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# Hartefeld sold

Hartefeld National Golf Club in Avondale, Pa., near Hockessin, has been sold for an undisclosed sum to Pegasus Golf Partners, a Dallas-based partnership.

Forewinds Hospitality purchased Hartefeld just two years ago from local owner Davis Sezna along with another Sezna property, Mountain Branch Golf Club in Joppa, Md. Pegasus Golf Partners is buying that property as well, according to Forewinds.

The company converted Hartefeld from a public course to a private club in November of 2006.

Hartefeld National Golf Club includes an 18-hole course designed by Tom Fazio.

After the sale, Hartefeld will be managed by EAGL golf

"As part of the transaction, we anticipate business

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# Education consultant: Achievement gap can be closed

By Antonio M. Prado Staff Reporter

Despite more than a decade of education reform in the Diamond State, critics point to a high school graduation rate of just 60 percent overall and 50 percent for minority

Research has shown that dropouts

are more likely to be unemployed, in poor health, living in poverty, in prison, on public assistance and to have children who drop out of high school. Even those who do graduate from high school find that jobs require more sophisticated skills and knowledge.

Because of this, Delaware Secretary of

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# 75th ALL-BREED DOG SHOW



# Dog show celebrates 75th show

Deby Frame brushes out Shagena Just Joanna, a two-vear-old bearded collie from Croatia, before competing in the 75th All-Breed Dog Show. The event, which attracted more than 1,300 dogs and their owners and handlers, was held April 27 and 28 at Lums Pond State Park Campground.

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**NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP** 

# **Development** would add shops, homes

# **Proposal faces litigation**

By Andrea Miller Staff Reporter

To avert impending court action, New Garden Township officials and a shopping center developer are working to resolve disagreements over a proposal to build a multi-faceted retail and residential complex just over the Pennsylvania border.

The concept developed by the Pennsylvania Real Estate Investment Trust (PREIT) includes 746,300 square feet of commercial space, 4,060 parking spaces and 163 residential units on Rt. 41 just west of the Limestone Road exchange.

It includes three large retail stores, a 12-pump gas station and convenience store, restaurants, a town center retail-restaurant-

office-condominium area, and an age-restricted community bordering Hartefeld.

The plan, known as the "New Garden Town Center," was first proposed in 2001, and has faced what town officials call unprecedented scrutiny.

Three years ago, the supervisors approved a "Conditional Use Plan" for the site — with 97 conditions — based on residents' concerns voiced in 19 public meetings, zoning and planning commission comments, and recommendations made by consultants hired by the supervisors to look at the plan from transportation, storm water, land development and engineering perspectives.

The property use is permissible by law and

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# cars stolen from Hockessin driveway

By Jesse Chadderdon Staff Reporter

Steve Lattanzio, an electrical contractor, walked out his garage door around 7 a.m. Friday morning, prepared to go to work.

But he wasn't prepared to discover that his work van,

filled with more than \$10,000 worth of tools and equipment was gone. So was his 1999 Jeep Wrangler. Thieves had apparently stolen both vehicles overnight.

Lattanzio recalled heavy rains at his Erickson Avenue home in Hickory Hills overnight Thursday, and believes the sound from the driving rain may have masked the sounds of the cars' engines.

Lattanzio said he immediately called 911 to report the thefts, and said a New Castle County police officer later called to take a report. An officer came out to

investigate the scene in the early evening, at which point the vehicles were placed on a nationwide stolen car list.

The van is a navy blue 2005 Chevrolet Express 2500. On the sides, in large white lettering appeared the words "Lattanzio

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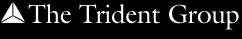
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Art Taylor and his assistant, Grace Lukas, demonstrate a step during class.

# 94-year-old has happy feet Arthur Taylor passes on his love of dance

By Tara Lynn Johnson Special to Better Years

Art "the ladies call me Arthur" Taylor has happy feet.

The 94-year-old dances at least three times a week and teaches a ballroom class on Mondays weekly. He's been dancing for more than 60 years.

The ballroom class dance he teaches at Cokesbury Village in Hockessin focuses on the Fox Trot, Waltz, Cha Cha and Rumba. He likes the Cha Cha.

"It's a fun dance. People enjoy it. It's quick and has a nice Latin flavor," he said.

He's looking forward to teaching the Rumba."That one really has the hip movements," he said.

Taylor, who moved to Delaware from Buffalo in 1942 to work at DuPont in the engineering department, began dancing as a Navy man.

He enlisted right before the U.S. got involved in World War II and spent time in New York, which is where he started dancing in a free class a friend found.

When he returned to Delaware after his service, he knew the DuPont Country Club had been built. They were looking for a dance instructor and he got the job.

He taught there for four years, then left and continued to teach privately at schools, churches and residences.

When he moved to Cokesbury in 1984, he began teaching there. Now, they bring an orchestra in every other month for a

Taylor and his late wife, Bernice, used to dance together often at local ballrooms and Cokesbury events.

"She loved the waltzes," he said, "I used to dance the American slow waltz



with her, so it wasn't too hard to get her to dance with me.'

He dances now with two female friends at Cokesbury and other locations. Dancing is his favorite activity, though he used to play tennis, indoor badminton and bowling.

He said it's never too late to learn, even if you've never danced before. And the benefit of working out all parts of your body - the Latin dances move your feet, legs and arms all the time – and making new friends adds to the fun.

For his joyous and fun 95th birthday celebration in June, he hopes to dance the night away with his friends at Cokesbury. He likes showing them he's still got the

"I'm 94 and still dancing, maybe not as top form as I used to be," he said, "but everybody that knows me thinks I haven't changed that much."



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# 75th ANNUAL ALL-BREED DOG SHOW



A hired handler prepares Spring Valley's Going the Extra Mile to compete against other Rhodesian Ridgebacks during the Wilmington Kennel Club's 75th annual **All-Breed Dog** Show. Going the Extra Mile is owned by Patricia Sanza Atco, N.J. The event was held April 27 and 28 at Lums **Pond State Park** Campground.

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# Wilmington Kennel Club holds back-to-back shows Per Andrea Millon long sought after dog "Shageng

By Andrea Miller Staff Reporter

Deby Frame of Somerset, New Jersey searched the world for 10 years to find the perfect dog to impregnate with frozen sperm she's been saving from the world-famous champion Copper Clarence of Beagold, England.

On a muddy Saturday morning at Lums Pond State Park, Frame riffled through an arsenal of brushes, towels, hair dryers and talc one last time to put the finishing touches on a five-hour grooming routine for her long-sought after dog – "Shagena Just Joanna," a two-year old Bearded Collie from Croatia – in preparation for judging at the Wilmington Kennel Club's annual All-Breed Dog Show.

The ubiquitous mud from a downpour the day before makes the mood a little tense and very quiet under the grooming tent, where dozens dogs of every variety perch on metal tables, hoping to be the one among more than 1,300 purebreds to progress through hundreds of rounds of competitions to the coveted "best in show."

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Pat Pawley of the Wilmington Kennel Club displays a cake commemorating the Diamond Anniversary Show of the club, held April 27 and 28.

### DOGS – from previous page

A few tents away in the temporary dog-city erected on the park's campgrounds for the two-day influx of dogs and RV's packed with show equipment, the tone is more relaxed.

Diane Ogden of Newark, breeder and lover of English mastiffs, chats with customers at her dog supply store. In less than an hour, she will be showing Master Sullivan, a three-year old mastiff she affectionately calls Sully. She's still had to change out of her jeans and t-shirt into a suit, then rendezvous with the couple who is bringing Sully from home and get him into queue for his judging.

The disparity between Frame's meticulous approach, and Ogden's laidback way with her "wash and wear" purebred, reflect differences in the demands of their breeds, they say, but not the love and devotion each has for her champion dogs.

Nancy Murray of Fair Hill agrees.

"People think when they see a dog all prissed up for show that they don't get to live a life," says Murray. And though for a few owners, the sport is a tense, competitive business, for most, it's a fun hobby and great life for the dog.

It would certainly seem so, watching Murray brush out her champion black standard poodle, Heaven Sent. Affectionately called Amy, Heaven Sent lays quietly under the warm air of a blow dryer and the gentle massage of a wire brush as she is fluffed for judging.

Amy is one of 15 black standard poodles Murray owns. A dog's life at

## **NEW CRIME** FIGHTING DOG

In celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> All Breed Dog Show, held at Lums Pont State Park Campgrounds April 27 and 28, the Wilmington Kennel Club presented the Delaware State Police with a new dog for the Delaware State Police K9 Unit.

Murray's Fair Hill farm includes sleeping on beds, accompanying Murray to the horse barn for chores, and a good dose of pampering on bath day.

Like Murray, Ogden has had many champions through the years, and says her dogs have always been family dogs first.

For fun, the ones who thrive on competition do shows. Those who don't, do other things, like become therapy dogs, or family pets. Ogden owns 10 dogs right now: four English mastiff, two Rhodesian ridgeback, three miniature dachshunds, and a Chihuahua.

People who show dogs tend to become caught up in it, traveling year round to win enough points to earn the title of champion, says Wilmington Kennel Club Secretary Martha Doerner, but It's not like horse racing, where big cash prizes can drive the obsession. Dog show enthusiasts invest hundreds of hours, thousands of dollars and make it a lifestyle because they love the breed.

And, it's a sport where anyone can succeed.

"It's probably the only sport where amateurs can compete against the professionals and win regularly," says Doerner.

The Wilmington Kennel Club's annual show, held this year on April 27 and 28, is actually two stand alone shows, held back-toback for the convenience of those who travel from far away to show their dogs. The combined shows – easily the group's largest event of the year – are the only American Kennel Club (AKC) all-breed shows in Delaware.

Although the beauty contest-like competitions Murray, Ogden and Frame are participating in are often the largest and most visible events at the show, the weekend also includes Obedience Trials and Rally Trials, where dogs and their owners demonstrate good training, aptitude, and focus under pressure.

"To have a balanced dog, you want a title at both ends," says Wilmington Kennel Club president Bonnie Bieber - beauty contest and skill level.

rigorous test of a dog's training, requiring the dog to pick out its owner's scent from a pile of items, jump, run, turn, and fetch on command, and even sit for five minutes, unmoving an undistracted by other dogs and humans walking by – with the dog handler out of sight.

The rally trials are essentially an obstacle course that test the dog's ability to stay on task and respond to the handler's commands in a novel setting. Among the tasks, the dog may be asked to weave in and out of a set of cones, do a 270-degree turn or switch between slow and fast walking.



Training a dog for such trials is an ongoing process that begins with socializing them to crowds and other dogs when they are young. A camaraderie often springs up among those that choose to test their training ability with these kind of trials, because they understand the challenge.

For example, late in the day, as one young golden retriever nixes her stellar halfway performance through the trial by squatting to urinate, and a collective groan of sympathy goes up among those standing in the sidelines

waiting for their turn.

Coming off the field, her owner, Dolly Teti of New Jersey, says she is disappointed but not surprised by the collective support among her competitors.

"We really see this as a competition against our self," Teti says. "so its easy to feel pleased for someone who does well, and empathy for another who has a miss that day."

Editor's note: An official list of winners were not available. However, there were no local winners.

### WILMINGTON **KENNEL CLUB**

The Wilmington Kennel Club was founded in 1935. The non-profit organization, dedicated to the purebred dog and responsible dog ownership, offers training classes in agility, show handling, obedience, puppy training, and public service events.

The Club is based at 2035 Sunset Lake Road in Newark. For more information, visit www.wilmingtonkennelclub.org or call 368-6448.



Photos by Walt Mateja



# Poker ride benefits KINfolk

Hearn, of Newark, arrive at Up the Creek Restaurant in Wilmington (top left), the final stop on the KINfolk All Bike Poker Run on April 28. Forty

Wayne and Susan riders participated in the benefit, which followed a route from Mike's Harley Davidson in New Castle through New Castle County, including stops at Hartefeld National

Golf Club in Kaolin, Pa., near Hockessin, and Brandywine Creek State Park.

Brian and Sandy Pirrotto of Broohaven (top right), Pa., buy extra poker cards from KINfolk chairwoman, Justice Jane Brady. Bikers received a playing card at each stop along the ride, and could buy extra cards at the end of the ride. The three best poker hands won cash prizes from \$25 to \$75. The ride benefited KINfolk, which provides computers to hospitals in many states, particularly at A.I. duPont Hospital for Children in Brandywine, to allow children to keep in touch with family and friends during extended hospital stays.





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Cyndi has studied with industry leaders such as, Roy Peters, a Redken ambassador guest artist, who's specialty is hair color design, as well as Beth Minardi, an industry color technician who has inspired generations of designers. Cyndi has produced print work for magazines in Japan, and Mexico. She enjoys using all of her talents to transform those she comes in contact with, and creating new and exciting ways for them to shine their brightest.

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# FAA proposes air noise reduction strategies

By Kevin Barrett Staff Reporter

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is proposing several recommendations to slightly reduce air noise levels in Brandywine Hundred, Wilmington, and the Chadds Ford area.

The FAA has been looking at various strategies as part of an overall airspace redesign of the New York/New Jersey/Philadelphia metropolitan area.

In March, the FAA announced its preferred airspace redesign, the "Integrated Airspace Alternative", which is expected to improve the efficiency and reliability of the airspace structure and air traffic control system by allowing for the opportunity to create more efficient arrival and departure routes.

The proposed airspace redesign – as opposed to making no changes to the airspace - is expected to save 12 million minutes of delay annually at the four major metropolitan airports Kennedy, LaGuardia, Newark, and Philadelphia – targeted by the airspace redesign.

While the FAA has been looking at noise reduction strategies, it is not one of the stated goals of the redesign.

The noise reduction strategies proposed by the FAA were the subject of a meeting held at Concord High School on April 30. The meeting, which features a video on the project, a chance for one-on-one discussions with FAA officials, and a question and answer panel, was attended about 50 people. Attendees also had the opportunity to officially comment on the proposed strategies.

Steve Kelley, the airspace redesign project manager, said there are two proposed noise reduction strategies that will affect the Brandywine Hundred area.

One strategy is the application of continuous descent approach procedures (CDA) to arrivals at

Philadelphia airport. Kelley said that the CDA procedures involve aircrafts turning their power off at a much higher altitude in the approach process, and idling all the way to the

According to the video shown at the meeting, CDA procedures were examined as a strategy for providing relief to the Ardens. CDA procedures are most useful at times with little or no conflicting traffic. Kelley said the benefits from CDA procedures will be felt primarily late at night, or the "midnight configuration".

Another proposed strategy is what's known as an "RNAV overlay" of the river approach. At present, some approaches Philadelphia fly over the Delaware River, but this option is only available during periods of good weather when visibility is good. Kelley said the RNAV overlay is a new technology that will allow for the river approach pattern to be used in lower weather conditions. This is expected to reduce noise in the Ardens, Brandywine Hundred, and Wilmington

Kelley said that while these proposed strategies will affect the area, the changes aren't considered "significant" by federal standards. However, he believes people will be able to notice a differ-

Also, Kelley said, the FAA is working with various state legislators, including the office of Gov. Ruth Ann Minner, on other noise reduction strategies that may be implemented in the future.

"One of the things I believe is that this sets the

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More information on the airspace redesign and noise mitigation strategies can be obtained by visiting www.faa.gov/nynjphl \_airspace\_redesign.

groundwork for future things that can help us do the job better," Kelley said.

A record of decisions on noise reduction is expected to be issued by the FAA in the late Summer, and implementation may begin shortly thereafter.

Dick Moyer, of Brandywine Hundred, said that while there was an incredible amount of detailed information presented at the meeting, he saw no meaningful summary of the information. That leads him to believe, he said, the FAA has no real solution to the air noise that affects the

Moyer said he is especially concerned about the amount of noise that he can hear from his Marsh Road home throughout the night. He said it causes difficulties for his wife, Jody, as she tries to sleep.

"In my heart, I know what to expect – it's going to get worse," Moyer said.

Janice Lord, of Chadds Ford, said she moved into her home in August and almost immediately began to notice how much the area is affected by noise from planes flying overhead. She actually keeps her house's windows closed and runs ceiling fans because she would hear too much noise if the windows were open.

Lord said that while there was a lot of information presented at the meeting, she feels the decisions regarding noise mitigation have already been made. She said from what she understands, the strategies might bring slight relief.

"I didn't think I would have to deal with the airplane issues, to be honest with you," Lord said.

Amy Pollock, of Ardencroft, said that a lot of the air noise that plagues the Ardens is caused by aircraft flying lower than they are supposed to over the area.

She said she has gotten confirmation this is taking place by calling the airport, but there is no accountability and no way to fine or otherwise punish the airlines, airports, or FAA for allowing this to take place.

"They always have the fallback of safety - and I understand that safety is obviously important – but when it gets to the point that safety feels like it is the escape net, it gets frustrating," Pollock said.

As far as the proposed noise reduction strategies, Pollock said she is hopeful but doesn't feel they will provide much relief. For one, she said, the RNAV overlay only affects noise at nighttime. Nothing she heard at the meeting, she said, appeases her con-

"The only thing we can do is continue to put our concerns out there"







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### SUMMIT – from page 1

Education Valerie Woodruff wants local teachers and administrators to step up and make more personal connections with students that will result in producing productive members of society.

On April 27, Woodruff hosted the "Student Success Summit" at Dover Downs as part of the Department of Education's "Reaching Higher for Student Success" initiative.

To reinforce her quest for change, Woodruff asked education consultant Dr. Robert Barr to deliver a keynote address that challenged educators to stop thinking certain children cannot learn.

Barr, who studies high poverty, high performing schools, told teachers and administrators their jobs are more important than ever since 70 percent of the fastest growing jobs require education beyond high school. In addition, Barr said 40 percent of all new jobs will require at least an associate's degree.

Barr, former dean of the Boise State University College of Education, gave local educators reason to look in the mirror as he gave poignant examples of how poor, black and Hispanic children can close the achievement gap with their white peers if they have the right educators.

The Education Trust

has reported that the achievement gap at the elementary level between poor and affluent children and between Anglo and minority children has been all but closed nationally, Barr said. At the middle school level, the gaps have all but closed nationally.

In Hambrick Middle School in Texas, for instance, 94 percent of black and Latino students and 84 percent of poor students have performed in the top fifth of all Texas middle schools in both reading and math over a three year period, he said.

In Aldine, Texas, only 72 percent of whites, 55 percent of Latinos and 42 percent of blacks were at proficiency levels in 1994. By 2002, 97 percent of whites, 96 percent of Hispanics and 92 percent of blacks were passing the state tests.

"Did they do it quickly? No. Was it inexpensive? No." Barr said. "But they were able over time to not only raise the achievement level of all groups, but close the gaps between them. Go to Aldine, Texas. You will not find a school district in the country with more poverty than in Aldine.

"And I will say to any school district today, if they can do it in Aldine, Texas, they can do it anywhere. They can do it in your community and in your schools," he said.

According to 2006 Delaware Student Testing Program scores, just 53 percent of black students and 54 percent of Hispanic students met or exceeded the 10th-grade reading standard compared to 80 percent of whites and 81 percent of Asians.

"Some people do not believe that all kids can learn and learn effectively. We now have names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mails of tens of thousands of public schools where kids of all backgrounds are learning and doing well in public education."

According to 2006 Delaware Student Testing Program scores, just 53 percent of black students and 54 percent of Hispanic students met or exceeded the 10th-grade reading standard compared to 80 percent of whites and 81 percent of Asians.

Every student that fails to receive a high quality education will have the door slammed shut to them in this high tech age, Barr said. For instance, Barr was in Detroit recently and he wanted to see Henry Ford's famous assembly line. There were hardly any people there. The only ones there were tending to the robots who actually build the cars.

The U.S. military used to take "dropouts and dummies" and would discharge them with the G.I. bill, which was a college scholarship, Barr said.

"Today, it's just the

opposite," he said. "If you talked to them (about dropouts), the American military would say, 'What would we do with them? We have a high tech military. We have smart bombs. We can't have dumb soldiers. We are looking for the best and the brightest.' The world has changed right before our eyes."

No jobs are being created for high school dropouts, Barr said. In fact, if there are still jobs that still require working with one's hands there are research teams working on ways to replace the human beings with technology.

"And in the absence of job opportunity, in the absence of real economic potential, so many of these young kids ... turn to drugs. They turn to alcohol," Barr said. "Many turn to criminal behavior. Over 60 percent of the men and women in prison in the United States suffer from literacy levels that prevent them from trafficking effectively in the job market because they are unable to access jobs."

Barr's and William Parrett's book, "The Kids Left Behind: Catching Up the Underachieving Children of Poverty," documented 18 high poverty, high performing school districts and looked at what they had in common.

"We believe it lays pretty much out a blueprint for action when it comes to our poorest, most demanding students," he said.

Many big high schools divided themselves into smaller learning communities to address the lost feeling that poor or minority students had. If students arrive at school behind, successful schools are stretching their day with before and after school programs, stretching the week with Saturday programs and stretching the year with Summer programs, he said. In addition, many of the schools are now saying to the students at the middle school level that some children are going to graduate high school after 11th grade, some after 12th grade and some after "13th grade."

"They don't have any stigma about that. Just recognize that some kids may take a bit longer," he said.

Barr spoke about how he succeeded in education despite coming from an illiterate home in which the only books were the Bible and the Sears catalog, none which his family could read. But the encouragement his first grade teacher gave him - when she convinced the principal to let him pass on to the second grade - helped him become the first member of his family to graduate from elementary school, high school and college, ultimately earning a doctorate from Purdue University.

"I stand before you a very humble guy," Barr said. "Because of the touch of a teacher, because of the teachers believing in me, it transformed my life. It not only transformed my life. It transformed my family and my children (who also

went on to become highly educated)."

"I hope when you go back to your schools next Monday you look at the back row where you'll probably see some poor kid who looks a lot like Robert Barr, who comes from a home where they may not have books, and computers and technology and sophisticated vocabulary. But within that kid beats the possibility of great, great achievements. There's only one door of opportunity and that's education."

Barr received a standing ovation from the room full of educators at Dover Downs.

Alexis I. duPont High School Assistant Principal Ted Boyer said he agrees with Barr.

"The building I work in, you're dealing with a specific population that went through the same kind of situation when (Barr) was younger," Boyer said. "I can relate to what he said. I'll try to bring the message that he presented today back to the school, when I interact with my students.

"The job is on us as educators to motivate those kids and reach out to them and make sure that they can do it," he said. "We don't view them as a kid who can't achieve academically, because they can."

Dr. Steven Godowsky, superintendent of the New Castle County Vocational Technical School District, said Barr delivered "a powerful message."

"He shared how one teacher made a difference in his life and how that affects not just him but his whole family and, really, his whole community," he said. "Most of us believe or should believe that all kids can learn. So, his message today was a reinforcement of that belief. Every once in a while you need that reality check and that's what this was. It was good."

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# Woodruff plan answers students' call for better instruction, planning, personal interaction

By Antonio M. Prado Staff Reporter

A group of students called for more effective instruction from teachers and a better transition from middle school to high school as ways to improve the state's education system.

The 11-student panel, representing high schools from all three counties, were part of the Delaware Department of Education's "Reaching Higher for Student Success Summit" held April 27 at Dover Downs.

"We asked them to tell us the good, the bad and the ugly and what we could do to improve," said Secretary of Education Valerie Woodruff. "And, as you might expect, they were brutally honest. And boy oh boy did we learn a lot."

In the Fall, the Department of Education held six youth forums, where students from every public high school in the state spoke candidly about how middle school prepared them for high school, what distinguishes good classes from poor ones and how well high school was preparing them for life. Their feedback was used to frame "Reaching Higher for Student Success," which is designed to ensure that students graduate prepared for success in college, work and citizenship, Woodruff said in a meeting with the Community News. The "Student Success Plan" was created so that students can meet with a teacher, mentor or advisor to set a logical path for academic achievement in high school based on their aspirations and career goals.

Eighth-graders receive their "Student Success Plan" so that when they enter high school they have a five-year plan that includes what comes after high school, Woodruff said.

At the summit last week, William Penn High School sophomore Josh Sanke opened things up by saying he did not know his counselor in middle school on a personal basis.

"Therefore, I never received too much advice on what to expect (in high school)," Sanke said. "But, once I got to high school, my counselor talked with me and helped me get through easily."

Dover High School sophomore Spencer Green said he did not feel he was prepared coming out of middle school for the note-taking and studying skills necessary at the high school level.

"When it actually came down to studying and



Secretary of Education Valerie Woodruff unveiled her "Yes You Can" plan at the "Student Success Summit" in Dover.

learning the material and taking notes, I didn't feel like I really experienced that much learning in middle school," he said. "I think that should be incorporated into the classes we take everyday and that can promote a much higher level of learning."

Heather Swyka, a senior at Campus Community School, said some of the basic high school courses can be taken during middle school.

"You only have four years," she said. "It's better to take the electives and higher level courses ... and challenge yourself."

Laurel High School freshman Dylan Windsor said it's important for teachers to have high expectations of their students. If they don't, students will figure that out in the first quarter and know they can slack off or do minimal work in those teachers' classes, he said.

Campus Community sophomore Ashley Simmons said small classroom size also helps determine whether the course is good.

"Both students and teachers benefit from it," she said. "Teachers are less overwhelmed and are better able to zone in on the students who need help."

Dover High School junior Ryan Cox said schools tend to "bend over backwards" for the honors and advanced placement students with brand new textbooks while general and college prep students get "lesser books."

"They're falling apart," Cox said. "We just kind of put them on the backburner and let them fall behind just because they decided to take a general class. I think that's a big issue

because we're creating a divide between those who everyone tells are really brilliant and just the normal, everyday people.

"We let them fall behind in their studies and that's a big issue," he said. "The advanced placement kids bring us prestige, but we have to think as a whole that the entire school has to have the same treatment."

Cox said that students can tell when a teacher is instructing a course that is out of her expertise.

"Because there is a shortage of teachers, somebody that's really good at geometry may be forced to teach algebra II because there's already somebody teaching geometry," he said. "That's a big problem."

Simmons turned the tables and said students need to realize the importance of middle school and high school as places to learn, not places to socialize.

"They talk, take pictures during class, listen to music," she said. "They treat school like a hangout spot. They need reinforcement."

Woodruff thanked students for their input.

"You are the reason we are here today," she said. "In fact, you are the reason that most of us in this room today have jobs. We're committed to making high school not just a rite of passage that you must get through with just a few credits, but to make it truly a springboard for your success in the future."

# **Initiative discussed** with Community News

The "Student Success Plan" is being piloted in six middle and high schools this year and will be implemented in eighth and ninth grades statewide in 2007-2008, Woodruff said.

In an era when local school board members and administrators harp on the importance of early education in preventing the dropout rate, she told the Community News she wants to help current high school students.

Underscoring the importance of connecting better with students is the fact that the State Board of Education has revamped its high school graduation requirements to make them even more stringent, aligning them with the curriculum requirements of the University of Delaware and Delaware State University, she said. Beginning with the class of 2011, the English language arts curriculum will have an

increased emphasis on reading, literature, writing, presentation and communication skills, reasoning, logic and technical writing.

Career Cruising was the company selected to help implement the student success plans. Company representative Kyle Phillips said that when students log in to careercruising.com, they can explore careers and look for financial aid that will help them go to college. They ask questions like "How much can I make? What jobs make that much money? What are the academic requirements to get jobs like that? What do people need to do to get started?"

Students can watch videos of professionals from across the country talking about their backgrounds, how they got into their careers, what they like about their jobs, how they spend their days at work and any advice they have for students looking to get into their respective fields of work, Phillips said.

Students can save the different careers and colleges they've looked up to their portfolios, he said. Students can e-mail their "Student Success Plan" to college admissions offices or prospective employers, and they can build resumes.

Teachers and counselors can track what students have done with their success plans and resumes, Phillips said. So, it's not just a tool for students but a way for teachers to identify which students are falling behind and need a little more support and which sections still need to completed in their students' plans.

Woodruff also unveiled the interactive "Yes You Can!" campaign that also aims to ensure that students "find the job they love," get into college and find money for college, among other things. The new website, www.yesyoucande.com will go live this month and will offer a variety professional career and college planning resources.

"Through this campaign, we're giving students the encouragement they need to think about their future and go for it," Woodruff said. "We're inviting them to open a door to the possibilities."

Reaching Higher for Student Success and the "Yes You Can!" campaigns are funded in part by a \$2 million grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, through the National Governors' Association's Honor States Program. Delaware was one of 10 states awarded a grant.

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# Obituary

John (Jack) Cunningham, Sr.

### JOHN (JACK) CUNNINGHAM SR.

# Veteran, volunteer fireman, active in Moose Lodge

John (Jack) L. Cunningham Sr., 77, of Christiana, died April 30 at his home.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and received a Purple Heart.

He was employed by Electric Hose and Rubber Co. of Wilmington for more than 25 years and worked for Wilmington Suburban Water Company from 1977 until his retirement in 1991.

An active member of the Christiana Fire Company for many years, he was also a former member of the New Castle County Fire Police, a member of the Moose Lodge Legion #186 in New Castle and Veterans of Foreign Wars Atterbury Post #3420 in Newark. He enjoyed shooting pool in various leagues, horse races and the slots at Delaware Park. He was also an avid baseball and football plan.

Cunningham was born July 13, 1929, to Millard and Mary Ruth Cleaves Cunningham.

He wife, Bernice (Wapniarek) Cunningham, died in 1987.

He is survived by a son, John (Jack) Cunningham Jr. and his wife, Mary Ann, of Wilmington; two daughters, Karen Sniegowski and her husband, Bill, of Bear, and Vicki Cunningham, also of Bear; three grandchildren, Brian Cunningham and his wife Kristen, Leslie Clark and her husband Terry and Amanda Sniegowski; and one greatgrandchild.

A funeral service will be

held May 5 at R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home, 122 West Main St., Newark, at 11 a.m. Friends and family may call at the funeral home on May 4 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Burial will be in Gracelawn Memorial Park.

Charitable contributions in Cunningham's memory may be made to VFW Atterbury Post #3420, c/o R.T. Foard & Jones Funeral Home. To send online condolences, visit www.rtfoard.com.

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We encourage you to double check the advertised day and date for these agendas. Be sure you do not miss any meeting in which you are interested.

### Exploratory plans under review

**Council District 3** 

\*N side of Center Meeting Rd, 550 ft E of Kennett Pike.
Rezoning Plan for proposed adaptive reuse to convert existing building to a commercial use with a historic overlay.
15 Center Meeting Road. (App. #2007-0382-S)

**Council District 11** 

\*E side of Old Cooches Bridge Rd, 600 ft S of Eggerts Ln. Major Land Development Plan to eliminate the lot line between tax parcel 11-014.00-037 and 11-014.00-038 and create 14 single family residential lots with associated improvements. Thirteen Stars. (App. #2007-0361-S)

Board of Adjustment

Thurs. May 10th/Gilliam Building

Council District 1

\*6000 Kirkwood Highway, Wilm – Area variances from req'd 40-ft street-yard setback, to construct a building 22.3 ft from the Kirkwood Highway right-of-way; from req'd 40-ft streetyard setback, to construct a generator and trash facility 7.9 ft from Wollaston Rd right-of-way; from req'd 25-ft street-yard paving setback, to allow paving for a parking lot 10 ft from Old Capitol Trail right-of-way. New Castle County. (App #2007-0310-A) TP 08-049-40-002.

1711 E Newport Gap Pike, Wilm - Area variance from req'd 25-ft street-yard setback, to construct a ground sign 6 ft from Newport Pike right-of-way. Fred & Elaine, LLC. (App.#2007-0340-A) TP 07-047.20-048.

**Council District 3** 

\*610 Thompson Station Rd. Newark – Area variance from requirements of article 40.03.410 (A) (5), to permit a freestanding accessory structure in the street-yard setback; from req'd 15-ft side-yard setback, to permit a structure 12 ft from north property line; from req'd 40-ft street-yard setback, to permit a structure 13.5 ft from the Thompson Station Rd right-of-way. Robert McAllister. (App.#2007-0249-A) TP 08-040.00-042.
\*511 Erickson Avenue, Hockessin – Area variance from

\*511 Erickson Avenue, Hockessin – Area variance from req'd 25-ft street-yard setback, to construct an addition 12 ft from the Hemingway Drive right-of-way. Michael & Wendy Sullivan. (App.#2007-0339-A) TP 08-012.20-011.

**Council District 6** 

"205-207 Lloyd Guessford Rd. Townsend – Area variance from req'd minimum 300-ft lot width, to provide 89.91 ft of lot width for proposed Lot 1; from req'd minimum 300-ft lot width, to provide 225 ft of lot width for proposed Lot 2; from req'd 5-acre minimum, to create a lot with 3.9005 acres for proposed Lot 1, and 1.994 acres for proposed Lot 2. John & Blanche Kunkel.

(App #2007-0312-A) TP 14-019 00-178

(App.#2007-0312-A) TP 14-019.00-178.

300 Carson Dr. Bear - Special Use to allow a (recreational use) cheerleading academy in an Industrial zoning district. TST Realty Co., LLC.(App.#2007-0346-A)TP10-052.00-088. Council District 7

\*215 West Monroe Av. New Castle – Area variance from req'd 6-ft side-yard setback, to maintain a covered porch 5.4 ft from east property line; from req'd 6-ft side-yard setback, to maintain a carport 0 ft from west property line. Stephen S. O'Leary. (App.#2007-0251-A)TP 10-014.30-119.

\*208 A Christiana Road, New Castle 19720 - Area variance from the required 25 foot street yard setback to apply a 10 foot street yard setback adjacent to tax parcel 10-023.40-144. 273 Ventures, LLC. (App.#2007-0343-A) TP# 10-023.40-148

**Council District 9** 

\*208 Brookland Av. Wilmington – Area variance from req'd 25-ft street-yard setback, to construct an addition 12.2 ft from Brookland Av right-of-way; from req'd 3-ft side- and rear-yard setback, to maintain a garage 2.0 ft from west property line, and 2.4 ft from south property line; from req'd 6-ft rear-yard setback, to maintain an above-ground pool 2.2 ft, with surrounding wood deck 0 ft from the rear property line and east property line; from max. 30% rear-yard coverage, to maintain existing rear-yard coverage of 100% of the rear yard. Charles L. Messina. (App.#2007-0341-A) TP 07-037.20-158.

**Council District 10** 

\*101 Wildel Av, New Castle – Area variance from req'd 25-ft rear-yard setback, to maintain a dwelling 17.3 ft from south property line; from req'd 6-ft side-yard setback, to maintain a dwelling 0.6 ft from maintain a dwelling 16.4 req'd 25-ft street-yard setback, to maintain a dwelling 16.4 ft from the Dover St right-of-way. Stephen S. O'Leary. NC5 zoning. (App.#2007-0289-A) TP 10-010.10-047.

\*12 Altoona Av. New Castle - Area variance from req'd minimum 50-ft lot width, to create lots with 40 ft of lot width for Lots 1 & 2; from req'd minimum 5,000 sq. ft lot area, to create lots with 4,000 sq. ft for Lots 1 & 2. Nockett Properties, LLC. NC5 zoning. (App.#2007-0252-A) TP 10-005.10-065.

Council District 12

\*304 Single Av. New Castle – Area variance from reg'd 25-ft street-yard setback, to maintain a porch 18.7 ft from northwest property line; from reg'd 6-ft side-yard setback, to maintain a dwelling 4.9 ft from west property line; from req'd 3-ft side-yard setback, to maintain a detached garage 0 ft from east property line. Elizabeth C. Dikes. NC5 zoning. (App.#2007-0290-A) TP 10-020.20-135.

\*2884 Summit Bridge Rd, Bear – Area variance from req'd 40-ft side-yard setback, to maintain a building 30.47 ft from west property line; from req'd 50-ft street-yard paving setback, to place paving 19.94 ft from north property line, and 7.72 ft from east property line; from req'd 30-ft paving setback, to place paving 28.83 ft from west property line and 8.73 ft from south property line; from the minimum 2acre lot size, to allow a daycare operation on a 1-acre lot; from the maximum permitted floor area ratio of .12 acres, to allow a floor area ration of .213; from the minimum buffer yard opacity of 0.4, to allow 0 opacity adjacent to the east and south property lines; from the minimum buffer yard opacity of 0.3, to allow an opacity of 0.1 adjacent to the west property line; from the maximum permitted disturbance of 50% within a Water Resource Protection Area, to disturb 85%. New Castle County Crisis Pregnancy Center. S zoning. (App.#2007-0319-A) TP 11-037.00-054.

### Resource Protection Area Technical Advisory Committee

Wed. May 16th/Gilliam Building 9 AM

Council District 6

\*317 Old State Road - Jeffrey T. Starr seeks a recommendation from the Committee, that it is acceptable from an environmental position, to exceed the 20% impervious cover limitation of UDC Division 10.380, and the 50% land disturbance limitation of UDC Division 10.100 Table 10.010, in order to develop the property to 42% impervious cover to accommodate building, parking, and access within a Class C Water Resource Protection Area. Applicant proposes a recharge facility to maintain the existing quality and quantity of groundwater recharge. S zoning. (App.#2007-0349) Council District 7

192 Bear-Christiana Road - Reybold Venture Group VII, LLC seeks a recommendation from the Committee, that it is acceptable from an environmental position, to disturb the 100-ft riparian buffer associated with a watercourse, in order to construct a building and parking. Applicant proposes to stabilize and restore watercourse. I zoning. App.#2007-0163)

Council District 9

\*3 Poplar Avenue – Stewart Thomas seeks a recommendation from the Committee, that it is acceptable from an environmental position, to disturb the 100-ft riparian buffer associated with a watercourse, in order to subdivide the property into three lots and construct three single-family homes. NC-5 zoning. (App.#2007-0271)

Council District 11 0 Marrows Road - Chestnut Hill Plaza Holding Corporation seeks a recommendation from the Committee, that it is acceptable from an environmental position, to exceed the 20% impervious cover limitation of UDC Division 10.380, and the 50% land disturbance limitation of UDC Division 10.100 Table 10.010, in order to increase the impervious cover to 31% to accommodate building, parking and access within a Class C Water Resource Protection Area. Applicant proposes a recharge facility to maintain the existing quality and quantity of groundwater recharge. CR zoning. (App.#2007-0377).

Planning Board

Tues. May 1st/Gilliam Building 7 PM

Council District 1

\*North side Old Capital Trail, east of Newport Road and opposite School Lane. - CONTINUED - NO HEARING - Major Land Development Preliminary Plan and TAC Review. Preliminary plan for Marshallton Commerce Ctr proposes to construct 50,000 sq ft of warehouse space/ 5,725 sq ft office on 5.81 acres. I (Industrial) zoning district. (App.#2006-0561-S.)

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# Christina projects budget surplus by end of 2007

By Kevin Barrett Staff Reporter

The Christina Board of Education unanimously approved the district's financial position report, which shows a budget surplus of \$1.3 million by the end of fiscal year 2007.

However, \$1.2 million of the surplus will be used to repay a state loan, leaving the district with reserve of \$100,000. The district will carry over a loan balance of \$11.5 million into fiscal year 2008.

As per state code, all districts required to file a financial position report by May 1st of each year with the Delaware Department of Education.

At a meeting of the Board Christina Education May 1 at Shue-Medill Middle School in Newark, Budget and Finance Director Patrick O'Rourke said the budgeted year end surplus is \$2.7 million. While the predicted \$1.3 million surplus represents good news, O'Rourke said, the district is still going to enter the next fiscal year with a significant loan balance and a much smaller reserve than was originally anticipated.

O'Rourke said the district is continuing to minimize spending from local

revenue sources enhance the reserve that may be carried into the next fiscal year, which begins July 1. Because of the year end position, O'Rourke said, the district will request a delay payment of a loan to the Department of Education so as to ensure payroll obligations will be met on July 1 to October 15, at which time local property taxes will be sufficient to cover the payroll.

Earlier in the meeting, Frank McIntosh, a member of the district's financial review committee, advised the district against the repaying a \$2.3 million advance on the loan from the Department of Education. The advance, which the district has not used, was approved early in the school year by the State-appointed Financial Recovery Team, and was not reflected in the Financial Position Report because of plans to repay the advance. The reason the committee advises against immediately repaying the advance, Mc-Intosh said, was because the district is projected to have \$100,000 in reserves.

O'Rourke said that the year-end reserves aren't what the district wants them to be, and the preliminary 2008 budget projections reflect a structural

deficit of about \$500,000. Although efforts are being made to resolve the projected structural deficit, O'Rourke said, the State allowing the district to keep the \$2.3 million advance for the time being would be a good insurance policy going into the next fiscal year. He said the district will work with the state to see if the return of the advance can be delayed.

"Right now, we're facing an uphill battle just to make a balanced budget carrying forward the same spending practices as '07," O'Rourke said.

The board approved the leasing the Elbert-Palmer School. The Wilmington school is set to close next year, as part of the district's strategic plan that was approved at the board's March meeting. Board President James Durr, Board Vice-President John Mackenzie, and members Beverly Howell and David Resler voted in favor of the excessing. Board member George Evans voted against it, and board member Gina Backus abstained.

The board will meet on May 8 at Sarah Pyle Academy to discuss matters related to leasing of

Elbert-Palmer.

District superintendent Lillian M. Lowery said that, because of the city's lawsuit against the district that was filed in late March to stop the closing of city schools, the boards ability to speak publicly about the issue without consulting district counsel has been taken away.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, Claudia Bock, president of the Christina Education Association, said she is perplexed and angry over the teachers, paraprofessionals, nurses, and secretaries that were cut by the district at April's meeting. The cuts were recommended based on student enrollment projections and corresponding state earned units for 2007-2008.

"Once again, we are expected to rectify the financial situation of this district -155 plus professionals will be gone to balance a significant budget deficit," Bock said.

### In other news:

•The board unanimously approved the payment of \$1,655 for additional work at Wilson School, a \$43,034 reduction of a

contract for work at Christiana High School, a \$55,548.70 proposal for band uniforms Glasgow and Christiana High Schools, the payment of \$49,990 for the renewal of automatic temperature control systems at 20 district schools, a \$212,717 bid for roof replacement at Newark High School, and a \$34,304 bid for the installation of a web base camera system at Brennen

District expects to have \$100,000 in reserve funds

•The board voted to expel three students on charges related to the possession of weapons. It is district policy not to reveal the names of the expelled students or the specific charges against them.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Christina Board of Education will be held on June 12 at the Marshall

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The land along Rt. 41 north of the Delaware border would be turned into parking lot and retail stores under a plan before New Garden Township.

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approved, therefore the development will occur, according to the New Garden Township Board of Supervisors stated in an undated letter it posted on the township's website. The question is, who will decide the terms of the development.

PREIT and the town reached agreement in principle on the voluminous list of conditions, Town Manager Carmen Raddi said. It's how the legal language that lays out those conditions that is in dispute, so the developer has gone to court, asserting that they are beyond the realm that the township can impose.

"The level of scrutiny to this project surpasses that of any other land development application made to New Garden Township," the supervisors' letter said, adding that the developer has been cooperative throughout a painful, arduous process. "But please know, we are still in a very active negotiation with PREIT to address many questions and concerns" voiced at public meetings.

Raddi said that after more than six years of negotiations, if an agreement on the remaining issues isn't reached in the next 30 days, the court will intervene — a result neither party prefers.

If a settlement is reached, PREIT has promised to do the following, which would not likely be part of a courtordered solution:

•Create a pedestrian friendly, mixed-use village style town center, to replace a proposed single family home development, which residents oppose for its likely impact on schools and loss of revenue.

•Upgrade architecture, landscaping, and overall enhanced design

•Solve existing sewer capacity and compliance issues

•Extensive transportation improvements beyond what the court would likely order

### Traffic, property values

In Hockessin, the closest Delaware town to the proposed Pennsylvania development, some residents have begun to voice concerns about the potential traffic impact on the recently improved Rt. 41 corridor that cuts through the heart of the town.

According to Raddi, there is a provision in the

agreement to deposit funds with the township for improving intersections like Rt. 41 at Limestone Road, streets that cross the border into Delaware 3,000 and 5,000 feet away, respectively.

NEW GARDEN

**AREA OF** 

DETAIL

In response to nearby residents' concerns that the development would hurt their property values, PREIT asked Philadelphia real estate consultant Jeffrey Green to find out what research has been done to quantify the effect of building retail near residential on housing values.

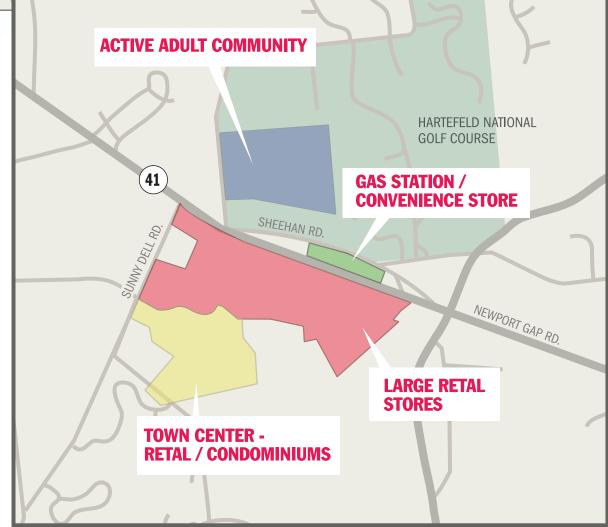
In a letter dated March 15, Green said it would be virtually impossible to single out the effect of one variable like a shopping center on the value of a home, but years of real estate market research allowed him to "state with confidence that the availability of all services, especially retail, is critical to the overall health of a market."

During the last 10 years as development has burgeoned, he said, developers have discovered that there is a competitive advantage in having shopping nearby. New housing developments that offer shopping nearby sell more quickly, and in markets where demand is high, nearby retail can increase housing values.

Information about the New Garden Town Center plan, its traffic engineering review and fiscal impact studies are available online by visiting the New Garden Township's website, www.newgarden.org, and clicking on the "New Garden Town Center Information" link.

# NEW GARDEN TOWN CENTER

The proposed property use is permissible by law and approved under township regulations, therefore the development will occur, according to the New Garden Township Board of Supervisors. The question is, who will decide the terms



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HOCKESSIN

Illustrations by Rob Tornoe

# NEW GARDEN TOWN CENTER TRAFFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

Traffic engineering consultant McMahon Associates summarized its recommendations for the New Garden Town Center proposal in a February 8 letter to the New Garden Board of Supervisors.

The recommendations were based on two studies completed in December by Traffic Planning and Design Inc., entitled the New Garden Town Center Traffic Impact Study, and the New Garden Town Center Concept Plan for Road Improvements.

They include:

•Widening Rt. 41 to four lanes with turning lanes between Limestone Road and Sunny Dell

•Eliminating the existing Sharp Road intersection at Rt. 41

•Installing new traffic signals on Rt. 41 at Sunny Dell Road, Limestone Road and a relocated Sharp Road

•Widening the shoulder along Limestone Road at the Rt. 41 northbound ramp, or provide a separate left-turn lane along Limestone Road approaching Rt. 41. The proposed development will add 80 - 231 vehicles during peak hours. Any improvements at this intersection should verify the availability of adequate sight distance for traffic exiting the off-ramp.

•If PennDOT does not approve the Limestone Road light immediately, escrowing funds for future installation of a traffic signal, or consider a feasibility study for a roundabout at the intersection

•Widening Sharp, Sheehan and Sunny Dell Roads to provide 12-foot travel lanes and shoulders near Rt. 41, per PennDOT

•A center turn lane at Sunny Dell Road to eliminate the hour-glass effect between Reynolds Road and the southern Town Center driveway.

•Other improvements may be considered necessary at Limestone Road, Starr Road and Newark Road after another impact study is completed.



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# Police Reports

# Trooper struck during traffic stop

A woman police say was driving drunk hit a Delaware State Trooper while he was outside his car on an unrelated accident scene at the intersection of Boxwood Road and Centerville Road near Prices Corner on April 30.

Police said the trooper, who was not identified, was outside his patrol car with another trooper when Meghan Stears, 20, of Wilmington passed by the trooper and hit him with the passenger side of

her car. The trooper ran to his patrol car, chased Stears and stopped her.

Police said both troopers were driving marked cars and their lights were on at the accident scene. The trooper who was struck was treated for a lower back injury at Christiana Hospital and released.

Stears was charged with vehicular assault, underage consumption of alcohol and no proof of insurance.

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Electrical Contracting" and his phone number. The 1999 Jeep Wrangler is green with a brown soft-top.

Lattanzio, who admitted to leaving the doors of both vehicles unlocked, said his auto insurance will cover the loss of the vehicles, but not the equipment he had inside the vehicle. He said his homeowners insurance may cover a portion of that loss, but only up to \$1,000. He said he was forced to spend more than \$3,000 on new materials during the weekend.

"I have to work," he said. "I have to be out there in order to pay the bills."

Two vehicles owned by Steve Lattanzio, an electrical contractor, were stolen from his Hockessin driveway. One vehicle contained \$10,000 worth of tools and equipment.

County Police Spokesman Cpl. Trinidad Navarro said his agency was continuing to investigate the incident, but have not recovered either vehicle.

Lattanzio said he thinks one of his former employees could be responsible.

"They didn't touch my wife's Grand Cherokee, which was right next to the van," he said. "So my guess is that it was somebody who knew both vehicles were mine and who knew I kept my doors unlocked."





# Pike Creek rezoning due for vote next week

Staff Reporter

New Castle County Council is expected to vote next Tuesday on the rezoning of a Pike Creek parcel that would pave the way for a 64-unit town home community.

The rezoning for the Traditions at Pike Creek was tabled on April 10 because of questions from the council and nearby residents about traffic and water runoff. The proposal for the 25-acre lot near the corner of Limestone and Paper Mill roads – did not appear to have the necessary votes from the council.

Under the current suburban zoning, only 25 single-family homes could be built on the property.

Project engineer Jim Lober attempted to answer many of those questions Tuesday at the council's Land Use Committee William Meeting. Rhodunda, the attorney

By Jesse Chadderdon representing Pulte Homes, said the same information would be presented to nearby residents in a meeting before the scheduled May 10 vote.

> Most of the concern over the rezoning comes residents Chestnut Valley – the neighborhood directly downhill from the proposed development. They say the community already suffers from flooding and drainage problems because of a high groundwater table.

> Lober said that when the property is re-graded during development, the area of the property that drains toward Chestnut Valley will be reduced from 5 acres to only one. He also said the volume of storm water runoff would be reduced at every outfall point on the property. One thing that would not be improved, he said, was the condition of a stream that runs down into Chestnut Valley.

"There's too much water going into that stream now and there will be too much later," he said. "But nothing we're going to do with this project will make things any worse."

But Councilman Wil-**Powers** Middletown West), who said his family used to farm the properties in question, said he was concerned about storm water being held in infiltration basins on the site and running into natural springs which exist in parts of Chestnut Valley.

Several Chestnut Valley residents have spoken against the plan at past meetings, but only two were in attendance Tuesday. Their concerns were over traffic.

Robert Karnick said he believed the 64-unit town home proposal would result in many more cars using the community's lone access point on Paper Mill Road than the

single-family

wife, Lucille His Avakian-Karnick agreed.

"How many other developments can you name that have access to a road with a 50 m.p.h. speed limit on a steep hill?" she said.

### **Open space** ordinance finalized

The housing industry has dropped its objections to legislation being considered by the county council that would dictate how developers are to turn over open space in newly built communities to neighborhood residents.

The most significant change backs up the time at which the developer has to complete the community's open space from when 75 percent of the homes are built to 90

According to the Department of Land Use, the current requirement has not been practical because in most cases, that open space has to be disturbed during the construction of the final 25 percent of the subdivision.

The major obstacle between the development community and the Department of Land Use was the definition of completed open space. Steven Lefebvre, associ-

ate director for the Home Builders Association of Delaware, said he has seen developers fail open space inspections because of patches where grass is not growing fully enough.

The Department of Land Use has incorporated widely accepted state regulations for vegetation into the ordinance, a move that Lefebvre said the industry supports.

The council is expected to vote on the ordinance at its May 8 meeting.



# **DelDOT** secretary alerts council to need for raising fees, tolls

By Jesse Chadderdon Staff Reporter

Delaware Department of Transportation Secretary Carolann Wicks briefed New Castle County Council members on her agency's need to raise fees and tolls.

Wicks said the revenue in state's Transportation Trust Fund comes from three chief sources: tolls (\$134 million); motor vehicle fees (\$116 million); and fuel taxes (\$125 million).

But she said those totals weren't enough for the department to keep up with the demand for new projects.

"When you've got increasing costs and increasing demand, a static trust fund really means a shortage," she said.

Wicks estimates that the department needs an additional \$1.5 billion in revenue over the next six years in order to be able to complete all of the department's targeted projects between 2008 and 2013. That list is a scaled back version of an initial plan introduced in 2005, which would have found the department with a \$2.7 billion shortage, she said.

Wicks said that in addition to revising the capital plan and seeking lending opportunities that take advantage of the agency's high bond ratings, several revenue hikes are being proposed.

The department hopes

the General Assembly will authorize a series of increases during the coming years, including a 5 cent increase to the fuel tax to 27 cents per gallon and a \$10 increase for vehicle registration to \$30, both by fiscal year 2008. Other proposals include a fee increase on documentation that would total 1.75 percent over two

years, and the elimination of EZ Pass discounts during off-peak hours on I-95 and State Route 1.

Toll increases are also proposed along Route 1, including a \$1 increase at the Biddles/Dover interchange, a 50 cent increase at the Boyds/Denny interchange and a 25 cent increase at Smyrna - all by fiscal year 2009.

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# 2 men sought for sex abuse

State police are seeking men in two incidents involving

inappropriate touching of children at sports events in the Newark area. Police said the descriptions of the men involved do not match.

A 10-year-old boy and a parent told police on April 29 that the boy had been touched several times in an inappropriate way at the Canal Little League fields on Glasgow Avenue on April 28. The boy said he was preparing for a game at about 5 p.m. when a man approached him and touched him. Police said the boy told his parents about the incident later in the evening.

The man was described as white, 28 to 38 years old, thin build and with short black hair, long sideburns and unshaven face. He was driving a full-size white pickup with lettering on the side.

Three days later, on May 1, a man touched an eight-year-old girl in a sexual manner at Vince's Sports Center on Gender Road, police said. Police said a sports center employee demanded that the man leave and the center has provided video to police of the incident.

The man was described as white, 45 to 55 years old, 5-foot-10" to 6-inches tall and weighing 160 to 180 pounds. He had a gray goatee, gray hair and average build and was wearing a green hat, tan pants, beige long sleeve shirt and wire-rimmed glasses. He drove away in a late model green pick-up truck with Delaware tags, police said.

Anyone with information about the incidents is asked to call police at 834-2620, ext. 5. Police said resources for victims of sexual abuse and their parents are available by calling 1-800-VICTIM1 or www.pcadelaware.org/safety/index.htm.

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# Police seek top 10 sex offenders who have not registered

The Delaware State Police are asking for the public's assistance in finding sex offenders who have not re-registered with the state as required by state law.

The state released the top 10 list of

offenders who have not re-registered. Anyone with information about the whereabouts of these individuals should call 911, CrimeStoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or the State Bureau of Identification at 672-5306.

The Delaware State Police are required to maintain a registry of sex offenders, available to the public on the Internet, of sex offenders convicted after June 27.

### THE OFFENDERS

(Listed in alphabetical order, with last known address and known aliases)

**Charles Barlow** Risk: Moderate

Convicted: 1997, 2nd Degree Unlawful Sexual

14435 Susanna Court Moreno Valley, Calif.

Aliases: Omar Muhammad, Charles Balow, Charles Below, Charles Burlow

**Jesus Cintros** Risk: High Convicted: 1998, 9 charges

including Continuous Sexual Abuse of a Child 294 Main St.

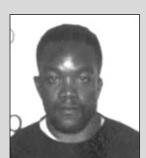
Aliases: Jesus Cintron

Dover

**Michael Dupree** No further information avail-

7811 Governor Printz Blvd. Claymont

Aliases: none



**Andrew Hitz** Risk: High Convicted: 2000, four counts of rape, three of someone under 16

12967 County Seat Laurel



### **David Perez**

Risk: High Convicted: 1997, Unlawful sexual contact displaying deadly weapon 27453 Sand Pebble Dr. Millsboro

Aliases: Israel Lacuna, David Lopez, Israel

Martinez, David Perez-Ferreria, Avalos Fierro, Roberto Guitierrez.

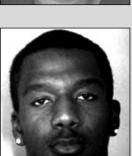


### Franklin Purnell

No further information avail-

1413 Lore Ave. Wilmington

Aliases: None



# Jose Estrada

Risk: Moderate Convicted: 2003, 4th degree Rape

Selbyville, Del.

Aliases: Anemida Dejesusvargas, Anrudi Vargas, Aneuida Dejesus-Vargas

nobitts



Convicted: 2000, Indecent Exposure to under 16

32 Snow Mass Run Rehoboth Beach

Aliases: None



1566 Upper King Rd. Felton, Del. Aliases: Duane Sampson,

**Delbert Samson** 

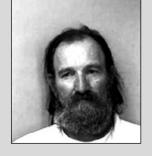
Convicted: 2002, 4th

degree rape of someone

Risk: High

under 16

Dominic Flandry, Sri Pontonelandry



### Kevin Walker

Risk: Moderate Convicted: 2002,. Unlawful sexual contact

172 Boyd Dr. Magnolia

Aliases: Brian Walker, Brian Harden, Edward McKinney



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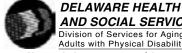


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# **Linden Hill third-graders** display their projects

By Antonio M. Prado Staff Reporter

Linden Hill Elementary School third-graders for the last month have been working on projects for their school's annual Invention Convention, for which they must think of a problem that has to be solved, brainstorm and reach original solutions.

On May 1, they demonstrated their inventions to family and friends at the Pike Creek school.

Morgan Blumm, 9, of Newark, showed her "Clean Cubby," to her mother, Katrina, and sister Madison, 8.

"It goes in the locker so you can organize things," Morgan said. "There's a little pencil part. You can put scissors in it. Then, there's an area for the books. You can put your water bottle in there."

Her sister Madison helped her think of the "Clean Cubby."

"She has a really, really, really messy locker and it's hard for her to keep things neat," Morgan said. "So, this is just to tell her where everything goes and put stuff where it belongs.

Also, Morgan loved her friend Caitlyn Reed's projthe "Car Wash Sponge," which was placed next to the "Clean Cubby."

"She cut a hole in this sponge and you put paint in it, and this is a soap bottle and you would put the paint in it," Morgan said. "You just squeeze it and it's easier to paint," Morgan said. "With a regular paint brush, you have to keep dipping it but with this you just squeeze the handle and it comes

Katrina Blumm said she was very impressed with Morgan and her classmates.

'They really took it upon themselves to think of things on their own - problems – and ways to come up with solutions," she said. "There's some creative kids here in the school."

Kayla Dickson, 9, showed her family the "Kayla Cube," another way to organize school supplies.

"It has six slots," said Dickson, of Mermaid Run. "The first slot has separators to hold pencils, glasses, crayons, paper for recycling, papers to take home, unfinished work, finished work and books.

"The problem is that we have messy chair bags so it's easier to organize things," she said. "If you have anything small, it's usually shoved at the bottom of your chair bag."

Kayla's mother, Natalie Glasco, also felt students had interesting ideas.

"They had to brainstorm, then narrow it down,' Glasco said. "She did it."

For fifth-grader Eliz-Dougherty, Convention Invention brought back memories. Her mother, teacher Carol Dougherty, used her invention from two years ago, "Tip Top Flip Flops," as an example for this year's students. The flip flops moisturize feet of the wearer.

"After the Winter, your feet need lotion and it's really annoying to have to remember to do that," Elizabeth said. "So, we used a foamy kind of placemat (to make the flip flops)."



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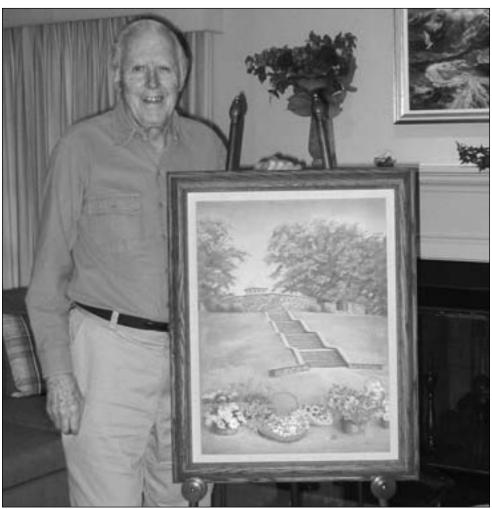
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James R. Huntsberger shows off this year's Wilmington Flower Market poster.

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A Mother's Day tradition, the Wilmington Flower Market has been held since 1921. This year's event will be held in Rockford Park, the home of the festival since 1952.

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This year's events, which will be held each day from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., will include flowers and plants for sale along with crafts and other merchant tables, live music, carnival rides and game, food and local celebrities.

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# Winterthur to host annual Point-to-Point May 6

Winterthur's 29th annual Point-to-Point event will be held May 6 on the grounds of the Greenville museum and

The event will begin with its traditional parade of antique carriages, led by George A. "Frolic" Weymouth. This year's parade will feature more than 40 antique carriages, including coaches, phaetons, park drags, runabouts, carts and wagonettes.

The event's five races will begin at 2 p.m. with the Amateur Rider's Club of America race, followed by the Middletown Cup at 2:30 p.m. The Steeplechase races - Isabella du Pont Sharp Memorial, Winterthur Bowl and Vicmead Plate, will begin at 3 p.m.

New to this year's event will be an alumni parking area for clubs and reunions and two sets of roving judges. The first group, the "Mad Hatters," will look for the finest hats at the event and

award spot prizes. The second group of roving judges will visit picnics throughout the parking areas in a secret tailgate competition.

A formal tailgate competition has been a staple of the event since its beginning.

The secret competition will award a silver tray to the best presented picnic.

Tickets for Point-to-Point must be purchased in advance for \$25, \$15 ages 12-20 and \$5 ages 2-11. Tickets are available at Winterthur (www.winterthur.org) or at its partners, the Newark, Concord and Stanton ShopRite stores, Centreville Cafe, Harry's Seafood Grill, Iron Hill Brewery, Kelly's Logan House, Mikimoto's Asian Grill, Presto and The Whip Restaurant.

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# Tracy Richardson – a woman on a music mission

# Wilmington Music School director keeps busy

Tracy Richardson is a busy person. Every day she spends many hours at the Wilmington Music School (WMS) as the program director in charge of education and performances.

In addition she teaches at the school where she has been on the faculty for 15 years. And in her spare time she performs on the harpsichord with Melomanie, a unique musical group which she also manages.

Through it all, Richardson, who describes herself a "middle aged," retains her pleasant demeanor and love of music which is the center of her life.

In a recent interview she spoke about her work. "I am looking at the WMS mission as we talk and it is a simple one – to provide excellence in musical education, training and experiences for people of all ages and levels of ability. We work with people from toddlers to 85 year olds. That's what we're about here. We have 2,000 students; about half of them are young.

"Many are in outreach locations and have never even entered our building. Some will go on to become music majors, but most will not and that's good, too. We work with people so they love to enjoy music and we enhance their abilities to play as well as appreciate music for the rest of their lives."

She then described the way in which WMS runs their program. "We begin with general movement (when the children are very young), then they go on to individual lessons on many different instruments. We even have harp and harpsichord now." Richardson may be somewhat partial to the last. "We also sponsor many musical performing groups including a jazz



Tracy Richardson



ensemble. In our music theory classes, we try to provide the full spectrum so that people of all levels can benefit. We have 85 faculty members and 60 performances each year. There are so many highs in this business such as hearing a student recital after you have watched him or her move from beginner to advanced. They have prepared for hundreds of hours; it is hard and you can see them progress as they grow. They move from awkward to poised and confident.

Suddenly that little boy is a teen - it happens time and time again. You always read in the paper about bad young people, but I don't see it here. I see determination and courage and character."

Richardson did not want to say which part of her career she enjoys the most. "I only have about 8 private students now and I usually learn as much as they do. When we work on a particular piece, I teach them how to articulate and find things about it; I may have taught a composition 20 times but on the 21st, I can still learn something new.

"I have two students now who are learning disabled, one with Downs Syndrome. He has been with me since he was a

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The Delaware Children's Chorus will perform in the Spring Choral Concert at St. Helenas Catholic Church on May 20, along with the Youth Choral Group. **Select Choral Ensemble** and Delaware Woman's Chorus.

## SHULAK – from previous page

youngster and he is in his mid 20s. He was never supposed to walk or talk but he learned to play the piano, and he now performs around the world and has college degrees. The second student is blind. She memorizes the music in her mind. My role is to teach her to move her hands and arms in order to play her best. Both these students show how determination works. If students practice and care, they succeed. The ones who don't practice and decide to focus on other things do not make it.'

### **Coming up**

It is close to the end of the performance season at WMS, but there are still a few more concerts coming up.

•On May 6 at 3 p.m., the Wilmington Community Orchestra directed by Ovidiu Marinescu will perform at the school on

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•On May 20, the Spring Choral Concert will be held at 4 p.m. at St. Helena's Catholic Church in Wilmington. Faculty members Michael Larkin, Joanne Ward and Marybeth Miller will direct the various groups -Youth Choral Group, Delaware Children's Chorus, Select Choral Ensemble, and Delaware Women's Chorus. The program includes songs, anthems, motets and choral pieces from all sty-Washington Street and Lea listic periods, including an

original piece by composer Larkin based on the poetry of Christopher Marlowe, a Mass by Mozart, and Randall Thompson's famous "The Road Not Taken" based on Robert Frost's poem. The concert free.

Incidentally, the Select Choral Ensemble will travel to Italy in June to sing in concerts in Milan, Venice, Florence, Lucca and Pisa. Aren't we fortunate that all we have to do is travel to Wilmington to hear them?

•Another interesting program which WMS will sponsor this Summer is a July workshop called Delaware Young Composers Ensemble for ages 14 - 18. As mentioned above, part of the program at WMS is encouraging students to write as well as play music. In this nine day workshop, students will immerse themselves in the compositional process under the tutelage of Chuck Holdeman. Each young person will compose his or her own piece which will then be performed and recorded. What a marvelous opportunity.

For information on this program or any of the other concerts and classes described in this article be sure to call WMS at 302-762-1132.

### Richardson to perform

Also, let me tell you that there is an opportunity to hear Tracy Richardson, herself, as she performs with Melomanie May 4 in Westminster Presbyterian Church at 8 p.m. The group features Baroque and modern violins, Viol de gamba, Baroque and modern cellos, Baroque and modern

flutes and harpsichord. I have attended their concerts and it is an experience that you will not soon forget. The setting is magnificent and the music is charming and unique. Tickets at \$15/\$10 for students and seniors are available at 302-764-6338.

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# Diamond State Concert Band sharing love of music with community

By Kevin Barrett Staff Reporter

The Diamond State Concert Band has been entertaining audiences at various venues throughout the region for more than 30 years.

The band was originally formed in 1976 as the Mt. Pleasant Community Band by Wilmington businessman Alfred Belak, along with his friend, Joe Naff, a professional French horn player and conductor.

The band's first concert was held on July 4, 1976 in Claymont. Its name was changed to the Diamond State Concert Band in 1984. Since 1976, the band has played more than 350 concerts.

The band, which is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Delaware Division of the Arts, is still going strong, playing about 10 concerts a year at places like nursing homes, parks, malls, and museums.

The band rehearses yearround - every Wednesday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Springer Middle School in Brandywine Hundred and is always looking for new members, said Sharon

### **JOIN THE BAND**

Anyone interested in joining the Diamond State Concert Band can visit the band website at www.dscb.org, call 302-792-7070, or e-mail webmaster@dscb.org

Free, publicist and scheduling secretary for the band. In particular, the band is looking for clarinet players and percussionists.

Persons of all ages are welcome in the band, Free said. The band has about 40 active members of all ages, she said, with the youngest members being teenagers and the oldest being over 80.

The band plays a wide variety of music, Free said, including marches, jazz, patriotic music, show tunes, and ethnic pieces. The only requirement for playing in the band, she said, is that members be able to play the level of music the band performs. The band doesn't hold auditions, she said. and there is no real challenge for seats.

"It's stress-free," Free said. "We all do it because we love it - as long as we can keep getting conductors, we'll keep going."



Bob Baronio directs a practice of the Diamond State Band at Springer Middle School.

The band performs at no cost, Free said, as a form of community service. The band does accept sponsorship and donations, however, which allows the band to buy new music and hire guest conductors.

"We're basically just trying to share our love of music with the community and provide another opportunity for adults to keep playing in a band," Free said.

A way to keep playing the flute - which she has played since elementary school - in a band is exactly why Free first joined the Diamond State Concert Band in 1981. Free said she played the flute through college, but once she graduated, she found there were very few opportunities to play in a group. That's when she heard about the band.

"I felt it was a great way to keep playing as an adult," Free said.

Teresa McKeown, of Newark, who declined to give her age, has been in the band for 31 years, having joined after the first two concerts the band played. A flutist, she found out about the band because her son, Kevin, was taking French horn lessons from Joe Naff.

The band's historian, McKeown said Belak and Naff started the band simply because they wanted something to do, and the band exists as a service to the community and a source of pleasure for its members.

"We practice and enjoy it - it's a lot of fun,' McKeown said.

Richard Speck, 58, of Pike Creek, has been playing the clarinet in the band for the past three years. He said he joined the band because he wanted an outlet for his clarinet playing, which he first started playing ten years ago because he always liked the sound of the instrument. He said he enjoys being in the band, and hardly ever misses rehearsal.

"I knew from the get go it would be a challenge, because I've never played in a band before," Speck said.

Tom Kilpatrick, 84, of Boothwyn, Pa., plays the euphonium (a brass wind instrument) and has been a member since he retired 1983. He originally played the flute, and he said that when he joined, it had been about 40 years since he regularly played an instrument. The band is a lot of fun, he said, and he intends to keep being a member as long as he is able.

"If I can make it, I will," Kilpatrick said. "There's a lot of nice people, and we do some interesting concerts."

Bob Baronio, 40, of Brandywine Hundred, has been a member of the band since 1996. He is one of the conductors, and also plays the trumpet. He teaches music at Springer Elementary. His wife, Kris, who he met through

Being a member of the band, Baronio said, is useful to him because it's a way to keep his skills up on a weekly basis. Also, he said, as he always tells his students, it's great balance to have something like the band to belong to and enjoy.

Victoria Klein, 14, of Brandywine Hundred, an eighth grader at Springer Middle School, has played the flute in the band for about a year. The band was recommended to her, she said, by Bob Baronio. She enjoys being in the band, she said, and playing in it has improved her ability to sight-read music.

"I like it," Klein said. "I like playing all the different types of music."

Brad Thomas, 40, of Newark, plays the baritone in the band and has been a member since 1984. He said he likes the band because of the wide variety of music it performs – although he particularly enjoys playing jazz - and being a member has improved his abilities as a musician.

"Overall, it's a very atmosphere," friendly Thomas said. "This group is always fun to be around.'

Ryan Poorani, 15, of Kennett Square, Pa., a sophomore at Kennett High School, started playing the clarinet in the Diamond State Concert Band four years ago. Borani joined, he said, because he wanted a bit of a challenge and because he was bored with the music he was playing in his school band at the time.

"It's a way to learn new skills and to get to play with fantastic musicians," Poorani said. "The concerts are great, too."

Thom Remington, 58, of Brandywine Hundred, has been playing tuba in the band for 24 years. Remington said playing in the band is a good stress reliever, and just plain fun.

"I get goosebumps from playing," Remington said. "It just does good things for me."

Furthermore, Remington said, music is a central part of his life - his wife, Margaret, is a professional musician and music teacher.

"Music isn't how I earn my living - it's how I live," Remington said.

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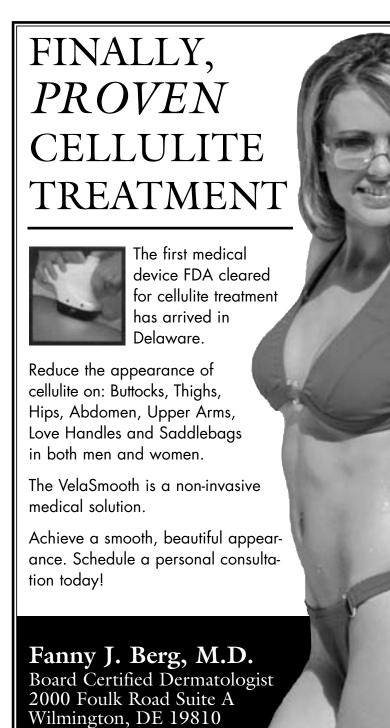
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# **Social Announcements**



**Jason Van Druff and Nancy Measley** 

# Measley, Van Druff wed

Nancy Catherine Measley and Jason Mark Van Druff were married December 23 at Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church in Greenville. The groom's father, the Rev. John Van Druff, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Measley Jr. of Greenville. She graduated from Wilmington Friends School and Bucknell University and works as a project manager for ViTech Systems Group.

Her bridesmaids were her sister, Christine Piller of San Diego, and Meghan Rice Jodz of Philadelphia, Margaret Ting Ryan of New York City and Pamela Sudell of Greenville.

The groom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. John Van Druff of Springfield, Pa. He graduated from Springfield High School and Bucknell University. He works as a financial analyst for Philips International Holding Company.

Groomsmen were Jeremy and Justin Van Druff of Springfield, Pa., Michael Brett of Chicago and Dean Measley of Greenville. Ushers were Todd McClure, Jeffrey Park, Kevin Park and Jeffrey Piller.

After a honeymoon in Bora Bora, the couple lives in New York City.



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Daniel and Doris Kinsley in 1947 (left) and today.

# Kinsleys celebrate 60th anniversary

Daniel and Doris Kinsley of Hockessin celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 12.

The couple was married in 1947 at Bethel Methodist Church in Hurffville, N.J.

Daniel Kinsley worked for Owens -Corning Fiberglass Inc. in Barrington, N.J., as a machine operator.

Doris Kinsley worked for Monsanto in Bridgeport, N.J., and Citibank Delaware before retiring and now works as a medical transcriptionist in the offices of Drs.

Daniel and Doris Kinsley of Hockessin celebrat- Dennis R. Mirra and Jeffrey b. Minkovitz in Wilmington.

The couple has three children, Janice Jones, a music teacher in Lake View, N.Y.; Daniel Kinsley III of the Washington Township Public School System in Turnersville, N.J.; and Donald Kinsley, an attorney in Newark. They have four grandchildren, Alyson Jones of Ann Arbor, Mich.; Vanessa Jones of Bronx, N.Y.; and Caroline and John Daniel Kinsley of Newark.

They held a small dinner party on April 14 at Longwood Gardens.



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# **Sports**



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Runners start out for the half-marathon portion of the 10th annual Trail Triple Crown race at White Clay Creek State Park. The annual event features a marathon, half marathon and 10-kilometer run as well as a 5K run/walk.



J.D. Acosta (left) and triple crown winner Scot Van Asten relax after the third race of the day.

# Trail Triple Crown attracts hundreds

By Antonio M. Prado Staff Reporter

Hundreds of runners and walkers from within and out-of-state participated in the 10th annual Trail Triple Crown race held April 28 at White Clay Creek State Park in Newark.

The Trail Triple Crown race, coordinated by the local running group Trail Dawgs and Christiana Presbyterian Church, featured a marathon, a half marathon, a 10kilometer run and a five-kilometer run/walk. The race benefited local homeless shelters.

Scot Van Asten, 30, of Harrisburg, Pa., won the five-kilometer race to clinch the men's triple crown for the best combined finishes. In the morning, he ran the halfmarathon and followed that with a 10-kilometer.

'My goal was to run a really good half marathon," said Van Asten, 30. "Then, the 10K was by far the hard-

TRAIL TRIPLE **CROWN RESULTS** 

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est race of the day just because of the fatigue from the first race.

"And in this one I thought I could concentrate for 20 minutes. The faster I run, the quicker it's over."

This was Van Asten's first time participating in the Newark race, saying he was attracted by the chance to win the triple crown. He has been trail running for two years, but he has a background in cycling as well.

"I liked the idea of putting in a big day," Van Asten said. "You train every weekend. You go out and do your long run and all that stuff. So, this was a cool way to get

22 1/2 miles in."

Trail running differs from road and track running in that athletes use hiking trails to run. White Clay Creek State Park has about 50 miles of trail, including sections of the 192-mile Mason-Dixon Trail, according to race organizer John Mackenzie. The terrain is moderately hilly with a mixed hardwood forest, streams and upland meadow.

Sharon Schmidt-Mongrain, 31, of Philadelphia, won the women's 10-kilometer race. Schmidt-Mongrain has been running with the Wissahickon Wanderers, which have been participating in the Trail Series in the tri-state area.

"If feels great," she said. "I did a trail run a couple weeks ago, the first time I'd done trail run and I took second there. But, I just came here with no expectations. It was

See TRAILS, next page



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# **Sports**

### TRAILS - from previous page

"Given the conditions out there, it was a challenge," Schmidt-Mongrain said. "It was very muddy, kind of that shoesucking mud. But it was a good race, a good course."

Kari Proffitt, 50, of Staten Island, N.Y., won the 50 to 59 women's title for the half marathon.

"I love this race," said Proffitt, who's been running for 35 years. "I've come here three years in a row and I plan to come again next year. I wasn't looking to win. I come here for fun."

Brigitte Sheehan, Pete McLaughlin and Hunt Bartine are all Trail Dawgs who participated in the race. They also helped Mackenzie set up the course at White Clay Creek.

"I run at White Clay Creek pretty much every weekend," said Sheehan, 46, of Newark. "I ran the half marathon (today). I was a middle-of-thepacker."

"The scenery is nice," said McLaughlin, 44, of Newark. "You've got some ups and downs. You've got some mud. But it's not extreme either. It's really a nice course for people who haven't done a ton of trail running because they get some adventure of trail running yet it's not something that's going to kill them."



Runners check the position boards during the day's events.

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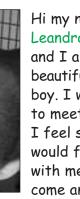
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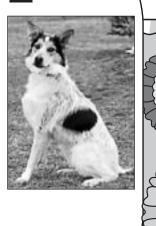


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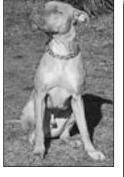
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# Claymont Elementary display case commemorates landmark decision

By Antonio M. Prado Staff Reporter

Claymont Elementary, the first public school in the state to integrate, recently gave its students a history lesson about its past.

Claymont High's peaceful integration in 1952 was praised as a model by the U.S. Supreme when it declared separate but equal schools unconstitutional in its landmark Brown vs. Board of Education case.

The Brandywine School District commemorated that landmark event and more by dedicating a permanent display case at Claymont Elementary.

"I am proud that we can incorporate past and present and also the future of Claymont," said Superintendent Dr. James R. Scanlon. "The integration of Claymont was a landmark that helped shape the course of education in the entire country."

Dan Harkins and fellow 1965 graduate Virginia Tryon Smilack worked with Scanlon to bring the display case to the school. Smilack's father, Dr. Sager Tryon, was vice president of the Claymont Board of Education that decided to integrate Claymont High.

Joan Anderson, Sandy (Byrd) Couch and John Davis were three of the 11 students who integrated Claymont High peacefully. They told current students how the school board and the teachers backed them up even when the state told Claymont its action was illegal.

"It went very well," Anderson said. "I was there for all four years. It was just a very good experience."

"If I could do it again, I'd gladly do it," Couch said.

Also attending the ceremony was 1965 graduate Bob Lilley, who was a football teammate of Harkins. Lilley played in the 1965 Blue-Gold All-Star Football Game and donated his All-Star jersey – signed by the five Claymont players on the Blue team— to the



Photos by Antonio M. Prado

(Above) Sandy (Byrd) Couch, a 1958 graduate, talks about how she was one of 11 black students who peacefully integrated Claymont High in 1952. Listening are Claymont Elementary students (left to right) Selena Moore, Ashley Fedale, Daevanna Campbell, Dondre Wilmore, James Mauk and Benny Chen.

Claymont High School alumnus Bob Lilley (left) donated the jersey he wore for the 1965 Blue-Gold All-Star Football Game to the permanent display case dedicated at Claymont Elementary School (the former high school) Tuesday. He holds up the jersey to show how he and four other Claymont players signed it.

"The integration of Claymont was a landmark that helped shape the course of education in the entire country."

James R. Scanlon,superintendent

display case.

Claymont sixth-graders Ashley Fedale and Dondre Wilmore, fifth-graders Selena Moore and Benny Chen and fourth-graders Daevanna Campbell and James Mauk participated in the dedication.

"It was good to really hear about what happened when it was a high school before we were even alive," said Moore, 11.

"It was good to know how Claymont used to be and how it's changed," said Fedale, 12.

The display case includes yearbooks, photographs, a 42-year-old marching band hat, information on the Civil Rights movement and documents related to the Brown vs. Board of Education case.





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# The Home Page I



This is a passive solar house with large windows along the southfacing side. The interior has an open floor plan to allow the warm air to freely circulate.

# Circular shape homes most energy efficient

Dear Jim: I want to do not want to go as to withstand the severe weather we are having everywhere. A circular home makes sense, but I

build an efficient home radical as a dome. What other circular designs are there?

- Connie P.

Dear Connie: You seem to have done your homework on strong, energy efficient homes. A circular shape is the most energy efficient design

and also one of the most severe weather-resistant. Just look at nature.

Birds and nearly all animals naturally build circular nests and dens to conserve winter heat and to withstand storms.

There are two key reasons a circular house is more energy efficient than a rectangular one. First, for a given amount of usable floor space, a circular floor plan typically has about 15 percent less outdoor wall surface area. Less wall surface area means less heat loss (Winter) or gain (Summer) through the walls.

The second reason is a smooth circular wall is more aerodynamic than a rectangular one with corners. When the wind flows smoothly around a circular wall, the air pressure difference on opposite

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tornado or hurricane, but circular houses have been left standing when other nearby homes were demolished by high winds.

Some circular home manufacturers offer high wind packages with extrastrong strapping. Choosing a pre-cut panelized building system is your best option for an efficient circular house. There are many standard plans available ranging from small cabins to 5,000 square foot mansions. These are not cheap prefab kits. A standard 2,500 square foot model can range in price from \$55,000 (slab floor) to \$70,000 (truss floor). Efficiency and amenity options can cost many thousands more.

Circular homes are not truly circular. They are made of many flat insulated wall and window panels which create circular appearance. Some use fourfoot wide panels and others use eight-foot wide ones.

More panels are used to create a larger home. Another unique option is an octagonal house. The length of each of the eight sides depends upon the size of the home.

Being circular, many windows can be placed in the south-facing walls for free passive solar heating. With the many panels, each room has walls at angles allowing for natural cross-ventilation during summer. The peaked roof, similar to an upside-down funnel, naturally vents the hot air out the center cupola opening. If you have the option, choose 2x6 or thicker walls for space for additional insulation.



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# The Home Page II

# **Attic fans – choose wisely**

would make sense to install a solar-powered attic fan along with reflective foil under the roof. The roof will have a standard ridge vent? - Dave B.



**Dear Dave:** If you are building a new house with the option to install any type of there is significant sun exposure.

**Dear Jim: I am in the design stages** attic vent system, select a combination of of a new house. I was wondering if it a continuous ridge and soffit vents. This

will be adequate with the reflective foil.

Solar-powered fans work well, but with their higher cost, they are most feasible on existing homes

currently without adequate attic vents.

They are particularly effective where

# Getting rid of 'clunk'

Dear Jim: I had an entirely new gas furnace installed in my home. They also installed new ductwork of the proper size. Now, whenever the furnace comes on, I hear a "clunk" sound from one of the ducts. How can I fix this?

- Bob J.

Dear Bob: If the "cluck" sound is coming from a duct, it is the result of a duct wall flexing.

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# REBIRTH OF THE BRANDYWINE

# Shad restoration effort moves into implementation phase

By Andrea Miller Staff Reporter

Inside a plastic-lined cardboard box on the banks of the rain-swollen Brandywine Creek near Hagley Museum's Soda House were 5,000 tiny translucent fish whose imminent release represented the start of a new era for the local, state and national officials who waded in to tip a measuring cup teeming with life into the chilly Spring current.

Those gathered for the April 24 release of the American shad fingerlings were celebrating the formal unveiling of a multi-agency project spearheaded by the Brandywine Conservancy to remove or modify 11 dams in order to bring shad and other migratory fish back to a five-mile segment of the Brandywine in Delaware.

The conservancy project, part of a larger dam removal movement to bring migratory fish back to many East Coast rivers, has been quietly in development for several years, beginning with a 2005 feasibility study funded by grants from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Delaware Estuary Program.

It continued with partnership building that has resulted today in wide support from the dam owners, including the State of Delaware, City of Wilmington, DuPont Company and Hagley Museum and Library, said Brandywine Conservancy Environmental Management Center Senior Planner Robert Lonsdorf, as well as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and other local and regional environmental groups.

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The American shad is an ocean dwelling migratory fish that hatches in freshwater rivers and creeks in late Spring, then swims to the ocean where it lives for about four years before returning to its birthplace to spawn.

In early days of the European settlement, he abundance of shad on the Brandywine was legendary, and a mainstay for the early fishing industry. However, populations

dwindled as dams built to provide water power for a vibrant mill industry that sprung up along the Brandywine - blocked fish from swimming upstream.

moving through the permitting process and design work for the first two dams, both in Wilmington, is already under way, though no completion date has been set for either.

Wilmington Mayor James Baker called the Brandywine one of the city's most beloved resources, one that generations have enjoyed for its aesthetics and recreational opportunities.

"Now we have the opportunity to give something back to our cherished river. By working together with other dam owners and the Brandywine Conservancy, we can provide a healthier, revitalized river for future generations to enjoy," he said in comments to about 40 assembled at the celebration.

As the project formally moved from feasibility to implementation phase in Delaware, the Conservancy also announced the kickoff of a companion restoration feasibility study for Brandywine's upstream waters in Pennsylvania.

The group said such coordinated efforts are key to the rebirth of the Brandywine — a revitalization with environmen-



Lonsdorf (left) and Delaware Department of Natural **Resources Fisheries Program Manager Craig** Shirey release a cupful of tiny American shad into the Brandywine Creek.

tal, economic, recreational and historic implications. Benefits include an estimated 25,000 annual fishing sportsman trips, opportunities for shad festivals that celebrate the areas' early heritage, and increased biodiversity, including white perch, American eel, herons, mink, river otter, and freshwater mussels, whose larvae are carried upstream on the shads' scales.

Restoring shad populations largely involves removing dams to re-create passages for the fish to swim upstream. However, in order to preserve historical assets or maintain aesthetics, other options include notching the structures to create a fish passage, or building rock ramps, bypass channels, and fish ladders alongside existing dams.

In the glory days of Delaware's mill industry, there were as many as 100 dams on the Brandywine. Today, there are 11, all functionally obsolete, many breached or failing, but several with historic or aesthetic value, so a lot of care is being taken to ensure that environmental

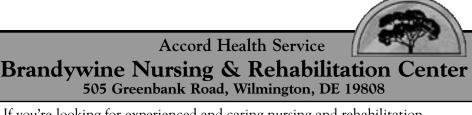
issues are balanced against historical preservation.

Groups like Hagley Museum and DuPont Company, which own some of the more historic structures, are supportive.

"The Brandywine River has been an important part of the history of the DuPont Company. The river's strength provided the power needed to operate the mills that manufactured DuPont's first product, black powder explosives. Today, we are working with the Brandywine Conservancy in full support of the Shad Restoration Project," said Thomas Connelly, DuPont Executive Vice President and Chief Innovation Officer.

The entire project on the Delaware side of the Brandywine is expected to cost between \$1 million and \$3.5 million and take 10 years to complete.

The Shad Restoration Feasibility Study is available on their website at www.brandywineconservancy.org, or by calling the Bandywine Conservancy at (610) 388-2700



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# **Business**

By Jason R. Brimmer

# Reliant to enter Delaware electric market

Houston, Texas-based Reliant Energy announced plans to begin selling electricity to commercial, industrial and institutional customers in Delaware.

Reliant Energy Solutions East, a subsidiary of Reliant Energy, said it is marketing to customers in the state now, after receiving a license from the Delaware Public Service Commission on April 3 to provide electricity in the First State.

"We are committed to bringing the benefits of competitive markets to our customers and are pleased to be able to offer commercial and industrial customers in Delaware new options," said Senior Vice President Jim Ajello.

The company already provides service to businesses and industry in other parts of the PJM Interconnection network, which distributes power to Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland.

"Our entry into Delaware marks another value-adding proposition for shareholders and customers alike," said Reliant Energy Chairman Joel Staff. "We believe that as competition continues to provide tangible benefits for customers, new markets will continue to open across the country."

Reliant also provides electricity to residential customers in Texas, where the company is based.

Customers seeking information can call Reliant at (443) 423-1813.

# **Employer conference set for May 16**

The state Department of Labor will host its **9th Employer Conference** on May 16 at the Chase Center on the Riverfront in Wilmington.

The conference will feature presentations from experts in fields critically important to all Delaware employers, both large and small, said Bill Potter, chairman of the event.

"Employer concerns were front and center when we put the program together," Potter said. "From a panel discussion featuring Insurance Commissioner Denn to a workshop about the new minimum wage law and everything in between, I really think we have a robust, topical and dynamic schedule."

There will be 12 workshops, two speakers and a sit-down lunch. Registration is \$85.

To register, visit the Department of Labor website at www.delaware-works.com or call Sandra Danner at (302) 761-8219.

# Groff, Sarratt-Cohen join Winterthur staff

Winterthur Museum & Country Estate has named a new director of public programs and a director of corporate and foundation relations.

**Jeff Groff** joined the Greenville-area museum as director of public programs. He will oversee the museum's programs for a wide audience, ranging from antiques experts and scholars to families and children. He previously served as executive





Jeff Groff

Robin Saratt-Cohen

director of Wyck, a National Historic Landmark house and garden in Germantown, Pa. A graduate of the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture, he lives in Berwyn, Pa.

Robin Sarratt-Cohen has been named director of corporate and foundation relations. A member of the museum's development division since 2001, she was named the 2006 Rising Star by the Brandywine Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. The Centreville resident also serves on the board of the Cancer Care Connection of Delaware and Girls on the Run of New Castle County. She also graduated from the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture.

### **Delaware Tourism Alliance elects officers**

The Delaware Tourism Alliance elected new officers and board members. **Kay Wheatley** of The Whayland Company was elected chairwoman, while **Jennifer Zerby** (Boardwalk Plaza Hotel) was elected vice chairwoman, **John Hawkins** (Aloysius Butler & Clark) was elected secretary and **Victor Schimp** (Delaware Hotel and Lodging Association) was elected treasurer.

Elected to the board of directors were **Bill Sullivan** (Hotel and Lodging Association), **Cindy Small** (Kent County Convention and Visitors Bureau), **Mary Wagner** (Delaware State Parks) and **Scott Thomas** (Southern Delaware Tourism).

# Weichert honors Berger

**Philip Berger**, a sales associate in the Brandywine office of Weichert, Realtors, led the Del-Penn Region in resale listings in January.

With more than 35 years of experience, Berger is a consistent member of the company's President's and Ambassador's Clubs and has been a member of the Million Dollar Clubs since 1972. He is a member of the New Castle County Board of Realtors,



Philip Berger

Delaware Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors and has served on the national association's board of directors and professional standards committee. In 2005, he was inducted into the Weichert Hall of Fame.

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HOCKESSIN. According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared, which identifies the most common of these problems, and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That's why it's critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether.

In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you're looking for. And knowing what you're looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

To help homesellers deal with this issue before their home is listed, a free report entitled, "11 Things You Need to Know to Pass Your Home Inspection" has been compiled which explains the issues involved.

To hear a brief recorded message about how to order your FREE copy of this report, call toll free, 1-877-212-8860 and enter ID# 1003. You can call anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call NOW to learn how to ensure a home inspection doesn't cost you the sale of your home.

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# **Business**

By Jason R. Brimmer

# Coldwell Banker opens new office, appoints Delaware vice president

Coldwell Banker Preferred opened a new office in New Castle County in Pike Creek and appointed Delaware native **Jim** Kubasko as vice president of the Delaware Region to oversee its operations.

The new office in the Shops at Limestone Hills will serve New Castle, Kent and Sussex counties for Coldwell Banker, a real estate and relocation company.

Kubasko graduated from the



**Newly-named Delaware Region Vice President Jim** Kubasko (second from left) celebrates the opening of Coldwell Banker's new office in Pike Creek with the company's President Regina Coia (left to right), General Manager Linda Dickinson and Chairman Harry Caparo.

University of Delaware. He previously served as senior vice president of a national company.

"When real estate markets change, consumers need a higher level of skill from their agents and agents in turn need a higher level of leadership from their brokers," Kubasko said of the current real estate market. "At Coldwell Banker Preferred, we offer productivity workshops, coaching programs to ensure agents achieve what they set out to do."

# Long, Miles to lead PNC credit card unit

PNC Bank has named two executives to head its credit card unit in Delaware.

Sara A. Long has been named senior vice president and card marketing product executive and Helen Anne Miles joined the company as vice president and group segment manager.





A Wilmington resident, Long has held management positions in credit card bank-

ing for 13 years, previously working for Bank of America and MBNA. She received an MBA degree from Widener University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Delaware.

Miles, who lives in Chadds Ford, Pa., has 15 years of experience at Bank of America and MBNA. She earned an MBA and bachelor's degrees from the University of Delaware.

# Potter Anderson listed in leading lawyers guide

Five of the Potter Anderson & Corroon practices and 21 of the Wilmington firm's lawyers were listed in the 2007 "Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business."

Potter Anderson's Bankruptcy/Restructuring, Chancery, Corporate/M&A, Employment: Mainly Defendant and Intellectual Property practices were named among the top in Delaware.

"It is an honor to have more than half of our partners once again named to the prestigious Chambers USA Guide," said Potter Anderson & Corroon Chairman David B. Brown. "Since many of our practice areas are not among those surveyed by Chambers, it is gratifying to have a substantial number of our attorneys recognized in those areas that are listed.

Twenty-one of the firm's lawyers were honored in the list, including David Brown (Corporate/M&A), Eric N. Feldman (Corporate/M&A), Matthew E. Fischer (Corporate/M&A), Nicholas I. Froio (Corporate/M&A), Kathleen W. Geiger (Intellectual Property), Michael D. Goldman (Chancery and Corpor ate/M&A), John F. Grossbauer (Corporate/M&A), Richard L. Horwitz (Intellectual Property), Kathleen Furey McDonough (Employment: Mainly Defendant), Mark A. Morton (Corporate/M&A), Stephen C. Norman (Chancery), Robert K. Payson (Chancery), Philip A. Rovner (Intellectual Property), Janine M. Salomone (Corporate/M&A), Kevin R. Shannon (Chancery), Laurie Selber Silverstein (Bankruptcy/Restructuring), Michael B. Tumas (Corporate/M&A), Wendy K. Voss (Employment: Mainly Defendant), Peter J. Walsh Jr. (Chancery), Scott E. Waxman (Corporate/M&A), Donald J. Wolfe Jr. (Chancery).

# Falkowski, Holman join IFS

Susan Falkowski and Jennifer Holman have joined Hockessin-based Insurance and Financial Services (IFS).

Falkowski joined the company as a service specialist and will provide support to the Commercial Lines sales team. She has five years of experience. Holman joined the Employee Benefits Division as an account executive.

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# **School News**

# St. Elizabeth's Carzo receives Citizenship Award from county chamber of commerce

Christine Carzo, a senior at St. Elizabeth High School, received the William V. Roth Jr. Citizen Award at the 85th annual New Castle County Chamber of Commerce Dinner.

Carzo will use the \$1,000 scholarship award to study business management.

According to the program for the awards ceremony, Carzo is a time management wizard and problem solver.

She has received First Honors during each quarter of her high school career, and received the second highest grade point average in her freshman class.

In her junior year, she was inducted into the National Honor Society, and was elected Secretary for 2006-2007. She is a National Merit Commended Scholar, and ranks third in her class.

She has also performed more than 185 hours of service to her community, including 125 hours volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House of Delaware.

**Christine Carzo** 

Carzo has had articles published and she has been a copy editor for the St. Elizabeth's yearbook.

She plays volleyball and also plays the flute and bass guitar in a local band. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pasquale Carzo, of Wilmington.



The 2006 edition of Markings, a literary and art magazine produced annually by students at St. Mark's High School, has been awarded a superior rating by the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) in its Program to Recognize Excellence in Student Literary Magazines.

A superior rating is given to magazines that earn 91 to 100 points. According to the NCTE website, a magazine with a superior rating exhibits "outstanding writing; wide variety of genres; excellent editing; high-quality design and graphics, appropriate to themes of writings; clear evidence of interdepartmental and interdisciplinary involvement with good writing from other subject areas; students dominate editorial, production and business aspects."

Moderators for the magazine were **Anne Marie Eanes**, chairwoman of the English department, and Linda Grieco, a teacher in the school's fine and performing arts department. Student editors of this edition were Klare Frank, David Freerksen, Theresa Monaco, Kelly Muldoon, Rachel Sauer and Shaniqua Smith.

### DEAN'S LIST

- •Allison R. Altman a senior at the University of Rochester. She is majoring in biomedical engineering. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Altman, of Greenville.
- •Lindsay Pawlikowski Northeastern University. The Wilmington resident is majoring in nursing.
- •Kyle Woodard Northeastern University. The Wilmington resident is majoring in engineering.
- •Anneliese Heckert School of Education at Syracuse University. A senior majoring in health and exercise science. She is a Wilmington resident.
- •Emily Tan Syracuse University College of Visual and Performing Arts. A junior majoring in strings. She is a Newark resident.
- •Kara DeYoe Syracuse University College of Visual and Performing Arts. A junior majoring in musical theater. She is a Wilmington resident.
- •Ryan Stearrett Dickinson College. A senior majoring in physics.He is the son of Karen and Chic Stearrett, of Wilmington.
- •Laura C. Clayton Calvin College. A junior majoring in nursing. She is the daughter of John and Margaret Clayton, of Newark.
  - •Lauren E. DeGrosky Curry College. She is a Wilmington resident.
  - •Matthew Campion Providence College. He is a Wilmington resident.
  - •Jonathan Corsini Providence College. He is a Wilmington resident.
- •Timothy Curtis Clemson University. A freshman majoring in computer science. He is the son of John and Pam Curtis, of Landenberg, Pa.
  - •James W. Owen Georgia Tech. He is Wilmington resident.

The following local students were named to the Dean's List at Boston University:

- •Chase Quinn, of Wilmington
- •Amanda Stoeckicht, of Wilmington
- •Alice C. Winkler, of Wilmington
- •Lindsey A. Copeland, of Hockessin
- •Tiffany Zee, of Hockessin

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10 Boys	8/1/97-7/31/98	May 14, 6:15pm	May 16, 5:15pm	May 19, 9:00am	
II Boys	8/1/96-7/31/97	May 14, 5:15pm	May 16, 6:15pm	May 19, 10:30am	
12 Boys	8/1/95-7/31/96	May 14, 5:15pm	May 16, 6:15pm	May 19, 10:30am	
13 Boys	8/1/94-7/31/95	June 6, 6pm-8pm	June 7, 6pm-8pm	June 13, 6pm-8pm	
14 Boys	8/1/93-7/31/94	June 12, 6pm-7:30pm	June 13, 6:00-7:30pm	June 14,6-7:30pm (Rain Dat	
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12 Girls	8/1/95-7/31/96	May 15, 6:15pm	May 17, 5:15pm	May 20, 4:30pm	
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16 Girls	8/1/91-7/31/92	June 5, 6pm-7:30pm	June 7, 6pm-7:30pm	June 12, 6pm-7:30pm	
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18 Girls	8/1/89-7/31/90	May 29, 6pm-7:30pm	May 31, 6pm-7:30pm		
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# **Plan for Hockessin** favors certain properties

To the Editor:

I think the Water Study Report is a charade, so that certain influential individuals obtain what they want. Please explain how the "proposed infill of the Hockessin Village core" was chosen for development to the exclusion of previously requested development? Several businesses along the east side of Lancaster Pike have tried for years to improve their facilities and each and every request has been denied and fought.

Six Paupers has recently been forced to remove some overflow parking because it was permeable. Now I see that the "new" proposal includes

not only "permeable pavement rather than blacktop in some areas," but also "rain garden features in parking lots to help storm runoff seep into the water table." The plan "aims to help...enhance economic opportunities and a sense of community." To this end we have a PAL center, a library expansion and now the Hockessin Athletic Club on non-developed land, yet when a business wishes to rebuild on existing structures, encounter resistance. Maybe the real question is, "Where should we send the check to obtain future, favorable status?"

> Ann Strab Yorklyn

# Seeds of envy resulted in Virginia Tech tragedy

To the Editor:

What's the difference between an assault weapon, and a weapon of defense? The "grey matter" of those who hold them; box cutters became assault weapons, in the minds of freedom haters on 911.

Somewhere, sometime, by someone, the seeds of envy, spawning the hatred of privileged Americans, were planted and in the mind of Cho Seung Hui; the result being the tragedy at Virginia Tech.

I would think most young South Korean's. if they were aware of true history, would be grateful to young Americans, rich and poor alike, whose fathers or grandfathers gave their lives to save South Korea, from the repressive Government of Communist North Korea.

There are many in our Nation who hate the U.S. and blame us for all the problems in the world. Abusing the right of "free speech" they inculcate their lies and hatred in the minds of their students from coast to coast.

Our speech is only free if it "Forms a more perfect union, Establishes Justice, insures domestic tranquility, provides for the common defense, promotes the general welfare, and secures the blessings of liberty to ourselves and to our posterity". This is not "Legal Rocket Science", but plain

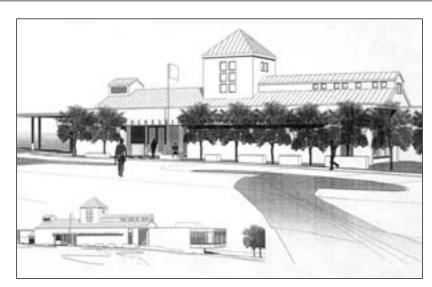
language every American can understand and apply.

Speech is only free, when the intent of the message, fulfills this Preamble, the only valid test as to what is Constitutional. This "intended litmus test" for what is constitutional, allows the speech "to expose the corrupt. [but not slander the good, in order to spread their subversive ideologies; which is clearly prevalent today].

What do I think should be done to make our schools safer? Bring back and apply our original Constitution; shut down the subversive, unconstitutional, anti-freedom machines; those who are dividing our Nation by sowing their seeds of "Class hatred and warfare".

Bring back, "You shall not covet", "you shall not steal", "you shall not murder", "You shall love your neighbor as yourself", "you shall even love your enemy". When all these seeds of our "more perfect union", were once sown, they served us well for over two hundred years. Today because of the elitist freedom haters, it's unconstitutional to teach "God's laws of love and real tolerance, but ok to use speech that divides, conquers and leads to hate and murder.

> J. Gordon Morrow Newark



Plans for the Hockessin Library call for the addition of 8,000

# Library project unnecessary

To the Editor:

After learning of the astronomical \$7.9 million cost for the new Hockessin Library expansion, I am left wondering what justification was made for the approval of the addition.

As a resident of Hockessin, I have visited the Hockessin Library on a few occasions. Each time, I never had a problem finding a free computer or a place to sit and read.

However, New Castle county officials seem to think there is an overwhelming demand for more space and computers. The new addition features an 8,000 square foot expansion to bring the total square footage to 23,000 square feet and will provide a total of 38 computers. Being familiar with the level of affluence of most residents of the Hockessin area, it is quite wasteful to spend such a large sum of money on a project that most Hockessin residents will barely use, but even more so do not even require.

I am quite aware of the recent issues regarding substantial budget cuts throughout New Castle County as a result of the deficit, and it seems that an addition to the Hockessin Library should have been much lower on the priority list.

I support the educational opportunities that libraries provide, however I think these opportunities should be allotted to those who do not already have such amenities. This expansion seems very unnecessary and unfortunately is taking away money from projects that could have been of more benefit to the community.

> Kristin Laughlin Newark

# Equal pay for equal work should be passed

To the Editor:

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, in 1970 the percentage of American households fitting the traditional definition of the family as a husband and wife living with their children was only 40 percent. By 1998 it had dropped to 25 percent. In 2007 it seems clear that domestic legislation should be based on reality – real households, real people.

Delaware Senate Bill 57 would include straight and gay unmarried couples in Delaware's domestic violence statute and thus allow the issuance of protective orders. Victims of abusive relationships can bleed and be killed just as easily whether they are married or unmarried.

Delaware Senate Bill 10 would mandate the same insurance and pension benefits for state employees' straight and gay domestic partners as their married co-workers have for their spouses. This is called equal pay for equal work, something most of us

I encourage our legislators to do the right thing and pass these reasonable and broadly bipartisan bills and thus value all Delaware families, not just 25 percent of them. Delawareans wanting to lobby their lawmakers on these bills can find help at www.towardequality.org.

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Chef Noah Mathay will tell you he's been involved in cooking his whole life. As a professional, however, with two stints as head chef at Eclipse and one at Fieldstone Golf Club, Mathay found himself looking for something more.

The something more led him to the Food Bank of Delaware, and the organization's culinary

"I was looking for something that combined cooking with teaching," Mathay recalls of his decision, "plus I was drawn to what the Food Bank does for the community and state."

Today, Mathay has his hands — and ladles working full time with his staff to prepare literally hundreds of thousands of hot and cold meals for a variety of programs.

"During the school year, we prepare anywhere

from 1,500 to 1,600 hot meals per day for New Castle County's after-school feeding programs," Mathay explains. "We also prepare cold meals for programs in Kent

and Sussex Counties." During the summer months, Mathay

oversees assembly of only cold meals, but the sheer numbers certainly has things heating up for him and his staff. "During the three months of

summer, we will prepare somewhere around 375,000 breakfasts, lunches and dinners for Food Bank agencies and other non-profit camps and so forth."

So who's got time for teaching, one might think? But in addition to his teaching duties at the Food Bank, which entail instructing students on the skills necessary to work in the food service industry, Mathay was recently tapped by the Ministry of Caring to help out in their instructional chef's assistant program organized through the Ministry's Job Placement Center.

"My primary focus was to teach basic culinary skills, such as sanitation, knife skills, sauce preparation and soups, meat, sandwiches, salad dressing and flavor development skills," Mathay explains.

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Delaware Hearing Aids in the Independence Mall, Wilmington, will be celebrating Better Hearing and Speech Month by offering free hearing screenings to residents throughout the month of May.

On in six Americans has a hearing, speech or language problem, a condition that makes it difficult to communicate with others on a daily basis. Untreated, these problems can limit people at home, school and

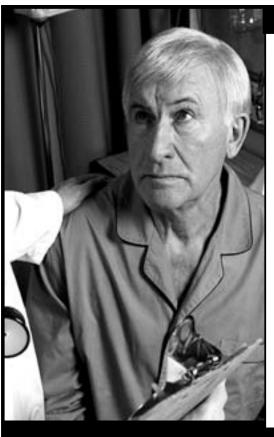
work. Treatment to eliminate or minimize communication setbacks is available.

Delaware Hearing Aids has done free screenings during May for the entirety of their thirty years in opera-

"If these hearing tests indicate that the person would benefit from amplification, and an acoustic appraiser, then we demonstrate how he or she would hear using today's

technology," says Bob Hanrahan, licensed hearing aid dispenser at Delaware Hearing Aids.

The office is open Mondays through Fridays, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Delaware Hearing Aids is located at Suite 65 in the Independence Mall on Concord Pike. For more information and to set up an appointment, call (302)



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# The kitchen of tomorrows

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That program, which began in February for approximately 13 students, has now ended for this year.

"Many of these students had culinary skills and had previously worked in the food service industry,"

Mathay notes. "But they needed a refresher course to recover the skills they had, for one reason or another, lost."

Those reasons can include homelessness, as well as drug and alcohol addiction. The Ministry's Job Placement Center, in addition to its chef's

assistant program operates a total of some 22 job training programs, aimed at helping people put their lives back together.

"People come to us, because they do not have a safety net of their own or a family support structure to help them navigate through a difficult portion of their lives," says Scott McKenzie, communications director for the Ministry. "The range of backgrounds includes people who have

not completed high school all the way up to PhD's."

"Many of our students can find jobs, but for a variety of reasons cannot hold them," says Susie Wilson, a case manager and life skills trainer for the Ministry's Job Placement Center." We must also provide basic life skills training to help them on their road to restoring their former lives."

In addition to Chef Mathay's culinary skills training, Wilson provides a state-mandated 80 hours of life skills training during the course of

the culinary school.

"We cover skill development in such areas as short and long term goal setting, as well as stress and time management," Wilson explains.

"We also include training in all aspects resume preparation, completing job applications and then

learning to use the various job sites of the Internet to post resumes and check on job availabilities."

Life skills training also include role-plays and other techniques as they apply to conflict resolution, assertion and anger management, character building and responsibility.

"We even include a session on how to dress for an interview and to make sure students can map out

> the logistics necessary for arriving at the interview on time."

Of this cooperative effort in teaching culinary skills to Ministry students, Dana Johnston, community relations manager for the Food Bank, says her organization and the Ministry of Caring share a long history of partnership, "often pooling resources to meet the needs of the communities served.

"Ministry of Caring is a member agency of the Food Bank," Johnston

further notes, "and the collaboration between the two organizations is one solution to working with low-income people to get the skills they need to be self-sufficient."



Regarding his experience teaching in the culinary training program at the Ministry, Mathay says, "It was really fun to teach these students. They are really engaged and are ready to change their lives." For more information

on the Food Bank of Delaware, visit www.fbd.org. For more information on the Ministry of Caring, visit www.ministryofcaring.org.

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Any way you slice it, tomatoes are a delicious way to add nutrients to the diet. They are rich in vitamins A and C and are a good source of potassium. Tomatoes are also naturally low in sodium and contain no cholesterol.

Many people store tomatoes alongside other vegetables in their refrigerator's crisper drawer, but that's not the best place for them. Tomatoes should be stored at room temperature to maintain maximum flavor. Cool temperatures inside your refrigerator will stop the ripening process and begin to decrease the flavor and change the texture. Try storing your tomatoes in a decorative bowl on the counter.

Tomatoes and bananas help each other ripen quicker. Tomatoes and bananas emit a naturally occurring ripening gas called ethylene and when you store the two together they both ripen rapidly. If you

need to ripen a tomato quickly store it in a closed paper bag on the counter. The ethylene gas speeds up the ripen-

ing process when confined around the fruit in a closed bag.

Although tomatoes are native to Central and South America they are now eaten throughout the world and are an ingredient in countless recipes. Many people consider tomatoes an essential part of their vegetable gardens each summer and they are available at your local market year-round.

For more information about tomatoes online, log onto www.sunripeproduce.com. For more recipes and information on how to incorporate a variety of fruits and vegetables into your diet, visit www.fruitsandveggiesmorematters.org.

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2 jalapenos, minced

1/2- cup cilantro, chopped

Juice of 1/2 a lime

1 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper

Instructions:

Mix all ingredients together and enjoy.

**Serves:** 8 – 1/2 cup of vegetables per serving

**Nutrition Information per Serving:** 

calories: 15, total fat: 0.2g, saturated fat: 0.03g, % of calories from fat: 8, % of calories from saturated fat: 1, protein: 1g, carbohydrate: 3g, cholesterol: 0mg, dietary fiber: 1g, sodium: 149mg





Dr. Elizabeth Pivonka is president of Produce for Better Health Foundation (PBH), a Wilmington, Delaware-based non-profit education foundation and a leader in fruit and vegetable nutrition education and consumer marketing. The foundation is devoted to improving the health of Americans by increasing consumption of fruits and vegetables. PBH is a founding partner of the national 5 A Day for Better Health program and the driving force behind the 5 A Day The Color Way campaign. Learn more at www.fruitsandbeggiesmorematters.org.





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# A story about the 'other guy'

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By Reid Champagne Staff Writer

In November, 1997 at the age of 43, the bomb went off for Ron Gardner.

The entrepreneur, husband and father of a 10year old daughter, became that "other guy."

"I woke up one morning feeling strange," Gardner recalls. "My mouth moved, but the words would not quite come out. My hands and feet felt heavy and I could not move my right leg very

"Thinking that my arm and leg had 'fallen

asleep,' I felt I could just walk it off. I chose not to mention it to my wife. But I realized I was in trouble when I went to my daughter's room to awaken her for school and my words were

Incredibly, though Gardner knew something was terribly wrong, he decided to fake his way through it the rest of the day.

"There were now obvious signs I had suffered a stroke, but I immediately had gone into denial," he recalls.

He hid his continuing deteriorating condition from himself and his wife for an additional seven

"By not having the courage to speak up, I would suffer seven more hours of brain damage," he says.

By the afternoon, Gardner finally told his wife, who shook off his denials and took him to the emergency room. That's when he learned for the first time his blood pressure had soared to 220/110, and that he had suffered a blood clot in the brain, in other words, a severe stroke that would leave him paralyzed, without speech and such difficulties in swallowing that it would necessitate him taking liquids form a spoon.

If it was a certain attitude of denial that had gotten Gardner into this situation, it was a new attitude, a positive one Gardner had been preaching in his seminars, that he now embraced.

Three days after my stroke, my pastor came to visit me in the hospital," Gardener recalls. "I told him then that I was going to make something good come out of this."

And he did, though it did not happen overnight. Rehab took a year, and though he can walk and talk again, there is still some immobility on his right side that has left him with a slight limp and the impaired use of his right hand. And then he went to work rebuilding a consulting business that had just gotten off the ground before he fell ill. Most importantly, though, there was rehab that had to be done among him, his wife and daughter.

"We all had to learn that the husband and father who existed before the stroke was gone for-

But gone now in a more positive way, primarily in the sense of change for the good.

Gardner's business has rebounded, and in 2003, the New Castle County Chamber of Commerce recognized him with its Small Business Entrepreneurial Advocate Award. Senator Joe Biden and Congressman Mike Castle have written complimentary notes on his business success, with Biden noting that Gardner has "demonstrated dedication to helping others succeed."

And Gardner is not satisfied with just helping himself and his family restore the lives they had

"There are almost five million stroke survivors, and when you add in the families and the care-

> givers of the victims, the number of affected people goes up even more," he says. Later this year, Gardner will publish Take Brave Steps for Stroke Survivors and Families: A Message of *Motivation and Hope,* written to help inspire stroke survivors and their families to overcome adversity. The advocacy is based on using the powers of the mind, body and spirit, according to Gardner's description of the book, and its accompanying CD, to develop and maintain a positive attitude.

Gardner's own brave steps include lowering the risk factors for another stroke.

"I take medication to control both my high blood pressure and my cholesterol," he notes. "I'm working on weight control. I've built a home gym and workout six to seven days per week for 45 minutes each day."

He's also taken measures to reduce and manage the stress in his life better.

"I have a different perspective," he says now. "I'm not Type A anymore. If I detect stress, I immediately ground myself, saying, 'It's not that bad."

Gardner's recovery continues, a surprise to some in the medical community, believing he had reached a plateau and that progress would level off to remain where it is. But he does not allow himself to level off.

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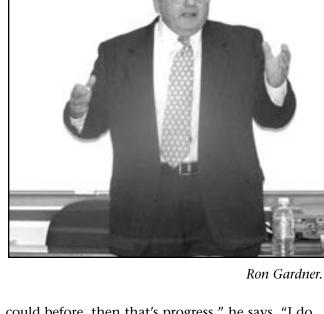
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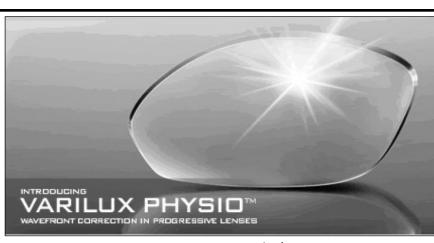
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# **Community Calendar**

# Weekly Happenings

### **Mondays**

DANCE: Swing/Big Band dancing with the Music Masters Orchestra, 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Claymore Senior Center, 504 S. Clayton St., Wilm. Free. 737-3091. Every other Monday.

CHORUS: The Chorus of the Brandywine Men's barbershop singing 7 p.m. Mondays John Dickinson High School, Milltown Rd. 655-SING.

**MEETING: Duplicate Bridge**, 12:30 & 7 p.m., Foulkstone Plaza Building 1409, Suite 101, North Wilm. Call 571-9092. Also Thursdays.

MEETING: A Course in Miracles discussion group, 7 p.m., Manor Care Health Ctr, 5651 Limestone Rd. 235-1248.

MEETING: New Castle County Stroke Club, noon, Jewish Community Ctr, 101 Garden of Eden Rd. Easter Seals. 324-4444.

MEETING: Woodcarvers of Delaware, 6:30 p.m., McKean High School's woodwrkg. shop. Carvers share techniques. 239-4404.

MEETING: Delaware Photographic Society meets 7:30 p.m. Cokesbury Village, DuPont Pavilion, Rt. 48 & Loveville Rd., Hockessin. Call 764-6922 or www.delawarephotographicsociety.org.

REHEARSAL: Brandywine Pops Orchestra holds Monday rehearsals 7-9 p.m. Springer Middle School, Shipley Rd., Brandywine. Call 478-3159.

SUPPORT GROUP: GriefShare recovery seminar and support group meets Mondays with sessions. September-December, January-March and April-May. 7-9 p.m. Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1530 Foulk Rd., Wilm. Call 478-3030.

SUPPORT GROUP: FAA (Food Addicts Anonymous) 12-step program meets 7-8 p.m. Jesus House, 501 Milltown Rd., Mill Creek. Call 892-3336 or www.foodaddictsanonymous.org.

### **Tuesdays**

**CHORUS: Diamond State Chorus** meets 7:30-10 p.m. Life Community Church, 750 Otts Chapel Rd., Newark. Call (302) 731-5981.

CLASS: Pilates Matwork, All Levels. 6-7 p.m. Also, Intermediate Level, 7-8 p.m. \$5 per class. Rockwood Center, Shipley Rd. & Washington St., New Castle County. Call 239-8861.

CLASS: Pilates and Yoga on the Ball, All Levels. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Also Intermediate level, 10:30-11:30 a.m. \$5 per class, Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

DANCE: "Dance Nights" club hosts ballroom and social dancing. Lessons 8-9 p.m., dancing 9-11 p.m. \$7, \$5 members. Congregation Ohev Shalom, 2 South Chester Rd., intersection of Rts. 320 & 252, Wallingford, Pa. Call (610) 644-0828.

**MEETING: Business Network International** Brandywine Chapter meets 7 a.m. The Terrace, Porky Oliver Golf Club, Greenville. Call 762-3100.

MEETING: Brandywine Valley Baptist Church, nondenominational Bible study open to men & women titled "Bible Study for Today," 9:15-11:15 a.m., 7 Mt. Lebanon Rd., Talleyville. 478-0357.

MEETING: Rotary Club of Brandywine, community and international service club, meets 12:15 p.m. at Harry's Savoy, 2020 Naaman's Road, Brandywine. Call John Mager at 798-3300.

MEETING: Brandywine Cadet Squadron, Civil Air Patrol. 6:45-9:15 p.m., Claymont Community Ctr. Ages 12-adult. Call 661-1278 or (215) 349-5802.

CHORUS: Newark Deltones Barbershop Chorus, 7:45 p.m., New Ark Church of Christ, É. Main St., Newark. 368-1749.

MEETING: Hockessin-Greenville Rotary meets weekly, 7:30 a.m., at Cokesbury Village. Business owners, managers and professionals invited to attend. Call Joe Amon at 239-4644.

SUPPORT GROUP: Newcomer's With Cancer Orientation meets 10 a.m. The Wellness Community, 4810 Lancaster Pike. Call 995-2850.

SUPPORT GROUP: Wilmington Enterprise Community group for Primary and Secondary Victims/Survivors of Shootings meets 6:30-7:30 p.m. 2700 Washington St., Wilm. Call 690-6679.

SUPPORT GROUP: DivorceCare meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 308 Possum Park Rd., NEwark. Call 737-2300.

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BINGO: Newark Senior Center hosts Bingo, 12:45-1:45 p.m. Lunch from 11:45-12:45 p.m., Free 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Call 737-2336.

CLASS: Meditation Group, Noon to 1 p.m. Free, donations welcome. Women's Wellness Center 1508 7th Street Wilmington. Call 658-8321.

**CLASS:** Free Conversational English Classes held for immigrants. 9-10:15 a.m. or 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 2313 Concord Pike, Fairfax. Call 478-2575.

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**DANCE CLASSES: Irish Social Dance Classes** for beginners held 7 p.m. \$6. NCC Irish Society, 1301 S. Rodney, Wilm. Call 369-0101.

**DISCUSSION GROUP:** Current events and religious issues discussion led by Rev. Bruce Gillette. 7-8:30 p.m. Limestone Presbyterian Church, 3201 Limestone Rd., Pike Creek. Call 994-5646.

MEETING: Kiwanis Club of Wilmington meets Noon. Hotel DuPont, Wilmington. Call 325-0778.

PRAYER: Healing Prayer Service, 6:45 p.m., St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 701 S. College Ave., Newark. 368-0064.

PROGRAM: Storytime for all ages held 10:30 a.m.with local children's author Jamie Kleman. Books & Beyond, 7288 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-6262.

QUILTERS: The Arden Quilters, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Trinity Presbyterian Church, Naamans & Darley roads, Brandywine. 475-2766.

REHEARSAL: Diamond State Concert Band, open to all volunteer musicians, rehearses 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mt. Pleasant High School, 5201 Washington St. Ext., Wilm. Call 475-4720 or www.dscb.org.

### **Thursdays**

CLASSES: Tai Chi/Qi Qong, 7-8 p.m. (beginners), 8-9 p.m. (intermediate), The Arden Guild Hall, Arden. \$10/hr. 764-2284 or 731-5992.

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CLUB: "Let's Dance Club" meets 4-6 p.m. at Newark Senior Center. Free. 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark. Call 737-2336.

MEETING: Duplicate Bridge, 12:30 & 7 p.m., Foulkstone Plaza Building 1409, Suite 101, North Wilm. Call 571-9092. Also Thursdays.

MEETING: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), Chapter #17, 9:30-11 a.m., Aldersgate Methodist Church, 2313 Concord Pike, Wilm. 994-2188.

**MEETING: Support Group**, Anxiety & Panic Disorders, Phobias & OCD, 6-7:30 p.m., St. Mark's Methodist Church, Stanton. 633-6618.

MEETING: Rotary Club of Brandywine Hundred, 7:15-8:30 a.m., Harry's Savoy Grill, Naaman's Rd., Brandywine. 791-9179.

PROGRAM: Read & Explore interactive storytime held at 2 p.m. \$5, \$4 seniors, \$3 ages 3-17. Delaware Museum of Natural History, Kennett Pike, Greenville. Call 658-9111.

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RUN: Rebel Runners host weekly run. Free. 6 p.m. Delcastle Recreation Area, McKennan's Church Rd. Call 633-1482 or www.attractweb.com/rebels.

SUPPORT GROUP: DivorceCare meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. Berea Presbyterian Church, 957 Old Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 737-7239.

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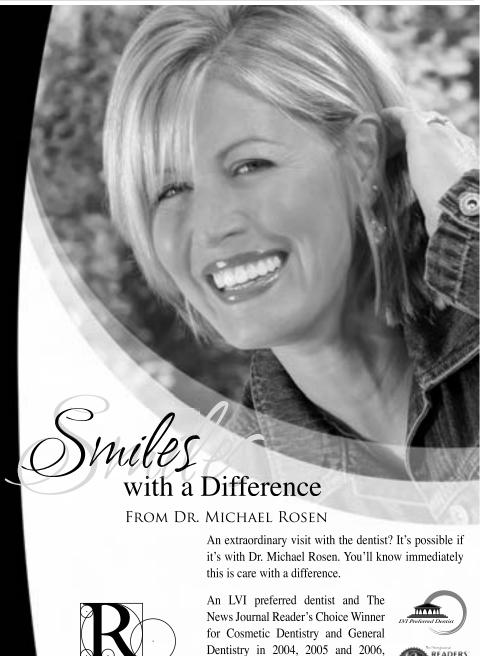
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# Community Calendar

# Friday, May 4

CLASS: Weight Training for Women, \$40 monthly. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

CONCERT: The Grease Band perform 6:30-10:30 p.m. \$25. Newark Senior Center, 200 White Chapel Dr., Newark.

CONCERT: Dan Paisley & the Southern Grass perform in Brandywine Friends of Old Time Music concert. 8 p.m. \$15, \$12 members and seniors, under 18 free. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 276 S. College Ave., Newark.

**EVENT: Wilmington Flower Market Fun Night** is hosted by **Bankshots Bar & Restaurant**, 1010 Union Street, Wilm. 7-11 p.m. \$20, \$15 in advance. Go to www.wilmingtonflowermarket.org

**EVENT:** Chester County 4-H hosts 5th annual **Community Flower Show** themed "The Healing Garden." 1-6 p.m. Included in admission to **Longwood Gardens**, U.S. Rt. 1, Kennett Square, Pa., \$14, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 ages 6-15. Call (610) 388-1000 or www.longwoodgardens.org. Also May 5 & 6.

**FILM:** Award-winning Iranian film **Men At Work** shown free. 6:30 p.m. **Newark Library**, 750 Library Ave., Newark. Call 731-7550.

**MEETING: TGIF For Men** group meets for breakfast, Bible study and current events discussions. 6:30-7:30 a.m. **Grace Lutheran Church,** Rt. 41 & Graves Rd., Hockessin. Call 239-9787.

**PERFORMANCE: The Ardensingers** present **Gilbert & Sullivan's Princess Ida**, 8 p.m., \$15, \$12 senio, \$8 chilren/student. **Gild Hall**, 2120 The Highway, Arden. Call 478-5733.

PERFORMANCE: The Broadway Junior Production Annie Junior hosted at The Hockessin Montessori School, 1000 Old Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call (212) 541-4684 or www.broadwayjr.com.

**PERFORMANCE:** Teens and City Theater Company perform Andre Gregory adaptation of Lewis Carroll's **Alice in Wonderland.** \$17, \$12 students/children. 7:30 p.m. **Baby Grand Theatre**, 818 N. Market St., Wilm. Call 1-800-37GRAND or www.city-theater.org. Also May 5.

PERFORMANCE: University of Delaware Opera Theater presents "Street Scene" by Kurt Weil. 8 p.m. \$17, \$12 seniors, \$5 students. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Bldg., Amstel Ave. & Orchard Rd., Newark. Call 831-2577. Also May 5.

**SERVICE: Thank God It's Fire Friday** Mass followed by dinner at a local restaurant for young adults. **St. Ann's Parish**, N. Union St., Wilm. Call 562-9142.

SUPPORT GROUP: Grandparents United support group for grandparents and relatives raising others' children meets second and fourth Fridays. Limestone Presbyterian Church, 3201 Limestone Rd., Pike Creek. Call 690-7428 or www.grandparentsunited-de.org.

# Saturday, May 5

BAZAAR: Singerly Fire Company hosts a Flea Market from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Elkton, Md. across from the Cecil County Public Library. Call (410) 398-7300.

**BAZAAR:** Pennsbury Township hosts **Giant Community Yard Sale** in the park behind the **township building**. 702 Baltimore Pike, Pennsbury, Pa. 9a.m.-2.p.m.

**FUNDRAISER:** McKean High School Rummage Sale Fundraiser at McKean High School, 301 McKennan's Church Rd., Wilm. 8a.m.-3p.m. \$10 per table, call 743-3526

CLASS: Pilates and Yoga on the Ball, All Levels. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Also Intermediate level, 10:30-11:30 a.m. \$5 per class, Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

**EVENT:** Chester County 4-H hosts 5th annual **Community Flower Show** themed "The Healing Garden." 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Included in admission to **Longwood Gardens**, U.S. Rt. 1, Kennett Square, Pa., \$14, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 ages 6-15. Call (610) 388-1000 or www.longwoodgardens.org. Also May 6.

**EVENT:** 9th annual **Antique Truck Show** celebrates 100th anniversary of International Trucks. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free admission, vehicle registration to show is \$8. **Battery Park** at Clinton Street, Delaware City. Visit http://clubs.hemmings.com/decatca.

**EVENT:** 60th annual **Wilmington Garden Day** includes self-guided tour of homes and gardens, from historic gardens, estates to woodland gardens. Benefits St. Michael's School & Nursery. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. \$20, under 12 free. Visit www.gardenday.org.

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# **Ongoing Events**

CLASS: Delaware Safety Council Defensive Driving Course, advance registration is required. \$32 per student. The classes are usually two nights, at various times and locations. Call

**CLASS: PACE (People with Arthritis Can Exercise)** Classes held at Pike Creek Fitness Club, an Arthritis Foundation approved site. Non Members welcome. Call 239-6688.

CLASS: Free Conversational English classes held. Three levels, 9-10:15 a.m., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 2313 Concord Pike, Fairfax. Call 478-2575.

**EXHIBIT:** "Howard Pyle and the American Renaissance" exhibit held March 17-May 20. Brandywine River Museum, Route 1, Chadds Ford, Pa. Call 610-388-2700.

**EXHIBIT: "Animalier,"** at the **Somerville Manning Gallery.** Mon-Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 30-May 5, 2007. Breck's Mill, 2nd Floor, 101 Stone Block Row, Greenville. Call 652-0271.

**EXHIBIT: "Constructs"** exhibition featuring paintings and sculpture by Robert Straight, Thomas Yance and Eric Garner opens Feb 14- May 6. **Delaware Center for the Contemporary Arts**, Wilmington Riverfront.

EXHIBIT: "Surprising Artistry. Francis B. Crowninshield Watercolors." March 12-Dec. 31, 2007. 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$11, \$9 students/seniors, \$4 ages 6-14. Hagley Museum and Library, Route 141, Wilm. Call 658-2400.

**EXHIBIT:** Art in the 'Toon Age presented by the **Delaware Art Museum.** March 24 - May 13, 2007. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. \$10, seniors \$8, college students \$5, and youth (7–17) \$3. Free on Sundays. Call 302-571-9590.

**EXHIBIT**: "Expressions of the Art League," juried group art show and sale, April 14-27. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. **Darlington Arts Center**, 977 Shavertown Rd., Garnet Valley, Pa. Call 610-358-3632.

**EXHIBIT: Mitch Lyons, Clay Mono Prints**, Opening April 6 and 13 through May 2007. **Bluestreak Gallery**, 1771 Delaware Ave., Wilm. Call 429-0506.

**EXHIBIT: Gallery at Grace** presents "Variations on a Theme" by Olivia McClain. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. April 13-30. Grace United Methodist Church, 900 Washington At., Wilm. Call 655-8847.

REHEARSAL: Claymont Community Chorus rehearses weekly, 7-8:30 p.m., Claymont Community Center, 3301 Green St., Claymont. Call 764-8207.

**SUPPORT GROUP: Recovery Inc.** self-help mental health support group for stress, tension, anxiety, panic, depression, fatigue, sleep problems, worry, anger, fear, helplessness and hopelessness meets several places in Tri-State area. Call 737-5615 in Delaware or (215) 332-0722 in Pennsylvania.

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### Saturday, May 5 (cont.)

**EVENT: Brandywine Battlefield Park** hosts a **Living History Program** on the Revolutionary War Saturday and Sunday. \$5, \$3 for seniors, and \$2 for children 6-17. **Chadds Ford**, Pa. Call (610) 459-3342

**FESTIVAL: Longwood Gardens** in Kennett Square, Pa. hosts a **Wine & Jazz Festival** from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. \$30, \$20 for designated drivers. Call (610) 388-1000 or www.longwoodgardens.org.

**FUNDRAISER: Girls Night Out Shopping Extravaganza** hosted by Tiffany Chalk to support the March of Dimes. **Delaware Center for Contemporary Arts**, Wilmington, DE. \$35, \$25 in advance. Call (302) 750-6261

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**MEETING: Rep. Nick Manolakos** hosts Coffee with Constituents first Saturday of every month. 9-10:30 a.m. **Pure Bread Deli**, Stoney Creek Plaza, Limestone & Stoney Batter rds., Pike Creek.

PERFORMANCE: The Ardensingers present Gilbert & Sullivan's Princess Ida, 2 p.m., \$15, \$12 seniors, \$8 chilren/student. Gild Hall, Arden. Call 478-5733.

PERFORMANCE: Teens and City Theater Company perform Andre Gregory adaptation of Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland. \$17, \$12 students/children. 7:30 p.m. Baby Grand Theatre, 818 N. Market St., Wilm. Call 1-800-37GRAND or www.city-theater.org.

PERFORMANCE: "Down Home Blues" with Frank Bey, Barbara Walker, and Emma Holmes. 7p.m.-11p.m., Christiana Cultural Arts Center, 705 N. Market St., Wilm. \$22, \$20 in advance, \$18 seniors.

PERFORMANCE: University of Delaware Opera Theater presents "Street Scene" by Kurt Weil. 8 p.m. \$17, \$12 seniors, \$5 students. Loudis Recital Hall, Amy E. du Pont Music Bldg., Amstel Ave. & Orchard Rd., Newark. Call 831-2577.

PRAYER SERVICE: Saint Paul's Lutheran Church hosts a service of healing prayer the first Saturday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the church, 701 S. College Avenue in Newark. Call 368-0064.

REHEARSAL: New Castle County Community Band volunteer organization holds rehearsals every Saturday 8:30-10 a.m. Peniel United Methodist Church, 115 E. Market St., Newport. Call 427-2338.

CAR SHOW: First State Mustang and Ford Club hosts monthly cruise night. 5-9 p.m. In front of Charcoal Pit, 5200 Pike Creek Center Blvd., Pike Creek. Call Rick at 376-7289 or Dave at 275-3717.

# Sunday, May 6

CONCERT: 84-Voice Kennett Symphony Children's Chorus performs "A Musical Travelogue" at 4 p.m. at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Unionville, Pa. Donation of \$5 for adults and \$2 for children is suggest-

CONCERT: University of Delaware's Department of Music presents University Singers at 3 p.m. at the Gore Recital Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**CONCERT:** University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the **Jazz Chamber Ensemble** at 8 p.m. at the **Gore Recital Hall**, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**CONCERT:** University of Delaware presents the **Wind Ensemble** at 8 p.m. at the **Puglisi Orchestra Hal**l, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**DANCE:** Bill Olsen calling for Ti' Acadie leads **Contra Dancing**. Lesson, 1:30-2 p.m., Dance, 2-5 p.m. \$9. **Arden Gild Hall**, 2126 The Highway, Arden. Call 478-7257.

**EVENT:** Chester County 4-H hosts 5th annual **Community Flower Show** themed "The Healing Garden." 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Included in admission to **Longwood Gardens**, U.S. Rt. 1, Kennett Square, Pa., \$14, \$6 ages 16-20, \$2 ages 6-15. Call (610) 388-1000 or www.longwoodgardens.org. Also May 6.

**EVENT:** Auburn Heights Preserve presents "Steamin' Sunday" featuring tours of Auburn Heights mansion along with steam trains and vintage autos. 1p.m.-4:30p.m. \$10 adults, \$7 children. Call (302) 239-2385 or visit www.AuburnHeights.org

**FESTIVAL:** The Iron Hill Museum hosts annual family Archaeology Festival Noon-4:30p.m. \$4, children under 4 free. 1355 Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. Call (302) 368-5703 or www.ironhillmuseum.org

MEETING: Knitting Knutz Knitting Guild, 1 p.m., Limestone Medical Center Building, 1941 Limestone Rd., Room 005, Wilm. Call 452-0146.

# Monday, May 7

**CLASS: Weight Training for Women**, \$40 monthly. 9:30-10:30 a.m. **Hockessin PAL**, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

CONCERT: University of Delaware presents the Precussion/Marimba Ensembles and Delaware Steel at 8 p.m. at the Loudis Recital Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

MEETING: Pike Creek Lion's Club, the 1st & 3rd Mon. of each month, 6:30 p.m. Charcoal Pit, Kirkwood Hwy. & Greenbank Rd., Mill Creek, 998-8853.

MEETING: Kennett High School Alumni Association meeting 7p.m. in the Kenneett High School Library. All alumni and guests are welcome. Refreshments. Free.

**MEETING:** Friends of the Claymont Library mee at 1 p.m. in the conference room of the Claymont Public Library. 3303 Green Street, Claymont. Call 798-4164.

**PERFORMANCE:** The Serafin String Quartet performs at First & Central Church, 1101 Market St., Wilm. at 3p.m. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors and students; \$5 children. Call 654-5371.

**PROGRAM: Preschool Storytime**, 10:30 and 11 a.m. Free. **Claymont Library**, 3303 Green Street, Claymont. Call 798-4164.

### Tuesday, May 8

CLASS: Sit and Be Fit senior exercise class, \$40 monthly. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

**CLASS: Pilates Matwork**, All Levels. 6-7 p.m. Also, Intermediate Level, 7-8 p.m. \$5 per class. **Brandywine Towne Center**, Naamans Road and Concord Pike, Brandywine. Call 239-8861.

CONCERT: University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the Jazz Chamber Ensemble at 8 p.m. at the Gore Recital Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**EVENT: Rep. Pam Maier** hosts Coffee and Conversation 2nd Tuesday of each month 7-8 a.m. **Crossroads Restaurant**, Kirkwood Hwy. & Limestone Rd., Mill Creek.

**EVENT:** Hawaiian Holiday Fun hosted by Presbyterian Women of First Presbyterian Church, 292 W. Main St., Newark. 10a.m.-3p.m. \$8, call 731-5644 for tickets.

**EVENT:** May Delights, the 19th Annual Flower Show at the Senior Center, 427 S. Walnut Street, Kennett Square. 11a.m.-2:30.p.m. Residents 50 or older are eligible to exhibit. Registration required. Call (610) 444-4819.

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### Tuesday, May 8 (cont.)

MEETING: Hockessin-Greenville Rotary meets weekly at 7:30 a.m. at the dining room at Cokesbury Village. Business owners, managers and professionals invited to attend. Call Joe Amon at 239-4644.

**MEETING: American Legion Post 29** meets the second Tuesday of the month at the VA Hospital in Elsmere in the meeting room next to the chapel. 7 p.m.

MEETING: Brandywine Valley Quilters meet second Tuesday. 7 p.m. Garnet Valley Elementary School, Smithbridge Rd., Concordville, Pa. Call (610) 566-7695.

**SUPPORT GROUP:** Compassionate Friends, support group for families whose children have died, meets at 7 p.m. Brandywine Valley Baptist Church, 7 Mt. Lebanon Rd., Brandywine. Call 376-0300.

**SUPPORT GROUP: Sarcoidosis Support Group** meets second Tuesday of the month. 7 p.m. **1021 Gilpin Ave.**, Suite 202, Wilm. Call 655-7258 or www.alade.org.

**SUPPORT GROUP:** Alzheimer's Association of Delaware hosts new support group second Tuesday of the month. 6:30 p.m. **Eden Rock**, 2210 Swiss Lane, Brandywine. Call 1-800-272-3900.

**SUPPORT GROUP: Main Street Circle of Friends** support group for multiple sclerosis held second Tuesday of the month. 5-7 p.m. **Newark United Methodist Church**, 69 E. Main St., Newark. Call 737-4694.

# Wednesday, May 9

**BOOK CLUB: Senior Citizen Book Club,** 10 a.m., **Claymont Library**. Call 798-4164.

CLASS: Bodyshaping, Tone and Stretch class, \$40 monthly. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

**CLUB:** Brandywine Valley Stamp Club meets second Wednesday of each month Brandywine Hundred Library. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., program at 7 p.m. Call Jack Hoopes at (610) 388-1958 or Jean Woods at 633-4468.

CLUB: Wilmington Ski Club meets second Wednesday of every month. Activities include skiing, sailing, biking, hiking, tennis, rollerblading, tastings, cooking contests, etc.. Socializing at 7:30 p.m. Meet at 8 p.m. Catherine Rooney's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 1616 Delaware Ave., Trolley Square. Call 792-0656 or www.wilmski.org.

**CONCERT:** University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the **Concert Choir** at 8 p.m., **Loudis Recital Hall**, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577.

CONCERT: University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the UD String Cortet 5:30 p.m., Gore Recital Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**DANCE:** Dave Brown leads **Square Dancing** and Liz Dubravcic leads **Folk Dancing**. 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$4. **Arden Gild Hall**, 2126 The Highway, Arden. Call 478-7257.

**DEMONSTRATION:** Learn about child passenger safety seat safety at monthly "**Education Station.**" 5-7 p.m. second and fourth Wednesday. Free. **Rockland Center Garage**, across from duPont Hospital for Children, Rockland Rd., Brandywine. Call 651-5437 for appointment.

**DISCUSSION GROUP:** Akatha, the "Venerable Science of Sahaji," discussed at monthly group. 7:30 p.m. at the Sega Center, 1211 Milltown Rd.

**MEETING: Brandywine Moms Club** meets at 9:30 a.m., **St. Paul's Church**, Foulk Rd., Brandywine. Dues, \$25 year. Call 426-0589.

MEETING: The Kennett Square Area Newcomers Club will host a welcome coffee. 10a.m., at the Harrogate Clubhouse, Southwood Road off Rt . 7, Landenberg, Pa. Call (610) 268-2055 or (610) 268-3893.

PROGRAM: Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m., Free. Also, Preschool Storytime, 11 a.m. Claymont Library, 3303 Green Street, Claymont. Call 798-4164.

SEMINAR: Seminar for children of divorce offered by Jewish Family Service of Delaware the first and second Wednesday of each month 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the JCC in North Wilmington. Advance registration is required. Call 478-9411.

**SEMINAR:** Seminar for Separating and Divorce Parents certified by Family Court, offered by Jewish Family Services of Delaware the first and second Wednesday of the month from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the JCC in North Wilmington. Advance registration is required. Call 478-9411.

### Thursday, May 10

CLASS: Low Impact Aerobics, \$40 monthly. 8:30-9:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861. CLASS: Pilates and Yoga on the Ball, All Levels. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Also Intermediate level, 10:30-11:30 a.m. \$5 per class, Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

**CONCERT:** University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the **Del' Arte** at 8 p.m., **Gore Recital Hal**l, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**EVENT:** Rockford Park is the site of the Wilmington Flower Market from 10a.m.-7p.m. Funds are donated to benefit needy children. www.wilmigntonflowermarket.org. Also May 11.

**MEETING: Stroke Support Group** meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month, 7-8 p.m. at New Ark United Church of Christ, 300 East Main Street, Newark. Light refreshments will be available. Call Mary Ellen Green at 292-1793.

MEETING: Community Bible Study 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. on Thursdays, nondenominational study meeting at Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Possum Park Road, Newark. Call Arleen at 738-3059.

**MEETING: Chadd meeting,** children and adults with attention deficit disorders, meeting held every second Thursday of the month at **du Pont Hospital** for Children off Rockland Road in Wllmington on the third floor. 7:30 p.m. Call 376-0900.

**PROGRAM: Claymont Library** hosts "Great for 8 (and older!)" 4-5 p.m. 3303 Green Street, Claymont. Call 798-6973.

**PROGRAM: Claymont Library** hosts **Reading to the Dogs**, 3:30-4:30. 3303 Green Street, Claymont. Call 798-6973

**SUPPORT GROUP:** Sponsored by **Epilepsy Foundation of Delaware**, support group meets at Easter Seal Center Conference Room, 61 Corporate Circle, New Castle, on the second Tuesday of each month. Call 234-4455

SUPPORT GROUP: Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays. 7-9 p.m. E-mail snapdel@acninc.net for meeting locations.

# Friday, May 11

CLASS: Weight Training for Women, \$40 montly. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

CONCERT: University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the Schola Cantorum Music Recital at 8p.m., Mitchell Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

**EVENT:** Rockford Park is the site of the Wilmington Flower Market from 10a.m.-7p.m. Funds are donated to benefit needy children. www.wilmigntonflowermarket.org. Also May 12

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# **Community Calendar**

### Friday, May 11 (cont.)

EXHIBIT: Somerville Manning Gallery in Greenville hosts a reception for artist Christine Lafuente whose exhibit Celestial Light Paintings will be open from May 11-June 9. Reception takes place from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Call (302) 652-0271 or www.somervillemanning.com

MEETING: Women's Business Network meets 2nd and 4th Friday. 11:30 a.m. Call 266-9646.

MEETING: TGIF For Men group meets for breakfast, Bible study and current events discussions. 6:30-7:30 a.m. Grace Lutheran Church, Rt. 41 & Graves Rd., Hockessin. Call 239-9787.

# Saturday, May 12

**ALUMINUM COLLECTION: Center for the** Creative Arts in Yorklyn collects aluminum on the second Saturday of every month. All forms of aluminum, except foil, are accepted. For large-load pickup, call 239-2690. Collection held 9 a.m. to noon in the CCArts parking lot. Proceeds from recycling will go toward the CCArts Campaign.

BAZAAR: Delaware National Bank sponsors a Community Yard Sale from 8a.m. to 1p.m. at 281 E. Main Street, Newark. \$10 per space. All proceeds go to benefit the American Cancer Society. Call (302) 737-7766 to reserve a space.

**BOOK DROP: Friends of the Hockessin** Library collect used books for annual book sale. 10 a.m.-noon second Saturday of the month. New shed on Old Lancaster Pike opposite Hockessin Fire Hall. Call 239-5160 for special pick-ups.

CLASS: Pilates and Yoga on the Ball, All Levels. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Also Intermediate level, 10:30-11:30 a.m. \$5 per class, Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

CONCERT: University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the Student Chamber Music Recital at 5:30 p.m., Gore Recital Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call

**CONCERT: Opera Delaware hosts the VIVA** LA DIVA Benefit Concert starring Lisa Daltirus at 8p.m. at The Grand Opera House, 818 N. Market Street, Wilmington. Tickets range from \$100-\$500. Call (302) 658-8063 or go to www.operade.org

**CONCERT:** University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the Collegium Musicum at 8 p.m., Gore Recital Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call

DANCE: Square Dance with Circle Four held second and fourth Saturdays of every month. \$5. 7:30 p.m. St. James Episcopal Church Hall, 2106 St. James Church Rd. Call 998-3512.

EVENT: Rockford Park is the site of the Wilmington Flower Market from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Funds are donated to benefit needy children. www.wilmigntonflowermarket.org

**EVENT:** Brandywine Conservancy's 26th annual Wildflower. Native Plant. and Seed Sale will be held from 9:30 a.m.-4:30p.m at the Brandywine River Museum on Route 1 in Chadds Ford, Pa. Admission to the sale is

FESTIVAL: The Delaware Herb Growers and Marketers Association will hold annual Herb Festival at Sam Yoder's Community Building, 9a.m.-4p.m. Free. 89 Hunting Quarter Road, Houston, Del. Call (302) 284-9757 or visit www.delawareherb.org

MOVIE: Saturday Kids' Flicks begin with children's activities by Delaware Children's Museum 9:30-10:30 a.m. followed by classic films, newer movies and cartoons on second Saturday of each month. Chase Center on the Riverfront, Wilm. Visit www.riverfrontwilm.com for film listings. \$3, \$5 adults.

MOVIE: Friends of the Claymont Stone School present A Day at Pike Theatre, a presentation of cartoons and features of yesteryear. Free. Claymont Stone School, 3611 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont. (302) 798-1509 or www.thestoneschool.org

**REHEARSAL: New Castle County** Community Band volunteer organization holds rehearsals every Saturday 8:30-10 a.m. Peniel United Methodist Church, 115 E. Market St., Newport. Call 427-2338.

SUPPORT GROUP: Delaware Lyme Support Group. Kirkwood Hwy. Library, Wilm. Please call ahead to confirm meeting or for more informaton, 996-9065.

# Sunday, May 13

### Mother's Day

CONCERT: University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the Concerto and Aria Winners Concert at 3 p.m. at the Puglisi Orchestra Hall, Newark. \$12, adults; \$8, seniors, UD staff and alumni; \$3, students. Call 831-2577

DANCE: Sharon Kleban leads Israeli Dancing. 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$4. Arden Gild Hall, 2126 The Highway, Arden. Call 478-7257.

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MEETING: Socratés Cafe group open to discussion of philosophical and ethical questions. 7-9 p.m. Adria's Cafe, Newark Shopping Center. hughes.holmes@zoominternet.net.

# Monday, May 14

**BIBLE STUDY: Monday Morning Bible** Study meets second and fourth Mondays. 10 a.m. Grace Lutheran Church, Rt. 41 and Graves Rd., Hockessin. Call 239-6481.

CLASS: Weight Training for Women, \$40 monthly. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

**CONCERT:** University of Delaware's Department of Music presents the Flutes and Friends at 8 p.m., Loudis Recital Hall, Newark. Free. Call 831-2577

GARDEN CLUB: Moonflower Garden Club, founded in 1989 for working women with an interest in gardening, meets second Monday of every month. 7:30 p.m. at the Clay Presbyterian Church on McKennan's Church Rd. Call Ann Perry, (610) 388-2421.

MEETING: Hoe and Hope Garden Club the second Monday of the month. 9:30 a.m. Limestone Presbyterian Church, 3201 Limestone Rd. Pike Creek., Call 894-0208.

**MEETING: GRASP**, God Reaching All Single Parents, 2nd & 4th Monday of each month, Darley Road Christian Center, Brandywine. (610) 459-8658.

PROGRAM: Preschool Storytime, 10:30 and 11 a.m. Free. Claymont Library, 3303 Green Street, Claymont. Call 798-4164.

SUPPORT GROUP: New Directions Delaware offers support group for depression and bipolar disorder. Aldersgate United Methodist Church. 2313 Concord Pike, Fairfax. Free. Call 286-1161 or www.newdirectionsdelaware.org

# Tuesday, May 15

CLASS: Sit and Be Fit senior exercise class, \$40 monthly. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Hockessin PAL, Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Call 239-8861.

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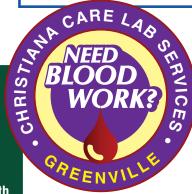
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