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TALKING POINTS



They may be small, but they are mighty

Students at Grace Church Preschool and Kindergarten collect more than 1,000 books, make bookmarks and ship them to students in Africa. **EDUCATION, B2**

» NEW CASTLE

Mayor Reese sweeps to second 2-year term

New Castle Mayor Donald Reese won a second two-year term Saturday, tallying 500 votes to defeat former Mayor John F. Klingmeyer (282 votes) and Dr. Somasunderam Padmalinam (150 votes).

Also victorious were the four incumbents on the City Council: Theodore Megginson (563 votes), Teel Petty (493) and John W. Cochran and John J. Gameworks Jr., both with 472.

Just missing out on a seat was Albert J. Vannucci, who had 471 votes.

Unopposed for office were incumbent council President William J. Barthel (693 votes) and City Treasurer Janet E. Carlin (703).

» MILTON

Annual dinner celebrates southern Delaware style

Today is the deadline to get tickets to the Milton Historical Society's annual dinner.

The dinner is 6 p.m. Saturday at the Milton Fire Hall, where happy hour starts at 5 p.m.

A traditional southern Delaware dinner will be catered by Jimmy's Grill, including baked ham, fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, strawberry pretzel salad, sweet potato soufflé, parsley potatoes, cole slaw, iced tea and coffee. A cash bar will offer \$3 beer and wine.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$7.50 for children 7-12 and free for children 6 and younger. No tickets will be sold at the door. Call 684-1010 or email visit@historicismilton.org.

» ARCHAEOLOGY

Event seeks papers on state's colonial times

The Early Colonial Delaware Valley: An Archaeological Symposium has issued a call for papers to be presented at its May 4 gathering, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the New Castle Court House Museum in New Castle.

Organizers are looking for informal, interdisciplinary presentations on the cultures and archeology of the period.

Those interested in participating should send an abstract by April 26, which will be posted on the organization's website.

For more information, email Craig Lukezic at craig.lukezic@state.de.us.

MUSIC REVIEW

Dylan delights Delaware crowd

Rock legend playful, soulful in wide-ranging concert

By Ryan Cormier
The News Journal

Looking like he had just realized he had enough credits to graduate, a youthful grin stretched across Bob Dylan's face on the University of Delaware campus Friday night about halfway through his 90-minute set.

"You think I'm over the hill. You think I'm past my prime," the soon-to-be 72-year-old celebrated rocker said from behind a

grand piano during "Spirit on the Water." "Let me see what you got. We can have a whoppin' good time."

Dylan, wearing an emerald-green shirt with a black suit and matching accents, settled in behind the piano for much of the night as he and his five-piece backing band performed at the Bob Carpenter Center for the third time in 21 years, after playing there when it first opened in 1992 and again

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Bob Dylan performs in France last year. He teamed up with roots rock band Dawes for a concert Friday night at the Bob Carpenter Center in Newark. AP/GETTY IMAGES FILE

STEM EDUCATION



Leighton Nembhard, 6, of Wilmington, comes face-to-flipper with a robot he's helping maneuver Saturday at a National Robotics Day event in Wilmington, sponsored by the Forum to Advance Minorities in Engineering. WILLIAM BRETZGER/THE NEWS JOURNAL

GETTING KIDS' GEARS GOING

Robotics Day event makes STEM lessons fun, aims to generate career interest

By Mike Chalmers
The News Journal

With all the robots prowling around, it would be easy to mistake the displays at Barclays Bank on Saturday for a high-tech toy show.

But Robotics Day was all about education, even if the kids didn't suspect it.

The second annual event was sponsored by the Forum to Advance Minorities in Engineering, a nonprofit organization that promotes education in science, technology, engineering and math, or STEM for short. Part of National Robotics Week, the event included demonstrations by local scientists, the Wilmington Police bomb robot and summer science camps.

"We're giving kids an opportunity to put their hands on robots and learn what

applications are happening throughout their community with robots," said Donald Baker, executive director of FAME.

"We want more kids to understand that math, science, technology are directly related to robotics and directly related to their success in the future," Baker said.

Erica Saunders, 39, of Wilmington, brought her twin 8-year-old sons and 12-year-old daughter to the displays. Her older son, age 12, already is involved in FAME.

"I wanted to expose them to it to pique their curiosity and maybe get them involved in this when they get older," said Saunders, who participated in FAME as a student.

Baker said the state is pursuing high-tech companies to do business in Delaware, and that effort starts with good STEM education programs in schools and through nonprofits like FAME.

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INCIDENT RECORDED

Rehoboth police investigate arrest video

Officer seen kicking, using stun gun on man

By Mike Chalmers
The News Journal

Rehoboth Beach police are investigating an officer's use of force during the April 7 arrest of a man on Rehoboth Avenue, an incident caught on camera by his wife and posted on YouTube.

In the five-minute video, the man screams profanities at three officers because one used a stun gun on him several times. That officer also kicks at the man's head at one point while he is lying face down on the sidewalk.

The woman, who identifies herself in the video as his wife and says she is 8½ months pregnant, yells, "Stop Tasing him!" and pleads with officers to let her take him home. The video ends with the man, whom she calls Jeremy, being put in the back of a squad car.

What viewers don't see, according to one witness who called the police, is that previously the man had been physically fighting with his wife, then wrestled with arriving officers for several minutes before they subdued him.

"If I was a cop, I might have kicked him in the head, too," said Lauren Lewandowski, co-owner of Salon La Roc.

Rehoboth Chief Keith Banks said the incident will be fully investigated, probably by another police agency to avoid conflict of interest within his 15-member department.

"After seeing the video and knowing what happened before and after the video, I foresee it being turned over to internal affairs," Banks said Saturday.

"We take this very seriously, and we want to make sure the citizenry has confidence in the department," Banks said. "We have to make sure everybody's rights are protected, the officers' as well as the defendant's."

"Everybody would love me to rush and put a statement out, but it wouldn't be fair to everyone until we have all the facts."

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DIALOGUE DELAWARE

INKLINGS, ODDMENTS AND THE DELAWARE WAY

Joe, Jill Biden set example by filing federal, state taxes early

ABOUT THIS COLUMN

The blog Dialogue Delaware is updated by reporters and editors at The News Journal. We welcome comment and debate from all corners and print the best of the blog here. Click on delawareonline.com/dialoguedelaware/ and join us at Delaware's digital water cooler.

The White House has released the 2012 tax returns for Vice President Joe Biden and his wife, Jill, who teaches at Northern Virginia Community College. The Bidens paid \$87,851 in federal income taxes on \$385,072 in adjusted gross income. The couple paid state income taxes in two states — \$13,531 in Delaware and \$3,593 in Virginia. The Bidens overpaid a bit last year in their withholdings, so they'll get a refund of \$4,608.

They reported donating \$7,190 to charity. The largest sum, \$2,400, went to the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington.

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POLL RESULTS
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- Quality of service. **35%**
- Nothing, I always tip a certain percent. **11%**
- The knowledge that servers rely on tips. **10%**
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DELAWARE
Play 3 Day **1-4-4**
Play 4 Day **6-0-9-6**
Play 3 Night **5-8-0**
Play 4 Night **2-4-5-3**
Cash 5 (April 13) **02-07-11-19-27**
Doublor **01**
Lotto (April 12) **07-08-09-12-28-32**

MARYLAND
Pick 3 Day **9-2-1**
Pick 4 Day **7-1-8-4**
Pick 3 Night **9-3-4**
Pick 4 Night **9-8-4-2**
5 Card Cash
10♥ 2♠ 6♣ 4♦ J♠
Bonus Match 5 **20-24-25-33-36**
Bonus Ball **04**
Multi-Match (April 11) **12-14-18-28-38-41**

NEW JERSEY

Pick 3 Day **4-9-9**
Pick 4 Day **7-3-8-6**
Pick 3 Night **4-7-2**
Pick 4 Night **4-5-1-9**

Cash 5
16-18-21-28-36
Pick 6 (April 11) **07-25-34-41-48-49**

PENNSYLVANIA

Daily Day **7-5-5**
Big 4 Day **1-9-0-7**
Daily Night **5-1-5**
Big 4 Night **9-6-7-5**
Quinto Day
0-1-6-5-1
Quinto Night
7-1-4-6-0

Cash 5
07-09-32-33-38
Match 6 (April 11) **04-15-16-33-37-38**
Treasure Hunt
02-08-12-22-24

MULTI-STATE

Hot Lotto (April 13) **01-08-12-21-29**
Hot Ball **12**
Mega Millions (April 12) **01-10-13-19-21**
Mega Ball **28**
Megaplier **03**
Powerball (April 13) **10-12-31-56-57**
Powerball **33**

POLICE & FIRE

Tips may be submitted anonymously through Delaware Crime Stoppers at (800) TIP-3333 or www.tipsubmit.com.

WILMINGTON

GUN CHARGES: A 17-year-old boy prohibited from having a firearm because of a previous felony conviction was caught early Saturday trying to hide a loaded gun behind some bushes, city police said. Officers on patrol seized the 9 mm handgun in the 500 block of North Clayton Street. The boy was held after failing to pay \$10,001 cash bail on charges of possession of a firearm by a person prohibited, carrying a concealed deadly weapon and violating curfew.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY: A woman returning to her car at West Sixth Street and North Bancroft Parkway after leaving a local restaurant at about 11 p.m. Friday was approached by two men, one of whom pulled a handgun and ordered her to hand over her money. When the woman said she had none, the men ran east on West Sixth Street.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY

SHOOTING: A 21-year-old New Castle man was shot in the upper body Thursday night in the Chelsea Estates community near New Castle, police said in a release Saturday. Police responding to Jay and Mark drives at about 8:50 p.m. on a report of shots fired were told that multiple gunshots had been heard in the area and a man had been shot in the upper body during an alleged robbery, Cpl. John Weglarz Sr. said. Witnesses told officers that several people were seen fleeing the area when the shooting occurred. The victim was taken to Christiana Hospital by private vehicle and received treatment for a non-life-threatening injury.

Freight train kills UD student

20-year-old walked into path

By **Cris Barrish**
The News Journal

A 20-year-old University of Delaware student died early Saturday after stepping into the path of a freight train, police said.

Nolan Sandlin, of Dover, was by himself about 7:25 a.m. when he was hit by a westbound CSX train on the rail line behind the 100 block of E. Cleveland Ave., Newark

police said. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Police do not suspect foul play, but said they could not comment further about the circumstances pending autopsy results.

Sandlin was an active brother of the university's Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, according to the group's website, though members said Saturday that he hadn't been an ac-

tive participant for the past year and did not live at the fraternity's house on West Main Street.

Sandlin's Lambda Chi page said he was a native of Monterey, Calif., who majored in criminal justice with a minor in cognitive science. He was due to graduate in 2014, the page said. Sandlin's Facebook page said he was a graduate of Polytech High School near Dover.

Member Kyle McCormick called Sandlin a kind, free-spirited student who

met while they were associate members – the fraternity's name for pledges – in 2010.

"He was a really nice kid who never said anything bad about anyone," McCormick said.

Other members wondered why Sandlin didn't participate in more activities, but McCormick said Sandlin was often depressed about the death of his brother in 2010. "There was a lot going on his life," said McCormick.

The two had exchanged

hellos about a month ago while passing each other walking to class, but hadn't spoken at length for months.

"It's really terrible what happened," McCormick said. "He was a kid who whenever you talked to him he'd really smile. He was very genuine. I'm still processing it, but this really puts things in perspective."

Contact senior reporter Cris Barrish at 324-2785, cbarrish@delawareonline.com or on Facebook.



Volunteers convened at Limestone Presbyterian Church on Saturday to plant a rain garden that will filter chemicals that run off the parking lot when it rains.

DANIEL SATO/THE NEWS JOURNAL

They went to a garden party



Owen Fresolone, from Boys Scout Troop 660, and Larry Campbell, of Avondale, Pa., plant flowers. The church received a \$5,000 grant from Rain Gardens for the Bays and United Water for the garden.

Dylan: Encore brings near-capacity crowd to its feet

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in 1999.

For musicians of his stature, regular visits to Delaware are not usually on any tour schedule. Luckily for Dylan fans, the singer/songwriter is a road dog and has been touring constantly since 1988. He even performed at Wilmington's old Kahunaville in 2004, singing "Masters of War" as young women in bikinis hawked shots among the crowd.

The result of Dylan's

nonstop touring is that his cavalcade of tour buses cuts deep into America, playing colleges and small towns. If you've wanted to see Dylan for the past 25 years, it's been almost impossible to avoid him, no matter where you live. And the price is usually right when he comes to town, with some fans paying less than \$40 for Friday's show.

There was a communal feel for Friday's "Bob at the Bob" show, as his handful of concerts at the venue have become known. Stu-

dents and professors spotted one other in the crowd, sharing the room with neighbors and families who nearly filled the 5,000-seat basketball arena.

The sound system surprisingly complemented Dylan's voice – now a battered growl for the most part – avoiding the muddled mess that can result in larger arenas. With pin-drop silence afforded Dylan for most of the show, he took advantage on slower songs, like one of the night's highlights, a gentle,

sprawling rendition of 1989's "What Good Am I?"

The combination of Dylan's fondness of deconstructing and rearranging his songs in concert, sometimes gutting them of their sing-along quality, paired with his coarse voice has led to a few walkouts and complaints for years, and this show was no exception. But the majority of the audience was on its feet during the encore, pounding their feet in the bleachers like they were at a basketball game, begging for one

more song from the inscrutable songsmith.

The result was worth it: a farewell in the form of "Ballad of a Thin Man," featuring bluesy electric guitar from the band's newest member, Duke Robillard, who shined even though he has been rehearsing with the band for less than two weeks, counting Newark as his fifth show.

Everything from blues, bluegrass and rock melded with folk, swing and country as Dylan gave a guided

tour of his songbook, impressing at times, whether it was the explosive, machine-gun lyrical delivery during parts of "Visions of Johanna" or showing his playful side, smiling during "High Water (For Charley Patton)" as he sang, "Jump into the wagon, love, throw your panties on the board."

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Dialogue: Marriage equality gains more political support

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Marriage equality

Equality Delaware President Lisa Goodman was in the capital Wednesday at the invitation of Sen. Chris Coons for a meeting of the Democratic Steering and Outreach Committee that focused on gay rights and marriage equality.

Coons, an avowed supporter of Equality

Delaware and its effort to pass a same-sex marriage bill in the Delaware General Assembly this session, said he's confident the U.S. Supreme Court will strike down the federal Defense of Marriage Act, partly because same-sex



Lisa Goodman

marriage is now legal in 10 states and the District of Columbia.

"Delaware is not waiting, and I think it's important that Delaware be recognized for having

a strong and broad and well-organized campaign," Coons said after the session. "It doesn't mean we stop on the effort to repeal DOMA."

Goodman spoke alongside a dozen representatives from other LGBT-rights groups from across the country.

"My privilege was to talk about the efforts in Delaware. We do believe DOMA is going to be repealed, but the repeal of DOMA alone won't grant marriage equality to Delawareans," she said. "We talked about our campaign, about how we have built this very

large, I think the largest, grass-roots legislative campaign in Delaware."

Twenty senators, including Delaware's Tom Carper, were at the meeting.

"This is a chance to get past some of the noise and clutter," said Coons, who chairs the DSOC business outreach subcommittee. "The bubble that folks talk about outside of Washington is very real; there's a whole structure here that doesn't really engage leadership, insight and innovation from average Americans."

Count him in, too

Wilmington City Council President Theo Gregory on Tuesday became the latest elected official to announce support for gay marriage.



"I, like many people, needed time to ask questions and understand this issue and to learn how same-sex marriage would affect people, both straight and gay, throughout our city and

state," Gregory said in a statement.

"I have concluded, as I think any objective and caring person should, that giving two people of the same sex the opportunity to be married furthers the important mission of providing equal rights for all. I have also concluded that marriage equality will not force anyone to change their personal beliefs or their religious principles should they choose not to support this concept."

Gregory urged the city's delegation of state lawmakers to support marriage equality in Delaware.

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