

Delaware AND THE REGION

LOTTERIES

DELAWARE
Play 3 Day 6-0-6
Play 4 Day 7-8-3-1
Play 3 Night 1-0-6
Play 4 Night 3-2-3-7
Lotto (drawn Oct. 10) 04-05-06-13-22-31
Powerball (drawn Oct. 10) 12-16-31-33-54
Power 05
Power Play 4

MARYLAND
Pick 3 Day 3-1-7
Pick 4 Day 0-7-7-6
Pick 3 Night 8-9-6
Pick 4 Night 4-5-8-1
Bonus Match 5 13-16-19-21-36
Bonus Ball 39
Mega Millions (drawn Oct. 09) 01-10-17-32-51
Mega Ball 44

NEW JERSEY
Pick 3 Day 9-6-5
Pick 4 Day 0-3-0-4
Pick 3 Night 6-5-5
Pick 4 Night 5-2-5-3
Cash 5 08-14-15-21-40
Pick 6 (drawn Oct. 8) 03-05-09-24-33-38
PENNSYLVANIA
Daily Day 6-1-8
Big 4 Day 8-8-2-0

Daily Night 5-3-9
Big 4 Night 3-4-1-8
Cash 5 17-22-23-31-34
Treasure Hunt 06-10-11-18-19
Mix & Match (drawn Oct. 8) 06-15-04-18-02
Match 6 (drawn Oct. 9) 03-07-16-25-42-45
For a recording of numbers drawn, call:
Delaware (800) 338-6200-(302) 736-1436 (out of state)

CRIME STOPPERS

Anyone with information about a Delaware crime can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers. If the information leads to an arrest, the caller could receive up to \$1,000. In Delaware, call (800) TIP-3333 (847-3333) or from a cell phone, call *TIPS. From other states, call (302) 739-5927.

POLICE & FIRE

Kent County

TEEN ACCUSED OF SEXUAL ASSAULT: A teen has been charged with a sexually assaulting a 2-year-old girl he was babysitting in her Felton home. The 15-year-old surrendered to Delaware State Police on Oct. 5 after the child told her parents what had happened, said district spokesman Cpl. John Barnett. Police learned that the teen had worked as a babysitter for the family several times. On Oct. 2, the child's parents had gone out for an evening dinner and left the girl and her 1-year-old sister in the teen's care, Barnett said. When they returned, the girl told them the teen had pulled down her diaper and licked her in a private spot, court records said. The Felton teen was charged with first-degree rape and committing a dangerous crime against a minor younger than 14 years old. He was released on \$35,000 bail and ordered to have no contact with anyone younger than himself.

Sussex County

LIGHTNING HITS HOME: Lightning caused a fire that damaged a mobile home east of Blades, officials said Wednesday. The fire happened about 11:30 p.m. Tuesday in the 9500 block of Forrest Drive in the Holly View Mobile Home Park. The state Fire Marshal's Office estimated damage at \$1,500. The home, owned by Gene Walden of Seaford, had working smoke detectors. The occupants escaped without injury and contained the fire to the exterior of the dwelling. Blades Fire Company responded.

RETIREMENT HOME DAMAGED:

Unattended cooking started a fire that caused \$25,000 damage Wednesday to a unit of the Methodist Manor House retirement community in Seaford, officials said. A sprinkler head activated and contained the fire. The unit, owned by John Jacobs, was not occupied and no injuries were reported, the state Fire Marshal's Office said. The Manor House is providing housing for Jacobs. The Seaford and Blades fire companies responded.

RAPE SUSPECT SURRENDERS:

A Maryland man being sought by police in Delaware on rape charges has turned himself in, Laurel police said Wednesday. The rape occurred Monday in Hollybrook Apartments in Laurel. Reginald Williams of Salisbury was arraigned Tuesday in Justice of the Peace Court and released after posting \$6,000 secured bail.

MAN SLASHED:

An argument between two friends in Bridgeville sent one man to jail and the other to the hospital with a bloody gash across his back early Wednesday. Luke Scott of the 14000 block of Deer Forest Road was charged with first-degree assault and possession of a deadly weapon during a felony. Delaware State Police were called to Scott's home at 12:24 a.m. after Scott called 911 to request police and an ambulance for the friend he said he hurt, according to court records. Police interviewed Scott and another witness and learned that earlier that night Scott, 29, and a Georgetown man were drinking at Scott's home when they began arguing. Scott allegedly grabbed a large folding buck knife and slashed his 36-year-old friend twice across his back, said state police Cpl. John Barnett. The victim was rushed to the Intensive Care Unit at Milford Memorial Hospital. Scott was sent to Sussex Correctional Institution in lieu of \$35,000 cash bail.

New Castle County

STABBING SUSPECT NABBED:

A Middletown man sought in a stabbing last month was arrested Tuesday morning at his home. Usef Dickerson, 20, of the 100 block of N. Catherine St., was charged with felony assault and other offenses in the Sept. 25 stabbing that occurred in the 300 block of N. Broad St. The 23-year-old victim suffered two stab wounds to his torso. While taking Dickerson from the patrol car at a police station, officers saw him stomping on something on the floor of the patrol car. Once outside the car, Dickerson struggled with officers and threw something on the ground, New Castle County police spokesman Cpl. David Burns said.



Usef Dickerson

After he was subdued, officers reportedly retrieved crack cocaine packaged for sale. Police found more cocaine hidden in his clothing. At his home, they found 19 grams of crack cocaine, 25 grams of marijuana and three Percocet pills outside their original container. Anderson was charged with trafficking cocaine and other offenses. He is being held in the Young Correctional Institution after failing to post \$82,500 bail.

From staff reporters Terri Sanginiti, Ira Porter and Damian Giletto

Groups plan to refurbish WWII gunnery tower

Built in 1942 to aim Fort Miles batteries

By MOLLY MURRAY
The News Journal

Two resort-area preservation groups have joined forces to raise money for restoration of one of two World War II fire control towers just south of Dewey Beach, which they want to open to the public.

The view from 64 feet above sea level should be spectacular because from the top, people can see 14½ miles east over the Atlantic Ocean, said Gary Wray, president of the Fort Miles Historical Association, one of the groups involved in the project. To the west is Rehoboth Bay.

Wray's group has joined the Delaware Seashore Preservation Foundation to raise money and begin tower restoration.

The plan, said Shirley Price, a co-chairwoman of the tower restoration project, is to raise \$500,000 and refurbish the tower over the next seven years.

Actual restoration work is expected to take about six months because the tower is in remarkably good shape, said Harold E. Dukes, the tower restoration co-chairman.

For the project launch Wednesday, Dukes brought along a flagpole and an American flag. The flagpole was significant because, Dukes said, his grandmother used it to fly an American flag from her home on VE Day.

Dukes said the groups hope to raise \$350,000 to be used for the restoration work and an additional \$150,000 for a perpetual maintenance fund.

A structural engineer has already signed off on the stability of the tower, which was built in 1942. And the two preservation groups have an agreement with the state Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control which will allow them to proceed.

"We have an opportunity now, with this project, to bring the tower back to life," Price said.

Dukes said the fundraising will focus on creating a memorial for World War II veterans. That will include sailors in the merchant marine who served in war.

The plan is to set up an interactive database to honor those who served, with the donation to enter a veteran in the database set at \$350, he said.

Fire Control Tower 3 was built in 1942 as part of a coastal defense network that was based at Fort Miles about five miles to the north at Cape Henlopen.

State parks officials have already restored one of the fire control towers, but it is located within Cape Henlopen State Park in Lewes.



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Donors to the fundraising effort for the fire control tower can have the name of a World War II veteran entered into a memorial database.

Wray said the Army paid \$17,900 to build Tower 3.

Passers-by often think the towers - 11 dot the shoreline from Lewes south to Fenwick Island - were used to spot passing ships during WWII.

In fact, they were used in pairs to triangulate the big coastal defense guns at Cape Henlopen.

Two additional towers were across Delaware Bay in New Jersey. Soldiers in two towers took readings on an offshore target, radioed back to a gunnery room at Fort Miles and the triangulation calculations were completed there. The coordinates then were used to aim the 12- and 16-inch guns hidden in the sand dunes.

Tower 3, at 57 feet, was paired with the 56-foot Tower 4 just to the

north. They were the southern stations for batteries Hunter and Herring at Cape Henlopen.

The restoration plans include installing a new staircase - the original equipment was a wooden ladder - waterproofing the exterior, and adding an observation deck, Dukes said.

The project has been a dream of the Fort Miles group for five years, said board member Bob Frederick. But the two groups decided to combine resources to get the project done.

The Seashore Preservation Foundation has both fundraising and restoration experience from the work it did at the Indian River Life Saving Station.

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Newark mum on officer in DUI arrest

Off-duty cop wrecked car leased by city for undercover purposes

By TERRI SANGINITI
The News Journal

An off-duty Newark police officer was arrested on drunken driving charges last month after he crashed a city-leased car on Del. 1.

Delaware State Police Cpl. Jeff Whitmarsh said the officer, 30-year-old David Young, was taken into custody at about 10 p.m. Sept. 6 on southbound Del. 1, south of the Biddles Corner toll plaza.

Young crashed the Toyota Corolla he was operating into a concrete barrier, Whitmarsh said.

The vehicle was one of three leased by Newark for undercover police use, Mayor Vance Funk said.

When asked Wednesday if Young was currently working on the street, Newark police Chief Paul Tiernan said he was prohibited from commenting.

"We're not allowed by law to discuss personnel issues," Tiernan said.

Funk said Wednesday that he was aware of the incident, but that the matter had not yet been brought before City Council.

"Generally, they would report it when disciplinary action is about to take effect," he said.

Councilman Jerry Clifton said because it involved a personnel issue, council was made aware of the arrest through a confidential memo shortly after the incident occurred.

He said council is separated from personnel action by the city charter.

Any action taken will ultimately fall to the city manager and city personnel director.

City Manager Carl Luft did not return a telephone call seeking comment.

"We were made aware that it happened and it's under investigation by state police," Clifton said.

Clifton said law enforcement officers, just like councilmen, are held to a higher standard in the public eye.

"If it would have been a construction worker or auto mechanic, nobody would have cared," Clifton said. "The criminal process has to proceed from here. That's something I hold in high regard - a person is innocent until proven guilty."

Funk said damage to the leased vehicle would be covered by the city's insurance.

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FIRE CALLS

New Castle County

Oct. 9

2:05 p.m. - Christiana Road and South DuPont Highway. Vehicle. Wilmington Manor Fire Company.

2:45 p.m. - Pulaski Highway and Del. 1 north. Accident. Christiana Fire Company.

3:02 p.m. - I-95 north and service area. Minquas Fire Company of Newport.

3:10 p.m. - East Delaware Avenue and Scholar Drive. Accident. Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company of Newark.

4:08 p.m. - Glasgow Avenue and Peoples Plaza. Accident. Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company of Newark.

4:21 p.m. - 117 Wilton Blvd. Vehi-

cle. Christiana Fire Company.

4:21 p.m. - Chestnut Avenue and Ruth Road. Fuel spill. Elsmere Fire Company.

4:42 p.m. - DuPont Highway and Scott Run. Accident. Port Penn Fire Company.

4:48 p.m. - 142 N. DuPont Highway. Accident. Wilmington Manor Fire Company.

5:03 p.m. - 4147 Concord Pike. Accident. Talleyville Fire Company.

5:15 p.m. - Cherry Lane and Lukens Drive. Accident. Holloway Terrace Fire Company.

Wilmington

Oct. 9

8:45 p.m. - North Adams and West Ninth streets. Accident.

AROUND DELAWARE

Judge dismisses charges against Dover teacher

Charges have been dismissed against a former Dover teacher arrested in spring for allegedly threatening to fail one of his students if he didn't give him a ride downtown to buy drugs. Jason Miller, of the state Attorney General's Office, said Wednesday that at a Sept. 18 trial in Kent County Court of Common Pleas, the judge dismissed misdemeanor charges of acts constituting coercion and official misconduct against 36-year-old Damon W. Bethel. The Attorney General's Office then filed a motion to reopen the case, but the judge denied the request Tuesday. Bethel was arrested in May after his teenage accuser was stopped by Wesley College security officers for driving erratically in downtown Dover. The 18-year-old teenage told the officers that his teacher jumped into his car while he was getting gas about 1:30 a.m. at Leipsic Road and North Du Pont Highway and told him to drive him downtown so he could buy some "weed." Police located the teacher's book bag in the car along with Bethel's school faculty identification card, police said in court records. Bethel, who had been working at Dover High School for about a year, was placed on suspension after his arrest. Bethel said Wednesday he now plans to file a petition with the school for a hearing to get his job back.

MOT Senior Center's 'rain garden' earns EPA kudos

A "rain garden" at the Middletown-Odessa-Townsend Senior Center won federal recognition Tuesday for helping to control stormwater runoff through small-scale projects that preserve natural drainage patterns in watersheds.

The project, developed by the Appoquinimink River Association, directs water from downspouts and paved areas into an area covered with native grasses and plants. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency officials described

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the garden as a "great example" of low-impact, local efforts to protect the environment.

"Retaining as much stormwater as possible on land - rather than letting it run to storm drains - can help keep harmful flows and pollutants out of our streams and rivers," said Donald S. Welsh, administrator for EPA's Mid-Atlantic Region.

The EPA and Low Impact Development Center in Beltsville, Md., singled out the MOT project under its joint Low Impact Development Recognition Program.

More information is available at www.epa.gov/owow/nps/lid/ and www.lowimpactdevelopment.org/recognition.

Lane closings to cause delays on Naamans Road on weekends

The Naamans Road repaving project that began in Claymont and Brandywine Hundred this week will narrow traffic to one lane over the next two weekends, the Delaware Department of Transportation said.

The left lane will be closed between Philadelphia Pike and Merrbrook Road from midnight Friday until 8 p.m. Sunday.

The right lane will be closed in the same area from midnight Oct. 19 until 8 p.m. Oct. 21.

Weekday roadwork will continue from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Later in the month, the construction

will be between Mousley Place and Grubb Road.

The \$1.8 million project includes improving curb ramps, removing old road surface and repaving. The contractor is Diamond Materials Inc. of Wilmington.

Bear man's murder trial in stabbing under way

The trial of a Bear man charged with fatally stabbing a 21-year-old man last year after an argument about women is under way in New Castle County Superior Court. Deshawn D. Drumgo, 26, is charged with the June 15, 2006, first-degree murder of Larry Larkin. He is also charged with weapons offenses. Drumgo's trial began Tuesday. According to police, Larkin and Drumgo were in an argument involving two women when the confrontation escalated and Drumgo stabbed Larkin. Larkin died at Wilmington Hospital. An autopsy determined Larkin died from a stab wound to the chest. If convicted of first-degree murder, Drumgo faces life in prison.

NCCo public meeting tonight will discuss affordable housing

New Castle County invites the public to a meeting tonight to discuss several affordable-housing initiatives.

The first measure, approved by council Tuesday, creates a trust fund to subsidize the building or renovation of lower-priced homes and rental units. The second measure would require developers who build neighborhoods with more than 10 homes to set aside 20 percent of the units as affordable.

Charles Baker, manager of the Department of Land Use, will give an overview of the proposals and answer questions.

The meeting is at 7 p.m. in the Gilliam Building at 77 Reads Way in Corporate Commons, near New Castle.

Emergency equipment expo set for Saturday on Riverfront

An emergency equipment and services expo will be presented 10 a.m. to 3

p.m. Saturday by the New Castle County Volunteer Firefighters Association and Wilmington Fire Department.

The free event, which will be on the Wilmington Riverfront next to the Center on the Riverfront, will include smoke detector giveaways and home safety training sessions. Attendees may also learn how to become a volunteer firefighter.

Members of the St. Baldrick's Society will conduct a head-shaving fundraiser to raise money for children living with cancer. A rock and blues concert follows the event.

EPA recognizes firm's system for recovering gasoline vapors

The Environmental Protection Agency on Thursday recognized Delaware-based Compact Membrane Systems Inc. for developing a new system to reduce emissions from gas stations.

Compact Membrane's system captures 99 percent of gasoline vapors that would otherwise escape to the air from pumps and underground tanks, and is expected to help California meet clean air goals.

EPA grants totaling nearly \$300,000 helped the company verify the performance of its system and helped move it into the marketplace. On Thursday the company was awarded the Small Business Administration's Tibbetts Award, reserved for the country's best research innovations by small businesses.

Compact Membrane's technology is the only one certified for use by the roughly 11,500 California gasoline stations now facing a 2009 deadline for installation of vapor recovery systems under air quality rules adopted by that state.

The company has received about \$2 million overall from the EPA to support various research and development efforts under the SBA's Small Business Innovation Research program.