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Morris Nichols Promotes Three Women Attorneys

Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP announced that Megan Dellinger and Lauren Neal became partners of the firm, effective January 1, 2022, and Tammy Mann was promoted to special counsel.

“We are thrilled to promote Megan, Lauren, and Tammy. They are exceptionally talented attorneys with a deep commitment to client service,” said Bill Lafferty, chair of the firm’s executive committee. “All three women started their careers at

Morris Nichols, and I’m honored to congratulate them on this milestone.”

“These promotions demonstrate the firm’s commitment to elevating women and other diverse professionals to leadership positions throughout the firm,” said Tarik Haskins, chair of Morris Nichols’ diversity committee. “In the last five years, the majority of our attorney promotions have been diverse attorneys. Today, we celebrate Megan, Lauren, and Tammy’s accomplishments and look forward to continuing to provide opportunities for advancement.”

ChristianaCare Named Most Wired Leader

For the sixth consecutive year, ChristianaCare has earned the “Most Wired” designation from the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME), which assesses how effectively health care organizations apply core and advanced technologies to improve health and care in their communities.

“Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, patients and providers have experienced the power of virtual care and the ability for data and technology to improve the health care experience,” said ChristianaCare President and CEO Janice E. Nevin, M.D., MPH. “At ChristianaCare, we believe now is the moment to transform our health care system to a new model of care that doesn’t stop between appointments—it’s continuous, data-driven and technology-enabled. We’re proud to be recognized as a leader in health care innovation, as we work to achieve better health at lower costs.”

Navient Recognized for Supporting Military

Navient earned four 2022 Military Friendly designations from VIQTORY, publisher of G.I. Jobs and Military Spouse Magazine. The four designations are: Military Friendly Employer, Military Spouse Friendly Employer, Military Friendly Supplier Diversity Employer, and Military Friendly Brand.

It is the eighth consecutive year Navient has been recognized by the publisher for its support of the military. Navient provides veterans with employment opportunities, offers mentoring and development, and raises funds and awareness for veterans.

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Dogfish Head Publishes *The Dogfish Head Book: 26 Years of Off-Centered Adventures*

The Dogfish Head Book: 26 Years of Off-Centered Adventures is a celebratory chronology of the offbeat escapades that propelled Dogfish Head to become the beloved craft brewery, distillery, hotel, and culinary hub it is today. Written by Dogfish Head Founder & Brewer, Sam Calagione; Dogfish Head Co-Founder & Communitarian, Mariah Calagione; and longtime co-worker and Dogfish INNkeeper, Andrew C. Greeley, this heavily-illustrated, lovingly-told page-turner provides a detailed account of the brand’s history told through heartfelt stories from the authors, a timetable of Dogfish Head’s off-centered beverage releases AND a plethora of co-worker-told tales. The book hit shelves and web stores nationwide on October 19, 2021.

Cape May Ferry Terminal Adds Two EV Charging Stations

Two new Level 2 dual-port Electric Vehicle Charging Stations are now operational at the Cape May Ferry Terminal.



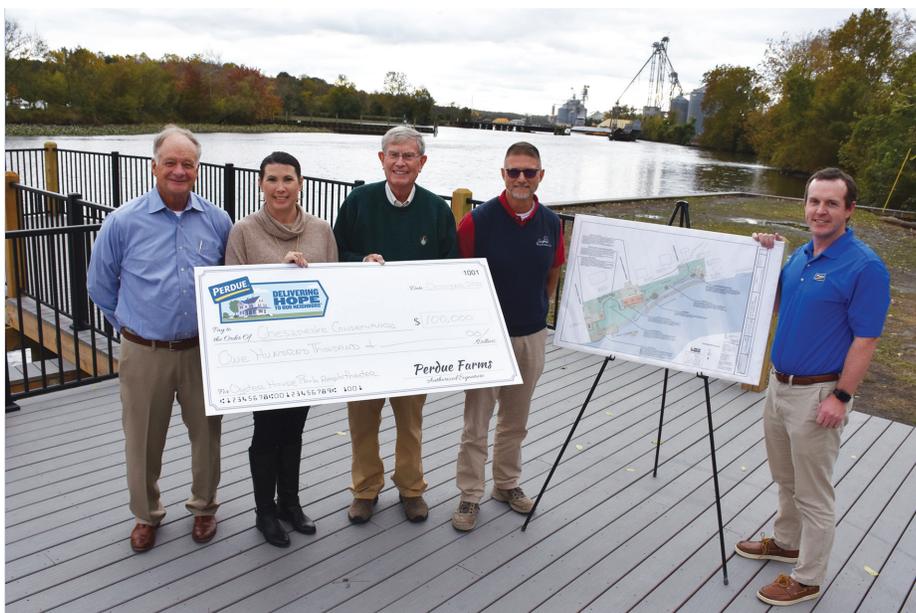
“We’re pleased to be able to complement our existing charging stations at the Lewes Ferry Terminal with two at our Cape May location,” said Thomas J. Cook, executive director of the Delaware River and Bay Authority. “With the number of interstate travelers using the Cape May – Lewes Ferry and our close proximity to neighboring resort communities, our ferry terminals are prime locations to host these charging stations. It’s a great service for our customers and the community!”

Cook added that the Authority supports the sensible adoption of green energy technology, and this new infrastructure supports greater use of electric vehicles, which do not release air pollution or carbon dioxide.

Dr. Tam Honored by Delaware Healthcare Association

David A. Tam, MD, MBA, CPHE, FACHE, president and CEO of Beebe Healthcare, was awarded the Delaware Healthcare Association’s American Hospital Association Grassroots Champion Award at the 25th Annual Delaware Healthcare Forum in October 2021.

The award recognizes those hospital leaders who most effectively educate elected officials on how major issues affect the hospital’s vital role in the com-



\$100,000 Perdue Foundation Grant to Fund Outdoor Amphitheater in Seaford

The Franklin P. and Arthur W. Perdue Foundation, the charitable giving arm of Perdue Farms, presented Chesapeake Conservancy with a donation of \$100,000 to benefit the construction of an outdoor natural amphitheater at Seaford’s new Oyster House Park located at 201 South Cannon Street at the site of the old J.B. Robinson Oyster House along the Seaford River Walk on the Nanticoke River.

The Perdue gift is part of the company’s “Delivering Hope To Our Neighbors®” initiative focused on improving quality of life and building strong communities.

“At Perdue Farms, we are proud to support the Chesapeake Conservancy and City of Seaford’s vision to create a venue that will provide learning opportunities for many students, a performance venue and environmental benefits of natural planting to promote erosion control on the banks of the Nanticoke River,” said Kim Nechay, executive director of the Perdue Foundation.

Perdue’s gift will help fund the planned outdoor natural amphitheater, which will be built into the slope of the property accented with native plants. There will be seating for 75 people in the amphitheater and room on the lawn for an additional 200 people. This will also serve as a community outdoor classroom, gathering space for performances and erosion control to address runoff from steep banks.

munity, who have done an exemplary job in broadening the base of community support for the hospital and who are tireless advocates for hospitals and their patients.

“It’s been a privilege to come to Sussex County and Delaware and become a part of this community and

Beebe Healthcare during such a challenging time,” said Dr. Tam. “Thank you to all who have welcomed me and my family. There is a lot of great healthcare being provided in Delaware but there is more to do. You can expect Beebe to lead the way for Sussex County.”



New Healthcare Center of Excellence Coming to Dover

In January 2022, Delaware Technical Community College will open a new Healthcare Center of Excellence building, located at the Charles L. Terry Campus in Dover. The total cost of the project is \$2.1 million, and Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield Delaware has agreed to enhance the project with an additional \$1 million from BluePrints for the Community. This funding will support the needs of the state's healthcare industry by training students for healthcare related jobs and careers in Delaware, in addition to granting naming rights.

"On behalf of Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield Delaware, our Board of Directors and the BluePrints for the Community Advisory Council, we are excited to partner with Delaware Technical Community College in this large-scale approach," said Nick Moriello, president of Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield Delaware. "Ensuring that Delaware has a strong talent pool in the health industry has long been a priority of ours and investment in this space is needed now more than ever. We know that Delaware Tech has the history, experience, and relationships within our state to educate and empower current and future health care professionals. Together, we can grow our workforce, assist Delawareans with their career goals and help increase access to care."

The renovation of the existing 44-year-old building, which began in August 2020 and is scheduled for completion no later than January 2022, will house state-of-the-art classrooms, labs, and collaborative spaces. The 8,700-square-foot facility will be a training center for allied health short-term certification programs

"These occupations represent some of the highest-demand labor market needs in Delaware, and it's our mission to provide Delawareans with jobs and employers with the workforce they need," said Dr. Mark T. Brainard, president of Delaware Tech.

Sandy Taccone Named a 2021 Woman in Business

Sandy Taccone, Blue Blaze Associates, Principal and CEO, was honored by Delaware Today and Delaware Business Times as one of the top 2021 Women in Business. Taccone and her wife, Wendy Scott, are co-founders and owners of Blue Blaze Associates, a full-service marketing and design agency.



Sandy Taccone

In 2018, Taccone was selected as the only Delawarean in the Greater Philadelphia region for the prestigious Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program. And last year, Blue Blaze was named to the Philadelphia100®, an annual list of the region's fastest-growing, privately-held companies. It was the first time that Blue Blaze had been selected for this recognition and was the only Delaware-based company represented on the 2020 list.

"It is a tremendous honor to be chosen by Delaware Today and Delaware Business Times for this recognition and to be included among this impressive group of noteworthy women," said Taccone. "I'm extremely proud of our team and the work we do, helping other businesses and nonprofits achieve their goals. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, we have stayed the course and are fortunate to work with some amazing clients who are changing the world in so many positive ways."

Potter Anderson Announces Two New Partners

Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP announced that Jesse L. Noa and Alyssa

K. Ronan have been elected partners of the firm, effective January 1, 2022.

A member of the General Litigation Group, Noa represents businesses and individuals in a wide variety of complex commercial, bankruptcy, employment, and real estate litigation matters in the state and federal courts of Delaware. A member of the Transactions and Corporate Counseling Group, Ronan focuses on corporate advisory, corporate governance, and transactional matters relating to Delaware corporations and alternative entities.

“Jesse and Alyssa are outstanding additions to our partnership,” said Potter Anderson Chair Kathleen Furey McDonough. “They both began their legal careers at Potter Anderson so it is especially gratifying to see them reach this milestone. With Alyssa’s expertise as a go-to transactional adviser and Jesse’s reputation as a standout litigator, together they exemplify our full-service approach to helping clients with their most sophisticated and complex matters in Delaware.”

Airport Surpasses 10,000 Enplanements

The Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) officials announced that the Wilmington – New Castle Airport (ILG) surpassed 10,000 enplanements (boardings of commercial flights) for the year, officially becoming a “Primary



Bravo's Project Runway and Carvertise Team Up

As the models hit the catwalk for Season 19 of Bravo's *Project Runway* this fall, NBCUniversal and Carvertise joined forces on a new marketing campaign that's giving the Bravo hit show some added swagger.

The entertainment giant partnered with Carvertise, the leading rideshare advertising and marketing company in the country, to create a mobile marketing fleet of Uber and Lyft vehicles, wrapped with Bravo's *Project Runway*'s colorful branding, to strut through Manhattan's streets. Those lucky enough to snag a ride in the cars, which rolled through New York's streets in October and November, had a chance to pose for an Instagram-worthy moment alongside the vehicles, which feature the likenesses of the show's stars, mentor Christian Siriano and judges Elaine Welteroth, Nina Garcia, and Brandon Maxwell.

“Not only are these cars turning heads,” said Greg Star, co-founder of Carvertise, “but they're attracting major buzz and generating an estimated 7 million impressions in just a month.”

Commercial Service Airport (CSA)” and shedding its earlier designation as a General Aviation Reliever Airport under established Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) criteria. The designation will be effective for the Federal Fiscal Year 2023.

“Wilmington – New Castle Airport is now one of only 385 airports nationwide—and the only such airport in Delaware—to be classified as a Primary CSA,” said Stephen D. Williams, deputy

executive director and airport director of the DRBA. “In addition to the boost in federal entitlement dollars, the primary CSA designation also has significance within the airline, cargo, and commercial airport communities. It further validates the airport's regional recognition as a low-cost leader with growing preference as an alternative, ease of use secondary airport serving the Philadelphia Metro area. This milestone confirms that our customers really like our small airport, no hassle travel experience.”

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Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing Celebrates 100 Years

In 1921, a local girl, Ruth Mitchell requested a course in nursing at Beebe Hospital. Through the efforts of Dr. James Beebe, Sr. and his brother Dr. Richard Beebe, the Beebe Hospital Nurses' Training School was established. The School celebrated its centennial anniversary in September 2021.

"It was a special time to celebrate the School of Nursing's achievements and the achievements of all graduates,"

Pickard said. "Not only did we look back at the past but at the future. We thank all who continue to contribute to the school, our students, and our faculty to make it the number one Nursing Program in Delaware."

The School of Nursing now has over 1,000 graduates who are practicing their profession in all parts of the country. Many continue to obtain higher degrees. The success of the School is not only attributed to the dedicated faculty and support from the Beebe Healthcare Board of Directors and the Beebe

Medical Foundation but also to the local communities whose support and interest have contributed substantially to the success and prestige of the School.

Gunnip & Company Promotes Alex Masciantonio

Alex Masciantonio, CPA has been promoted to partner of Gunnip & Company LLP. He joined Gunnip & Company in 2011.

Alex's areas of expertise are international tax matters, domestic corporate taxation, domestic partnership taxation, and tax planning for foreign clients entering the U.S. economic forum.



Alex Masciantonio, CPA

Gunnip & Company CPAs is a Delaware based firm serving the Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland areas with highly personalized and comprehensive assurance, tax, and business consulting services.

Stuff The Bus Drive Collected 12 Tons of Food

Delaware Transit Corporation (DTC) announced that DART's 24th Annual "Stuff The Bus" Thanksgiving Food Drive collected 12 tons (24,169 pounds) of food. The week-long food drive took place from November 8 to November 13 at the Safeway in Rehoboth, the Dover Safeway, Walmart in Milford, Rodney Square in Wilmington, and the ShopRite stores at First State Plaza, Brandywine Commons and Four Seasons Shopping Centers. In April, DART held the Stuff The Bus COVID19 Relief food drive that collected 4.8 tons (9,621 pounds) of food. In total, Stuff The Bus food drives in 2021 collected 16.8 tons (33,790 pounds) of food that



Wohlsen Receives Delaware Contractors Association Excellence Award

A Construction Excellence Award was presented to Wohlsen's Delaware team for their work at Cecil County Public Library. This new 47,225 sq. ft. library was a dream of the community for over a decade. Through design, craftsmanship, and teamwork Wohlsen delivered a final project that exceeded the client's expectations.

This accomplishment is a result of the resounding performance from the projects' architect, engineers, and subcontractors who created a beautifully designed, well-constructed, and functional community learning center that will serve the community long into the future.

the Food Bank of Delaware distributes through their Hunger Relief Partners to Delaware residents in need of food assistance.

John Sisson, DTC's chief executive officer, stated "I'm proud this was our 24th year of Stuff The Bus and the overwhelming support from the DTC and DelDOT employee volunteers, business partners, bus riders, and the community; and how our food drive continues to grow through the generous donations that benefit fellow Delawareans."

Doneene Damon Named to Women in Business List

Doneene Damon, president of Richards, Layton & Finger, Delaware's largest law firm, has been named among Delaware's Top 40 Women in Business by *Delaware Today* magazine. The magazine's Top 40 list recognizes the accomplishments of the state's most dynamic female business leaders.

Doneene's leadership within Richards, Layton & Finger, the legal profession, and the community at large sets the standard for community involvement and professional excellence.

In addition to serving as Richards Layton's president, she is co-chair of the firm's Business Department and chair of the Corporate Trust and Agency Services Group. Doneene focuses her legal practice on the use of Delaware and New York trusts in a wide range of commercial transactions, and represents banks and trust companies in connection with their trust and agency services under Delaware and New York law.



Doneene Damon



Governor John Carney Signs SEED Scholarship Expansion Bill

Gov. John C. Carney Jr. signed a bill in October 2021 that expanded the state's existing SEED (Student Excellence Equals Degree) scholarship program to give Delawareans of all ages access to a free college degree or workforce training certification.

Senate Bill 12, sponsored by Sen. Nicole Poore, will help adult Delawareans seeking a career change, as well as students starting college immediately after high school.

"Working families throughout Delaware are still reeling from the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and they deserve our help to get back on their feet," Sen. Nicole Poore said. "This legislation will give those workers the tools they need to achieve a better life than the one they left behind in March 2020, to embark on new careers, particularly in those fields where Delaware desperately needs a skilled workforce."

Delaware led the nation in free college access when the SEED scholarship began in 2005, and since then, it has provided free college tuition to over 13,000 Delawareans. The First State now stands ready to become a national leader in retooling its workforce for the post-pandemic economy, enabling adults to develop new skills that can lead to higher-paying jobs. Delaware Technical Community College will play a critical role in this effort.

Dr. Mark T. Brainard, president of Delaware Tech, said the scholarship expansion will build on the program's previous success. "Thanks to the foresight of Sen. Harris McDowell, who worked diligently on the original SEED legislation, and now Sen. Poore working to expand this program, thousands of Delawareans who never thought college was possible are now able to develop the skills and knowledge to change their lives," he said. "We look forward to helping them get to work."