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Home again

By JIM STREIT

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

I spent my senior year debating whether the U.S. should remove itself from Vietnam. The year was 1968. I was on the Catonsville (Md.) Senior High School debate team. My partner Jack Horney (not surprising, the frequent question to him was "are you Horney?") and I were debated both the affirmative and negative positions.

Jack and I won the Baltimore County forensic championship that year, I'm proud to say, but I feel compelled to note that the opposing team at the finals failed to show. We won the final round by default. I imagine we were very intimidating - our identical olive green herringbone suits and pencil-thin ties speckled with lacrosse sticks apparently did the trick. (The truth is there was an unpredicted, horrendous snow storm - these were the days before Accuweather - and Jack and I were one of the few teams brave or stupid enough to venture many miles to the tournament in northern Baltimore County near the Pennsylvania line. We probably would have won if the opposition had showed but we'll never know.)

A year of examining the Vietnam question in depth

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A RECORD SETTER

Local blood bank boosted by donation of 588 units, UD tops CAA challenge

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER



THE University of Delaware and the Blood Bank of Delmarva have won the annual "Have a Heart" Blood Challenge, and in doing so, have shattered previous records for donations in a blood drive.

For the past three years, the university community competed with other schools in the Colonial Athletic Association, trying to collect the most blood donations. Each year, the University of

Delaware has won.

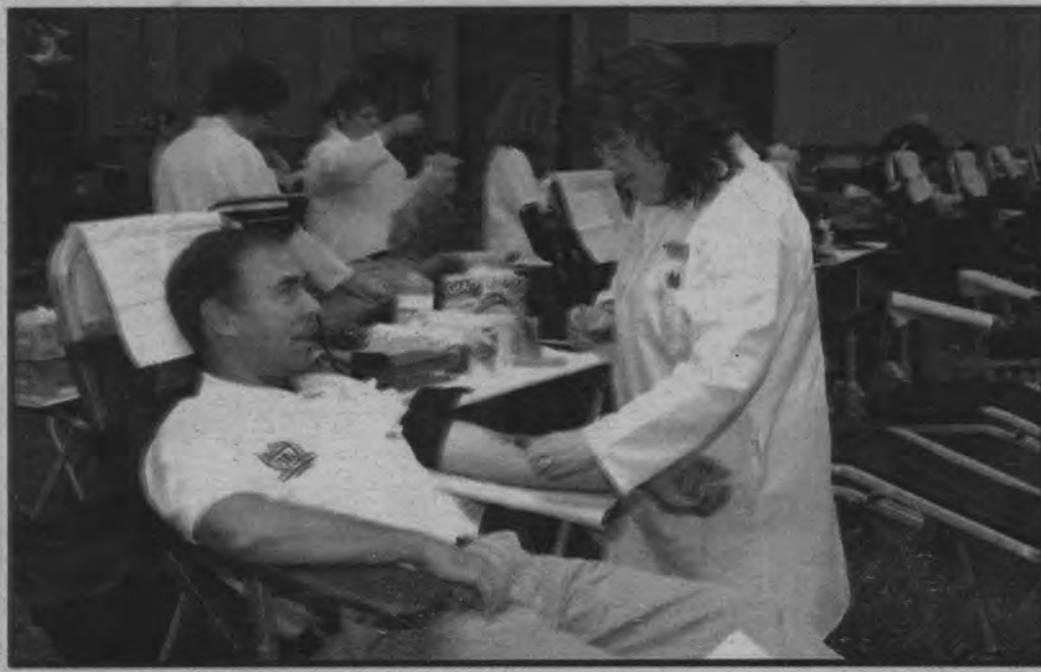
But Emily Fowlie, communications director for the blood bank, said that what's more important than the win is the sheer number of donors. More than 850 people came out, and 588 blood units were collected. Drexel University placed second in the competition with 625 donors.

"This is the biggest blood drive in our history," she said. "We're thrilled."

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Top, YouUDee encourages a donor at the "Have A Heart" blood challenge. Left, nurses work to prepare donations collected at the Nov. 17 blood drive. Below, Blood Bank of Delmarva phlebotomist Holly Wilson prepares to draw blood from Marc Samonisky, men's soccer head coach.

PHOTOS, TOP AND LEFT, BY DAVID HOWELL. PHOTO, BELOW BY KATHY ATKINSON



Train station concerns

Relocation would hinder foot, bike traffic, some say

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

THE Delaware Department of Transportation held an information session on Nov. 29 to answer questions about a proposed train station, which would relocate the Newark station from Mopar Drive to a 10-acre site of Newark Concrete just off Rt. 72. While DelDOT believes the station would ease train and automobile traffic in the area, there is still contention from community members.

Proponents said the new station would bring more trains into Newark, relieving crowded trains and long waits.

Because of congestion caused by freight trains serving the

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Transit hub okayed

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NEWARK City Council approved plans at its Nov. 22 meeting for the Delaware Department of Transportation to build a proposed transit hub on Delaware Avenue adjacent to the Main Street Court apartments.

The hub would serve as a stop for area bus routes that previously ran through the city, and as a connecting point for a new Newark route.

The Newark Loop Route would connect Elkton Road, Main Street, West Park Place, Academy Street and the Newark train station.

Ray Miller, executive director of the Delaware Transit Corporation, said that the route would be good for the city.

"It would decrease traffic along Main Street," he said. "It will take the 40-foot

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Gun, jewelry stolen

NEWARK police were called to a residence in the unit block South Chapel Street on Sunday, Nov. 28, at 11:05 a.m. when the resident returned to discover a break-in.

Thieves forced open a dining room window to gain entry and ransacked several rooms.

The owner told police that \$400 in loose change, several men's rings, a clock and two handguns were missing. The stolen items were valued at \$1,300.

Computer missing

Newark police were called to UMC Computers, 280 E. Main St., on Sunday, Nov. 28, at 7:24 a.m. after an alarm sounded.

Officers discovered that the glass door had been shattered; a hammer was found inside.

An employee told police that an IBM Thinkpad was missing.

Bicycles stolen

Thieves cut the lock of bicycle at a rack at 618 Lehigh Road and made off with the cycle valued at \$125, it was reported to police on Sunday, Nov. 28, at 2:38 p.m.

Another bike was stolen on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 1:56 p.m. from where it had been locked outside the CVS store, 108 E. Main St. The mountain bike was valued at \$500.

Glass door broken

A rock was found inside the Ground Floor restaurant, 60 N. College Ave., after it was hurled through glass doors, Newark police reported on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 12:19 p.m.

Smash and grab

Thieves smashed the front window of Days of Knights, 173 E. Main St., and took various items, it was reported on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 8:57 a.m. Police said it did not appear that the thieves entered the store but instead reached through the broken window and fled.

Doorman assaulted

An employee of the Ground Floor restaurant, 60 N. College Ave., told Newark police he was struck in the face on Friday, Nov. 26, at 11:52 p.m.

The doorman told police he was assaulted when he confronted three men who walked by him without paying the admittance fee.

Cash disappears

An employee of the Newark Manor nursing home, 254 W. Main St., told Newark police on Friday,

Students return to discover break-ins

A number of University of Delaware students returned from the Thanksgiving holiday weekend to discover that their residences had been the targets of burglars, Newark police reported.

On Sunday, Nov. 28, at 9:18 p.m., residents of a home in the unit block East Park Place told someone had entered their home through a bedroom window.

Inside, the burglars rummaged through various rooms and left with pairs of shoes, numerous clothing items, picture frames, DVDs, and computer equipment, police said.

Earlier the same day at 5:55 p.m., students living in the 200 block East Park

Place told officers that intruders had made off with ten pairs of Timberland boots, a laptop computer and a video camera.

Entry was through a basement door; there were no signs of forced entry.

On Friday, Nov. 26, at 8:30 p.m., Newark police were told by two residents of a home in the unit block White Clay Drive that they arrived home after Thanksgiving to discover that two cameras, a DVD player, and a Gameboy were missing.

There was no sign of forced entry, police said.

Investigation of the break-ins is continuing.

Nov. 26, at 3:11 p.m. that \$120 in cash had been removed from her purse while she was working.

Young shoplifter

A 14-year-old Wilmington girl was arrested for shoplifting incidents on Friday, Nov. 26, at 2:17 p.m., at the Dots and Payless Shoes stores in the College Square shopping center.

In an unrelated incident at Pathmark, 100 College Square, on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 8:08 p.m., Joanne Palmer, 31, of Newark, was charged with shoplifting assorted groceries. She was released pending a court appearance, police said.

Checkbook missing

A resident at The Gardens At White Chapel, 200 E. Village Road, told Newark police on Friday, Nov. 26, at 1:17 p.m. that someone had removed her purse and checkbook from her apartment while she was away visiting family on Thanksgiving Day.

13 homes damaged

Thirteen residences on Cullen and Amoroso ways in the Hunt At Louviers were shot with orange paintballs, it was reported to Newark police on Friday, Nov. 26, at 8 a.m.

Entry attempted

An alarm apparently scared thieves attempting to enter a home in the unit block Fenwick Court on Thursday, Nov. 25, at 6:17 p.m.

A window screen had been removed and police found pry marks, but no entry to the home was gained. A motion-activated security light had been disabled.

Brick in house

A resident of a home in the unit block North Chapel Street told Newark police on Thursday, Nov. 25, at 5:54 a.m. that she had been awakened by a loud noise.

When she went downstairs to investigate, she found a front win-

dow shattered and a brick on the living room floor.

Entry thwarted

When he went to investigate noises coming from a dining room window, a resident of the unit block Elm Avenue discovered pry marks, Newark police were told on Thursday, Nov. 25, at 5:38 a.m.

No suspects were seen in the area and nothing was reported missing, police said.

Trespassing charges

Two men were charged with trespassing at the City of Newark reservoir site on Old Paper Mill Road early Thanksgiving morning, Nov. 25. Police had been called to the area to investigate a fireworks complaint.

Daniel T. Barkley, 21, of Newark, and Evan Macguinness Jr., 22, of Wilmington, were released pending court appearances, police said.

Four bottle rockets were confiscated at the arrest scene.

Slumped at wheel

Newark police discovered a 25-year-old Wilmington woman slumped over the wheel of a Nissan Altima near Pathmark in the College Square shopping center on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 1:55 a.m.

Police described the woman as intoxicated. The Atena Hose Hook and Ladder Company ambulance transported the woman to the Christiana Hospital emergency room for treatment. The woman's car was towed.

At 1:26 a.m. the same morning, police found an unconscious man on the sidewalk outside Klondike Kate's, 158 E. Main St. He, too, was taken to Christiana Hospital by the Aetna ambulance.

Fight outside bar

Newark police arrested two men on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 1:15 a.m. outside the Ground Floor restaurant, 60 N. College Ave., after fights broke out as patrons were leaving the area.

Police said David P. Ballach, 24, of New Castle, was charged with disorderly conduct and offensive touching and Paul S. Schneider, 21, of Marlboro, N.J., was cited for disorderly conduct. Both were released pending court appearances.

Students charged

Two girls, ages 15 and 16, were charged with assault following an attack on the Newark High School parking lot, 401 E. Delaware Ave., on Tuesday, Nov. 23, at 2:08 p.m.

Newark police said a 15-year-old



Weekly crime report

STATISTICS FOR NOV. 14-20, 2004 COMPILED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

PART I OFFENSES	INVESTIGATIONS			CRIMINAL CHARGES		
	2003 TO DATE	2004 TO DATE	THIS WEEK	2003 TO DATE	2004 TO DATE	THIS WEEK
Murder/manslaughter	0	1	0	1	1	0
Attempted murder	3	0	0	1	0	0
Kidnap	3	1	0	3	4	0
Rape	7	12	0	5	27	0
Unlawful sexual contact	10	8	0	14	6	0
Robbery	57	44	0	32	38	0
Aggravated assault	21	28	1	16	9	0
Burglary	152	181	1	13	54	0
Theft	963	987	18	237	343	2
Auto theft	128	73	2	10	8	0
Arson	4	7	0	2	2	0
TOTAL PART I	1348	1342	22	334	492	2
PART II OFFENSES						
Other assaults	307	345	13	241	272	17
Receiving stolen property	3	0	0	35	32	0
Criminal mischief	665	625	174	92	344	4
Weapons	15	7	0	76	78	3
Other sex offenses	12	15	1	5	14	1
Alcohol	616	526	13	977	907	15
Drugs	131	93	2	244	293	3
Noise/disorderly premise	578	724	25	276	319	16
Disorderly conduct	1097	949	2	162	163	8
Trespass	149	170	4	30	52	1
All other	735	648	9	395	236	2
TOTAL PART II	4308	4102	83	2533	2710	70
MISCELLANEOUS						
Alarm	1431	1300	18	0	0	0
Animal control	745	692	14	30	40	3
Recovered property	247	257	5	0	0	0
Service	9110	8536	188	0	0	0
Suspicious person/vehicle	889	935	19	0	0	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	12422	11720	244	30	40	3
THIS WEEK 2003 2003 TO DATE THIS WEEK 2004 2004 TO DATE						
TOTAL CALLS	682	29117		590	27809	

Cleveland Heights residents push for city assistance

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

STANDING in his family's bathroom, the 12-year-old boy looks out of place. Healthy and vibrant, he looks well put together. But all around him, things are falling apart. Tiles that once covered the floor have long since pulled away from their grout. Rust covers the heating system. The toilet rocks under pressure just enough to remind its occupant that this is no throne. But for the Kirkpatrick family, this is just the beginning of the

issues.

"I'm more concerned about the mold," his mother, Mary Kirkpatrick said.

She is one of several Cleveland Heights residents who have brought their complaints to Newark City Council in the past two weeks.

Residents say that their government-subsidized homes are not being looked after, and damage is ruining their quality of life.

Gary Hayman, president of Newark's chapter of the National Association for the Advancement

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Pet fatally attacked at Glasgow park

NATASHA was a dog who knew her job. Protect the house, lounge on the deck, bark at strangers. These were all things she was excellent at, said her owner Carol Willis.

"She was great," Willis said. "She would make her rounds around the yard, keeping an eye on squirrels and ground hogs. She was the best dog there ever was."

But the 12-year-old schnauzer, owned by Newark resident Willis, was fatally mauled on Wednesday, Nov. 17 at the Glasgow Regional Park.

Willis was walking Natasha at the park when two 3-year-old American Bull Terriers pulled free of their leashes and attacked Willis' dog.

The two terriers, owned by Linda Hirt, were euthanized on Saturday, Nov. 20. Both dogs were up-to-date on their rabies vaccinations, but neither were licensed.



Carol Willis and Natasha

Hirt is scheduled to appear in court on Dec. 1 for two counts of failing to have her dogs licensed.

City gets good report card from its residents

By KAYTIE DOWLING

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

NEWARK residents seem to be increasingly happy with life in the city, according to the latest City of Newark Resident Survey.

The survey, which is conducted every five years, asked 4,300 residents how they view a variety of city-related services.

Fire protection, recreation programs and park maintenance got some of the highest reviews, while water quality, street maintenance and the diversity of downtown stores ranked the lowest.

Fire protection services scored a 99 percent approval rating, the same score as in the 1999 survey. Recreation programs and park maintenance also scored high, 98 and 96 percent respectively. Both showed slight improvements over 1999 figures.

"City services have traditionally scored high on the survey," said Mike Fortner, supervisor for the project. "I'm personally

very happy with overall results. You could pinpoint a few places where the scores are not as high, but they're not as important as the overall view. And most people had a favorable view of city services."

And with 85 percent of respondents saying they were satisfied or very satisfied with city services, Fortner has a lot to be happy about. "It's fantastic," he said. Less than two percent said they were dissatisfied with the services they had received.

On the other end of the spectrum, the maintenance of major roads dropped in residents' opinions. However, the streets in question are maintained not by the city, but by the state.

A second concern for the city was the low rating that water services received. Only 57 percent of residents were satisfied



with water odor and taste - the lowest approval rating of the services surveyed.

"We pay way too much for water that seriously tastes bad," one respondent wrote. While the approval rating was low, it is the highest rating since 1993.

Another area the city scored low was in resident's satisfaction with downtown shopping. Respondents said they would most want to see new apparel shops, upscale restaurants and home accessory stores.

Many residents also wrote suggestions for new businesses. "The businesses currently on Main Street cater to the students, not city residents," one respondent wrote.

Another suggested that the city should be seen as a destination. "It needs some imagination, sophistication and vision,"

one citizen said. "Enough with the 'catchka' shops! How about a Trader Joe's or Whole Foods?"

Fortner said these results aren't very surprising. "We're not a bedroom community for Wilmington," he said. "We're very contained. Most residents live in Newark, work in Newark and want to shop in Newark."

He hopes that these results will help the city in recruiting new businesses and that current business owners can use this information to their advantage.

Another interesting result that could become a catalyst for change in the city found that many residents would be willing to pay a premium for green energy. With more than half of the residents, 57 percent, willing to pay more for environmentally friendly energy, there could be a change in the future of Newark's energy supply.

"It's not enough to make a change right now," Fortner said. "But it is something that could be looked at by council. This is enough to start a discussion."

Farmers market opens at former Best Products site

By TERESA GAWLAS MEDOFF

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

CUSTOMERS at the grand opening of the Newark Farmers Market on Nov. 18 said that a center of this type is long overdue in the Newark/Mill Creek area.

"I usually go to the New Castle Farmers Market for fruits and vegetables, but this is much closer and more convenient," said Phyllis Maier, who lives within a mile of the new market, located on Kirkwood Highway adjacent to the Astro Shopping Center.

Manager David Pang describes the Newark Farmers Market as a "luxury farmers market" that sells everything from produce to perfume to paint guns.

The market occupies the former Best Products store on a busy stretch of highway near Meadowood Shopping Center and Meadowood II Shopping Center and the Western Branch YMCA.

Despite its prime location, the 50,000 square-foot building had remained empty since Best closed eight years ago, with only the occasional used car sale in the parking lot.

Yoo W. Jang bought the build-

ing last year and began construction in the spring.

Extensive work needed to be done, including replacing all of the heating, air conditioning, plumbing and electrical systems.

The Newark Farmers Market has a conglomeration of retailers similar to that found in other farmers markets, but Jang said his goal was to make this farmers market cleaner and more mall-like than others. Jang, a Delaware resident, also owns a landscaping business and BJS Nursery on Rt. 7 in Avondale.

The Newark Farmers Market has 67 retailers large and small. Shoppers can buy shoes, cloth-

ing, jewelry and accessories for themselves. They also will find bedding, paintings and decorative items for their homes.

Jang and his wife, Soon Sok Jang, own and operate five of the stores, including a Radio Shack, a shoe store and a sunglasses store.

Services available at the Newark Farmers Market include shoe repair, a florist, television and computer repair, a beauty salon and the obligatory cash machine. Customers can even have their palm read by "Nina" of Astrology by Nina.

The large, central area of the facility is dedicated to stores selling produce, cheese, meats and

baked goods. A faulty refrigerator delayed the operating permit for the Newark Farmers Market Produce, causing it to open a day late.

Jang expected Amish merchants to open their meat, dairy and bakery facilities late November to early December.

Nearly one-quarter of the facility is dedicated to a food court, but the restaurants were not set to open until mid-December.

"Permits for the food businesses are taking longer than we expected," Pang said. When the

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On Campus

NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

BRIEFLY

Holiday food drive under way through Dec. 8

In keeping with the holiday spirit of giving, a campuswide food drive is now under way.

Sponsored by the Delaware Undergraduate Student Congress (DUSC), the campaign is structured as a friendly competition among campus organizations, with the goal of a combined generous donation to the Delaware Food Bank.

Prizes, which include a TV, a ping-pong table and a pizza party, will be awarded, in respective order, to the top three organizations with the most donations, as determined by net weight.

Donations will be collected (and weighed) from 9 a.m.-noon, Wednesday, Dec. 8, in Multipurpose Rooms A, B and C at the Trabant University Center.

For more information, call 831-2648.

Student pottery sale this weekend

Persons searching for unique and useful gifts for the holidays should mark their calendars for the semi-annual student pottery sale.

Held this year from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday, Dec. 3, and from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday,

Dec. 4, the sale will feature mugs, bowls, urns, vases and lidded boxes of all shapes and sizes made by



University of Delaware students.

The sale, which is sponsored by the Department of Fine Arts and Visual Communications, will be held on the first floor of the Studio Arts Building, at the corner of North College and Cleveland avenues.

All proceeds will help ceramics students fund this year's trip to the National Council for Education in Ceramic Arts conference.

For more information, call 831-2706.

New UD hotel dedicated

THE new 126-room Courtyard Newark-University of Delaware was officially dedicated on Sunday, Nov. 21, during a ceremony and ribbon-cutting, attended by J. Willard Marriott Jr., the chairman and CEO of Marriott International Inc., University officials and guests. Marriott also was conferred with an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

The business-class hotel, adjacent to the recently renovated conference center off New London Road in Newark, will also serve as an education and research facility for UD's Department of Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management (HRIM) and will be managed by the Shaner Hotel Group of State College, Pa.

The hotel is a partnership between UD and the Shaner Hotel Group, which also manages the University's Conference Services. Under the terms of the partnership, the University is the majority owner of the hotel.

During the ceremony, University officials, U.S. Sen. Tom Carper, HRIM faculty and students, representatives of the Marriott chain and the Shaner group listened as UD President David P. Roselle said that Marriott was being awarded "the University's highest honor."

"The impact of the new hotel is significant," he said. "The hotel will serve as a 'working laboratory' for our students and faculty, providing a hands-on experience in all aspects of



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Cutting the ribbon to open the new hotel are, from left: Bill Sullivan, managing director of the hotel; Tim Barnekov, dean of the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy; UD President David Roselle; J. Willard Marriott Jr., chairman and CEO of Marriott International Inc.; Fred DeMicco, ARA-MARK Chair and chairperson of the Department of Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management; Lance Shaner, chairman and CEO of the Shaner Hotel Group; Kathy Smith, senior vice president for talent management and organizational capability for Marriott International Inc.; David Hollowell, executive vice president and University treasurer; and Howard Cosgrove, chairman of the UD Board of Trustees.

today's hotel industry.... The hotel also houses the Marriott Center for Hospitality and Tourism, funded in part by a generous grant from the J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation." Roselle said the center has state-of-the-art, high-tech classrooms featuring video-conferencing and wireless technology and an experimental guest

room where new technologies and products will be tested by guests.

Howard Cosgrove, chairman of the UD Board of Trustees, conferred the honorary degree on Marriott. Cosgrove said the honor is given to those "whose contributions to the quality of our nation warrant exceptional recognition."

"I understand that today I am officially a Fightin' Blue Hen," Marriott said. "My parents would have been thrilled to have been here."

Marriott said that UD's campus is beautiful, the HRIM program one of the finest in the country and the new Courtyard a great contribution to the hospitality industry.

UD president presents FY 2006 budget request

UNIVERSITY of Delaware President David P. Roselle presented UD's operating and capital budget request to members of the governor's executive staff recently in Dover.

The requests included \$12.5 million to fund major renovation projects and for the completion of the new Elbert N. Carvel Research and Education Center in Georgetown.

Among the top operating budget requests Roselle presented was \$497,000 to fund scholarships to help qualified Delaware residents get a UD education.

"Our top priority, as it has been in every year of my presidency, continues to be increasing scholarship funds," Roselle said. "The underlying philosophy for the scholarship special lines is to support a financial aid program under which no Delaware resident who qualifies to receive a UD education would be denied admission because of inability to pay."



Architect's rendering of the new Elbert N. and Ann V. Carvel Research and Education Center in Georgetown.

Additional operating budget requests include:

- A \$252,600 increase in funding for library materials to maintain Morris Library as one of the pre-eminent research libraries in the United States;

- \$250,000 in increased funding for Delaware Biotechnology Initiatives, to recruit faculty leadership needed to continue building the Delaware Biotechnology

Institute into a nationally competitive research, education and economic development entity:

- \$500,000 to help establish a new initiative in poultry health and production research that would complement the efforts of the Carvel Research and Education Center;

- \$200,000 to expand activities in the recently opened Early Learning Center, including service programs for children and their families and professional development training for early care and education providers;

- \$220,000 to fund two additional academic advisers, a mathematics specialist and a writing specialist, to support students in the Associate in Arts Program;

- A \$150,000 increase for administrative software licensing fees;

- \$300,000 for faculty positions to support expansion of UD's nursing program;

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Roselle makes case for state UD funding

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■ \$200,000 in scholarship funding to enable students to participate in individual, faculty-guided service learning projects;

■ \$300,000 for the Information Technology Initiative, a program to train a more computer-literate workforce for state employers;

■ \$70,000 for soil testing and pesticide control to support an extension agent with expertise in ornamental horticulture, a rapidly growing component of the Cooperative Extension home horticulture programs at UD; and

■ \$150,000 to support computer-aided engineering within UD's College of Engineering.

Heading the list of capital budget requests, Roselle said, is \$2 million for the final reimbursement of costs for the renewal and renovation of Wolf Hall.

The Wolf Hall project included the construction of a 10,000-square-foot in-fill to meet the needs of the departments of Psychology and Biological Sciences.

While the project is complete, Roselle said that this was accomplished by bridge funding provided by UD in place of promised state appropriations that have been delayed because of the state's economic downturn during the early part of the decade.

"The bridge funding utilized resources that UD has earmarked for other vital capital projects, and as a result, planning and construction associated with those projects has been delayed," Roselle said. "The requested reimbursement from the state for Wolf Hall will enable us to begin to move forward on a number of those projects."

UD also is seeking \$6 million toward the 72,000-square-foot renovation of the north and west wings of Brown Laboratory, located on The Green on UD's Newark campus, Roselle said.

The building, named in memory of H. Fletcher Brown, UD benefactor and member the Board of Trustees from 1929-44, was constructed in 1937 and houses the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

The south wing of Brown Laboratory was renovated in 1995-96.

"The west and north wings were built in 1936-37 and 1960-61, respectively, and now require renovation similar to the south wing and are in the UD renovation plan for 2005," Roselle said. "We estimate the total cost for renovating Brown Laboratory will be about \$22 million, to be shared between UD and the state."

Among the priority items of UD's capital budget requests is

\$2 million toward construction of the Elbert N. and Ann V. Carvel Research and Education Center in Georgetown.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the research center was held on Oct. 29, and construction is scheduled to begin in 2005. The new 24,000-square-foot center, which will be located next to Lasher Laboratory, replaces a 65-year-old facility, which currently houses a variety of academic and community programs.

"The facility will provide the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources with an opportunity to add new programs and enhancements not possible prior to its construction," Roselle said. "These features will offer the citizens of southern Delaware the opportunity to gather and learn in a first-rate University facility."

In addition to the Carvel family's support and a \$2 million-allocation this year from state legislators, UD is seeking an additional \$2 million from the state for the completion of the \$7.6 million state-of-the-art facility, located on Rt. 9 just north of Georgetown.

Capital budget requests also include \$1.5 million for renewal and renovation of academic buildings.

UD campus buildings total some 7.3 million gross square feet, including 3.2 million square feet of academic facilities, many of which were constructed before 1960, Roselle said.

"This means many of these facilities are nearing 50 years of age," Roselle said. "The funding requests will be matched at least dollar-for-dollar by UD resources and will assist us in keeping our academic plant up-to-date and in good repair."

Also requested was \$1 million for minor capital improvements for target initiatives including the colleges of Marine Studies, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Arts and Sciences, Health and Nursing Sciences and Engineering.

Roselle said that the requested funding will help UD build on its partnership with the state to advance knowledge in these disciplines and in specific areas of productive research, including genetic medicine, biophysics and bioengineering, cell biology, genetic engineering and biomechanics.

"With prior assistance from the state, UD has made significant investments in equipment and facilities needed to further this research," Roselle said. "Continued support will play an important role in improving equipment and facilities in order to attract faculty and to support instruction and research."

AAA Mid-Atlantic moves to Newark

By JIA DIN

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

MORE jobs and more business for Delaware is what are expected of AAA Mid-Atlantic as it moves into its new Newark Operations Center.

The move was celebrated by a ribbon-cutting ceremony Thursday, Nov. 18, where Gov. Ruth Ann Minner told a crowd of employees, family and community members of her excitement about the company's decision to move to Delaware.

Approximately 850 new jobs will be made by the company's presence in Delaware, Minner said.

"These new jobs will really make a difference," she said. "Especially because the economy is just getting out of a slump."

The new jobs are expected to contribute \$100 million to Delaware's economy.

Christiana Corporate Center houses the new Newark Operations Center for the company.

President and CEO of AAA Mid-Atlantic, Allen J. DeWalle, said much important work will be done in the new offices located in buildings 100 and 200 on Commerce Drive.

"A lot of our behind-the-scenes work will be done here," he said. Among these services are roadside counseling, assistance call takers and dispatchers, and insurance services.

AAA Mid-Atlantic's 2,700 employees serve approximately 3.5 million customers.

DeWalle said he was delighted by Delaware's willingness to do business with his company.

"The new buildings provide much needed space for AAA," he said. "I value the state for its solid business embrace."

The company Brandywine Realty Trust, which buys, sells and leases commercial property,

worked with AAA in real-estate matters and played a role in their presence in Newark.

Gerard H. Sweeney, president, CEO and trustee of Brandywine Realty Trust, who spoke at the ceremony, said he looks forward to seeing the job growth and economic development which AAA will bring to Delaware.

"I'm delighted of their move to Delaware and to have them as a member of our team and family," he said.

Gonzon graduates from basic training

Army Spec. Angela N. Gonzon has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

She is the daughter of Anthony and Susan Gonzon of Marabou Drive, Newark.

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MARK MY WORDS

'Family community' is best prevention

By MARK SISK

NEWARK POST COLUMNIST

I saw my client's name in the obituaries the other day, but I can't bring myself to send a letter of condolence to his family. By the time you finish this column you will understand why. And you will understand why I badly wanted to.

A good part of my practice is grouped under the general category of family law. The deep irony, of course, is that when the law is called upon, in most circumstances, the family is breaking or broken into little pieces.

We are occasionally called upon at happy times. Adult adoption comes to mind, when a long time stepparent will formally adopt stepchildren, often for reasons of estate planning, but just as often for reasons of love.

But the more typical situation is conflict—divorce, child custody, child support, and property division.

While it is true that the vast majority of these situations resolve without mayhem and tragedy, the fact is that some do.

A former law clerk of mine was involved in the case downstate some years ago where a father took his children to North Carolina, killed them, and then himself. Even thinking about the case haunts me. I can only imagine how she must feel.

We still have in the office the suicide note of a scientist in the corporate world who, prior to taking cyanide at his lab, wrote a note of apology to his employer for doing the act on their premises. He took careful notes as he felt the poison's effects. It is chilling to see the pen trail off the corner of the paper and imagine him toppling back as his task was completed. It is equally chilling to consider his failure to mention his wife or children in the note.

The drama doesn't have to end lives to ruin them. The world of music, especially country music, is replete with many "I never got over him/her..." songs. It is a good rule of thumb to avoid situations about which a lot of country songs have been written.

It is my theory that families have to "go legal" more often since there is often

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“... he wasn't interested in what was legal; he was interested in what was, by his lights, right.”

no real family in the traditional sense to impose order.

I, at age 20, was told by the family dentist that he and my grandmother had decided I needed a haircut.

While the analogy isn't exact, I have written before of a friendly visit by the then-Lieutenant (later Chief) Brierley to my parents for the "your kid is running with the wrong crowd" talk. As I remarked to the Chief many years later, he really knew how to hurt a guy — he went to my girlfriend's parents as well.

The point is that an extended family that lives with a sense of community creates cross-generation accountability. This is by far the best prevention of all manner of criminal and family problems.

And, while it isn't necessarily a matter of fault when there is no immediate extended family — it's a free country, and people relocate for jobs, for health, for retirement, and other reasons — traditional extended family and community appear to me to be exception, not the rule.

My client was divorcing after 30-plus years of marriage. An immigrant, he had worked as a laborer in a large construction company and risen to a supervisory level. He had adult children to whom he was close, about whom he cared deeply, and with whom relations were strained as the divorce went forward.

I noticed in the discovery phase of the case (in civil litigation, there is an opportunity to discover the other side's case by a number of means) that his wife, who had been married briefly before, had received a sum of money from the prior husband in 1988. This was curious, since my client and his wife had married in 1955.

Inquiries were made in the jurisdiction where his wife had previously been married. It turned out that 1988 was when the divorce in the other jurisdiction was final.

The legal significance of this was monumental. In short, since my client's wife had not been divorced at the time of the marriage, his marriage to her wasn't legal.

It reminds me of some drama or other where, confronted with an irrefutable fact

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OUT OF THE ATTIC



This week's "Out of the Attic" features the first in a series of old photographs borrowed from the files of the City of Newark Parks and Recreation Department and its predecessor, the Newark Recreation Association. This photo, undated but thought to be snapped in the early 1960s, shows a Christmas dance in the Newark Armory. The building remains today as the University of Delaware's East Hall at Delaware Avenue and Academy Street. "Out of the Attic" features historic photographs from Newark's past. Readers who have a historic photo and would like to share it with other readers are invited to loan their photos for reprinting in this space. Special care will be taken. For information, call the *Newark Post*, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 737-0724.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

News as it appeared in the *Newark Post* throughout the years

■ Dec. 5, 1929 Many autoists not licensed

Six thousand motorists living in Delaware have been driving automobiles this year without drivers' licenses.

This is the opinion expressed this week by Secretary of State Charles H. Grantland.

And next year, the State Highway Police will conduct a dogged search for drivers who take chances by not having licenses.

Mr. Grantland came to this conclusion recently when he found that 10,000 motorists who had drivers' licenses in 1928 did not renew their licenses in 1929.

Community support sought for hospital

At a meeting, held Monday at the home of Edward L. Richards, a movement was put into operation to gain community support for The Flower

Hospital. John K. Johnston was elected chairman of a committee to draft a plan to organize this support, and asked Dr. J. R. Downs, Mrs. Ernest B. Wright, Mrs. W. R. Wilson and Ira S. Briner to serve on the committee. The committee will meet tonight at the home of Mrs. Wilson to draft a plan, and this plan will be submitted at a later meeting of persons, who have agreed to serve as members of a community organization.

■ Dec. 5, 1979

School thefts on increase

Theft of personal property is a serious problem in most Area II and III sec-

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1999: County police academy coming to Kimberton area

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ondary schools, according to the principals, and several measures are being taken to curb it.

At Newark High School, stealing has increased. "but so has the student population," says Dr. Richard C. Musselman, director of secondary education.

Two hall monitors have recently been hired to cut down the problem, and a cage has been installed to separate two areas of the boys' locker room where many items were stolen, according to principal James R. McIntosh.

City funding allocations explored

City Council began its examination of the proposed 1980 general operating budget Monday night, but only got as far as allocating over \$96,000 in federal revenue sharing funds to private social service agencies.

City Manager Peter Marshall had recommended the city's revenue sharing allocation be cut to

\$93,000 from \$96,826 recommended by the city's Revenue Sharing Screening Committee.

This eight-person committee, comprised of members of various community groups, considered over \$300,000 in requests from 34 agencies before sending their recommendations to the finance director in July.

■ Dec. 3, 1999

Police academy comes to area

By this time next year, New Castle County Police will finally have a training facility of their own.

According to Linda A. Gould of the County's department of special services, the bidding process is currently underway for the new Police Academy estimated to cost \$1.5 to \$2 million to build.

County officials estimate furnishings and equipment for the facility will cost another \$75,000.

The new 15,000 square-foot Academy, to be built in Kimberton Park off Marrows

Road in Newark, will include a gymnasium and classrooms.

Newark Arts Alliance, city complete first cultural assessment

The Newark Arts Alliance and the city of Newark have completed Newark's first Cultural Assessment Survey.

Arts Alliance and Newark officials are now organizing a steering committee to undertake a Cultural Plan.

The NAA, one of only two Delaware organizations to receive a \$10,000 grant support from the National Endowment for the Arts, will use these funds as well as an additional \$10,000 in matching funds, to hire a consultant.

The Cultural Plan will be written over the next six months. Alliance members hope that this plan will facilitate a cultural agenda for economic revitalization for downtown and build support for the arts for the Newark community.

A moment of greatness

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of their own making, a person asks, "Isn't that just a technicality?" It sure is. A legal, binding technicality.

Since theirs had never been a legal marriage, under Delaware law there could be no divorce, and therefore no property division or alimony.

I called the client into my office to give him the glad tidings that he was not exposed to the loss of substantial property and the payment of permanent alimony. All he had to do was authorize me to call these facts to the

court's attention.

Instead of the congratulations I anticipated, he paused, and thought. He looked at me and said, in his inflected English, "She was my woman."

It took me a minute to absorb his meaning. In short, he wasn't interested in what was legal; he was interested in what was, by his lights, right.

We didn't assert the defense. He had a "what was I thinking" moment later, after the court made its alimony order, but never complained and always complied. I know for a fact he reconciled with his children.

What motivated him? In a no-

fault divorce world, we don't get much into motivation for anything. Divorce is an economic exercise. Legally, it didn't matter what made him tick. But I wondered then, and still do. Was it his sense of honor? Desire for his children's good opinion? Male ego? Who could say?

I figured the last thing his family needed, when I read he had passed, was a note from me. However well intended, it would rake up a time they had, I hope, put behind them. But I wanted to tell his children that, while I can't say he was a great man, I can say his lawyer thought he had a moment of greatness.

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OUTLOOK

Strong families

By SANDRA PETERSON

SPECIAL TO THE NEWARK POST

WHATEVER the activity, I had strong role models in my parents, grandparents and teachers. If there is a secret to how people learn to be independent, society-contributing citizens, it is in these everyday family rituals. Children learn by watching adults as they interact with others, attend church or social gatherings, or go on family outings. Children who are confident and who tend to be wise decision-makers generally become strong, independent, contributing citizens.

How do you know if your child will become a good decision-maker? Actually, it's up to you. The key is to teach your child the art

of decision making, which is simply the ability to think through options and make choices based on experience and practice. Your guidance early on in developing good decision-making skills in your child will make the teen years easier for both child and parent.

How do you begin? Help your child to recognize a problem, explain what has caused the problem or situation, review the alternatives or options, and make a choice. As the child uses this new skill, the process becomes a habit much like brushing teeth.

An example of early decision-making exercise is getting the child ready for school. Instead of laying out clothes for the day, let the child make the choice. Have him think through what colors and patterns look good together and what is appropriate school attire. If the weather report indicates that your child will need snow boots, jacket or an

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Making sweet music together

By ROBIN BROOMALL

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

JUST months after her fourth child was born, Kit Angell knew she needed to get out of the house and away from the kids for a few hours a week. She loved to sing and found a group in the community that would be perfect for her. That was 22 years ago, and Angell is still singing.

"I became addicted to it," Angell said recently at a rehearsal. An employee of Spicer Mulliken Funeral Home in Newark, she finds her time singing very relaxing.

Sitting next to Angell, Fran Beer has been singing with the same group for more than 18 years. Even a move from Newark to Kennett Square wouldn't keep her from weekly rehearsals.

On the other side of the room University of Delaware student Melanie Zinn opened her sheet music. A former member of her high school choir, Zinn wanted to continue singing after graduation from McKean High School, but she didn't want to be a music major. Her mother sat just a few seats away.

Like the 120 other members of the choral group, Schola Cantorum, Angell, Beer and the Zinn's are bonded by a love of music and singing.

Formerly known as the Choral Union, the Schola Cantorum is a cross culture of Newark community members, University of Delaware students, some faculty and staff.

For 25 years the ensemble has been governed by the University of

Delaware, with some help from its community members in administrative activities. Rehearsals are held in the Amy E. duPont Music Building on campus. Public performances are held in the spring and fall.

Dr. Paul Head, professor of music, has directed the group for five of his eight years at the University.

"I feel strongly about the community and singing," said Head. "It's a collaboration with masses pulled together in music, a small contribution to humanity."

With only 10 or 12 UD music majors in the ensemble, many of the other members have little if any formal music training. Some are music teachers in public schools, others sing in their church choirs.

Head finds the challenges of leading such a massive endeavor quite different than a smaller choir of music students, who might be just a few years apart in age.

The members range from high school students to retirees. It's intergenerational. Currently there are six parent-child combos in the group.

Many of the singers came for auditions at the invitation of a family member, friend or co-worker.

Newark High School music

teacher Kim Pyle invited Newark's drama coach Susan Mitchell who invited her daughter Elise to try out.

Jane Dilley, of Newark, started with her daughter, then her husband joined. Now it's just Jane.

"As the UD choral program has grown, the caliber of students in the group has grown higher," Head said. "Each year we get a little bit richer."

"The kids actually enjoy singing with the community for their expertise and the goodwill they bring."

At the same time, the community members appreciate the campus environment. The students are serious and focused, said Head.

"The arts are dying, young people just don't get it. They say classical music is boring. Yet the college students say it is important and want to get involved," said Head.

The sheer number of participants in Schola Cantorum affords them the opportunity to do larger extended classical pieces with chamber music, choral and orchestral works. A spring performance of Verdi's Requiem will be held at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra.

But there are also lighter

moments in the Cantorum's performances. Traditional seasonal pieces, including Christmas carols will be song at the Dec. 3 Choral Celebration at Newark High School. The NHS choir and orchestra and the Delaware Children's Choir will also perform. The finale will be "Was the Night Before Christmas," performed by all three groups with the orchestra.

For more information on Schola Cantorum and the January auditions, call 831-3397, or email pdhead@udel.edu.

Choral Celebration

Performance by Schola Cantorum, NHS Choir and Orchestra, Delaware Children's Choir

Date: Friday, Dec. 3

Time: 8 p.m.

Location: Newark High School Auditorium

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NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Fifty percent of the 120-member Schola Cantorum are Newark community members. Dr. Paul Head leads the group in a recent rehearsal for the Choral Celebration to be held Friday, Dec. 3.



Save worry for more important issues

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umbrella, let her make the choice about what to take or wear. If the child's selection really bothers you, ask yourself these questions: Are the children hurting themselves, are they hurting others, and will the decision make a difference a year from now? If the answer is no, then let it go. Save your worry and energy for more important issues.

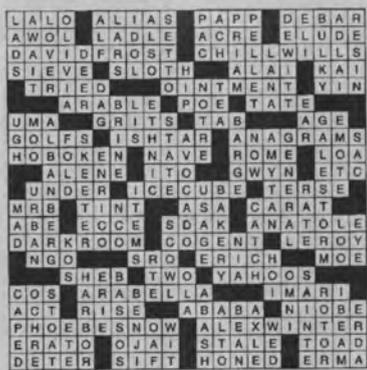
As your children mature, talk with them about the critical thinking that goes into the decision process. Stress the concepts of cause and effect and consequences. Play the "what if" game to guide their thinking. Most important is to keep the lines of communication open among all members of the family.

Cooperative Extension at the University of Illinois set forth these tips for building strong families through communication in their publication Family Works:

- Learn what your child did in school today.
- Learn what your child has for homework.
- Share ideas, goals and values with your child.
- Let your child know that she/he is special.
- Praise and reward your child for effort and achievement.
- Establish family standards with regular meetings, where problems and solutions are dealt with and family time is scheduled.

Relax and enjoy your children. Have fun together.

Solution to The Post Stumper on Page 11.



Enjoy a real Christmas wonderland

THE ARTS



By PHIL TOMAN

I must be extra careful with my veracity this time of year because Santa knows "if you been naughty or nice!" Let's face it, I don't want coal in my stocking either.

Having said that, I truly cannot remember the exact year I was taken for the first time to Longwood Gardens at Christmas. I do remember two things. I was with my mother and dad, and I was absolutely in awe when we stepped into the Main Conservatory. It was not my first visit to the Conservatory to be sure, but it was my first at this most glorious season of the year. Many years later, Dad told me he never remembered my standing so still for such a long period of time when I came into the Conservatory on that trip.

I am delighted to tell you that the color and all the beauty are back again for another year at Longwood Gardens in nearby Kennett Square. Literally thousands of poinsettias accented with amaryllis, narcissi, begonias, lilies, tulips and many other flowers are ready to please your senses in the Main Conservatory and throughout the other indoor and out of door exhibits. I hope the photo with my column today will serve to whet your appetite for more.

Despite the renovations going on at former estate of Pierre S. du Pont, 16 of 20 indoor gardens are open for your pleasure and the pleasure of your family. Not to be missed is the regal giant of a Christmas tree on view in the Main Conservatory. It is the centerpiece for this horticultural wonderland.

But please don't think for one moment the Longwood staff hasn't worked its magic on the outdoor gardens. Hundreds of acres



This is but one corner of the huge Main Conservatory at Longwood Gardens decorated in its Christmas finery. Colors seem to make the glass-enclosed building come alive as a Christmas wonderland.

of the outdoor gardens offer miles of well-groomed trails one can traverse even at this season of the year.

You may be surprised to see the outdoor fountains dancing day and night to Christmas music in the Open Air Theater. It is fun to remember this is the area that plays host to operetta, Broadway shows, symphony concerts and other wonderful musical events in the warmer months. You can enjoy a whole new beauty in the Christmas season. I prefer a night here to enjoy the lights playing on the water, but when you visit is up to you.

From the Conservatory Terrace you may look out to see 420,000 colorful lights glowing in the trees. You can also see the five-acre Main Fountain Garden outlined in blue LED lights which seem to be snowflakes sparkling on distant trees.

No area of Longwood Gardens has been left out of the

Christmas season. You may visit Peirce's Park, the Meadows, The Gardener's Tree, etc., and find a tsunami of Christmas colors and decorations to surround you. If you are strolling anywhere near Longwood's historic Chimes Tower, you will be serenaded by the 62 bells in the carillon raising their voices.

Music, as it always does, plays an important part in Longwood's Christmas celebration this year. There are vocal groups, instrumental groups, organ sing-alongs and more. There are never less than four concerts. Outstanding local groups are invited to perform each year and each brings a sound to add to your joy of this season when the Christ Child was born.

To get a complete list of all concerts you may go online at www.longwoodgardens.org. For a recorded scheduled please call 800-737-5000.

For more information or spe-

cific questions you may call 610-388-1000.

The outdoor gardens open at 9 a.m. each day and the Main Conservatory at 10 a.m.

The gardens remain open throughout the Christmas season until 9 p.m. Concerts end on Sunday, Jan. 2.

Longwood Gardens, just outside of Kennett Square, Pa., is an easy drive from the Newark area. Pick your favorite road to get to Rt. 1. If you are driving up routes 896 or 41, turn right onto Rt. 1 and follow it until you see signs directing you to turn into Longwood Gardens. If you elect to come up Rts. 100, 52 or 202, turn left on Rt. 1 and follow the signs into the grounds.

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BRANDYWINE CHRISTMAS Open daily, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Nov. 26 - Jan. 9. Family favorites on display include an extensive model train layout, a Victorian dollhouse, an antique doll display and "critter" ornaments made by the museum's volunteers. This year's event is complemented by the special exhibition, Story Time: Children's Book Illustrations. From Thomas Nast's early drawings of Santa Claus for "Christmas Drawings for the Human Race" in 1890 to Charles Santore's interpretations of Beatrix Potter's "The Complete Tales of Peter Rabbit" in 1986, this exhibition features over 40 excellent and delightful works from the museum's important and growing collection of children's book illustrations. Admission is \$8 for adults; \$5 for seniors ages 65 and over and students; free for children under six and members. Brandywine River Museum, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-388-2700 or visit the web site at www.brandywinemuseum.org.

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SATURDAY

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HOLIDAY SHOPS Dec. 4 and 5. This market features unique objects created by some of the region's most talented craftspeople. Approximately 12 artisans exhibit and sell their work on a rotating basis. Items for sale include wooden boxes, dolls, hand woven scarves, jewelry, pottery and more. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for seniors and students. Price includes admission to the Brandywine River Museum. Brandywine River Museum Courtyard, Rt. 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Info., 610-388-2700.

SANTA IN A HELICOPTER Two sessions: 10:30



CARTOONS AND CARICATURES

Beginning Saturday, Nov. 6 and continuing through Feb. 13, the Brandywine River Museum presents "Cartoons and Caricatures from the Collection," an exhibit featuring illustrations that examine and illuminate a variety of social, political and cultural issues from the 19th and 20th centuries. Included are approximately 45 watercolors and pen and ink drawings by 33 well-known humorists. Pictured here is "Caricature of Jimmy Powers" by Alfred J. Frueh, done in the 1920s.

The Museum is on Rt. 1 in

Chadds Ford, Pa. It is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$8 adults, \$5 seniors age 65 and older, students with ID and children 6-12 years old, free for children six and under. For info., 610-388-2700 or www.brandywinemuseum.org.

a.m. - Noon & 1 - 2:30 p.m. For an interesting, educational, entertaining and unique way to celebrate the Christmas holidays, bring your children to visit with Santa at the American Helicopter Museum. Children get their pictures taken on Santa's lap. The cost is \$10 per child. The Museum is located near Brandywine Airport just outside West Chester. Info., 610-436-9600.

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

SUNDAY

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CHAVERAH 2 p.m. The Newark Library presents this musical. A spicy combination of klezmer instruments and voice will welcome in the season. The free program is designed for all ages. Newark Library, 750 Library Ave., Newark. Info., 302-731-7550.

UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA 3 p.m. The University of Delaware Department of Music presents this performance directed by Brian Stone and featuring pianist Christine Delbeau. Admission is \$10, adults; \$7, seniors; \$3, students. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Trabant or Bob Carpenter box offices on the UD campus. The University of Delaware Department of Music Symphony Orchestra will present, "Spanish, Russian, Spanish/Russian". Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Ave. and Orchard Road, Newark. Info., 302-831-2577.

MONDAY

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

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

■ TUESDAY, DEC. 7

WIND ENSEMBLE 8 p.m. The University of Delaware Department of Music presents this musical performance. Admission is \$10, adults; \$7, seniors; \$3, students. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Trabant or Bob Carpenter box offices on the UD campus. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy

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■ FRIDAY, DEC. 3

STRENGTH TRAINING 9 - 10 a.m.

Mondays; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. Tues. and Thurs.; 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Wed. and Fri. at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

■ SATURDAY, DEC. 4

CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION First Saturday of every month at Denny's on Rt. 13 at 8:30 a.m. Info., 302-838-6458.

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

KARAOKE 8 p.m. - midnight every Saturday at the American Legion of Elkton. No cover, all welcome. Info., 410-398-9720.

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

■ MONDAY, DEC. 6

FREE ENGLISH CONVERSATIONAL CLASSES Mondays at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Newark United Methodist Church, 69 East Main Street, Newark. Classes begin

on September 20 for beginners and intermediate level. Info., 302-368-4942 or 302-368-8774.

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

SIMPLY JAZZERCIZE 10:15 a.m. Mondays, 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 a.m. Wednesdays at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Drive. Info., 302-737-2336.

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

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

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

NCCo STROKE CLUB Noon at the Jewish Community Center, Talleyville. Info., call Nancy Traub at 302-324-4444.

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

MEETINGS

■ TUESDAY, DEC. 7

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP 7 p.m. first and third Tuesdays at Liberty Baptist Church, Red Lion Rd., Bear. Info., 302-838-2060.

MOMS CLUB/NEWARK 9:30 a.m. first Tuesday of month at New Ark Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., Eufemia Campagna 302-834-1505.

STAMP GROUP 1 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

NEWARK LIONS 6:30 p.m. first and third Tuesday of month. Lions meeting with program at the Holiday Inn, Newark Rt. 273/I-95. Call Marvin Quinn at 302-731-1972.

NEWARK DELTONES 7:45 p.m. every Tuesday. For men who like to sing at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 E. Main St. Info., call Will at 302-368-3052.

DIVORCECARE 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Support group meeting at Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd., Newark. Info., 302-737-7239.

SWEET ADELINES 7:30 - 10 p.m. every Tuesday. Singing group meets at MBNA Bowman Center, Route 4, Newark. Listeners and new members welcome. Info., 302-999-8310.

MS SUPPORT 4 - 6 p.m. Tuesdays at MS Society Headquarters, 2 Mill Road, Wilmington. Info., 302-655-5610.

■ WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8

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

SCHOOL MENTORING 6 - 7 p.m. second Wednesdays at Big Brothers-Big Sisters Wilmington Office, 102 Middleboro Rd., next to Banning Park. Info., 302-998-3577.

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

ANXIETY DISORDER 2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware To maintain the privacy of members, support group locations not published. To register, call 302-765-9740.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT Noon, second Wednesday of the month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr.,

Newark. Free & open to public. Info., 302-737-2336.

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

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

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

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

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

■ THURSDAY, DEC. 9

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

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E. du Pont Music Building, Amstel Ave. and Orchard Road, Newark. Info., 302-831-2577.

■ THURSDAY, DEC. 9

SHOOTING STARS 7 p.m. The new lecture series, "An Evening at the Hook", features A Star Studded Event for Star Gazing Fans. Hosted by Don Surles, an astronomer with the Delmarva Stargazers, this presentation will allow you to rediscover the stars that brighten our night sky. "An Evening at the Hook" is a new lecture series for 2004 that highlights this nation's abundant and diverse natural resources, particularly close to home at Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge. The lectures are free, open to the public. Info., call the Refuge at 302-684-8419.

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

LATINO MAGAZINE NIGHT 5 p.m.-1 a.m. Never a cover. Always a good time. Come experience sophisticated night life at The Red Room, 550 Madison St., Wilmington. Info., 302-571-8440.

LET'S DANCE CLUB 4 - 6 p.m. Thursdays. Bring partner and dance to DJ and Big Band Music at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Info., 302-737-2336.

■ REGISTRATION REQUIRED

NATURE NUGGETS Dec. 13. 10:30 a.m. Back by popular demand, this discovery program for 3-5 year olds explores a different nature topic each month and includes a special craft or activity that will intrigue your child. A guardian must accompany each child. Group size is limited, participants must pre-register. Cost is \$3 per child. White Clay Creek State Park, Nature Center, 425 Wedgewood Road, Newark. To register, call 302-368-6900.

▶ MEETINGS, from 10

Free. Info., 302-633-9313.
TOASTMASTERS 7 p.m. second and fourth Thursday. Greater Elkton chapter meets at Cecil County Department of Aging to develop potential and overcome fear of public speaking. Public welcome. Info., 443-553-5358.

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

NEWCOMERS WELCOME CLUB 10 a.m. Second Thursday of the month meeting at the PAL Center in Hockessin for new residents in the area. Membership is open to all women who would like to meet new people with similar interests. PAL Center in Hockessin. Info., 302-449-0992 or 302-733-0834.

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

EVENING YOGA 6:15 p.m. Class to

encourage relaxation and improve strength, balance, and peace of mind. \$15 per month at Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr. Info., 302-737-2336.

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

WOMEN'S DEPRESSION 7 - 9 p.m. Support group sponsored by Mental Health Association in Delaware. Free. To protect privacy of members, meeting locations provided only with registration at 302-765-9740.

DIVORCECARE 7 - 8:30 p.m. Separated/divorced persons meet at Southern Chester County YMCA, East Baltimore Pike, Jennersville, Pa. Childcare available; ages 7 and up get to swim. Info., 610-869-2140.

NEWARK MORNING ROTARY 7 - 8:15 a.m. at the Blue & Gold Club, Newark. Info., 302-737-1711 or 302-737-0724.

BLUEGRASS/OLDTIME JAM 7:30 - 10 p.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave. Any skill level welcome. Bring your own instrument.

Aldersgate church sponsors new singles chapter here

The national organization, Single Volunteers, has formed a chapter serving the greater Wilmington area.

Single Volunteers is a social service organization that sponsors work projects for nonprofit causes, accomplished by single adults working together in teams. It is open to any adult not in any kind of romantic relationship.

There is no membership fee because the Wilmington chapter is being sponsored by Aldersgate

United Methodist Church, which is providing a place to meet and helping with printing or mailing costs as part of its new Singles Ministry.

Volunteers do need to have access to a computer, as most communication is done through the Internet or by e-mail.

To find out more about Single Volunteers, go to www.singlevolunteers.org, and click on the Greater Wilmington link, or e-mail singlevolsgwa@yahoo.com.

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In Our Schools

EDUCATION NEWS FOR NEWARK FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Songs of the season

NEED help getting into the holiday spirit? Attend the Choral Celebration Friday, Dec. 3 at 8 p.m. in the Newark High School auditorium, 750 E. Delaware Ave. for performances by the 120 member Schola Cantorum, the NHS choir and orchestra, and the Delaware Children's Chorus. The program is open to the public.

Financial aid nights

Beginning in December, college-bound students and parents can learn about financial aid, how to apply for need-based and merit-based aid and available federal, state and institutional loans, grants and scholarships.

Financial Aid Nights, sponsored by Delaware Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, will hold free sessions open to the public beginning at 7 p.m. The sessions in New Castle County are Tuesday, Dec. 7 at Brandywine High School; Wednesday, Dec. 15 at St. Mark's High School; Monday, Jan. 10 at William Penn High School; and Thursday, Jan 13 at Middletown High School.

Student of the Week

Brandon Gorin, a senior at Newark High School, was selected by Principal Emmanuel Caulk as this week's Student of the Week.

Brandon recently played Elwood P. Dowd in the school's production of Harvey. He is the only student in the



school to have had a role in, star in, write or direct every NHS theatrical production since the drama club started four years ago. Last summer he studied improv at Second City in Chicago and uses those skills to lead the school's improv troupe in performing and writing comedic skits.

Buckle-up message clear

Painted reminder for all drivers

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

WHEN students and teachers leave the parking lots of Newark High School, they can't help but be reminded to do one simple thing that could save their lives - buckle up.

Recently members of the school's League of Gentlemen's Club, in collaboration with the Delaware Office of Highway Safety and the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension, painted the message and logo at the school's three exits.

The bright white messages in bold letters, coated with reflective glitter, are a warning to drivers and passengers. Even though it's the law in Delaware to wear seatbelts, it's the first line of defense in a traffic mishap.

"There are too many accidents," said Marquis Blake, a senior member of the club. "People drive through this lot everyday. Hopefully this will remind them. They can't say they didn't see it. There's no excuse."

Blake said he buckles up



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Members of NHS Gentlemen's Club used stencils to paint the Buckle-Up message at the school's three parking lot exits. Helping with the project were, front row, from left: Rohan Harris, Gordon Loatman, Jaime Dobies, Brett Chatman. Back row: Officer Greg Micolucci, Marquis Blake, George Worley, Chad Johnson, Ahmad Duker, Donald Lolley, Steve Beaudet, and Wesley Jones.

immediately after starting up his car and before pulling off.

Unfortunately not all teens are as conscientious as Blake.

"We lost 12 teens [in the state] last year," said Cindy Genau, with Cooperative Extension. "Seatbelts will protect teens in case of a crash. Last year more than 120 people were killed in Delaware in highway accidents, nearly 12 per month, three per

week. 9,000 were injured. That's three World Trade Center disasters just in Delaware," said Genau.

Teenagers are concerned about having life threatening injuries, being in wheel chairs or paralyzed for the rest of their lives, said Genau. Buckling up their seatbelts can help avoid that.

The 15 members of the

Gentlemen's Club, mentored by Wes Jones, of the NHS Wellness Center and Greg Micolucci, school resource officer with the Newark Police Department, meet regularly to do community service projects around the school.

"They should be proud of what they did here. They will help save peoples lives," said Micolucci.

Not just blowin' smoke

GHS students celebrate American Smoke Out

By **ROBIN BROOMALL**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

MORE than 900 students at Glasgow High School were sporting one of a kind T-shirts Thursday, Nov. 18, that supported the Great American Smoke Out.

"Don't let your Dragon pride go up in smoke," was the message clearly being worn throughout the school.

As students lined up in the cafeteria during their lunch time, they were greeted by the school's mascot, a six-foot red Dragon. Fire codes in the building prevented him from blowing fire and smoke on the students, but he still had a serious message to deliver.

Before they could get their free shirt, the students had to write one reason why cigarettes are bad on a wide noodle. The noodles were then dropped

into clear plastic tubes that were assembled into a giant cigarette to be displayed in the school.

The T-shirt design and winning slogan were part of a contest coordinated by the Wellness Center. The winners, Katie McGowan and Jernail Hayes, both juniors, each won \$50.

They knew the slogan had to incorporate smoking, be appropriate to the whole school, and include something about Dragon pride.

The T-shirts were printed by TEAMworks, a job training program in the Christina School District.

A \$6,400 grant to the Wellness Center, through Christiana Care, paid for the T-shirts and supplies. The program was sponsored by the Division of Public Health Community Contact, managed by the American Lung Association of Delaware.

April Hickerson, a licensed social worker with GHS Wellness Center, said the Advisory Council, made up of students, parents, community and staff, was very helpful with the Smoke Out program.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY ROBIN BROOMALL

Juniors Katie McGowan, left, and Jernail Hayes delivered a powerful message, along with the Glasgow Dragon, for the Great American Smoke Out. They encouraged their classmates not to let "their Dragon pride go up in smoke."

Food for dollars

A new school partnership with SuperFresh grocery stores enables store customers to turn grocery purchases into funds for needed educational resources. The partnership, the largest in the corporation's 22-year history, kicked-off with the start of the current school year.

According to SuperFresh president Bhavdeep Singh, the Baltimore-based supermarket will contribute up to \$1 million to local schools this year as part of the company's ongoing commitment to enriching educational programs for children and families.

All public, private and parochial kindergarten, elementary and secondary schools in Maryland, the District of Columbia, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey are eligible for funding.

Through the Partnership program, customers earn one point for every dollar spent at SuperFresh. Additionally, customers can earn extra credit

points by purchasing designated products throughout the store. Special items change weekly. At the end of the fall and spring semesters, SuperFresh will distribute the money to the designated schools based on the points earned from customer purchases.

Eligible schools can use the funds as they choose for a wide range of educational uses, from equipment to academic programs.

To qualify for the program, schools must complete a SuperFresh School Partnership Participation form. Customers enroll in the program at the store by completing a short form which allows them to designate up to three schools for funding.

Locally, both SuperFresh stores, in Glasgow and on New London Road in Newark, have many schools enrolled in the program.

■ For more information, call 1-888-RU4-SCHL or visit www.superfreshfood.com/school.

Scholarship winners announced

FIFTY-TWO Christina School District students have won \$62,000 in scholarship money from the State of Delaware, it was announced by the Department of Education this week.

The students are part of 479 students statewide receiving the Michael C. Ferguson achievement high scores in reading, math and writing on the March 2004 Delaware State Testing Program (DSTP) in grades eight and ten.

The scholarship program, named in honor of Michael Ferguson, a former Deputy Superintendent and Acting Superintendent of the Department of Instruction and former State Budget Director, was included in the Educational Accountability Act of 1998 and is funded by the General Assembly. The program authorizes a maximum of 600 scholarships annually, at \$1,000 each.

The Delaware Higher Education Commission will establish an account for each recipient to use for postsecondary education.

The following are CSD students receiving scholarships:

Three scholarships: Kyle Lepore (Newark High).

Two scholarships each: Alicia Baddorf (NHS), Meghann Barber (Shue-Medill), Kierra Bussey (Shue-Medill), Razaz Mageid (Shue-Medill), Alla'Edeen Mahmoud (NHS), Craig Nichols (NHS), Nathan States (GHS), Yinbo Wang (Shue-Medill).

One scholarship each: Akinola Adejuwon (Gauger-Cobbs), Shazia Ahmed (Kirk), Jason Angelo (NHS), Abdullah Bas (Gauger-Cobbs), Adrian Best (Shue-Medill), Isatu Boston (Gauger-Cobbs), Kenneth Boyce (Gauger-Cobbs), Nicole Byers (Kirk), Meghan Colosimo (Kirk), Tanya Dixit (NHS), Hannah Drosehn (Shue-Medill), Kathryn

Duplessis (NHS), Steven Feldman (NHS), Megan Fletcher (NHS), Dominique Johnson (Kirk), Ashley Jones (GHS), Shania Jones (GHS), Jung Kim (NHS), Jack Kubizne (NHS), Brian Lesieur (Kirk), Crystal Lucas (GHS), Emily Maclary (NHS), Chris Mathews (Shue-Medill), Ashley Miller (NHS), Benjamin Morrison (NHS), James Murray (Gauger-Cobbs), Elizabeth Nelson (NHS), Anna Peng (NHS), Leah Peoples (Gauger-Cobbs), Tonima Quabili (Gauger-Cobbs), Samantha Sklodowski (Shue-Medill), Amanda Smith (CHS), Melanie Spencer (Shue-Medill), Kimberly Stepp (NHS), Daniel Strouse (NHS), Raul Suarez (GHS), Saaib Uppal (GHS), Julianne Ware (NHS), Brittain Williams (GHS), Heather Wise (Shue-Medill), Frederick Worden (NHS), Stephen Wyatt (CHS), and Laura Yarnall (NHS).

Grants awarded

AS many as 1,300 Delawareans die annually as a result of tobacco use, according to the American Lung Association. Thanks to the Division of Public Health's Tobacco Prevention Community Outreach Contract, 25 schools and organizations throughout the state have received mini grants of \$1,000 to \$10,000 to educate youth about the dangers of tobacco use.

Locally, Chesapeake Bay Girl Scouts, Glasgow High School Wellness Center and the Newark Boys and Girls Club are among the recipients.

The Girl Scouts will create a Scouts Against Smoking patch



program that will reach 300 girls statewide.

The GHS Wellness Center will conduct lunch and learn workshops and produce an anti-tobacco video.

Newark Boys and Girls Club will implement the SMART Kids program including age-appropriate information and activities regarding tobacco and self-awareness.

Teachers, employees recognized

AS part of American Education Week, the Christina School District honored its teachers, nurses and school employees at a recognition ceremony Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Gauger/Cobbs Middle School.

The following Teachers of the Year were honored:

District Teacher of the Year Paula Henderson (Newark High), Lauren Diamond (Brader), Tamika Nichole McReynolds (Brookside), Jayne Marshall (Downes), Laura James Brace (Gallaher), Marie Mullarkey (Jones), Janet McVey (Keene), Alvin Pope (Leasure), Susan Osborn (Maclary), Agnes Gueiros Barkley, Marshall), Joy Davies (McVey), Cathy Drew (Smith), Melissa Schuibbeo (West Park), Alaine Grunow

(Wilson), Tim Werbrich (Bayard), Wendy Robinson (Drew-Pyle), Suzin Steltz (Elbert-Palmer), Natasha Foy (Pulaski), Karen Keller (Stubbs), Mara Carmean (Gauger/Cobbs), Sarah Johnson (Kirk), Charles Halfen (Shue/Medill), Berardo DiMarco (Christiana), Tom Wayock (Glasgow), Tyra Washington (Douglas), Michael McKibbin (Sterck) and Donna Giliotti (Autism Program).

Also honored was the 2004-2005 District Nurse of the Year Kaye Snook (Christiana High).

The following classified Employees of the year were honored:

Transportation: Maryon Norvell (bus driver); Custodial/Maintenance: James McKelvey (boiler technician);



Paraprofessional: Perla Acevedo (Wilson paraeducator); Food Service: Arlene LaPointe (Marshall cafeteria cook); Secretarial: Missy Ross (Newark High main office secretary).

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Station would be moved to concrete plant site

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DaimlerChrysler Assembly Plant adjacent to the present station, only one track at a time can be used for passenger rail. And with an increasing number of passen-

ger trips, DelDOT says traffic is getting too heavy at the Mopar Drive station.

The new station would allow room for more train traffic, something DelDOT says is imperative.

Since the Mopar Drive station opened in 1997, ridership has

steadily grown, peaking at 450 passenger trips per day. And it's only expected to grow, more than doubling by 2030.

"We need to eliminate the operating conflict with freight and passenger trains," Darrel Cole, chief communications offi-

cer for DelDOT, said. "This is really vital. There is not enough room at the station."

In addition to better serving the day-trippers of Newark, the new station would allow for new routes connecting more cities. "This could eventually connect

Wilmington, Newark and Dover," he said. "As of now, there is no rail that does so."

However, these connecting trips are decades away. If they do happen, they aren't slated for opening for another 25 years. "It's still far down the road," Cole said. Because of that, there are no estimates for how much the new tracks connecting Dover and Newark would cost. "We're thinking about this now," Cole said, "so that in 2030, we don't say, 'My God, where are we now?'"

Not everyone is supportive of the proposed change. Newark resident John Reddington said he hopes to see the station stay where it is.

"The train station couldn't be better located [than where it is now]," Reddington said. "If you move it, it will cut off foot and bike traffic."

His other concerns include building on open space and spending too much money replacing a functional rail system.

"It just baffles me why you would want to do this," he said.

Newark post office extends hours

The post office, located at 401 Ogletown Road, is now open Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

There will also be a "mobile clerk" in the lobby to add an additional retail window for customers. For regular hours and other information, call the post office, 737-5771.

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Main Street gallery features Newark scenes

YOU'VE Been Framed is celebrating its fourth annual Newark In Miniature Show this week. Nine artists contributed to this 40-piece show dedicated to the streets of Newark.

All of the pieces are for sale. Prices range from \$89 to \$1,200.

The show got its start a few years ago when Newark residents started popping into the frame store to ask for Newark-inspired art. "It's fun to get a different view of this place we walk past everyday and don't think of it as particularly artistic," said Wendy Mitchell, manager of You've Been Framed and contributing artist.

One of her favorite pieces is a miniature painting of the movie theatre in Newark Shopping Center. "It's not one of those landmarks you think of as picturesque, but it's kinda cute," she said.



This miniature view of the Newark Cinema Center is one of Wendy Mitchell's favorites. Mitchell is manager of the Main Street gallery You've Been Framed.

Carrieri-Russo collects 12,000 books

UNIVERSITY of Delaware sophomore **Vincenza Carrieri-Russo** was honored with the Daily Point of Light Award by the Daily Points of Light Foundation for her creation of the statewide literacy organization Success Won't Wait, Inc.

The Daily Points of Light Award honors individuals and volunteer groups that have made a commitment to connect Americans through service to help meet critical needs in their communities. Each weekday, one volunteer or volunteer effort nationwide receives a Daily Point of Light Award and is featured on the foundation's Web site.

Carrieri-Russo is one of only seven volunteers from Delaware honored since 1998, when the Daily Points of Light Web site went on-line.

Carrieri-Russo's outstanding community service efforts to improve literacy in Delaware began in 2002 as an 18-year-old high school senior, when she taught a family friend's daughter to dance. Her friend's young son would wait in the lobby and Carrieri-Russo thought a basket of books would give him something positive to do while waiting. The basket was so successful

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that she placed several others in a nearby karate studio, hair salon, and doctor's office. The program grew rapidly with scores of requests for baskets.

Since the program's inception, Carrieri-Russo has organized dozens of statewide book drives, calling on residents to donate used books for redistribution in the community. To date she has collected more than 12,000 books.

Hoffman named to dean's list

Newark resident **Blaine Eric Hoffman** was named to Denison University's dean's list.

He is the son of Ronald and Sherry Hoffman of Langwater Dr., Newark.

Hoffman, a 2001 graduate of John Dickinson High School, is a senior computer science and communication double major.

Residents graduate from Washington College

The following Newark residents were recognized for their academic achievements and received their diplomas as members of the Class of 2004:

Kathryn E. Riley earned a Bachelor's degree in Sociology,

Cum Laude and departmental honors.

Kristin H. Beane earned a Bachelor's degree in Business with a minor in Computer Science.

McIntosh on dean's list at York College

Caitlin M. McIntosh of Newark was named to the York College of Pennsylvania dean's list for the spring 2004 semester.

She is the daughter of Frank and Carolyn McIntosh and is a graduate of Newark High School.

Muthu named delegate

Newark resident **Lakshmi Muthu**, a senior at the Charter School of Wilmington was selected a delegate for the 2004 American Legion Auxiliary Girls Nation program due to her enthusiasm for learning, intelligence, leadership potential and positive attitude associated with the recently completed program.

Local residents named to dean's list

Springfield College has named the following residents to the dean's list:

Doretha Fogg, Neva Pearson and **Carmen Pierce**, all of Newark, are seniors majoring in Human Services.

Police welcome toy donations

The Newark Police Department, in cooperation with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve's annual Toys for Tots Campaign, is accepting donated gifts for children up to 12 years of age.

Gifts can be dropped off at the lobby of the police headquarters through Dec. 10.

On Dec. 15, members of the

police department and the USMC Reserve will be transported to four area communities by the Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Company. There they will give the gifts to deserving children.

Any questions about this program should be directed to: Cpl. Tracy Simpson, Newark Police Department, 366-7110, ext. 129.

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Title game on Jackets' schedule once again

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

When making its football schedule each year, isn't it time that Newark High just included the playoffs and state championship dates.

Newark squares off against Middletown Saturday afternoon at Delaware State University's Alumni Stadium at 1 p.m. in the Division I state championship game.

It marks an unbelievable ninth time in 10 years that the Yellowjackets have been in the state title game.



Valania

It's become so regular, it would be foolhardy for anybody associated with the program to schedule anything (even weddings) other than a football game for this weekend.

As good as these teams have been throughout the year, there were different points during the season, when neither team seemed destined to be playing Saturday.

Middletown, under first-year coach Mark DelPercio, lost games early in the season to Salesianum, Caesar Rodney and William Penn. Using DelPercio's own term, he felt his Cavaliers underachieved early in the year.

Now, the Cavs have knocked off two of the three teams that gave them losses and they are in the championship game.

Oddly, Newark is one team that Middletown handled fairly well during the season. In fact, the Cavs' dominating 24-6 victory on Oct. 29 was probably the turning point of Middletown's season. It was also a time of the year when people questioned whether Newark would make it this

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Newark back in title game

Win over Sallies gives Jackets chance to avenge lone loss

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Newark returned to the state high school football championship game for the second year in a row, and ninth time in the last 10 years, following a 36-19 blowout over Salesianum Saturday night at Baynard Stadium in Wilmington.

The Yellowjackets (11-1) will tangle with Middletown (9-3)

Saturday afternoon at Alumni Field at Delaware State University in Dover. Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. The Cavaliers were the only team to beat the Jackets this season, earning a 24-6 victory in October.

Newark's star running back Sam Cotton returned to mid-season form by dazzling the sell-out crowd with powerful inside runs, and breathtaking, lightening-quick excursions the length of the field.

On the night, the senior ran for nearly 330 yards and three touchdowns. Cotton's scoring runs were 91, 80 and 31 yards respectively.

Had the Jackets not played ball control for almost the entire

fourth quarter, Cotton's numbers could have been astronomical.

"I thank God and I thank all of my teammates, especially my O-line for my performance tonight," said a tired, but elated, Cotton. "I still don't feel 100-percent, but it feels good to help the team get back to the championship game."

Newark coach Butch Simpson said "He's a very special player, who's meant a lot to me and the program over the last four years. "Sam's a real warrior, who plays every down with courage and determination."

Not to be forgotten were several other stellar performances, including the play of junior quarterback Steve Williams, who ran for the other two Jacket touch-

downs, and ran the offense to near perfection. In addition, Newark controlled the ball for about the last 11 minutes of the contest.

Newark's defense played tough in the first half, but turned in a great performance, shutting down the potent Sals offense over the final two quarters.

Jacket senior defensive lineman Jon Senkus said the team was fired up to shut down the Sals senior quarterback Gene Delledonne.

"We really came together as a team tonight," said Senkus. "We had a pep talk this week from Orien Harris, (former All-Stater

See **NEWARK, 17** ▶

Hens advance with win over Lafayette

Bible's fumble return for TD seals victory

Senior free safety Garron Bible scooped up a fumble deep inside Delaware territory and rambled 87 yards for a touchdown with 2:56 left to play to clinch the University of Delaware's 28-14 victory over 25th ranked Lafayette in an NCAA I-AA football first round playoff game Saturday afternoon at Delaware Stadium.

The 10th ranked Blue Hens, the defending NCAA I-AA national champion, won their third straight game and fifth straight NCAA playoff game since last season, to improve to 9-3. Delaware will travel to Williamsburg, Va. Saturday to take on fellow Atlantic 10 Conference co-champion William & Mary in the quarterfinals. No. 3 seed William & Mary, which defeated Hampton 42-35 in its first round game Saturday, lost to the Blue Hens by a 31-28 score back on Oct. 23 at Delaware Stadium.

Lafayette, which captured the Patriot League title last week, was making its first-ever NCAA tournament appearance and ended the season with a mark of 8-4. Quarterback Brad Maurer gave an outstanding effort, completing 19 of 27 passes for a career-high 211 yards and one touchdown.



NEWARK POST PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Lafayette's Jonathan Hurt was upended by Sidney Haugabrook as Chris Mooney races in.

Delaware quarterback Sonny Riccio threw for 148 yards and rushed 17 times for 74 yards and two touchdowns, including the go-ahead score with 6:26 left to play. Freshman running back Omar Cuff posted his third 100-yard effort in the last four games as he ran 23 times for 109 yards

and started the scoring with a one-yard touchdown run on the Hens, opening drive.

"Lafayette is a very good football team and both teams played very hard," said Delaware head coach K.C. Keeler, who is now 9-0 in opening round NCAA playoff games, including a 2-0 mark

for the Blue Hens. "We just come out and keep playing no matter the situation. We really emphasize creating fumbles and do a pretty good job on that. Garron just made a great athletic play on the fumble return. It was huge.

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Caravel tops Hodgson to advance to final

By **JOE BACKER**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

Bucs to face Concord for Division II title

Caravel Academy stayed perfect on the season, with an overwhelming 37-8 home victory over neighborhood rival Hodgson Friday night, in the semifinal round of the Delaware High School Division II Football

Tournament.

The 11-0 Bucs will play Concord, in the Division II championship game Sunday, Dec. 5, at Delaware State University's Alumni Stadium in Dover. Concord, (10-1), the defending

Division II champs, advanced with a hard-fought 7-6 victory over Indian River Saturday afternoon in North Wilmington on the Red Raiders' home field.

Caravel coach Mike Aruanno said the victory was huge, not only for the team, but for the entire program.

"This is as big as it gets. I'm very happy for the kids because they

went out tonight, played a strong game, and beat a very good opponent tonight," he said.

Caravel scored in each quarter, including two touchdowns in the deciding third quarter. Sophomore running back Leo Cheaten led the Bucs ground-pounding offense with 142 yards and two touchdowns on 14 carries.

"We really came together as a team and a family tonight," said Cheaten. "Everybody played very hard for the entire ball game, and that's what helped us beat a real good team."

Caravel took the opening drive and scored at 6:12 of the first period, on a 4th and goal,

when Alphonso Hoggard scored from six.

After an offside penalty against the Silver Eagles, Bryant Bonds scored a two-point conversion to give the Bucs an 8-0 lead.

Hodgson then scored its only points of the game on a drive that started near the end of the first quarter. The Silver Eagles junior running back Derrell Smith capped the long drive with a TD run early in the second quarter. Smith's run and a two-point conversion knotted the score at 8-8, with lots of football still left to play.

Receiver Jarred Wright and running back Jimmy Williams also added touchdowns for the Bucs.

Williams said he was excited for his entire student body about the victory.

"It's all about respect. We didn't think we got any respect this season, so we need to come out and play hard one more time next weekend," said Williams.



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Cotton leads Newark to win

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from Newark and now playing for the University of Miami). He told us if we played together as a family, we could be successful."

The defense definitely set the tempo for the game right from the start. On the second play of the night, Newark's James Snyder intercepted a DelleDonne pass, and returned the ball deep into Sallies territory. Several plays later, Williams scored his first touchdown on a 14-yard run.

The Sals fought back throughout the first half, but were unable to stop Newark's Dynamic Duo of Cotton and Williams.

Salsianum's Nick Dominelli,

Bobby Sabol and Chris Quinn all scored first-half touchdowns, but were unable to get near the end zone in the second half. The Sals special team also had problems with the two-point conversions, missing on both opportunities early in the first half.

The Sals finished the season with a 9-2 record, under first-year coach Bill DiNardo, who led Middletown for the past 16 years.

"We very happy to return to a state championship game," said Simpson. "Middletown has owned us recently, we haven't been able to beat them, but anything can happen in a game like this, between two good teams that deserve to be there."

Jackets used to title game

► **JACKETS, from 16**

far. The Jackets struggled in the early parts of nearly every game through the first two months of the season. They were, however, resourceful enough to keep getting victories against everybody — except Middletown. Newark now has a chance to avenge that lone loss.

The Cavaliers have beaten Newark three straight times since joining Flight A three years ago.

"It seems I can't beat Middletown," Newark coach Butch Simpson said after the

first meeting.

I doubt whether Simpson or DelPercio actually believes that. This is a man who has the state record for career wins and has amassed almost half of his 222 victories in the last 10 years.

Expect a lot closer game than 24-6 on Saturday. It appears that the Jackets have figured out the sluggish first-half ailments that have plagued them all season. It should make for a great game between two great programs and two communities that support their teams better than anybody else in the state.

DELAWARE VS. WILLIAM & MARY

Saturday, Dec. 4 at William & Mary, NOON

Hens have semifinal date with Tribe

Delaware one of four A-10 teams to advance to quarterfinals

By **MARTY VALANIA**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

There are a couple of obstacles the University of Delaware football team must overcome this week at William & Mary if it's going to advance in the NCAA I-AA playoffs.

First, the Tribe is undefeated at home this year. Second, is the old adage that it is difficult to beat a good team twice in one season.

The 9-3 Blue Hens travel to Williamsburg Saturday for a quarterfinal contest against the third-seeded Tribe (10-2). The game is a rematch of the Oct. 23 Atlantic-10 matchup that the Hens won 31-28. It was William & Mary's lone loss to a I-AA team. The Tribe's other loss came in a tight 49-38 game to bowl bound North Carolina.

Delaware topped Lafayette 28-14 in a first round game while the Tribe rallied to beat Hampton 42-35 in their opener.

Fortunately for Blue Hen fans there are numbers that give them hope against the two Tribe trends.

Delaware has managed a 7-7 all-time record in Williamsburg, including a 51-17 playoff win in 1986. In addition, Delaware coach K.C. Keeler is 5-0 during his career in rematch games.

"Hey, it's tough to beat a good team two times," Keeler said repeating the old saying. "It's definitely true. I've been on both ends of it during my career. I've been the team that has lost and came back and won and I've been the team that has won and came back and won."

"You just try to spin it however it's a positive for you."

The UD coach also feels good about his team on the road.

"We've been OK on the road," he said. "We lost at Navy. I think Navy's a pretty good football team. We lost at James Madison. That's a game where we really played well, dominated the game, but didn't take advantage when we were in the red zone. I liked the way we played." Keeler feels the biggest advantage is really knowing how good the opponent's personnel is. He also knows that both teams have that advantage.

"It's much better than just watching tape," he said. "The guys know what they can do against each other out there."

"We knew (William & Mary's) Lang Campbell was a good quarterback. But after playing the game, he's better than advertised. He's, without a doubt, the best quarterback in the country."

Keeler went on to list a few other Tribe players that were "better than advertised" as well.

"They have that same benefit with us. On thing that is different is that Omar Cuff didn't play in that game. He's become a big part of what we do now. Maybe that's an advantage for us."

William & Mary coach Jimmy Laycock wasn't sure about advantages and didn't see any reason to change the way his team prepares for a game.

"Delaware, obviously, is very, very good," he said. "They know us, we know them. We just have to go out and play."

Laycock believes his team has continued to improve since its loss in Newark.

"We've gotten better each week - especially on defense," he said. "I also think we've grown up."



PHOTO BY MIKE BIGGS

Sonny Riccio rushed for 74 yards on 17 carries.

We've played and won some tough games. The win at James Madison was very tough. (The win over Hampton) was very tough. I think we can get something out of winning those games." Keeler knows his team must improve from, not only from the first time the two teams played but, last week.

"We haven't put together a complete game yet," Keeler said. "We've just somehow found ways to win. We're going to have to put a whole lot more together this week if we're going to have a chance against William & Mary."

Keeler pointed to three big plays in the first meeting as examples of what the Hens must stop.

"I know they had three plays for 213 yards," he said. "Those are plays we can't allow to happen."

A-10 flexes muscle

There are eight teams left in the NCAA I-AA playoffs and four of them are from the Atlantic-10.

In addition to Delaware and William & Mary both winning, James Madison won at Lehigh and New Hampshire stunned fourth-seeded Georgia Southern on the road.

"It's not even close as to who the best conference is," Keeler said. "There are two or three teams in this league (read Villanova, Maine and Northeastern) that didn't get into the tournament that could be conference champions in most other conferences. We should get three or four teams in the tournament every year."

James Madison travels to No. 2 Furman this week while New Hampshire has to go on another tough road trip to Montana. The Wildcats, after this week, will have played road games in the three toughest I-AA venues this year in Delaware, Georgia Southern and Montana. They won the first two. Another win puts UNH into the semifinals.

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9/2	UNH	L 21-24
9/11	TOWSON	W 21-17
9/18	W. CHESTER	W 24-6
9/25	at UMass	W 21-7
10/2	MAINE	W 43-38
10/16	at Hofstra	W 20-19
10/23	WM. & MARY	W 31-28
10/30	at Navy	L 20-34
11/6	at J. Madison	L 13-20
11/13	at Richmond	W 23-14
11/20	VILLANOVA	W 41-35
11/27	LAFAYETTE	W 28-14
12/4	WM. & MARY	NOON

Hens rally past Lafayette

► HENS, from 16

There are only eight teams left and that's a credit to our football team. We didn't think we'd be sitting here after losing our opener."

"Not many people gave us a chance to be here today," said Lafayette head coach Frank Tavani. "I am so proud of this football team."

It was a defensive struggle most of the day as Lafayette managed just 18 first downs and 305 total yards, including 94 on the ground, against at Delaware defense that ranked 14th in NCAA I-AA in total defense at 300 yards per game. The Hens could muster little more as they accumulated 384 yards.

The Blue Hens took a 7-0 lead into the second quarter as they drove 66 yards on their first drive of the day, going up 7-0 with 8:22 left on Cuff's one-yard touchdown run. The Leopards came back to knot the score at 7-7 midway through the second quarter

when Maurer hit tight end John-Frank Stubits on a three-yard scoring pass. The touchdown was the first of Stubits' career.

Delaware came back to take a 13-7 lead into halftime when Riccio scored on a two-yard run to cap a 77-yard drive. Kicker Brad Shushman was wide on the extra point attempt.

After a scoreless third quarter, Lafayette took its first lead of the game four minutes into the final quarter when Joe McCourt capped an 18-play, 74-yard drive with a one-yard dive that put the Leopards up 14-13 with 11:25 left. But the Hens rallied to take the lead again as Riccio capped a 76-yard drive with a six-yard run and then threw a two-point conversion pass to tight end Steve Selk to up the lead to 21-14 with 6:26 left.

Lafayette then mounted what appeared to be the game-tying drive, getting all the way to the 12 before Sidney Haugabrook and Mondoe Davis caused the fumble that Bible picked up and returned for the score.

▶ **BLOTTER, from 2**

student was kicked in the face and punched by two assailants. School staff intervened as the attackers fled. Subsequent police and school investigations led to the arrests.

In an unrelated incident on Monday, Nov. 22, at 9:20 a.m., a 17-year-old NHS student was charged with disorderly conduct.

A teacher told police a student entered a classroom and struck another student in the face or head.

Not so friendly

Officials at Friendly Rent A Car told Newark police on Tuesday, Nov. 23, at 11:29 a.m., that a Bear man had failed to return a 2004 Chrysler Pacifica that had been rented. The vehicle was 16 days overdue back at the rental firm.

DVDs missing

Ten DVDs were reported missing from a locked storage cabinet inside a classroom at Newark High School, 401 E. Delaware Ave., on Tuesday, Nov. 23, at 9:25 a.m.

At 8:10 a.m. the same day, a cellular telephone was reported stolen from a locker at the high school.

Sexual assault

Newark police are investigating a sexual assault that took place Sunday night, Nov. 21, at a home in the unit block Madison Drive.

The victim told police she allowed her assailant into her home. Investigation is continuing.

Jug of change missing

A large water cooler jug filled with coins was the only item reported missing after thieves forced their way into a home in the unit block Fremont Road between 1 and 9:40 pm. on Sunday, Nov. 21.

The intruders forced open a rear sliding door.

Vending machines hit

Newark police are investigating the theft of up to \$1,000 in change from 13 vending machines located inside the DaimlerChrysler assembly plant, 550 S. College Ave.

Video games gone

Video games and cash were taken by thieves from a home in the unit block Wilbur Street, it was reported to Newark police on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 2:23 a.m.

The thieves were seen scrambling down rear steps, police said.

Theft discovered

Credit cards were discovered missing from a purse in an office at St. Thomas Church, 276 S. College Ave., police were told on Friday, Nov. 19, at 4:14 p.m.

The church worker told police a man with two small children entered the church. The visitor said he was homeless and wanted to stay at the church for the night. When the worker left her office briefly to confer with another employee, the man left. Shortly after, the theft from the purse was discovered.

Vehicles hit

Newark police reported that thieves and vandals targeted a number of vehicles here recently. Some of the reports include:

New London Road near Cleveland Avenue, on Sunday, Nov. 28, at 8:28 p.m., a driver told police that someone shot a BB gun at his minivan as he was driving;

608 Wharton Dr., on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 10:48 a.m., after forcing open the passenger window of a 1999 Ford Mustang, thieves removed two headlight and turn signal assemblies that were valued at \$800;

New Street, on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 5:03 p.m., door of 1997 Acura "keyed;"

501 Ogletown Road, on Wednesday, Nov. 24, 3:41 p.m., car stereo and CDs removed from a 1990 Ford Probe. The driver's door lock was damaged;

Rear parking lot, 34 Center St., on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 1:38 p.m., license tags removed from two vehicles;

West Main Street at the CSX tracks, on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 1:12 p.m., following a "road rage" incident, a man kicked and punched a car operated by a 21-year-old woman;

Rear lot of the Hudson Center, 501 Ogletown Road, on Wednesday, Nov. 24, 12:12 p.m., window of 1993 Honda smashed and pry marks discovered on car stereo;

700 Cambridge Dr., on Wednesday, Nov. 24, 11:18 a.m., window of 1988 Honda Accord shattered by a BB gun;

50 Prospect Ave., on Monday, Nov. 22, at 5:02 p.m., car stereo stolen from parked vehicle;

17 New St., on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 11:13 a.m., license plate removed from 2002 Nissan Frontier;

16 N. Chapel St., on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 4 a.m., passenger side mirror broken; and

230 E. Main St., on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 12:42 p.m., three tires on a 2003 Chevrolet Cavalier slashed.

Alcohol, noise law violations listed

Officers of the Newark Police Department have continued stepped-up enforcement of alcohol-related and noise laws here during the holiday party season.

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

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

Some of the recent arrests include:

Lawrence Inocencio, 32, of Newark, noise violation, on Monday, Nov. 29, at 1:45 a.m., at 120 Wilbur St.;

Anna Marie Dee Rhoades, 23, of New Castle, noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 2:01 a.m., at 120 Wilbur St.;

Katie McFarland, 19, of Newark, noise violation, and **Jacque Dimattia**, 19, of Wilmington, noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 12:45 a.m., at 151 Thorn Lane;

Kendyl Leigh Suloff, 20, of Elkton, Md., underage consumption of alcohol and possession of an open container of alcohol, on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 12:25 a.m., under the bridge at 429 S. College Ave.;

Nicholas Smilk Jr., 19, of Bear, underage entry into a liquor store, on Friday, Nov. 26, at 9:36 p.m., at 896 Liquors, 1017 S. College Ave.;

A 17-year-old juvenile from Hockessin, underage consumption of alcohol and driving under the influence of alcohol, on Thursday, Nov. 25, at 12:43 a.m., after a police officer observed a 1999 Mitsubishi Eclipse travelling the wrong way on East Delaware Avenue at the 7-Eleven;

Wayne Chris Lannen, 20, of Elk Mills, Md., underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, Nov. 19, at 10:35 p.m., at 69 E. Delaware Ave.;

Anthony Snyder, 19, of Bear, underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 4:15 a.m., at scene of traffic collision at South College Avenue and Christina Parkway;

Michael Fox, 19, of Dumont, N.J., noise violation, and **William Courtney**, 19, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 1:59 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Karen S. Mayugba, 20, of North Brunswick, N.J., noise violation, on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 12:50 a.m., at 281

Beverly Road;

Courney K. Dickinson, 20, of Seaford, N.Y., noise violation, and **Mary R. Stokes**, 20, of Milford, noise violation, on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 12:16 a.m., at 8215 Scholar Dr.;

William H. Ohop, 26, of Elmsmere, possession of an open container of alcohol, on Sunday, Nov. 21, at 12:29 a.m., outside the Ground Floor restaurant, 60 N. College Ave.;

Andrew David Rainey, 21, of Burke, Va., noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 11:10 p.m., at 618 Lehigh Road;

Nathan R. Connell, 19, of Newark, noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 1:10 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Nicola Marucci, 21, of Cedar Knolls, N.J., noise violation, and **Brian P. Mcgaughran**, 22, of Whippany, N.J., noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 1:23 a.m., at 78 Amstel Ave.;

John T. Lehr, 19, of Newark, underage possession of alcohol, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 1:30 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Scott W. Dodds, 21, of Lansdale, Pa., noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 12:23 a.m., at 66 New London Road;

Steven M. Anton, 19, of Wilmington, underage consumption of alcohol and disorderly conduct, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 12:25 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Christopher Richards Jr., 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol and disorderly conduct, on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 12:15 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave.;

Matthew D. Gorzynski, 22, of Newark, noise violation, on Friday, Nov. 19, at 11:53 p.m., at 118 Wharton Dr.;

Justin L. Wiggins, 19, of Newark, underage possession of alcohol, and **Charles J. McCall IV**, 19, of Newark, underage consumption of alcohol, on Friday, Nov. 19, at 11:18 p.m., at 654 S. College Ave.;

Brian K. Alessandrini, 21, of Newark, sale of alcohol to a minor, on Thursday, Nov. 18, at 6:11 p.m., at Park N Shop Liquors, 275 Elkton Road;

Kenneth Joseph Hines, Jr., 23, of Bedford, N.H., noise violation, on Monday, Nov. 15, at 11:36 p.m., at

4103 Scholar Dr.;

Gregory R. McCoy Jr., 20, of Newark, underage possession of alcohol, on Monday, Nov. 15, at 2:31 a.m., on Christina Parkway at the bus drop off;

Timothy George, 21, of Newark, noise violation, on Sunday, Nov. 14, at 2:23 a.m., at 5304 Scholar Dr.;

Ian Andrew Wright, 21, of Denver, Colo., maintaining a disorderly premise, and **David Powers**, 21, of Camillus, N.Y., maintaining a disorderly premise, on Sunday, Nov. 14, at 12:54 a.m. at 374 Manuel St. Police received an anonymous report of a loud party. They dispersed more than 100 persons from the home, a process that took 10 to 15 minutes, officers said;

Kaoru Theodore Katayama, 18, of Virginia Beach, Va., underage consumption of alcohol, on Sunday, Nov. 14, at 12:01 a.m., at University of Delaware Lot 31, 5 Courtney St.;

Kellin M. Zona, 20, of Rochester, N.Y., possession of an open container of alcohol and underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 11:43 p.m., on the sidewalk at 618 Academy St.;

Benjamin K. Hastings, 19, of Seaford, underage possession of alcohol, on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 8:55 p.m., rear of Bike Line, 212 E. Main St.;

Ryan M. Jones, 23, of Newark, noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 5:14 a.m., at 1105 Woolen Way;

Peter Shea Ward, 20, of Washington, D.C., underage consumption of alcohol, on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 4:12 a.m., at 400 Wollaston Ave., Ivy Hall apartments;

Brian A. Costaldo, 21, of Westport, Conn., noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 2:06 a.m., at 5208 Scholar Dr., University Courtyard apartments; and

Elena Reznik, 21, of Wilmington, noise violation, and **Ashley L. Renzi**, 21, of Wilmington, noise violation, on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 1:38 a.m., at 153 W. Main St., after 25 people were dispersed from a gathering.

Police said all were released pending court appearances.

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Wednesdays are for shopping downtown

By JIA DIN

NEWARK POST CONTRIBUTING WRITER

DOWNTOWN Newark will be turned into a holiday shopper's paradise come Wednesday nights in December. In honor of the approaching festive season, the Downtown Newark Partnership will feature "Wonderful Winter Wednesdays," which offer special shopping nights every Wednesday of the month.

Various businesses in downtown Newark will offer special deals and discounts for shoppers.

Maureen Feeney Roser, assistant city planning director and DNP administrator, said the theme for downtown Newark shopping this season is to relax.

"The committee members came up with this theme. It shows that businesses on Main

Street will have everything you need," she said.

Each Wednesday will cater to a different category of shoppers. The first Wednesday, Dec. 1, is dedicated to women customers who can enjoy discounts at participating businesses and restaurants. Men will receive special treatment the following Wednesday, Dec. 8, while children are the honorees for the third Wednesday of the month, Dec. 15.

Most participating businesses will be offering such specials as discounts, give-aways, refreshments, and free gift wrapping.

Parking in the municipal lots behind the Galleria, behind Wilmington Trust and behind Happy Harry's, as well as street meters, will be free from 3 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday in December.

Andrew Haines, parking administrator for the city, said the

city likes to work with the DNP to produce a more convenient experience for shoppers. "The event will be enhanced because the city is providing free parking," he said. "More people will come out and support local businesses this way."

Feeney Roser said the DNP Merchant's Committee wanted to create an atmosphere conducive to friendly and fun shopping. "Lots of people don't want to go to the mall," she said. "People like personal service and this is a good opportunity for more folks to come downtown."

Nedre Carter, manager of Crystal Concepts on Main Street, said her store will be having a gift basket drawing and also discount massages and tarot card readings.

Carter said she hopes more people will be attracted to the shopping area because of the special offers. "This will let people

know more about the stores here and what we have to offer," she said. "And it's also a good way to avoid the crowds at the mall."

Live music entertainment is another feature of the Wonderful Winter Wednesdays. Julie Keppel, chairwoman of the merchant's committee, said the music will add to the festive environment by providing holiday music for shoppers as they stroll up and down Main Street.

Jolie En Rose, a woodwind

quartet from the University of Delaware, is scheduled to play Dec. 22 outside of Homegrown Café. Newark High School's brass band will also perform live music.

Keppel said the concept of singling out Wednesdays in December will give shoppers a unique experience. "I'm very much looking forward to seeing how this will enhance holiday shopping," she said.

TREE LIGHTING FRIDAY, 6 P.M.

Downtown flurries into winter wonderland

WINTERFEST, the annual celebration that rings in the holiday season, is just around the corner. This year's Dec. 3 festivities will feature the same traditions that have drawn the crowds into the crisp December air for years, in addition to a few traditions-in-the-making.

At 6 p.m., the fun gets started with the tree lighting on the lawn of the Academy Building, caroling, a dance presentation, ice sculpture demonstrations and a jazz performance. Rumor has it that Santa will fly into town at

6:30. Later, the winner of the Downtown Newark Partnership's Window Dressing Contest will be announced. All the while, there will be roasting chestnuts, hot chocolate and carriage rides.

Sharon Bruen, recreation supervisor for the city, said that the event is a good way to enjoy the holiday season. "It's a way for the community to come together and start the season right," she said.

For more information about the event, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 366-7060.

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SHOW Dec. 3 - 5. Fri., 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., Sat., 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Sun., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. It's here, and it's bigger than ever! Handcraft Unlimited invites everyone to join the excitement at their 2-Floor, 3-Day Christmas Craft Show and Shopping Extravaganza at the Bob. Admission is \$4, with 12 and under admitted

free. The Bob Carpenter Center, corner of Rt. 896 and Rt. 4, Newark.

WINTERFEST 6 p.m. Main Street comes alive with sights and sounds of holidays past. Enjoy carolers, tree lighting, ice carvings, carriage rides, roasted chestnuts and a visit from Santa. Free parking. Restaurant and retail specials. Rain date Saturday, Dec. 4.

SATURDAY, DEC. 4

STROLLING SANTA Noon - 3 p.m. On Saturday afternoons in December, Santa will be in the Newark Shopping Center, greeting shoppers, giving goodies to children and spreading the joy of the season. Stop by and greet Santa.

See **EVENTS**, 23 ▶

Lack of repair funds 'a tough issue'

► HOUSING, from 3

of Colored People, finds that some living conditions in the neighborhood are deplorable. "No one should have to live like this," he said at the Nov. 22 council meeting. "Kids are getting burned by stoves, leaks are being stopped by trash bags. At some point, somebody has got to do something."

While he recognized that public housing like Cleveland Heights is out of the council's jurisdiction, he petitioned members to take a stand. He asked them to work as liaisons between

residents and the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. He also urged the council to send city inspectors to check on the structural integrity of the buildings.

The Cleveland Heights complex is owned by the independent Newark Housing Authority and must comply with complex HUD requirements and procedures.

Ron Sylvester, building director for the city, said that he has not yet received any calls from residents, but plans on hand delivering a letter informing residents of how they can get a city inspector at their property.

But Hayman said the issue

goes further than inadequate attention from the supervising Newark Housing Authority.

He believes that a low occupancy rate, about 50 percent, combined with shoddy upkeep, will encourage current residents to move out so the property can be sold. "This seems like a methodical way of moving people out," he said.

While paperwork and an environmental study that's required

before the property could be sold have begun, Johnnie Jackson, director of the Newark Housing Authority, said that he is not encouraging an exodus of residents. "The decision [to sell the property] has not been finalized yet," he said.

Concerns about maintenance are more complicated than what first meets the eye. "Our problem is that we don't know that there's a problem until residents move

out and we walk through the apartments," he said. "And then, once it's unoccupied, we don't have the funds to fix it up. It's a tough issue."

Kirkpatrick said that's not necessarily the case. She argues that she has called about having the mold removed several times, and so far nothing has happened. "This has been a problem for umpteen years," she said.

Farmers market opens

► MARKET, from 3

restaurants do open, diners will be able to choose from Italian, Japanese, Chinese, Mexican, Korean and Jamaican fare as well as snack foods like hot dogs, French fries and ice cream.

Permits in general have been a headache for Pang, who took over the job as manager in mid-October, when construction was already behind schedule. New Castle County granted the market a 30-day temporary occupancy permit. Contractors and county inspectors were in abundance the first few days after the market opened.

Customer Louise Rogeré was disappointed to find that she couldn't buy any of the appetizing produce on display that first day, but 99-cent pomegranates and 5-pound bags of potatoes selling for \$1 should bring Rogeré and other shoppers back for more.

In the meantime, Rogeré found some chic purses at Ace

Bags. "I like to shop and I like a good bargain," she says. "I'll be back." An employee at Ace Bags said that sales were brisk on opening day, with customers snapping up multiple purses and suitcases for themselves and as gifts.

Linda Mayes was likewise pleased with sales at her store, The Ceramic Basement. Mayes used to have a ceramics store on Rt. 273 in Newark and later one in Newport. She thinks the Kirkwood Highway location will bring more customers her way. In fact, she is already looking to expand to make more room for classes.

Jang said he opened the Farmers Market because he thought it filled a shopping need in the area and would help boost the economy. He pledged to help all of the vendors to succeed.

■ *The Newark Farmers Market is located at 2515 Kirkwood Highway, near Newark. Hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9-9 and Sunday 10-6. Phone 894-0895.*



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Cheryl A. Constantini, '73 NHS graduate

Newark resident Cheryl A. Constantini died Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004, with her husband and daughter by her side.

Mrs. Constantini, 48, graduated from Newark High School in 1973 and worked for Pettinaro Construction, Tom Livizos Realtors and the Ramada Inn in Essington, Pa.

She married her husband, Jack in 1984.

She worked with her husband at Country Maid on Kirkwood Highway and Boxwood Books & News on Maryland Ave.

She was a former Miss Delaware in 1974, and represented Delaware in the Mrs. America pageant in 1984.

William G. Baird Jr., decorated pilot during WWII

NEWARK resident William G. Baird Jr. died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004.

Mr. Baird, 85, was the husband of Elizabeth D. Baird, with whom he shared 59 years of marriage.

He was a graduate of P.S. duPont High School and the Blackland Army Flying School in Waco, Texas.

During WWII, he was a decorated pilot in the Air Transport Command in the China-Burma-India Theatre of Operations, flying cargo and personnel "over the hump" in the dangerous

Himalayan mountain region.

He was a member of VFW Post 7234 in Ocean View.

He retired from the DuPont Experimental Station and was a 50-year member of The DuPont Country Club, where he was an avid golfer and a member of the retiree men's bowling league.

He is survived by his wife, his daughter, Cheryn L. Coleman of New Castle; his granddaughter, Heather L. Ferguson of Warwick, Md.; two sisters, Bertha V. Walls of Ocean View and Elva B. Johnson of Chadds Ford, Pa.; his great granddaughters, Sydnee and

Carlee Ferguson; two nieces, Toni Stevens of Brenham, Texas and Jacqueline Nenneman of Sydney, Iowa; three great nieces; and a great nephew.

A funeral service was scheduled for Dec. 1 at the Chandler Funeral Home, Wilmington. Burial is in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests contributions to Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810.

Mrs. Constantini enjoyed working and volunteering with her church at St. Catherine of Siena where she was a member.

She is survived by her husband, Jack Constantini; daughter, Ashley; and sons, Michael and Kevin; mother Betty Fetkenher; sister Lynn Winterringer and husband, Jeff;

brother, David Fetkenher and wife, Rhonda; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A service was scheduled for Monday, Nov. 22 at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Wilmington.

Burial is in All Saints Cemetery. Donations can be made to Helen Graham Cancer Center, 4735

Ogletown Stanton Rd., Newark, DE 19713 or to the University of Arkansas UAMS, 4301 W. Markham St., Little Rock, AR 72205

Raphael Iocono, 83, merchant marine during World War II

Newark resident Ray Iocono died Nov. 17, 2004.

Mr. Iocono, 83, served his country as a Merchant Marine during World War II. After falling in love, he left the sea and worked for 25 years at the Getty Refinery in Delaware City.

From 1992 to 2002, he and his wife spent many happy hours performing and teaching line dancing at nursing homes and senior centers here.

He is survived by his wife of 52

years, Jean R. Iocono; sons, Ray "Rocky" Iocono and his wife, Pam, Ralph M. Iocono and his wife, Linda, Ronald P. Iocono and his wife, Lynn; seven grandchildren, Ray Jr., Lisa, Michelle, Marc, Justin, Jason and Saxon.

He is also survived by his sister, Josephine Smith, her husband, Charles and their children, Debbie and Charles Jr.

A service was scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 23 at McCrery Memorial Chapel.

Burial is in the Delaware Veterans Cemetery.

The family requests contributions be made to the Delaware Humane Society, 701 A Street, Wilmington, DE 19801.

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Newark department gives citizens insider's look into police work

By **KAYTIE DOWLING**

NEWARK POST STAFF WRITER

CROUCHED by the train tracks, Police Officer In Training Innocence Bello scrutinized the crime scene.

She was searching for any type of evidence - blood, a wallet, a scrap of clothing - to figure out what happened. In the shadow of the ambulance's blinking lights, Bello shook her head. This wasn't an easy job.

Fast forward a week. Now, Bello was in the court room, trying her case as a prosecutor. She had DNA evidence linking her suspect to the crime. Even so, Bello still couldn't prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that he had

committed the crime, not even after he stood up and shouted, "Ha! I did it!"

Bello is not a one-woman-crime-fighting-machine. She doesn't flit between investigating and prosecuting. In fact, until recently, Bello had no real training in the criminal justice system - that is, until she completed the Newark Police Department's Citizens Police Academy.

Once a year, the police department opens its doors to the public, and gives an in depth training course to Newark citizens.

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ing, to firing a gun, to the more mundane things like using a radar gun."

And both Police Officer Bello and Prosecutor Bello agree. "I never realized how much goes into this," she said. "It's nothing like TV. In a show, it all happens in half an hour. In reality, if you even walk through a crime scene, that's enough to get a guy off [of murder charges]."

Bello was just one of 19 citizens who graduated from the program on Wednesday, Nov. 17. The rest of her class included: Charles Allgood, Lisa Brown, Jerry Daniels, Pamela Davis, Julia Deshong, Holli Harvey, Sandra Hudson, Stephan Kaney, James Knox, David Lann, David



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The citizens graduates.

Lee, Elaine Markell, William Markell, Susan O'Neal, Mary Roland, Joy Smith, Trish Sullivan, and Anita Zeccola.

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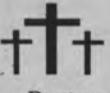
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Unlike Vietnam vets, Gulf War warriors welcomed home

► UP FRONT, from 1

transformed me into an anti-war activist. Unlike others, I was never against the military but I strongly opposed the war. My opposition intensified one year after graduation when I learned that the two classmates who sat next to me, left and right, in my senior social studies class were killed in southeast Asia.

In previous columns, I've written about these two friends, as well as my father's service as a flame-throwing Marine in World War II. For the first time today in this column, I publicly acknowledge my stellar three hours of protecting our country (please note that no one attacked America while I was in the Army.)

I purposely dropped my student deferment after I broke my back in the summer of 1969. I

was drafted, sworn in at Fort Holabird in Baltimore, then discharged and sent packing three hours later.

I arrived home the same day I had stepped on the Army bus at 5 a.m. I discovered that, out of nervousness, my parents had completely moved the contents of my bedroom to the attic. (That was a shock that took a few days to recover from. At first, I interpreted the empty bedroom as a sign that Mom and Dad were glad to be rid of me.)

I was anti-war, not anti-military. I had limited awareness of the pluses and minuses of military service until my son entered the U.S. Air Force Academy in June 2003.

Part of the empty-nesting process, particularly when the youngest child joins the military, is reviewing the path the child took and your reactions to his

decision. This week, this brought to mind one of the most emotional experiences I, my wife and daughter and son ever had.

We were living in Maine during the first Gulf war. When it was over, the quagmire the United States military is in today did not exist. Instead, for the first time since Vietnam, the American people were proud of their military and sought ways to show their appreciation. The display of support was unprecedented since the end of WWII.

Our family lived about 90 minutes travel time south of Bangor International Airport (BIA).

In 1991, the Bangor airport became the refueling stop that military transports made on their trip home with hundreds of vets aboard. There were dozens of flights each day touching down at BIA. The GIs would get off the



A returning GI from the first Gulf War autographs the jacket of the columnist's son at the Bangor (Maine) International Airport in 1991.

Her English was stilted but she related how she began knitting the 2-by-3-inch flags, non-stop, all day every day, when she realized the U.S. was going to send soldiers into harm's way. "These are America's best," she told me, "and I must honor them."

The scene inside the terminal was surreal. Plane after 747 arrived, some with zealous GIs hoisting an American flag out of the cockpit window as they approached the terminal building, generating footage that was guaranteed to make the nightly network news.

When they deplaned (a word one does not get to use often enough), the servicemen and women jammed the small terminal, most if the truth be told heading for the airport bar.

The returning GIs remembered (or had heard about) the less-than-thrilling reception returning Vietnam vets received. When they entered the Bangor terminal amid applause and admiration from ordinary citizens like the Streits, the soldiers clearly were overwhelmed. The scene is indelible in my memory.

My son, who was in the first grade at the time and now is an Air Force Academy cadet, spontaneously approached the GIs and asked them to autograph his sweatshirt. The stunned GIs obliged.

To this moment, I have never felt a stronger sense of patriotism than that day. And if and when my son walks across the stage in Colorado Springs to receive his diploma and commission as an Air Force officer, I'll watch remembering, among other flashbacks, that Indian woman's knitted flags and what she said - "these are America's best."

■ *When not feeling guilty that he did not serve in the military, the writer is publisher of this and three other newspapers headquartered in Newark. One-half of the Streit family still resides in the Cherry Hill neighborhood of Newark.*

plane while their 747 gassed up. Bangor was the site of their first steps on American soil upon their return. In a town where a Cub Scout Pinewood Derby might lead the 11 o'clock telecast, this was major news.

Sensing this was a bit of American history in the making, Linda and I became "sick" one day and took our kids to the Bangor airport. Normally it was not unusual to park ten feet (literally) from the door of the terminal at BIA so we knew something was up when we had to leave our car a mile away from the airport.

I'll never forget our trek to the arrival area. Parked next to us was an Indian woman in her 50s from a tribe in northern Maine. She wore leather, not shoes, wrapped around her feet and tied with strips of twine. She struggled to carry two huge garbage bags full of what I deemed hokey red, white and blue flags knitted in yarn.

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"Hope for the Holidays" is free and open to the community. Refreshments will be served and seating is limited. The event will be held Sunday, Dec. 5, from 2 p.m. till 4 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, Routes I-95 and 273.



Loop fare only 25 cents

► HUB, from 1

buses that currently drive through town and replace them with smaller trollies."

Because the Loop would replace Newark stops on larger routes like numbers 6 and 34, fewer full-length buses would travel city roads.

The hub would also provide riders with real-time information about the location of the trollies and how long the wait would be. This would be made possible by a GPS-locator in each of the trollies.

Miller said he expects to attract new riders with the Loop, especially with the suggested fare of \$.25.

But there were some other concerns. Past discussion over air quality at the hub remained an

issue for the owners and residents of the Main Street Court apartments. Miller said DeIDOT has not been able to find a model that predicts similar air quality changes. "But because of that concern, we have moved the location of the hub as far away from the apartments as we possibly could," he said.

Councilmembers encouraged DeIDOT to extend the hours of the Loop. The proposed time table runs buses during the week till mid-evening and only limited hours on the weekend.

Councilman Kevin Vonck suggested longer hours, particularly on weekend evenings. "We should consider running later on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings," he said. "This would be a good way to keep the noise of foot traffic in neighborhoods down."

Blood drive sets record

► BLOOD, from 1

The blood bank's previous record for a single-day drive was set last year, with 405 donations. At a rate of 50 donations per hour, doubling the previous record wasn't difficult.

Fowlie congratulated the student groups that were involved in the blood drive for the large turnout. "They really did a lion's share of recruiting donors," she said. Sorority Kappa Alpha Theta, student group HOLA and the Resident Student Association sponsored the event.

Christina Dorsey, a senior at the university, said this event was

the first time she could donate. "I've always wanted to give blood," she said. "It's just something you should do."

Despite having never donated blood before, Dorsey recovered quickly in the canteen. Her thoughts on donating? "It's really easy," she said. "But when they took the needle out, I didn't care for that too much."

Other CAA schools participating in the event include University of North Carolina Wilmington; Drexel, George Mason, Hofstra, James Madison, Old Dominion, Towson and Virginia Commonwealth universities; and College of William and Mary.

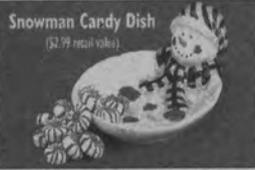
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