Plants.

Pink Supreme was developed by Noack Rosen, the German rose-breeders known for their early commitment to disease-resistant hybrids. A true easy-care ground cover rose, both home gardeners and professional landscapers will find it simple to grow and easy to maintain, requiring no spraying in the landscape.

Flower Carpet roses are "self-cleaning" and require no fancy pruning or deadheading; simply trim to shape anytime of year. To invigorate blooming, cut back by two-thirds once annually in late winter or early spring. Maximum flowering and performance can be achieved by feeding with a controlled release fertilizer high in potash in early spring.

KEY FEATURES

- Masses of hot-pink colored blooms
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- Bright, vivid presence in the landscape or garden
- Glossy green foliage
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SUGGESTED USES

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GROWTH HABIT & SIZE

Bushes are low growing and compact, with dense foliage. Small to medium flowers, 2 to 2 1/4 inches diameter. Grows to 24 to 32 inches tall and about 40 inches wide.

SPACING

Plant 2-3 per square yard, for ground cover. Plant 3-4 feet apart to establish boundaries. Can be planted anytime during spring, summer, or fall.

NUMBER OF FLOWERS

Flowers produced in clusters up to 11 inches across from a single stem. Clusters comprise up to 11 smaller clusters of 5 to 9 flowers and developing buds. Up to 60 flowers and developing buds can be produced on a single stem.

FLOWER COLOR

New flowers are iridescent pink with white center, ageing to lighter pink. Foliage is a dark glossy green.

LIGHT NEEDS

For best bloom, grow in full sun. Grows well in partial shade (4 - 5 hours of sun per day) with reduced number of blooms.

SOIL AND WATER NEEDS

Can thrive in a variety of soil conditions. Performs best in well-drained friable garden soil with added organic matter. When planting in the landscape, water in well particularly during hot conditions and continue to water regularly until the plant is established. Flower Carpet roses are very tolerant of dry conditions once established.

DISEASE TOLERANCE AND PEST ISSUES

Very tolerant of common rose blights such as black spot and mildew. It does not require routine chemical spraying and dusting in the landscape, apply only if needed. Treat for insect pests only as needed.



The world is FLAT

TV sizes have been getting slimmer for some time, and sleek-minded consoles finally are catching up. Say goodbye to the chunky entertainment centers and hello to furniture fit for your flat screen.

BY KATE SULLIVAN
CTW FEATURES

Say goodbye to the boob tube. The square picture box will soon join the Walkman and the VCR in the electronics graveyard, its plot being dug by sleeker, sexier and less-chunky flat-panel TVs. But as flat-panels slide – easily, we might add – into the living room, what becomes of the traditional television stand? You might be ready for this visual upgrade, but is your living room ready? Here's how to bridge 20th-century technology with your traditional tastes.

Walking the aisles of electronics stores like Best Buy and Circuit City, you'll find the slim flat-panels occupying the bulk of the TV floor space. What's the motive behind the flat fad? For Kim Shaver, vice president of marketing communication for Hooker Furniture, Martinsville, Va., it's the appreciation by both genders that makes these TVs such a hot seller. "For women, it's a design statement. For men it's impressive. For both, it's hip, cool and sleek."

Flat-panels, generally no more than 5 inches thick, may carry only a little girth but come full of style and social status. They may be modern and sleek, showing everything from Oprah to the Oakland A's in high definition, but what does it do to your home style? "The flat-panel and flat-screen television revolutionized the landscape of the American living room," Shaver says.

Upon arriving home from the electronics store, much to your chagrin, you may find yourself with a makeshift TV stand after failing to fit your new widescreen flat-panel TV into your cubelike entertainment center.

Don't worry, though, because you're not alone.

Take comfort knowing that computer-savvy consumers worldwide seek advice from others who share their plight. Blogs dedicated to this design dilemma fill up cyberspace. From apartmenttherapy.



Behind closed doors: New hutch-style consoles with wide openings and accordion-style doors have replaced the traditional TV armoire. Here, Hooker Furniture's Cityscape.

com to Yahoo! Answers, a quick "Help! What are furniture options for my new flat-panel TV that won't make my living room look like the set of Star Trek?" results in endless suggestions in a matter of minutes. But Web surfers be aware, while your inquiry might open the door to advice, it won't give you the knowledge and direction you need.

There are three key criteria to consider when selecting a piece of furniture to accommodate a flat-panel TV, says Peter Howson, brand manager of Becker Designed, Inc., Chantilly, Va.

Shoppers must check for accessibility, ventilation and day-to-day functionality. "It is important that the design makes it easy for the user to get to the

back of the cabinet for initial setup and for future equipment upgrades," Howson says. Features like hidden wheels and removable back panels make maintenance manageable.

To prolong the expiration date of your entertainment equipment, a piece of furniture to hold your high-tech TV also must provide proper ventilation. "Heat is a major issue for keeping high-performing equipment, like the flat-screen, working at peak levels." The additional cable boxes and digital-video recorders that often accompany the high-definition TVs all emit heat and raise temperatures.

The piece of furniture also must be easy to live with. Traditional armoire-style cabinets with pocket



Now you see it: A lift mechanism controlled by a remote raises a flat-screen TV to viewing height and lowers it back into the cabinet when not in use. Here, Lane Furniture's Coastal Classics cabinet.

doors have long reigned as the most popular furniture for housing old-school TV gear with smaller screens. Galleon-sized armoires stored the entertainment gear out of sight and out of mind.

New hutch-style consoles, successor to the armoires, are designed with wider openings to accommodate the widescreen TVs. The new Cityscape hutch from Hooker furniture, for example, is outfitted with wrap-around doors that fold neatly to the outside of the hutch, accordion-style. Simpler console tables designed to display flatscreen TVs may integrate wire management into the design.

While the armoire may be the hallmark of the old-school TV era, it's the console that makes headlines today. Those who purchase a new large, flat-panel "trophy TV" seem to want them on display in plain view.

"Consumers are not necessarily concerned with hiding the TV like they used to be," says Christie Furman, an interior designer in New York. "If designing for a contemporary house, the TV becomes part of the flow of a minimal, sleek and clean room. In a

more traditional setting the TV would be surrounded by shelving and more furniture."

A freestanding console satisfies those with modern tastes while a console/hutch combination flanked by shelves and cubbies meets the needs of a more conservative, traditional consumer. No longer a slave to having a wall for a TV to be against, today's flat-panels can float in a room. A hide-away console with a lift mechanism reveals a flat panel TV with the touch of a button, ideal for the end of a bed or in a living room that also doubles as a formal room for entertaining. For console-free fans, flat-panel screens can come framed and, for art aficionados, be hung like a masterpiece over a fireplace mantle.

A modern twist to the television doesn't have to turn your home upside down. Mix your technology upgrade with your personal style for a look that's picture-perfect. Cherry wood consoles for conservatives and steel or metallic for minimalists. When it comes to your new TV, styles may be flat, but for your living room, it's anything but boring.

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The age-old grass went from the food of pandas to the material of choice for hardwood floors. Now the versatile plant is showing its softer side.

By Margaret Littman
CTW Features

It seems a little counterintuitive. The grass heralded as the best replacement for traditional hardwoods is now the fiber of choice of designers who want the softest sheets, towels and fabrics. The adaptable bamboo plant is sprouting up all through the house: as a material in sheets and towels, a design theme in decorative accessories and as a graphic theme on fabric.

"This is really the emerging trend," says Ali Barone, a former member of the design team on TLC's "While You Were Out," and owner of Ali Barone Creations, the New York-based interior design firm. "It is a fiber that is really soft and has a pretty sheen like cashmere or Egyptian cotton."

A bonus, Barone says, is that

bamboo is naturally antimicrobial, making it a "great choice for linens, throws on the living room couch. A lot of people don't realize how many germs those throws collect, with dogs and kids and everyone who comes into the house touching them." Bedding for babies and towels for yoga practice and post-workouts also are naturals for taking advantage of the ready-made germ-fighting properties.

Bamboo used to be an eco-friendly-only product. The bamboo plant reaches maturity in approximately four years, compared with as many as 70 years for a more traditional tree. Cut it down and it grows back quickly. Environmentalists like its low impact on the planet. Unlike

other eco-friendly fibers, bamboo doesn't necessarily have a distinctive "crunchy" look as does hemp, another quick-renewing natural fiber. And bamboo is versatile enough to work with any number of different styles, so designers like it, too. It is this factor that experts say will keep it from becoming trendy or dated in a few years.

So, bamboo is here to stay. It is now part of a more than \$80 billion "ecological lifestyles" marketplace, estimates Colette Chandler, president of The Marketing Insider consulting firm in Westerville, Ohio. "As companies realize the existence of this consumer and that they have to do their part to be environmentally responsible, they start producing more environmentally friendly products using resources such as bamboo."

That means more mainstream companies are turning to bamboo (there are more than 1,400 species of the grass, according to researchers at Iowa State University), and that means these products are easier for you to find. From Target to Bed, Bath and Beyond to Lands End, and even Wal-Mart and Sam's Club, bamboo goods can be on your shopping list without making an extra trip. Such accessibility has made bamboo fibers affordable, too. While there are some luxury and high-end goods, many are priced for an everyday indulgence. Among the interesting applications for bamboo:

- Baby wear includes fluffy hooded

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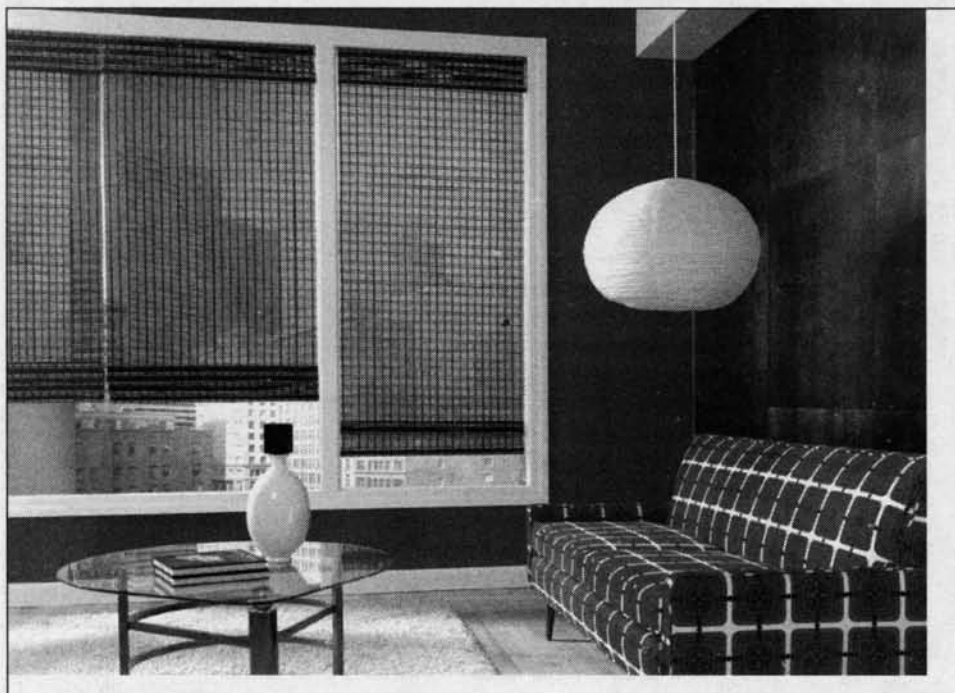
towels, baby blankets and washcloths. Soft and antibacterial, they're a perfect complement to a healthy baby's room.

- Bamboo wall coverings range from finely woven reed coverings that give a sophisticated texture to a room to chunky bricks of mature bamboo canes that evoke the rustic feel of a tropical hut. Maya Romanoff, sold through interior designers and other professionals, offers a persimmon bamboo wall covering worth hiring a professional for.

- Woven room shades have long been popular as a casual window treatment. These days, bamboo has gone distinctly upmarket. In the innovative Provenance woven wood collection from Hunger Douglas, bamboo appears along with with bark, reeds, wood slats and grasses.

- Yoga gear is popping up everywhere: high-end lines of yoga towels and bathrobes of natural, organic bamboo fiber and organic cotton, which makes them extra soft and absorbent (they say they are twice as absorbent as regular cotton with antibacterial and deodorizing properties, in part because the spaces between each fiber are smaller).

- Some bamboo bedding products are 100-percent bamboo fiber, others a blend of bamboo and cotton and other fibers. Macy's Hotel Collection Cashmere Blend Sheets, new this year, are



Eco chic: textured woven bamboo shades are made with reeds and grasses.

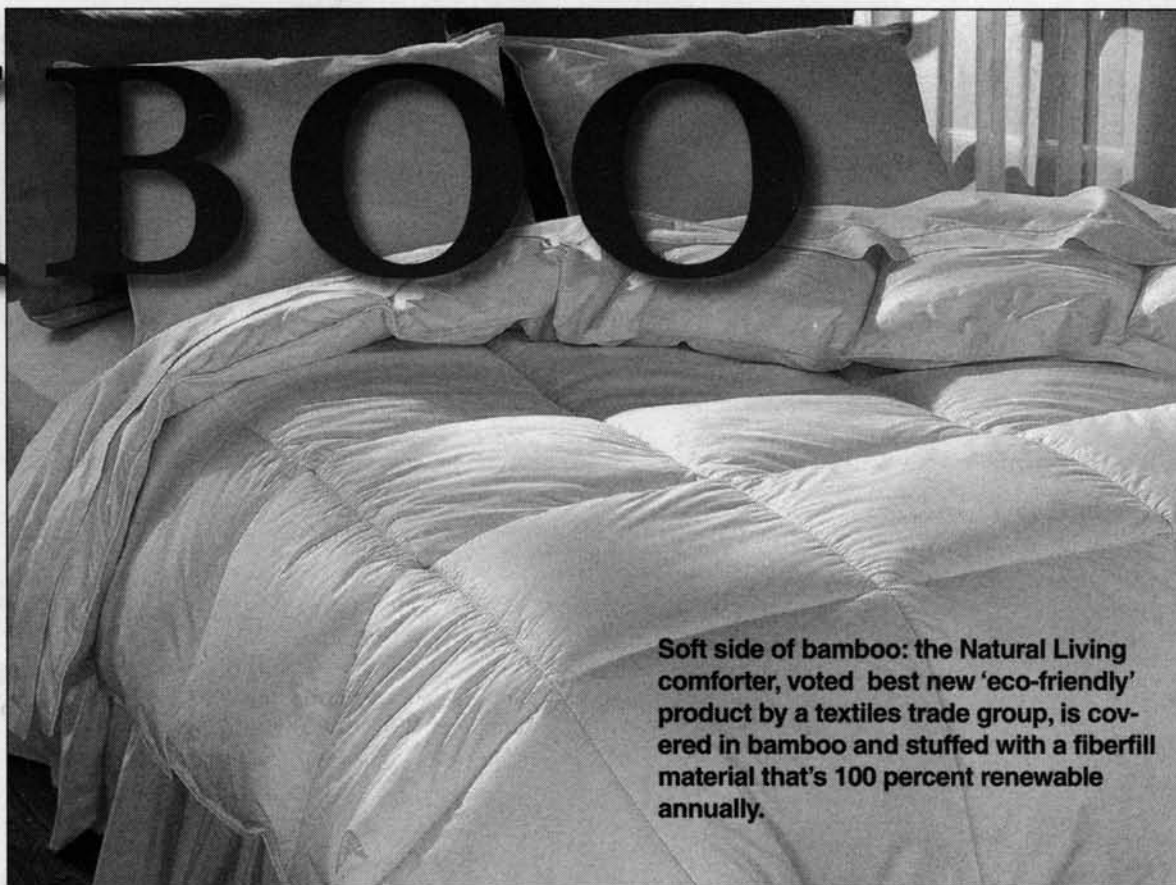


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Zen Master: bamboo sprouts all over

It isn't just the feel of bamboo fiber that has designers going crazy. Bamboo is popping up all over town as a graphic design and sculptural element throughout home furnishings. "The motif of bamboo, with its graceful shoots and leaves, has always been synonymous with relaxation. It gives a Zen, relaxing environment to a room," says designer Ali Barone.

Look for larger-than-life bamboo shoots printed on bedspreads, sheets and decorative pillows, and bamboo cane (and look-alikes in metal) used for furniture.

Faucet-maker Moen has a line of sink and bath faucets and towel racks sculpted to look like canes of bamboo.

Bamboo is a staple for furniture maker Palecek, Richmond, Calif., known for its handcrafted look and eco-aware furniture and accessories. The curvey, sophisticated pieces from furniture group Belvedere, left, are carved to look like bamboo – but they're made from a renewable wood, and aren't bamboo at all.

a blend of bamboo, cotton and cashmere and designed to make you think you are sleeping in a five-star hotel, even at home.

Experts suggest that bamboo bedding fares better in cold-water wash than

hot, so you'll save on your heating and water bills on top of all the other benefits of these new fabrics. With advantages like that, you might not even feel guilty about lounging in bed half the day.

Backyard water features –

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backyard. A commonly used style is the smaller kidney-shaped water feature because it is easy to install and can fit in even the smallest backyards.

Although the average water feature measures about 11x16 feet, sizes and shapes may vary. Also consider other factors, including if the water feature will accompany other objects in your backyard such as a pool or deck.

Begin your water feature installation by determining the perimeter and creating an outline. After digging the hole, add a geotextile mat large enough to cover the base of the hole and walls. The geotextile mat is important because it acts as extra protection for the liner, helping to prevent punctures.

Choosing and installing the liner

There are many liner options available to choose from, but the most popular and trusted option for water feature installations is EPDM rubber liners.

To install the liner, gently place it in the hole and fill with water to hold it in place. Next, use rocks and stones on the floor of the water feature and begin building layers along the walls.

Add the stones and rocks on top of the exposed liner and continue to

stack. Using a range of stones from your local nursery, masonry supplier or even your own yard will help add character to the water feature. Be sure to use different size stones and ground-covers on the perimeter of the pond to avoid a harsh transition from the water feature to the landscape.

To take this design even further, you can add a small waterfall by adding a pump, hose and additional rock formations to the equation. If you are considering this addition, be sure to contact your local electrician to ensure a safe and proper installation.

Other "finishing touch" options to consider are plants and aquatic life. Many water feature enthusiasts include Koi fish and other tropical water life to enhance the aesthetics. Visit your local nursery and aquatic center to find out which options work best for your water feature.

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BY CHUCK ROSS
CTW FEATURES

With telephones the size of wristwatches and TVs that can fill a wall, we're closer than ever to living the life of the Jetsons, the cartoon family of the future. But, even as our economy moves from nuts and bolts to bytes and bits, the simple, often handcrafted lines of Arts & Crafts design continue to have appeal. Experts say it only makes sense that this style, developed as a reaction against turn-of-the-last-century industrialization, would reappear as our economy transitions through yet another paradigm shift.

Arts & Crafts design originated in England, as architects and artisans rejected the bric-a-brac clutter encouraged by new mass-production technology. Championed by designer William Morris, this movement favored clean lines and a connection to nature in everything from plant-themed wallpapers to grain-revealing finishes on furniture and millwork. "Mission Style," as this approach became known in the U.S., became a dominant theme in American homes from 1900 to the Depression, a popularity it seems to have regained in the early years of this century.

"I think a lot of people can identify with the warmth and character of the style," says Treena Crochet, an interior designer and author of *Bungalow Style* (Taunton Press, 2005). "A lot of times, too, we're on brain overload and the simplicity of these lines is uncomplicated. We want our home environment to be something that's relaxing." Crochet credits gentrifiers with

bringing Arts & Crafts back to the forefront. As urban rehabbers rediscovered bungalows and began restoring their characteristic Mission-style moldings and built-ins, they gained a new appreciation for the patina of aged wood grain and the Zen-like simplicity of time-tested construction. Now, she says, even new-home buyers are drawing on Arts & Crafts principles.

One major identifier of Arts & Crafts and Mission styles is that they were among the first artistic movements to bring together architecture and furniture design. Prairie School progenitor Frank Lloyd Wright was famous for creating not just homes, but also the furnishings that filled them. And Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s mail-order bungalows provided the perfect backdrop for the retailer's Mission-style sofas, chairs and accessories. Today's Arts & Crafts revivalists are just as enthused over the role furnishings play in creating harmonious interiors.

Woodworker Bill Laberge creates chairs, tables, desks and other furniture out of his Dorset, Vt. workshop, William Laberge Cabinetmaker. He says the continued popularity of Arts & Crafts furniture is driven by its inherent combination of craftsmanship and durability that creates obvious value for homeowners.

"You can have nice-looking furniture that's well built and will last for a long time," he says. "I think that's why

interest was renewed and that's why it will remain."

Laberge draws inspiration from the work of California-based architects Charles and Henry Greene, who developed a version of Arts & Crafts design often termed the "Craftsmen" style. In the work created by their firm, Greene & Greene, these brothers drew on Asian influences to soften the sometimes imposing linearity of Mission Style furniture. So, while Frank Lloyd Wright became famous for his high-backed, slatted dining chairs, the Greene's designs are somewhat sinuous, and can feature cutouts across the back slats and contrasting pegs in the joinery.

Laberge also works with other artisans to add another layer of handcraftedness to his pieces. For example, he's worked with stained-glass artists to create tabletop insets, and with painters to create inlaid room screens. He sees this effort as one that harkens back to mutual efforts of the craftsmen who originated the style.

"It speaks to a holistic approach," he says. "It isn't about just a dining room server – it's about the tiles on the backsplash of the server. You're including all these different things in the house."

One of the ironies of the British Arts & Crafts movement is that though it championed art for the

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Craftsman style: the warm glow of a copper lamp with mica mineral shade, right, by Mica Lamp Co. Top, Maryland artist Karen Dean's recreation of Arts & Crafts textile designs on decorative wooden tiles.



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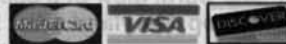
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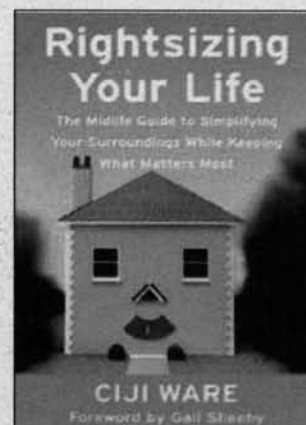
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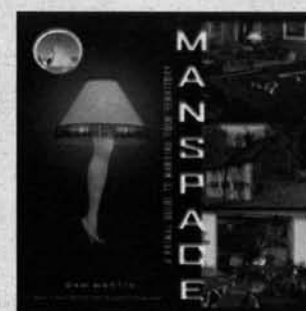
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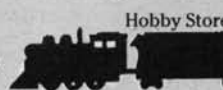
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Spruce up those supermarket flowers like a pro

Who hasn't leafed through the pages of a home décor or lifestyle magazine and envied the stylish rooms of the wealthy fashionistas?

Unfortunately those rooms are beyond the means of most of us. Forget the fixtures and furniture, just the bucket loads of luscious flowers that sprout from every coffee table and credenza are enough to bust most budgets. But wait! What if there were a way to outfox those fashionistas and fill the average home with flowers without breaking the bank?



According to Sally Ferguson, director of the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center in Danby, Vt., there is. "Buy supermarket flowers — then take them home and doll them up," suggests Ferguson.

"Bringing home pots or bunches of daffodils, tulips, hyacinths and more is as convenient as picking up a gallon of milk. Buy strategically and it's possible to get weeks of stylish color from these modestly-priced treats."

In winter and spring, supermarket floral departments are flooded with top-quality spring bulb flowers in bunches and pots. If you haven't shopped plant aisles lately, the product range may surprise you. In all but the stodgiest stores, you'll find an impressive array of the season's best cut tulips, daffodils and hyacinths plus lots of pots of miniature daffodils, ranunculus (Persian buttercups), crocus, muscari (grape hyacinths) and other spring-blooming bulbs.

Also check out the array of African violets, kalanchoes, interesting ferns, peperomias, and other nifty foliage plants now making their floral department appearances.

Bought and displayed "as is," supermarket floral offerings are gen-



Plant several pots in one larger container for instant impact (far left) or slip the dowdy plastic pot into a more interesting container (left). Repotting is also an option, as shown below and right.



erally top-notch, says Ferguson, "but why stop there? For a more stylish presentation, do what magazine stylists do: buy supermarket flowers in multiples and reconfigure them to create pricier looks for peanuts."



It's a case of more is more. If one bunch of tulips is gorgeous, why not combine two? If one pot of yellow mini-daffodils is pretty, three pots will be magnificent when replanted into one bigger, broader prettier pot. Repotted, the plants look more fashionable, enjoy better growing conditions and last longer too."

Pick bulbs that are green and growing
At supermarkets, it's always smart

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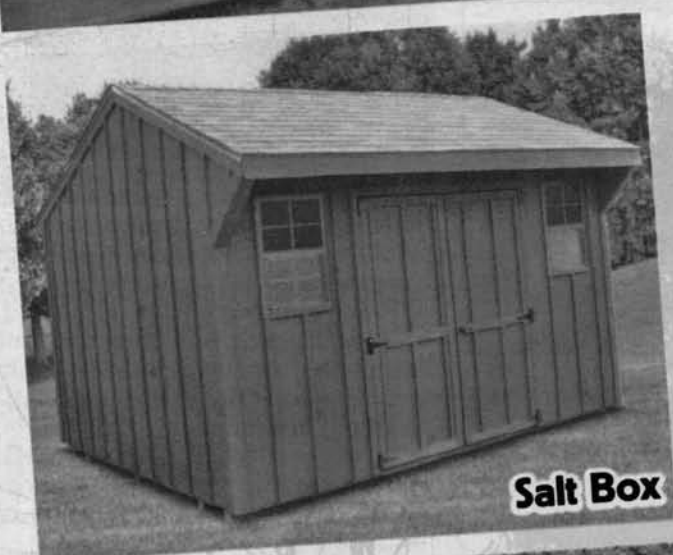
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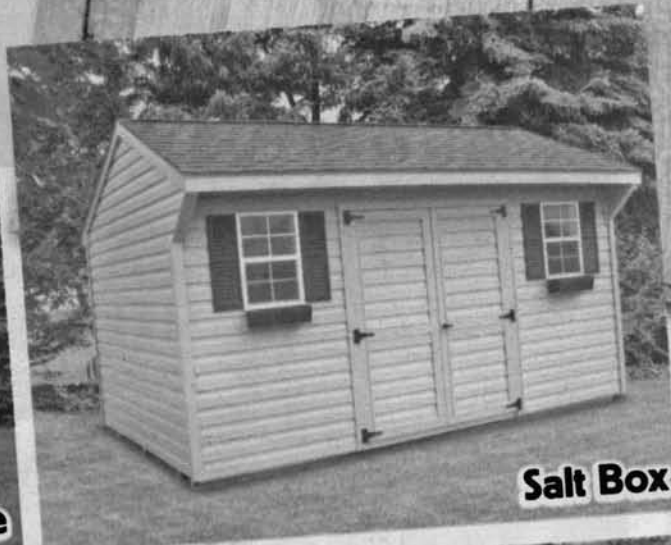
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April showers may bring roofing repairs

By James and Morris Carey
Associated Press

That old rhyme "April showers bring May flowers" may be true for your garden, but for colder parts of the country, April is also the first post-snow opportunity to inspect your roof.

Unless you have experience working on the roof, we suggest you make your inspection with both feet planted firmly on the ground. Using a pair of binoculars, look for cracked, broken or missing shingles.

Most roofing contractors will be able to make any needed repairs. Here's what to look for:

■ METAL FLASHING

Pay particular attention to metal flashing — the sheet metal used in waterproofing around chimneys, at valleys and surrounding plumbing vents. Excessive changes in temperature throughout the year can cause caulking to shrivel up and peel away from flashings, resulting in telltale leaks.

A sheet metal contractor can help if a roofing contractor can't.

■ STONE AND MORTAR

You may also find mortar and brick or stone at your chimney to be a little worse for the wear after a long winter. The freeze and thaw of cold climates can cause mortar, bricks and stone to crack and peel or chip away,

known as spauling.

This usually calls for selective brick or stone repair or replacement and a little mortar repair or "repointing." This is a process wherein cracked or loose mortar is removed by using a hammer and chisel. New mortar is applied and tooled to match the existing material that is still in good shape.

Future damage to brick, stone and mortar can be greatly minimized by sealing the entire exterior surface of the chimney with a high quality brick and stone sealer. If you suspect you need work, consult a stone mason.

■ GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS

With the exception of a few possible April showers, your rain gutters and downspouts have probably done their job for the season. But consider cleaning and flushing the gutters and downspouts one final time after the rains have stopped. It's a great time to look for leaks at seams and gaps, and will ensure the gutters are clean in event of a sudden downpour.

A ladder and garden hose are all you will need to perform this task. Be sure that the ladder is on solid footing and prevent stuff from getting into your eyes by wearing safety goggles. Then:

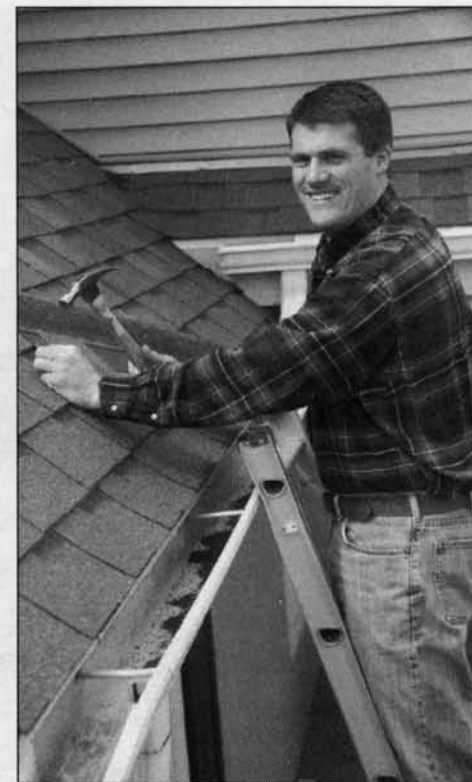
- Remove rust with a wire brush and a chemical rust remover.
- Use a high quality exterior caulk to seal holes, joints and gaps.
- A fresh coat of paint will finish the job and offer added protection for next season.

■ DRIVEWAY

It's not just the roof that could use a post-winter tune-up. Snow shoveling and ice melt can leave your concrete driveway and paths looking like a war zone.

When it comes to repairing concrete, the good news is that it is easy and inexpensive. The bad news is that depending upon the size and number of blemishes, the appearance of the concrete won't look as good as before. To start:

- Begin by removing all loose concrete and other surface grime using a garden hose attached to a power washer.
- Mix up a batch of vinyl latex concrete patching compound and, using a metal concrete trowel, pack the patching compound into the voids.
- Remove the excess and use the trowel to level the patch even with the surrounding concrete such as you would when spackling a hole in wall-board.
- After the patch material has had two to three days to dry, seal the entire surface with a high quality concrete sealer. The sealer will prevent water from making its way into the concrete, which leads to spauling.
- Consider using a non-corrosive ice melt to further prevent damage.



If you simply can't live with the look of the repaired concrete, don't go pulling out the jack hammer just yet. Consider applying a penetrating pigmented concrete stain. Concrete stain will conceal most repairs and the same protection as a clear concrete sealer.

Most concrete stains and sealers can be applied using a paint roller. Remember, less is more. It is better to apply two thin coats than one thick coat. Keep in mind that once you seal or stain concrete, as with a deck, this is a maintenance task that will need to be performed every three to five years.

CRAFTING

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masses, only the wealthy could afford its made-by-hand creations. In the U.S., mass manufacturers, like L. & J.G. Stickley, based out of upstate New York, added a degree of automation to Mission Style furniture production to bring prices within middle-class budgets while still incorporating craftsman-level joinery and high-quality materials.

Karen Deans, a Rockville, Md.-based artist, similarly blends technology and artisanry in the decorative wooden tiles she creates. Some of them feature pared-down versions of the patterns Arts & Crafts founder William Morris developed for wallpaper, textiles and ceramic tiles. Dean works with an area printer who prints

her patterns onto archival-quality paper, which the artist then mounts onto 6-in. and 8-in. square wooden boxes. Either on their own or in groupings, these signed and numbered pieces add a surprisingly unique and affordable artistic touch to any setting.

"My hands have touched every piece," Deans says, describing the combination of automation and individual attention that goes into her work. "I think that's something we don't get anymore."

As the architecture of modern-day Arts & Crafts design evolves, practitioners are seeing a move to more open spaces than traditional bungalows generally offered. And kitchens,



Simple pleasures:
Mission-style wooden
bench by William Laberge
Cabinetmaker

often ignored 100 years ago, are now the centers of many homes — and attracting greater attention from architects, as a result. But even with these changing requirements, experts say homeowners still yearn for the comfort and craftsmanship evident in fine Arts & Crafts creations.

"Our clients seem extremely interested in things that are hand-made — inevitably, that includes the

Arts & Crafts," says Tom Conway, director of design for The Rosen Group, a Summit, N.J.-based architecture firm and a strong believer in the movement's ongoing influence.

"When they're building a new house in this region, they want a new house that has all the charm of a house from 1910."

Minds of their own

Today's showerheads are experience-oriented, preference-based, eco-responsible devices that aim to please.

By Gretchen Roberts
CTW Features

Just one trip to your local home improvement store will clue you in: Since you last remodeled the bathroom, showerheads have gone beyond the standard single-function spray nozzle. If you're looking to upgrade, the best way to choose from the hundreds of options is to decide what kind of experience you want to have in the shower first.

IF YOU WANT ON-THE-GO LUXURY ...

"Time-crunched consumers increasingly want to turn their master baths into a retreat from the hectic outside world," says Michael Wandschneider, senior product manager for Kohler, the Wisconsin plumbing fixtures company.

"They're looking for a time-efficient luxury they can slip into for a few minutes every day, and that means showering."

Multiple showerheads and shower tiles mimic the whirlpool experience without having to soak in the whirlpool, says Araya Jensen, CKD, a designer for Crystal Kitchen Center and Design-Build in Crystal, Minn. "You can install multiple showerheads or shower tiles, which are essentially shaped like a tile square and blend into the tile itself, in the walls and



Shower yourself with possibilities (clockwise): The oversized Rain Showerhead pampers with its gentle force; the WaterTile Showerhead – complete with 54 nozzles – has a fully adjustable sprayface; and the Essential Performance Showering Package includes a multifunction handheld nozzle, showerhead and shower arm.

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"The showerheads and tiles are directional, so you can move them around to hit just the right spots on your body, and you can place them at hip height, back height, upper-back height, or wherever you want a jet of water."

Many high-end multispray systems use digital technology to set customized shower preferences for each user, from the direction of the spray to the amount of pressure and temperature.

Wandschneider compares the tech-

nology to automobiles that save seat settings for different drivers. Most systems also feature a thermostatic valve, which keeps the water at a preset temperature from the moment you turn the shower on (no more waiting for the shower to warm up), through flushes, washing machine cycles and other household water uses. Thermostatic valves are also useful for families with children, to avoid scalding.

IF YOU WANT THE SPA WITHOUT THE PLUMBING EXPENSE ...

As relaxing as multiple showerheads are, they can be expensive to plumb, says Lisa Sten, an award-winning senior designer at Harrell Remodeling in Mountain View, Calif. "Each head requires a separate plumbing line," she explains. "If you want that same kind of luxury without having to replumb the bathroom, try a shower panel instead."

A shower panel, similar to custom showering systems, uses multiple heads, but they're arranged in one panel that requires only one plumbing line.

IF YOU WANT THE GENTLE DOWNPOUR OF SUMMER RAIN ...

A rain-can shower, installed overhead or on the wall, has a large diameter so the water covers more of your body than a standard showerhead. Many custom systems and shower panels use rain-can showers, or you can install one solo.

Just remember that as the diameter gets bigger, water pressure will decrease, Sten says. Globe Union makes a 3-spray rain-can that allows you to change the rain pattern from hard to soft, plus a motor that helps increase water pressure, says Abby Buford, a spokesperson for Lowe's Home Improvement.

IF YOU WANT EXTREME FLEXIBILITY ...

Try an adjustable-arm showerhead, which usually comes on a sliding bar to go up or down for family members of varying heights, and a removable showerhead for added convenience.

"Ideally, you should have a handheld in every shower," Jensen says. "They're incredibly flexible no matter what you're doing - showering, cleaning the tub, washing your pets or bathing children." Install one on its own or as a complement to another type of showerhead.

IF YOU WANT TO REJUVENATE ...

Consider a steam shower, which can be installed in the same space as a regular shower, Jensen says.

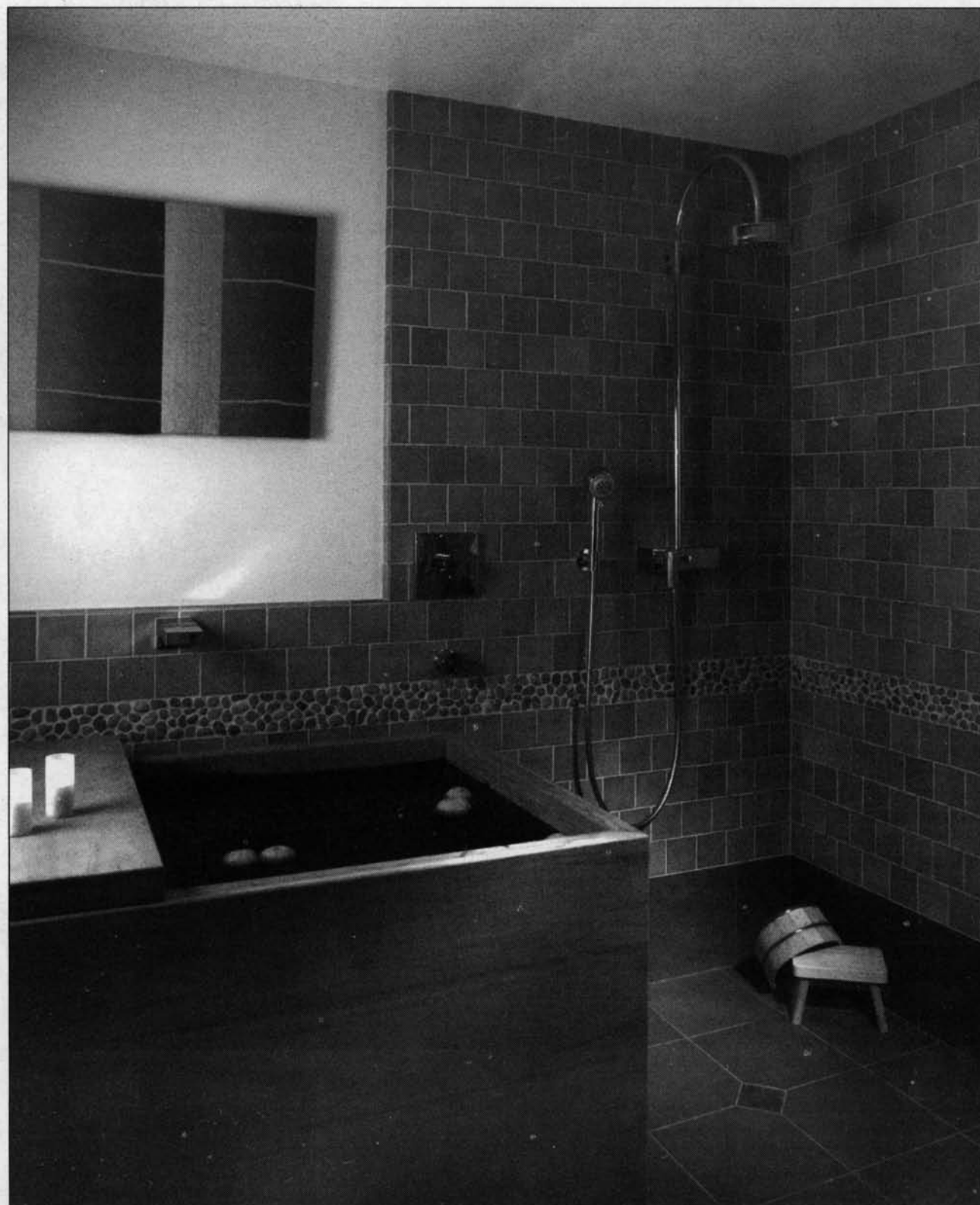
"Many of my clients love steam showers, especially if they travel a lot," Sten says. "It's a nice revitalizing experience when you've got jet lag."

IF YOU WANT TO CONSERVE WATER ...

Government regulations dictate that the maximum water flow out of a showerhead can only be 2.5 gallons per minute, but low-flow showerheads often go much lower, down to 1.5 gallons per minute.

But saving water doesn't mean giving up the relaxing shower experience. Newer versions of low-flow showerheads basically add air to the stream, which helps force out water at a faster rate to increase pressure.

Buford advises looking for a high-end low-flow showerhead that uses technology to make the water pressure seem higher than it really is. "Some cities require low-flow showerheads when you do a remodel, but if you look for a higher-end one you can save water and get the same amount of pressure



A shower full of features, a relaxing bath and an inviting design can turn any bathroom into a spa-like oasis.

coming out as a normal showerhead," she says.

Sten says newer low-flow showerheads are great for people who like the idea of saving water, but not actually giving up their water pressure. "A plumber I work with says it's amazing how people say they want to be green, and they drive a Prius, but when it comes to the shower, people love water and they aren't willing to compromise," Sten says.

IF YOU WANT JUST THE BASICS ...

"In my experience, many people just want a good-quality shower that works well, is easy to clean and looks good. I do a lot of work for dual-income working families who talk about spas, but

in the end, the bathroom is just a utilitarian place where they shower and get ready for work," Sten says. "For them, it's perfectly appropriate to look for an easy-to-install classic showerhead."

But are all basic showerheads the same? Yes and no.

Quality usually increases with the price point, Buford says. Also, she advises, "look for a showerhead with holes in the center as well as the perimeter for the best spray pattern."

Both Sten and Jensen say choosing a showerhead is simple once you narrow down your goals. With so many options, it helps to know, first, what you want to get out of it.

Learning to live with imperfection

In the ideal world, any time a room needed a shot of life, your own personal interior designer would come by and inject some flavor into your room. Unfortunately, idealism isn't always a reality in today's world. But interior redesign is.

Debra Blackmon, an IRIS instructor of redesign from Bakersfield, Calif., has compiled techniques and tips from 19 Interior Redesign Industry Specialists and put them together in an easy-to-reference book for the befuddled homeowner, "IRIS in the House" (Trafford, 2006).

"Basically, I wanted the client or potential reader to have an understanding of what redesign and staging is all about," she says. "We teach conventional design precepts ... then we teach them how to break them."

Blackmon offers these tips for the at-home designer:

THE POWER OF PLACE AND PLACEMENT

Get off the wall and into the room. Every room has a sweet spot, says Blackmon, and finding it means treating the room like a giant 3-D jigsaw puzzle. Don't plan on paper - break

the room down and redesign. "Live in the room and not around the perimeter," she says.

CAN'T FIX IT? FEATURE IT

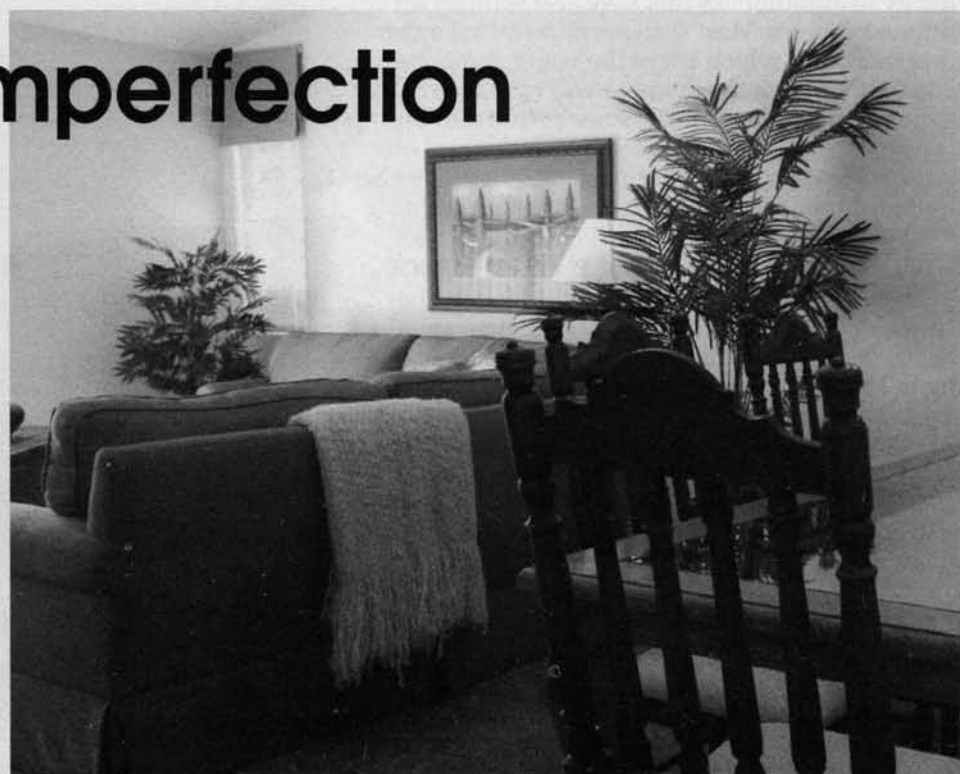
Blackmon had a client with an old brick-red linoleum floor. Instead of an expensive floor overhaul, the client took that same brick red into the valance and some canisters she placed in the kitchen. The floor went from detriment to shabby chic.

PRAGMATIC COLOR SOLUTIONS

Painting the walls always is a solution, but accessorizing helps problem-solve, too. Bad-colored carpet? Find pillows in the same color for the sofa. Bringing that color up instantly solves the disharmony in the room and makes it appear to be done purposely.

MAKE MISTAKES; FIX THEM

If you bring home a new piece of furniture and discover it's too big or small or the wrong color, correct them visually and proportionally. If an entry-way console table is too small, place a plant next to it to make it appear bigger. Couch is too big, place



Keeping it real: 'Don't fix it, feature it!' exhorts redesigner Blackmon. She buffed a client's living room by placing a shawl over a frayed sofa back.

less stuff around it. Add or removing "weight" in the space can make all the difference.

Most of all, possess a willingness and openness to change and try new

things. When you open up, says Blackmon, it's amazing how the universe responds.

- Timothy R. Schulte

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Repot for more glamour

Basically, there's nothing wrong with supermarket flowers. Usually, it's the presentation that's all wrong. Start with those rather sad looking plastic pots, for example. They may be perfect for commercial nurseries, but something snappier might better suit your home.

In fact, you can doll up those duds by simply changing or camouflaging the plastic pot, says the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center in Danby, Vt. (www.bulb.com).

The first strategy is double-potting. It's easy to do. Simply slide your grocery plant, plastic pot and all, into a second, prettier, pot with a drainage hole and a saucer (or any old plate) to protect your tabletops from moisture.

A second option is to actually replant your grocery plant into the prettier pot you have at home. Depending on the size of the new pot, you may need to add a bit of extra potting soil to make your little supermarket plant feel cozy in its new home.

For a more fashionable upgrade, pick up three of the same kind of plant and repot all three together into one larger, prettier container you own. By grouping multiple small plantings into one larger assembly, you create a more dramatic result. Now more lush and full, this planting will look like you paid a mint, plus a larger pot won't dry out so fast and thus the flowers tend to last even longer.

If re-potting isn't for you, consider the venerable cachepot. The word comes from the French phrase for "hidden pot." Choose a decorative pot only slightly larger than the plastic pot you wish to conceal, no drainage hole necessary. Just slip the plastic nursery pot (as is) into its new, tonier digs and voila!

Though potted bulb flowers last for weeks, they won't last forever. After their winter service, either dispose of them and start anew. Or, depending on the type, plant them outdoors to die back in the garden and possibly come up in subsequent spring seasons to rebloom there.

Transplanting to the garden makes sense for only a few bulbs, such as daffodils and crocuses, that naturalize readily. Tulips and hyacinths have little chance of reblooming in the garden.

Only the stately amaryllis can be kept indoors to bloom again indoors. Amaryllis are so suited for rebloom, in fact, that many have been handed down from grandmother to granddaughter.

For complete information on making amaryllis bloom again, visit www.bulb.com.

Spruce up supermarket flowers —

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to shop for what's in season. In winter and spring, floral best bets include cut and potted tulips, daffodils, hyacinths and other spring-blooming bulb flowers, which are at peak availability January through April, with selection, quality and prices at their most appealing.

Experts say the secret to enjoying bulb flowers is to buy the plants "green" so you can watch them grow and bloom at home.

Ferguson says, "Unless you need instant color, say for a party that very

night, look for pots with immature plants just starting to bud up or close to bloom. These are growing plants. Bring them home to grow for you," she said.

Once home, water well and put the pots in a sunny spot to help hurry the blooming process. When the flowers have opened, move the pots to a cool spot away from sources of direct light and heat to help prolong their life. Potted flower bulbs need minimal care. All they really need is a bit of water every few days.

When shopping for cut tulips and other spring bulb flowers the criteria are a bit different. "Tulips should be purchased when the buds are just opening and already showing some color," says Ferguson. "If the buds are too tight, they won't open properly," she says.

Filling the rooms of your home with fresh flowers might not win you a spot in a national magazine, but it will probably make you and your family smile.

For easy tips on caring for cut and potted bulb flowers, visit NFBIC's www.bulb.com.



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Welcome to the Galaxy! This ranch style home has 1,481 square feet of spacious living, ideal for the family seeking a feel of togetherness. The exterior is unique with a side entrance to the garage and three windows in the end. The area between the garage and the front entrance has a wonderful garden window, making it easy to see who is coming to visit as well as supplying the kitchen area with great light.

Inside the home, the sleeping quarters are to the left, while the kitchen and dining rooms are to the right. Straight ahead, beyond the coat closet/built-in hutch, is a vaulted, spacious, great room, complete with skylights and deck access. A gas fireplace in the corner heats the home, while the patio door and large windows add plenty of light.

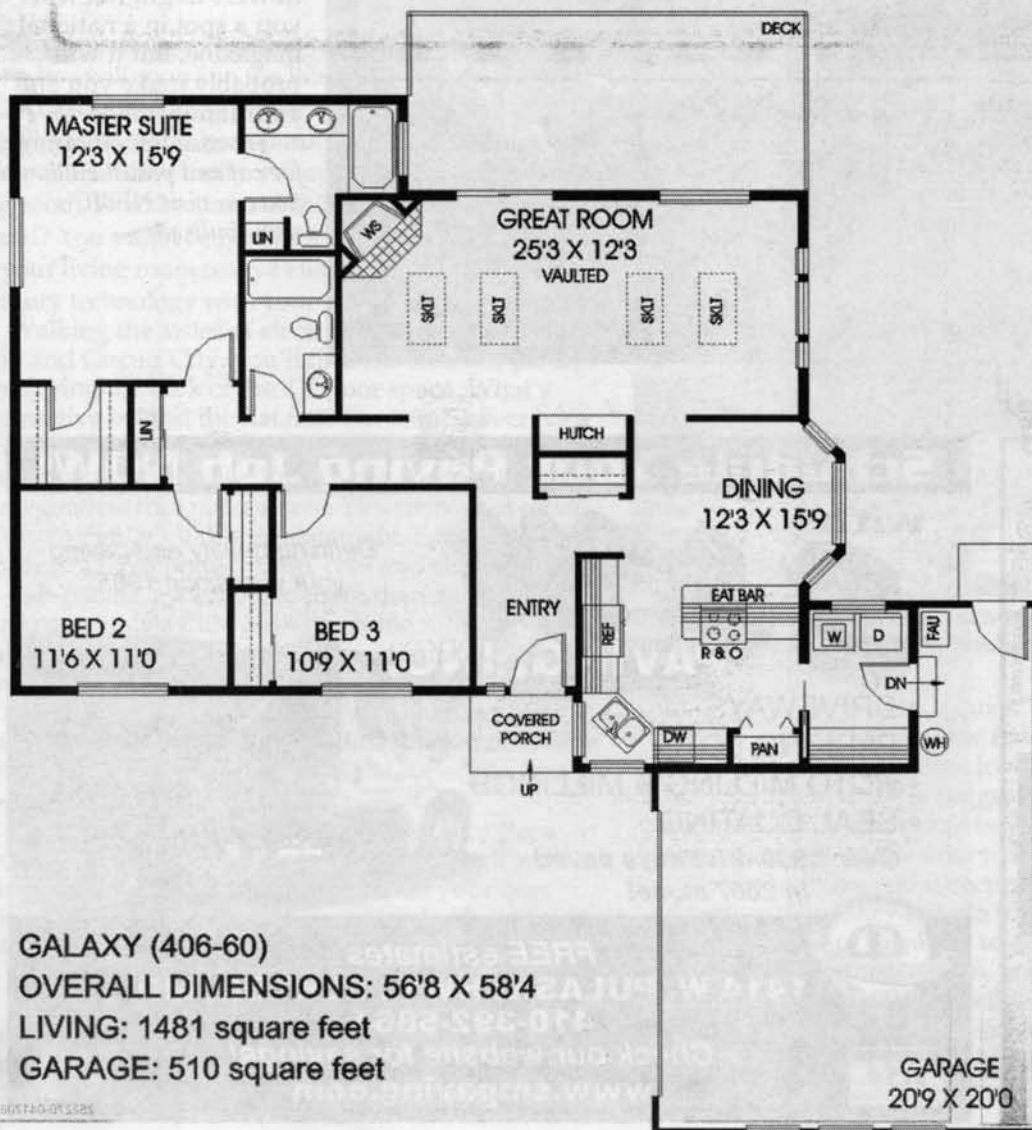
Conversation in the kitchen and dining room is easy since only an eating bar separates the two. For a more formal dining occasion, a table could be placed in front of the picture window in the great room. The area in the kitchen has been designed for convenience, with the corner sink and easy to use pantry.

The utility room, with a sliding pocket door to cut down on washer/dryer noise, has been conveniently located between the kitchen and the garage. This makes carrying groceries in from the garage a snap.

The master suite is located in the rear of the home where it is most quiet. The master bath includes two sinks, a tub with a frosted window for light, and a linen closet. Across the hall two more bedrooms are close by, a feature those young families will find pleasing. A linen closet at the end of the hall provides the other two bedrooms with extra blankets and bath towels.

The Galaxy has great potential. Young families, who like to have their children close at night, or the couple whose children have left home, will find this an ideal home with spacious living area.

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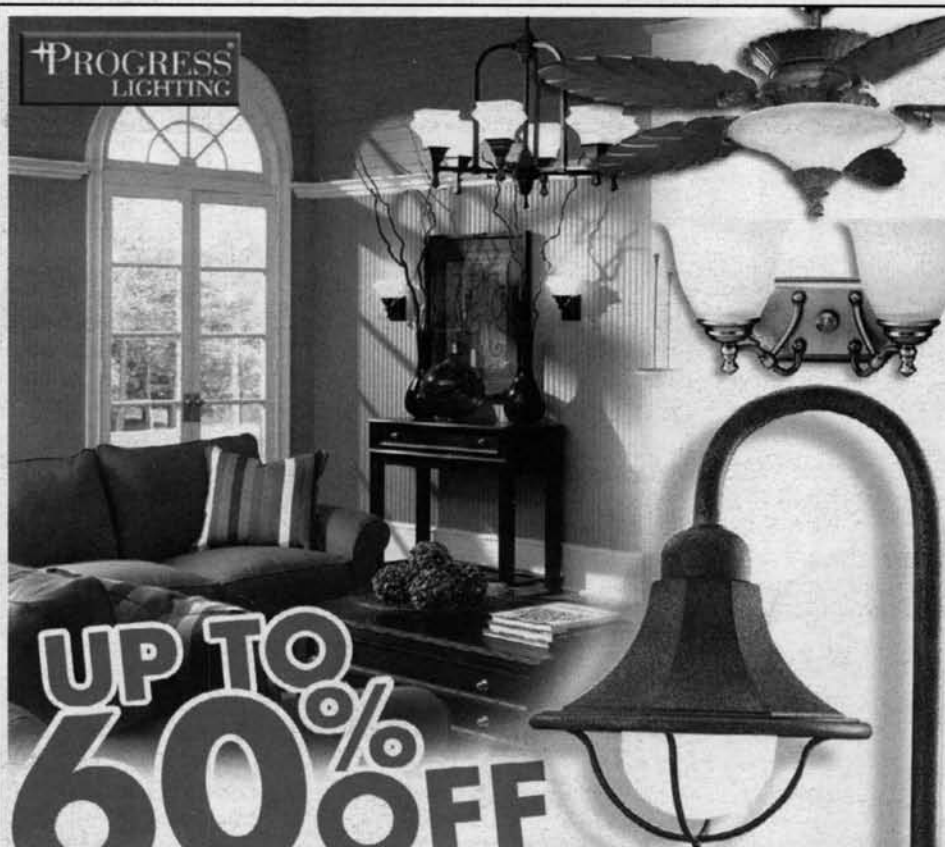
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Connie's code of *color*



Constance Ramos may have spent junior high decorating her bedroom with nail polish and eye shadow, but now the designer is out to color code American homes, room by room

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If there is one thing that Constance Ramos has learned about color, both as an architect and as host of HGTV's "Color Correction," it's that people's preferences are intensely personal. The idea that certain colors make you feel a certain way? "I think that's just a bunch of hooey," she says. "If you ask 20 people on the street, 'What color is cozy?' - for one person it might be ice blue, for another person chocolate brown, for another sage

green."

On her show and at her firm, the Southern California-based Constance Carrell Design, Inc., Ramos acts more as a guide than a guru when it comes to color, helping homeowners decide not only what shades appeal to them the most but also how to use them so they're not overwhelming or underwhelming. "I've actually had clients crying over color choices," she says. "It's a very emotional thing."

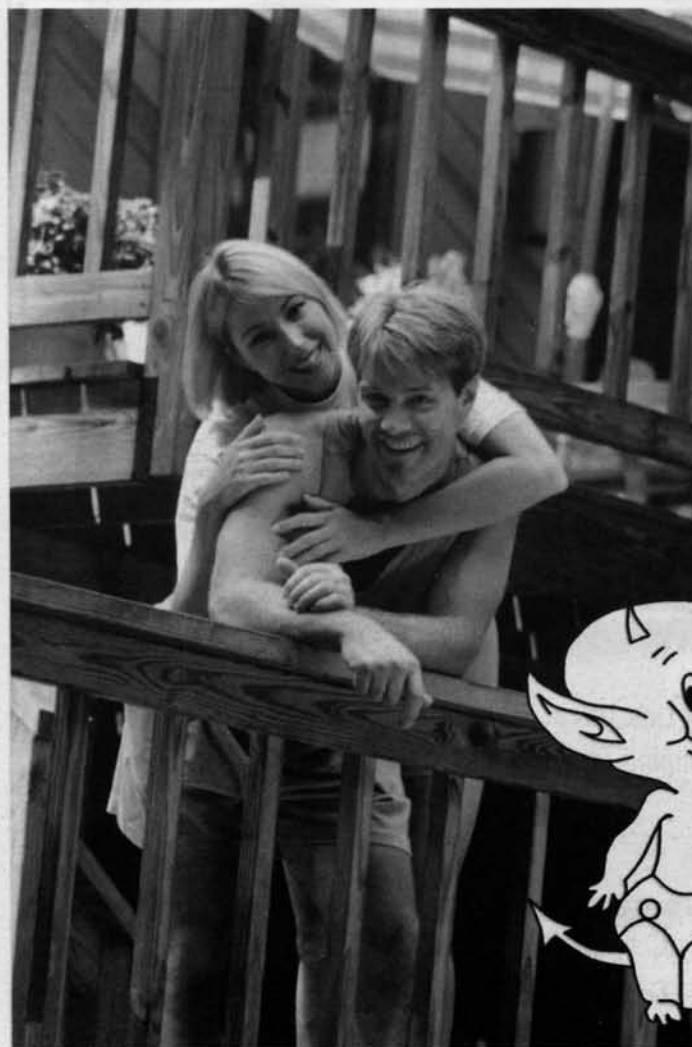
It's one thing to pick out striking hues for your home, but it's quite another to wear them, as Ramos has discovered while promoting the show. Now in her second season of "Color Correction," the 35-year-old



Kansas City, Mo., native admits to finding herself outside her own color comfort zone.

For her interview with HomeStyle, she arrived at the Philippe Starck-designed Hudson Hotel in New York

wearing a purple, fuchsia and black leopard-print halter dress. Fetching as it was against her dark hair and eyes, she confessed, "I'm not used to wearing colors this bright, but the show has opened this up to me."



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She's always been fearless, however, with her use of color in the home. The daughter of architect Chris Ramos, and the fifth of six girls, she describes the walls of her childhood bedroom as, "a cacophony of junior high school scribble."

She regularly drew on them with magic marker, nail polish – even eye shadow. "One day my dad walked in my room and about fainted," she recalls.

Fortunately her premature displays of creativity didn't preclude him from taking her to work at his firm, Ramos Design Consultants. In fact, she became the only one of his children to follow in his footsteps. By age 14, Ramos was drafting tile patterns for one of her father's clients, AMC Theatres.

"Architecture fascinated me, and it came as second nature being around a 60-guy firm," she says. "I felt really lucky I had that introduction."

Some of her early career steps also proved to be more fortuitous than they first appeared. Ramos worked briefly as an actress, appearing in television films on NBC and CBS, and landed on the cheerleading squad for the NFL's Kansas City Chiefs. Additionally, she packed her résumé with set design credits for commercials and music videos. As TV home and garden show hosts go, she's a rare breed, having had previous experience on camera, behind the scenes and in the design field itself.

In 1997 Ramos established her namesake architectural firm in Los Angeles, working primarily on resi-

dential projects but also as a consultant to corporations including Mattel and Sony, and to the world-renowned architect I.M. Pei. Serendipity, however, had a part in propelling her to the status of design star.

While attending a party in 2003, she ran into someone who mentioned that ABC had an ad on Craigslist seeking a designer for a new show, "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition."

Within a week of responding to the listing, Ramos says she had the job. The show went on to win an Emmy and became one of ABC's highest-rated series.

"As a designer, I'll always be trying to recreate that experience – and not with Ty [Pennington] screaming with a megaphone in my ear," she says, laughing. To this day, she receives fan mail from around the globe. Her experience on "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" had a profound impact not just on her celebrity, but also on her personal life. She met her husband of two years, J.J. Carrell, through the show after he nominated a friend of his, a widow with nine children, for a makeover. He and Ramos live in the San Diego area.

In her own space, Ramos says she finds herself inspired by the colors of sea, sand and sky, and blue is her favorite color of the moment. But don't even get her started on the idea that turquoise or azure or aquamarine are calming for everyone. "Then all prisons would be blue. All highways would be blue."

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Connie's top color tips

- 1 To create a serene environment in a room, keep your color palette to a minimum. Use two colors, at most, as the main elements. Also, try to pick colors that are either of the same hue and different intensities, or colors that are close to each other on the color wheel. Doing so keeps visual stimulus to a minimum and has a calming effect.
- 2 Always try to find at least one element that ties all of the colors of the room's palette together: a toss pillow, trim, a painting. Having a single element that speaks to the entire palette pulls together the room's composition.
- 3 Color is affected by light, so you should gauge the amount of natural light that spills into a room when considering the intensity of the hues you'd like to use. More light means that the room can handle more intense color.
- 4 A ceiling can be an important color design element – and is often overlooked (no pun intended) in a room's design. A white ceiling reflects all the available light in a room and is a good color choice for spreading light. However, a strong color statement overhead can pack a visual punch. Paint the ceiling the same color as the walls, and the room will seem larger. If you then add a thick crown molding in a contrasting color around the perimeter, the molding will appear to "pop."

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