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Americans with Disabilities Dealt Blow by President's Budget

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Millions of Americans with disabilities were dealt a huge blow in early February with the release of the President's FY 2006 Budget. Among the programs devastated by the budget were the state Assistive Technology Programs, which the President proposed to eliminate completely. This blow is especially ironic because Congress passed, and the President signed, the new Assistive Technology Act of 2004 just a few months ago. The new law mandated that states offer a variety of AT supports, including equipment demonstrations, equipment loans, equipment recycling programs, and alternate financing for AT.

With compelling evidence that state AT Programs benefit communities, the economy, businesses, and people with disabilities, Congress worked hard to see that critical assistive technology programs could operate in every state and US territory. The legislation, passed with unanimous bi-partisan support, sent a clear message that our government supports a federal investment in people with disabilities. While the President's budget delivered a devastating blow, Congress has the power to remedy the situation through its own budgeting process.

The Chairs of the Bipartisan Disability Caucus in the House recently wrote a letter to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee requesting \$29.8 million for programs funded under the Assistive Technology Act. Forty members of Congress—33 Democrats and 7 Republicans—added their signatures to this request. It is important that members of Delaware's Congressional delegation—Senator Biden, Senator Carper, and Representative Castle—hear from

Delaware residents about what would be lost if funding is not restored. DATI would not be able to continue the operation of the Assistive Technology Resource Centers (ATRCs) in each county, eliminating opportunities for no-cost consultation, training, equipment demonstration, and short-term loan of equipment. This newsletter would cease publication, and program features like the Equipment Exchange, the Funding Guide, and the website would not be sustained. No other entities at the state level are positioned to provide these services to people with disabilities, of all ages, in all environments.

The most effective ways to reach Delaware's congressional delegation are via phone, fax, or email. Regular mail is discouraged because of frequent disruptions and delays in delivery due to security issues. Word from Washington is that spending bills are on the fast-track, so make your opinion known without delay!

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Delaware Offers a Wealth of Outdoor Opportunities

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As I sit and write this, it is the beginning of March and it feels like winter will never end. But, each day gets a little longer and warmer and it will soon be nice enough to comfortably get back outdoors. With that in mind, let's take a look at a few accessible options for those readers who need them.

The Junction and Breakwater Trail

Good news for Sussex County residents—a new bike trail has opened that will eventually connect Lewes and Rehoboth Beach. The 12-foot wide, crushed stone trail is designed for bicycles, but the surface is suitable for wheelchairs and battery operated devices such as scooters.

The trail can be accessed several ways. There is a parking lot (56 car capacity) at the northern trailhead off of Wolfe Neck Road (Route 1 to Munchy Branch Road). There is also a trailhead off of Holland Glade Road with parking located behind the Tanger Outlets Seaside shopping area.

The trail is absolutely stunning. It is artfully constructed to wind through farmlands, woodlands, wetlands, and more. There are a few spots along the trail where the view will take you back to a time before Delaware became the First State. From the trailhead, the trail connects to the old railroad bed alignment, which it follows for 5/8 of a mile, as it gradually rises above the surrounding wooded area, to the existing Holland Glade Bridge. This former railroad bridge spans 80 feet and was built in 1913. The existing concrete bridge abutments

and steel girders were rehabilitated and a new wood deck, scenic overlooks, and railing were installed. The trail departs from the old railroad alignment just south of the bridge and meanders through woodlands and farmlands until it crosses Holland Glade Road. If you continue across Holland Glade Road, you will travel through more woodlands and come out on Hebron Road, just east of the carwash.

Before you venture out on any trail, there are some important safety considerations to address, particularly for wheelchair users. Make sure that your chair is in good working order. For power chair or scooter users, make sure that your battery pack is fully charged. In case of an emergency, bring along a fully charged cell phone and a friend or two. Parts of the trail are remote and it is always advisable to use the buddy system.

Kent County—Off the Beaten Path

I wanted to give readers in the northern counties at least one outdoor option to consider. The parks I visited in Kent and New Castle Counties did not have accessible trails. If you would like to experience nature from the comfort of your vehicle, the Ted Harvey Wildlife Area is certainly worth checking out.



*Ted Harvey
Wildlife Area,
Photo by Dan
Fendler*

Known primarily to hunters and bird watchers, the Ted Harvey Wildlife Area is located just south of the Dover Air Force Base off of Kitts Hummock Road. Not all of the roads in the wildlife area are paved, but they are certainly passable. From the comfort of your vehicle, you will have access to a wide variety of views, and ample opportunity to see migrating birds. The Delmarva Ornithological Society lists the Ted Harvey Wildlife Area as one of the birding hotspots in Delaware. Here is an excerpt from their website, www.dosbirds.org, relative to the Ted Harvey area:

There is a private house about 1/4 to 1/2 mile down the road. Here a side road runs to the left and goes to the Bay. Either or both roads may be closed on any given day. There is good land birding along the side road, and excellent shore-birding at the end along the Bay shore. Near the end there is a small sign on the left forbidding further passage by car. Although there is no gate, the rule is enforced. Park here and walk along the causeway to the beach (100 yards or so). Walk south along the shore of the Bay from the end of the road. Return to the house and turn left on the main road. Where the road takes a sharp left (with a smaller road going straight) take the left fork. The impoundment at the end of this road is excellent. The rare-to-casual White-winged Tern has been seen more frequently at this impoundment than anywhere else in Delaware.

If you would like to do some fishing, there is also a small accessible fishing pier in a pond within the Wildlife Area.

If you are a hunter, there is an organization that helps hunters with disabilities. Known as Buckmasters American Deer Foundation (BADF), a Disabled Services program was established in 1993 to provide hunting opportunities to people with disabilities. According to BADF, an estimated 1.7 million people with severe physical disabilities enjoy hunting and shooting sports in the United States. The organization feels that there are many people with disabilities who would get involved in shooting and hunting sports if only given some encouragement and an opportunity. For more information about the program at the Ted Harvey Wildlife Area, visit BADF's website,

www.badf.org, follow the "Disabled Hunters" link and select "Regulations & Accessible Locations in Your State," then select Delaware. There are also links to adaptive hunting equipment on the BADF website.



*Ted Harvey Wildlife Area,
Photo by Dan Fendler*

Wherever your interests lie, we certainly hope that you have a wonderful summer season. As always, if you have any questions or need additional information, please contact your local Assistive Technology Resource Center.

Check Out Our Newest Additions...

Since DATI's Assistive Technology Resource Centers (ATRCs) opened in 1992, they have made thousands of no-cost AT loans to people in Delaware. One of our biggest challenges is maintaining an up-to-date equipment inventory. We want to make the latest technology available to our customers, but we can only do that when we have the financial resources to support new equipment purchases.

Many new devices have been added in recent months, and we are very grateful to the funding sources that made these purchases possible: the U.S. Department of Education, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, and the Delaware Developmental Disabilities Council.

- **AlphaSmart Neo**, AlphaSmart
- **Amplified Cordless Phone with Caller ID**, Clarity
- **Amplified Listener**, Radio Shack
- **Automatic Jar Opener**, Black & Decker
- **Automatic NiteLite**, AmerTac
- **BigKeys Keyboard**, Infogrip
- **Cause and Effect Cinema**, Don Johnston
- **Cinema II Life Skills**, Don Johnston
- **Clamp on Lamp with Magnifier**, Tensor
- **Clicker Software**, Crick Software
- **ClozePro Software**, Crick Software
- **Conference Microphone**, Williams Sound
- **Co-Teaching Students with Autism**, Attainment
- **Directron Left-Handed Keyboard**, Sejin Electronic
- **Dvorak Keyboard**, Ergonomic Resources
- **Easy Recall Answering Machine**, Clarity
- **Ergonomic Optical Mouse**, 3M
- **Flashing Door Chime**, Style Selections
- **Glide Point Touch Pad**, Cirque
- **GoTalk 20+**, Attainment



GoTalk 20+ by Attainment

- **Hands Free Cell Phone Amplifier**, Earware
- **Hands Free Voice Operated TV Remote**, Accenda

- **Home/Office Intercom**, Westinghouse
- **Indoor Light Control**, AmerTac
- **Indoor/Outdoor Light Sensor**, Regent Lighting Corp.
- **In-Line Handset Amplifier**, Ameriphone
- **I-Zone Mini Photo Scanner**, Polaroid
- **Lamp Socket Module**, Radio Shack
- **LoTTIE Kit for Math**, Onion Mountain Technology
- **LoTTIE Special Papers Kit**, Onion Mountain Technology
- **Mediplanner II Pill Dispenser**
- **Mimio Electronic Whiteboard**, Mimio
- **Motion-Activated Light Adapter**, Lamson Home Products
- **Nifty Nabber** (reacher), Unger
- **P-Switch**, Prentke Romich Co.
- **Pillbox Timer**, LifeWise
- **Pocket Speak and Read VCO**, Krown Mfg.
- **Pocket Talker Pro**, Williams Sound
- **Press to Play**, Don Johnston
- **Reader Rabbit's Reading**, The Learning Co.
- **Recipes for Success**, Adaptivation
- **Reizen Low Vision Talking Calculator**, Maxi-Aids
- **Remote Command Center**, Radio Shack
- **Remote Control with Key Chain Transmitter**, General Electric
- **School House Rock! Grammar Rock**, The Learning Co.
- **School House Rock! Math Rock**, The Learning Co.
- **Sequencer**, Adaptivation
- **Slant Board**, Enabling Devices
- **SmartNav** (hands-free mouse), Natural Point
- **Storybook Weaver Deluxe**, The Learning Co.

- **Switch Friendly Games**, Inclusive TLC
- **SwitchIt! Hygiene, People, & Weather**, Inclusive TLC
- **Taction Pads**, Adaptivation
- **Talking Caller ID w/Call Waiting ID**, ClassCo
- **Tech/Speak**, AMDi
- **Teen Tunes Plus**, Don Johnston
- **Thinking Reader** (Bud, Not Buddy; Dragonwings; Esperanza Rising), Tom Snyder Productions
- **Touch Dimmer**, Lamson Home Products
- **Touch Window** (17"), Edmark
- **Universal Amplified Handset**, Walker
- **Voice Activated Phone Dialer**, Voice Zone
- **Voice Operated Lamp Switch and Dimmer**, Salton
- **Voice Pal and Keyguards**, Adaptivation
- **Weekly Medication Tray**
- **Wireless Remote Control System**, AmerTac
- **Word Munchers Deluxe**, The Learning Co.
- **Wordbar for Windows**, Crick Software
- **Write:OutLoud to Go**, Don Johnston

New AT Lemon Law Aids Purchasers of AT

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Assistive technology (AT) can mean the difference between independence and isolation, community living and institutional living. AT can be expensive, too.¹ And, in some unfortunate circumstances, it can be defective. Like any consumer, a person with disabilities

¹ Power wheelchairs can easily exceed \$15,000 in cost. See data from 1994 NIDRR publication: www.abledata.com/abledata_docs/powwch.htm.

purchasing AT can get stuck with a "lemon"—a new piece of equipment that just does not work.

Until recently, people buying AT were truly stuck. Most equipment came with no warranty or maybe a 90-day limited warranty, if they were lucky. As of June 29, 2004, purchasers of AT in Delaware have the protection of the Assistive Technology Device Warranties and Consumer Protection Act.² This law is conceptually similar to auto lemon laws that protect new car buyers when they purchase cars with substantial irreparable defects.

Many states have passed AT Lemon Laws.³ Louisiana passed the first AT Lemon Law and it has been used as a model for many states, including Delaware.⁴ Louisiana's comprehensive law covers not only wheelchairs but all types of assistive devices, including, without limitation, computer technology, environmental controls, and hearing aids. Other states, such as Maryland, have more limited protections for wheelchairs only. Unfortunately, the hearing aid manufacturers and sellers have been successful in some states in getting hearing aids excluded from these laws. The Delaware AT law does apply to hearing aids.

Lemon laws do have certain limitations. The protections only extend to new equipment. In Delaware, the law covers new equipment, leased equipment, customized equipment, and demonstrators that are then sold. Assistive technology is defined to include "any item, piece of equipment, or product system designed and used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of individuals."⁵ The law includes a non-exhaustive list of possible AT that is covered: manual and power wheelchairs and other mobility equipment; hearing aids; telephone communication devices; and other communication technology; computer equipment for individuals who are visually impaired and those with communication disabilities; environmental control units; and any mechanical aid that increases,

² 6 Del. Code Chapter 50B

³ Go to www.resna.org/taproject/policy/community/lemonover.html for a review of state laws. Also www.nls.org/conf2003/lemon-laws.htm; and www.usatechguide.org have lists of states with some sort of lemon law protection and other related links.

⁴ La. Rev. Stat. Sections 51:2762 to 2767

⁵ Section 5001(B)(1)

maintains, or improves the functional capabilities or health and safety of an individual with disabilities.

The law extends to a system as a whole, and to its components. So, for example, if you purchase a power chair with a customized seat that the supplier has purchased from a different manufacturer, the chair is covered, as is the seat. Not all equipment is covered—remember it has to be designed and used to increase or maintain function for people with disabilities. The law would not cover an electric toothbrush, unless the toothbrush was specifically designed for people with disabilities.

Generally, manufacturers are not required to give express warranties that their goods are not defective, or that they will back up their products, absent some statute that requires them to do so.⁶ The Delaware AT Lemon Law requires manufacturers who sell or lease new AT to supply a minimum one-year warranty that the AT device will be free from any defect or condition that substantially impairs the use, value, or safety of the AT device.⁷ If the manufacturer does not give the express warranty at the time of lease or sale, then the statute imputes one. Do not be discouraged if the documents of sale do not include a written warranty. Your new device has a warranty of one year even if the manufacturer does not say so in writing. Also, a consumer cannot waive his rights under this statute. Any waiver of rights that a manufacturer might try to obtain from a buyer is void.

So, what does a consumer do if he has bought AT that is not working? First, it must be clear that the device suffers from a "nonconformity," meaning a specific or generic condition, defect, or malfunction that substantially impairs the use, value, or safety of the device. Please note that the law covers substantial defects, not minor ones that do not prevent the item from working as intended.

Second, the consumer must make the manufacturer or its authorized dealer aware of the nonconformity and tender the device to the

⁶ Article II of the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) governs sales transactions of goods, generally. See 6 Del. Code Article 2. Many transactions do trigger implied warranties under these laws, such as that a product is "merchantable" or, in some circumstances, that the product is "fit for a particular purpose." These warranties may exist unless a manufacturer expressly disclaims them in a certain way. A buyer who has bought defective AT may well have claims and rights under the UCC as well as the lemon law.

⁷ Section 5003B(a)

manufacturer or dealer for repair twice, or the device must be out of service for an aggregate of 30 cumulative days because of a nonconformity that has been reported to the manufacturer or dealer. This process is called "a reasonable opportunity to repair."

A caveat—the defect must be reported and the manufacturer given an opportunity to repair a nonconformity within one year of delivery of the item. The Delaware AT Lemon Law only covers the first year after delivery. Beyond one year, other remedies may be available, such as a claim under the UCC, but the lemon law no longer applies.

After a reasonable opportunity to repair is made and the nonconformity is not repaired, the manufacturer must either accept return and refund the full purchase price, or accept return and give the buyer a comparable new assistive technology device. The choice of remedy belongs to the consumer, not the manufacturer. The manufacturer must pay all "collateral costs," such as shipping. There is a provision that requires the manufacturer to reimburse rental of a device while the purchased item is out for repair under certain circumstances. Manufacturers are also required to disclose to a buyer or lessee that a piece of equipment being offered for sale or lease has been returned by a buyer or lessee and the reasons for the return.

If a consumer suffers any harm or damages because a manufacturer has not complied with the lemon law, the consumer can sue for damages, including double damages for out-of-pocket pecuniary losses and attorney fees. The law creates a private right of action and the consumer does not have to rely on the government to enforce this statute.

There are other consumer law protections that may apply to the purchase of new AT.⁸ As stated before, the UCC covers sales transactions generally. Purchasers of AT should pay special attention to the warranty created when a manufacturer or dealer makes representations regarding things a device can do that are specific to the consumer. This implied warranty of "fitness for a particular

⁸ These are general, brief descriptions of other possible avenues for legal relief when a consumer has purchased defective AT. Consumers need to consult with an attorney to find out whether they have enforceable rights under these laws. Also bear in mind, as always, that there are time limits for enforcing consumer protection rights.

purpose" is frequently created when a device has been customized in some way. Make a contemporaneous record of discussions and/or correspondence regarding the purchase of your device.

The Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act is a federal law that regulates, simplifies, and standardizes manufacturer warranties.⁹ It does not require warranties but regulates the way manufacturers communicate with consumers and gives consumers a cause of action not only for breaches of the act but also for breaches of the warranty itself.

Finally, Delaware has several other consumer protection statutes, most notably the State Unfair and Deceptive Practices Act and the Consumer Fraud Act, both found in Title 6, Chapter 25 of the Delaware Code and the Consumer Contract Statute, 6 Del. Code Section 2732. Both of these laws can be enforced by the Delaware Department of Justice as well as by private right of action. The Consumer Fraud Act generally prohibits the use of misrepresentation or other deception in the sale or lease of merchandise. The Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices Act prohibits 12 practices likely to create confusion. There is no direct consumer remedy under this law. It is enforced by other aggrieved businesses. However, there are heightened penalties for violations directed at the elderly and people with disabilities under Chapter 25.¹⁰ Finally, the Consumer Contract Statute provides treble damages against individuals who knowingly or recklessly omit information that is required to be disclosed in consumer contracts, distort or obscure terms, or create a likelihood of confusion or misunderstanding in consumer contracts.

Consumers should of course obtain legal advice when pursuing relief and should always maintain good records. Owners of AT have an arsenal of laws to protect them in the purchase of new AT and should not be afraid to pursue the remedies that are available if their deal goes bad.

⁹ 15 USC Section 301-2312

¹⁰ 6 Del. Code Section 2580 et seq.

The AT Bargain Basement

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Welcome one and all to another pulse-pounding edition of the AT Bargain Basement. I am Marvin, your guide on this tour of all technology assistive and costing less than \$100. I also try to find you bargains that are available in your local stores. However, you might find that some of the biggest bargains are available online, so I will feature web bargains now too.

In this installment of the Basement, I am going to go over some suggestions offered by one of my readers. Eleanor Gregory is an occupational therapist with Easter Seals in Dover. She is a fan of the Basement and had some suggestions for things people could do to create simple AT solutions at home. The first of Eleanor's suggestions was to use the non-slip drawer lining I mentioned in a previous column as a non-slip pad for a mattress. Place the pad between the mattress and the box spring to keep a slippery mattress in place. This is especially handy on a low-airloss mattress or on a mattress that is sealed for an incontinent user. If you have difficulty getting in and out of bed because your mattress keeps moving, a non-slip pad might also be a solution for you as well.

A second idea Eleanor had was to use simple pipe insulation for a built-up handle on eating utensils. I recommend taking a piece of your flatware with you to the hardware store to make sure you get the correct size piping. You can get pipe insulation from **Lowe's**[®] and **Home Depot** for less than \$10 for a three-foot section. That would give you plenty of insulation to handle a good number of utensils. Pipe insulation is also good for building up the handles of pens, pencils, toothbrushes, and hair brushes. If you know of any AT tips, please feel free to send them along, and I will share them with everyone!

Switching gears a bit, I recently found a steal of a deal at **Wal-Mart**[®]. The **Omron Automatic Wrist Blood Pressure Monitor with APS** is a great blood pressure monitor with a large, easy-to-read display available for only \$74.88. Now for those of you who do not know, APS stands for automatic positioning sensor, which is how the device

lets you know it is in a good spot for an accurate reading. While other blood pressure monitors are certainly available for less money, I like the large display on this one. Also, for being compact, it does have good-sized buttons, making operation easy. As with anything, try it out first or at least take a good look at it, to make sure it will work for you.



Omron Automatic Wrist Blood Pressure Monitor with APS

Staying with the **Wal-Mart** connection for just a little longer, if you have access to a computer and are in the market for a shower chair, you might want to check out www.walmart.com for deals on shower chairs. For my money, the best deal I saw was the **LifeCare** shower chair with swing-away arms and an EVA soft seat cover. The chair is \$79.23 and worth every penny and more. First, it comes with a backrest that can be easily removed or installed without any tools (after initial assembly). The second nice feature of this shower chair is the EVA foam seat cover. EVA refers to the type of foam used in making the seat cover. The cover is sealed, so you do not have to worry about the foam getting wet and ruined. The soft seat is a nice touch if most shower chair seats feel a little too hard for you. Last but not least are the swing-away arm rests. Normally, if you find armrests on a shower chair, they are in a fixed position. On this chair, you can lift an arm out of the way, making it easier to get in and out of the shower chair. If all of these things sound just right for you, then you definitely want to look into the **LifeCare** shower chair. Remember, it is only available from **Wal-Mart** online at www.walmart.com.

Not to be outdone, **Target**[®] has some nice deals available on their website. For those of you who use a pill box, **Target** has the 14-day tapestry pill box for only \$11.99. What I like about this pill box is that it has all of the normal pill box functions without the standard pill box

look. It features compartments for taking four sets of pills each day. Each day's worth of pills can be removed separately from the rest of the case and each compartment is labeled in Braille as well as with standard print. The outside covering is attractive, and has a special bonus flap that can be used for carrying prescriptions, pill reminders, etc.

Another great deal offered at **Target** is a combination hot/cold pack. The **Thermal Aid Therapeutic Hot/Cold Bear Pack** is a nice way to get a child to accept a cold pack or a warm compress. It looks like a teddy bear, not a thermal pack, thus its appeal. It is a little pricey at \$19.99, but considering what you are getting and how easy it may make getting someone to take a thermal pack, it is well worth the cost. Both of these items are available only through **Target's** website, www.target.com.



LifeCare shower chair with swing away arms

And with those last two items, I must bring this edition of the Basement to a close. I would like to thank Eleanor for her very helpful hints, and I encourage all of you to let me know about any hints, tips, or bargains you may find. So until next time, remember: just because it is inexpensive does not mean it has to be cheap!

Delaware Recycles Assistive Technology

If you are interested in an item, please call the number listed next to the item. If you would like to add or remove an item from the list, please visit the AT Exchange on the Web at www.dati.org/exchange/index.php or call the DATI Georgetown office

at (302) 856-1081. All prices are negotiable and all area codes are 302 unless otherwise noted. An up-to-date exchange list is available at www.dati.org/exchange/index.php.

Devices Available

Ambulation/Positioning

Cane, adj, stainless steel, \$10, Carolyn, 369-9372

Canes, walkers, commodes, loaned or given away, Cindy, 854-9555

Carrie Seat, Tumble Forms, elementary blue, footrest, free, Alma, 739-6885

Chair leg extenders, Sammons and BeOK, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Crutches, Guardian, forearm, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Crutches, adult, \$5, Tim or Sheila, 697-8404

Gait trainer, Rifton, 25", beige, free, Alma, 739-6885

Gait trainer, Rifton, 19", blue w/ handhold bars, communication tray, seat, very good condition, \$100 or BO, orig \$1,615, Jone, 376-5637

Gait trainer, Rifton, pediatric, 35-48" height, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Gait trainer walker, free, Verna, 652-3092

Heui armsling, adj strap between the cuffs, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Pediatric Rifton chair, arms, seat depth 10.75", seat width 11", adj angle back, height/angle footrest w/ straps, removableommel and tray, excellent condition, \$100, Leanna, 836-0866

Positioning wedges neonate, MEDco, lateral wedge (small), approximately 13x4", free, Sandy, 856-7946

Positioning wedge neonate, MEDco, medium, 16x7", free, Sandy, 856-7946

Positioning wedge neonate, MEDco , large, 17x8", free, Sandy , 856-7946

Posterior walker, Buggy, 34-45" height, age 2-6 yrs, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Posterior walker, Guardian, age 3-6 yrs, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Power recliner, La-Z-Boy Luxury Lift, 4 mos old, dark green, excellent condition, \$700 or BO, Shifrah, 477-1914

Pressure mattress, inflatable for single bed, for reducing risk of pressure sores, excellent condition, \$100, Mara, 227-5848

Prone stander, Rifton, 25-48" tall, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Quad canes, Kaye, 2 sets, small and medium, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Sling for pneumatic lift, Hoyer, for transfer from a bed to a chair, wheelchair, or commode, never used, BO, orig \$200, Dorothy, 731-5835

Stair elevator, United Lifts, electric lift for 6 steps in split-level home, leather cushioned back and arm rest, very good condition, \$900 or BO, orig \$3,000, Dorothy, 731-5835

Stander, Giraffe by SnugSeat, prone, supine or upright, activity and support tray, excellent condition, \$300 or BO, orig \$1,760, Jone, 376-5637

Stander, pediatric, free, Verna, 652-3092

Stroller, Otho Back, gray, tilt-space, free, Alma, 739-6885

Velcro walking belt, medium, tan, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Walker, excellent condition, free, Joan, 475-2312

Walker, Kaye, posture control, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Walker, junior size, does not fold, adj height, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Walker, adj, excellent condition, \$25 or BO, Joseph R., 645-4915

Walker, pediatric, 2-3 yr old, free, Verna, 652-3092

Walker, Rifton, adj size, blue, 4 wheels, small seating area, excellent condition, free, Diane, 283-1390

Walker seat, blue denim w/ ring supports on each corner, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Communication

DynaVox 2C desk mount kit, black w/ silver mounting plate, can be used on desk, table, floor, free, Alma, 739-6885

Dynamyte 3100, 2 yrs left on inclusive warranty, very good condition, \$850 or BO, Linda, 325-2488

Easy Talk 8 carry case, black, soft padded, shoulder strap, free, Alma, 739-6885

Keyguards, PRC, Vanguard 45-loc keyguard, AlphaTalk 4- and 8-loc operating kits, DeltaTalker 32-loc operating kit, never used, free, Cathy, 328-2872

Optical headpointer, PRC, for Liberator, DeltaTalker, AlphaTalker, AlphaTalker II, Light Talker and IntroTalker, never used, free, Cathy, 328-2872

Computers/Software

A Silly Noise House (Mac, Win), Voyager, free, Alma, 739-6885

Bake-N-Taste (IBM), Mindplay, 3.5 and 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Calculus for Mac, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Cause and Effect (PC, MS-DOS), Ver 2.0, 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

Co:Writer (Mac), Ver 1.1 and 2.0, 3.5" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Co:Writer 1.1, (Mac), free, Sandy, 856-7946

Comparison Shopping (MS-DOS), Ver 2.0, from Life Skills Series, 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

Dr. Peet's Talk/Writer, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Fact or Opinion (IBM, MS-DOS), Ver 2.0, 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

Geometry (Mac), free, Sandy, 856-7946

HandiCODE , Ver 2.09, 3.5 and 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

HandiKEY (MS-DOS), Ver 2.17, 3.5 and 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

HandiSHIFT (Win), 3.5 and 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Island of Dr. Brain (IBM, MS-DOS), Ver 1.0, 3.5" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Keyguard, ComputAbility, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Keyguard Four Square, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Keyguard for Mac, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Keyguard, Nine Square, very good condition, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Keyguard, Single Square, very good condition, free, Sandy, 856-7946

KidTime PC (IBM, PC), 3.5 and 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

MACnificent 7 Education & Games (Mac), CD-ROM, free, Alma, 739-6885

Math Magic for Mac, Mind Play, free, Sandy, 856-7946

McGee (IBM), 3.5 and 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

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Mickey's ABCs/A Day at the Fair (Win, MS-DOS), 5.25" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Monsters & Make Believe (MS-DOS), 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

Muppet Learning Key Keyboard (Win), never used, free, Alma, 739-6885

Mutanoid Math Challenge (IBM, Ver 2.1, 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

My Town: Language Activities of Daily Living, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Pepper's Adventures in Time (MS-DOS, Win), Ver 1.0, 3.5" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Printer, Umax, Astra 2000 U/P w/ cables and manuals, free, Cindy, 945-6195

Say It All Plus Keyguard, free, Sandy, 856-7946

TC Writer, Apple II, talking word processor, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Talking Once Upon A Time Series Vol. 3 (IBM, MS-DOS), Ver 1.4, 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

Touch window, Edmark, attaches over 15" IBM compatible monitor, works w/ all computer software, excellent condition, \$100 or BO, orig \$340, Leanna, 836-0866

Trackball for Macintosh, Qtronix, detachable wrist support and button lock function, never used, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Ultimate Reader 32 Bit (Win), Ver 1.0, 3.5" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Using Credit (MS-DOS), Ver 2.0, from Life Skills Series, 3.5" disk, free, Alma, 739-6885

Using a Calendar (IBM for MS-DOS), 3.5" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Word processor, Brother 3550, free, Tina, 836-9434

Yearn 2 Learn Peanuts (Mac), 3.5" disks, free, Alma, 739-6885

Hearing

Hearing aid, Miracle Ear, for right ear, can be tuned by a hearing aid specialist, excellent condition, \$800, orig \$2,500, Pamela, 764-1989

Home Management/Accessibility

Accessible home, 100% ADA compliant w/ elevator, located in New Castle/Red Lion area, owner financing available, \$179,900, Marie, 674-9085 or 838-7835 (ask for Eric)

Chair lift, Bruno, rated for 350 lbs, travels up 14 steps, swivel seat, power supply and instructions, excellent condition, \$2,500 or BO, orig \$3,300, Bonnie, 832-2383

Geriatric chair, lays flat or reclines, feeding tray, excellent condition, \$800 or BO, Nelson, 349-5714

L-shaped ramp, 14x18', wooden, you remove and haul away, 4 steps high, \$200, Mara, 227-5848

Residential elevator, Minivator, services 2-story residence, opening is attractively concealed and can be walked upon, call/send buttons at each landing, excellent condition, \$8,500 or BO, orig \$14,000, Al, 994-8902

Stair lift, Stannah 300, remote for downstairs and upstairs rail, swivels, seat belt, beige, very good condition, \$2,000, Anne, 235-2209

Transfer belt, large, \$10, Robert, 539-9407

Other

Talking clock/calculator, Sharp, voice synthesized free, Sandy, 856-7946

Tilt desk, Raymo, built in bookholder, 10.5x19", beige, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Tilt table, Don Johnston, Brown, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Personal Care

Bed table, \$50, Richard, 239-4243

Bedside commode, free, Maureen, 855-5855

Beside commode, excellent condition, free, Joan, 475-2312

3 in 1 commode/chair, excellent condition, \$100 or BO, Elaine, 653-9144

Commode chair, portable, \$20, Vanessa, 655-9840

Commode/shower PVC chair, like new, \$450, Anita, 284-3681

Compression boots, size large, excellent condition, BO, orig \$6,000, Pat, 322-4115

High back toilet support, Columbia Medical, 14.5" wide, 18-24" height, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Hospital bed, motorized, extra long mattress, 4 yrs old, free, Anne, 478-8583

Hospital bed, w/ pressure relief mattress, used 2 mos, \$850 or BO, Virginia, 337-3555

Hospital bed, Invacare, electric, \$500, Richard, 239-4243

Hoyer lift, large netted sling, intended for use in shower as well as transferring, never used, \$100 or BO, Jamie, 678-4807

Hydraulic bathtub lift, Hoyer, \$300, Debbie, 366-1010

IV pole, \$10, Tim or Sheila, 697-8404

Knee immobilizer, pediatric, small and large (2 pair), BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Lift, Chiltern, ceiling mounted, remote control, extra seats, will include manual wheelchair for free, BO, Nenette, 328-0817

Nebulizer, excellent condition, \$75, Tom, 429-0502

Orthopedic shoes, European, pediatric, U.S. size 7-8, BO, Jenny, 631-6813

Outdoor patio chair w/ wheels, seat and back are nylon mesh netting, \$25, Tim or Sheila, 697-8404

Pediatric potty chair, Rifton, w/ arms, adj floor to seat bottom height (8.25-12.5") and adj seat back depth, foot rest straps, drop-in front splash guard, lateral support pads, and tray, collection container slides out for cleaning, excellent condition, \$100 or BO, Leanna, 836-0866

Right shoes, Reebok/Dexter/Cabin Creek, size 8, assorted dress shoes size 8, never used, free, Dorothy, 730-1794

2 shower chairs, one w/ and one w/ out a back, backless chair was used twice, excellent condition, BO, Terri, 570-588-0262

Shower seat, excellent condition, free, Joan, 475-2312

Shower chair, transfer bath chair, handles, excellent condition, \$50 or BO, Elaine, 653-9144

Tub/shower chair, Slider, has back, arms, wheels, 3 pieces, no transferring necessary, white PVC pipe, blue mesh seat and back, excellent condition, \$450 or BO, orig \$1,200, Sheila, 697-8404

Recreation

A.P.T. active/passive trainer, great exercise or rehab machine for person w/ MS, helps with spasticity and prevention of atrophy, \$1,600, Lori, 290-0246

Scooters

3-wheel scooter with carrier and hitch, Victory Pride, red, all less than 6 mos old, rated for 350 lbs, never used, \$2,500 or BO, John , 539-7179

Electric scooter, Rascal, \$850, Al, 945-4743

Electric scooter, REVO, 3-wheel, standard size, battery, charger, \$2,000, orig \$8,000, Doris, 652-3995

Scooter, Rascal R235, 3-wheel, please contact between 9am-1pm, very good condition, \$2,100, Donna, 475-3549

Scooter, Invacare, fully charged battery, very good condition, BO, Richard, 652-5489

Scooter, Jet III Ultra, 4-wheel, used 6 wks, excellent condition, \$1,995 or BO, orig \$6,000, Joseph R., 645-4915

Scooter, Pride Jet 7, 4-wheel, easy to disassemble for transporting, brand new, BO, \$1,500 or BO, Moreen, 378-8388

Scooter, Pride Sidekick, 3-wheel, swivel seat, rated for 250 lbs, battery and charger, \$1,200 or BO, Carol, 378-0758

Scooter, Pride Celebrity XL, 4-wheel, front and rear baskets, brand new batteries, excellent condition, \$2,000, Rita, 737-4386

Scooter, Pride Sidekick, 3-wheel, w/ crutch/cane holder, excellent condition, \$1,000, Rita, 737-4386

Scooter, Pride Celebrity, 3-wheel, head and tail lights, turn signals, built in battery charger, \$1,300, Steven, 292-0508

Scooter, Lark, 3-wheel, needs batteries, has battery charger, \$600, Shelley, 645-8306

Scooter, Shoprider, Curb Skipper, 2 yrs old, \$1,000 or BO, Larry, 224-3662

Vehicles/Accessories

Curbside scooter lift, Bruno VSL600, rated for 200 lbs, very good condition, \$650, Joann, 422-7418

Scooter/wheelchair lift, Bruno, lifts and swings chair into vehicle, rated for 300 lbs, may need new motor brushes, very good condition, \$500 or BO, Leanna, 836-0866

Lift, Ricon S1132, side lift for van, excellent condition, \$2,500 or BO, Nelson, 349-5714

Lift, hitches to back of car, \$300, Lee, 234-7519

Lift, Braun 401 U, for conversion van, installs at back or side door, like new, \$750 or BO, Jim, 994-1458

Wheelchair lift, Braun, for full size van w/ raised door or full cutout door, pick up only, will not deliver, never used, free, Lynne, 697-2507

2002 Dodge Grand Caravan, 46K miles, automatic side ramp, \$24,599 or BO, Marion, 947-0584

Accessible van, 2004 Windstar, garage kept, 38K miles, IMS remote ramp, hydraulics, very good condition, \$26,000, Bonnie, 836-5892

Ford minivan with lowered floor and ramp, 1995, needs new transmission, muffler needs work to pass inspection, door and ramp are manually working, have all parts to the door to fix it, 80K miles, free, Elizabeth, 731-4251

Van, Chevrolet, 1997, Crow River lift, raised top, rear electric bench seat/bed, less than 19K miles, excellent condition, \$15,000, Eleanor, 453-1404

Van, 1994 Dodge Caravan SE, automated Ricon ramp and removable driver's seat, just under 38K miles, new paint and tune up in 2003, new air bags to raise and lower van and ramp in 2004, excellent condition, \$15,000 or BO, Julie, 475-3615

Van, Ford E150, 1994, red, 97K miles, lift, lock down device, hand controls, does not start, no tags, damaged condition, BO, Philis, 325-9910

Van, Ford Econoline Club Wagon, 1996, 93K miles, rear loading lift, left hand controls, bench seats available for reinstallation, handicapped license tags, BO, Evalyn, 629-9002

Vision

CCTV, See-More, 25" monitor, color and B&W, \$1,300, Joanne, 678-3453

Power Braille displays (2), BO, Terry, 994-7984

Telesensory 20" monitor, Panasonic VM600, \$1,000, Andrea, 610-459-4349

Vocational Management

Plastic indexed sorter, free, Sandy , 856-7946

Wheelchairs/Accessories

Daessy assessment tray and mounting kit, Daedalus Technologies, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Elevating bracket assembly for 1/2 lapboard, very good condition, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Trifold ramp, 6', never used, \$1,000 or BO, Earline, 777-3201/leave a message

Wheelchair cushion, J. T. Posey, blue w/ gray belting, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair elevating arm tray kit, fits on right or left side, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair positioning safety support, Tumble Form, orange, 20x6", free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair positioning support aid, ties down, blue, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair pushing cuffs, pediatric, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair pushing cuffs, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair tray, clear, left side, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Wheelchair tray, clear, right side, free, Sandy, 856-7946

Manual wheelchair, Invacare XT9000, 18", black, lightweight, w/ leg extensions, very good condition, \$300, Cindy, 475-2904

Manual wheelchair, Tracer, adult, standard, not lightweight, \$200, Carolyn, 369-9372

Manual wheelchair, Invacare Action, adult, tilts, ventilator tray, head rest, cushions, never used, \$300, Angela, 834-9374

Manual wheelchair, Zippie, black seat, dark green frame, communication tray, \$200 or BO, Jone, 376-5637

Wheelchair, Invacare Solo, head rest, arm to hold head upright (removable), swing away foot rest with velcro strap, gel cushioned seat, wood tray with belt, seatbelt, pouch on back of chair, free, Anne J, 284-0181

Power wheelchair, Jazzy, x-large, \$2,500 or BO, Mara, 227-5848

Power wheelchair, free, Cathy, 328-2872

Power wheelchair, Jazzy 1122, extra wide, excellent condition, \$5,000 or BO, Nelson, 349-5714

Power wheelchair, Hoveround, rated for 350-450 lbs, hand control is off track, 25 miles on a charge, free, orig \$8,562, Sharon, 875-9313

Power wheelchair, Jet 7, adj speed, on-board battery charger, never used, BO, Seymour, 652-6818

Power wheelchair, Invacare, 5 yrs old, needs new batteries and clean up, armrest, front small tires, can deliver to New Castle county only, damaged condition, free, Carol, 994-6908

Power wheelchair, Jet III, never used, \$2,800 or BO, Millicent, 836-4666

Power wheelchair, Challenger 1500, never used, \$2,500, Sonja, 856-1081

Power wheelchair, Jet 1, Pride Mobility, joystick and small turning radius, rated for 350 lbs, never used, \$2,400 or BO, John, 539-7179

Power wheelchair, Invacare, power base, labec recline, needs joystick and minor repair, runs well, 20" seat., \$500 or BO, Jamie, 678-4807

Power wheelchair, Bruno, tan cloth seat, black vinyl armrests, includes 10-12' track, powerback battery charger, excellent condition, BO, Jonathan, 395-9976

Power wheelchair, Pacesaver Scout, very good condition, \$800 or BO, Len, 655-3015

Power wheelchair, Jazzy 1143, brand new, black chair w/ black base, controller, batteries, onboard charger, foot pad, will deliver in DE and other nearby places, excellent condition, \$3,000 or BO, James, 831-8615

Power wheelchair, Pronto M71, delivered new on 12/19/03, excellent condition, \$5,000, Fred, 410-334-3777

Power wheelchair, Jet III, used once, fully equipped, \$3,000 or BO, Earline, 777-3201/leave a message

Power wheelchair, Quickie, adult, extra battery, supportive cushion for prevention of skin breakdown, \$1,200, Genevieve, 999-9563

Power wheelchair, Jet, adult, solid wheels, for indoor use, turns on a dime, 2 yrs old, excellent condition, \$1,650, Lee, 234-7519

Power wheelchair, Pronto M71, adult, blue bottom, joystick on left (can switch to right), \$3,000, Christopher, 284-9393 (let phone ring)

Power wheelchair, Ranger II, adult, never used, needs batteries, \$700, Don, 410-723-5272

Power wheelchair, Jay, adult, 6 yrs old, right hand joystick control, 2 gel cell batteries, \$1,000 or BO, Deb, 934-9801

Power wheelchair, Action Ranger 9000, adult, standard, right hand controls, 4 yrs old, air cushion, chest strap, seat belt, back tires have air w/ inner tubes, extra tubes, new batteries, \$1,500, Robert, 266-0994 or 438-1032

Power wheelchair, Jazzy 1116, free, Beth, 225-1451

Power wheelchair, Jazzy 1133, \$2,500 or BO, Beth, 225-1451

Items Being Sought

Adapted van, for passenger, prefer full-size van, will entertain any van at a reasonable price, JP, 856-935-6652

Adult transfer belt, large w/ loops, Brian, 628-7833

AlphaSmart 2000, would like 1 or 2, Denise, 571-0230

Cane, w/ fold down seat, Frank, 856-2838

Computer, Miltrez, 328-6240

Computer, Susan, 645-2969

Dynabeam, for use w/ a series 3100 Dynamyte, Karen, 672-7028

Gait trainer, Rifton pediatric, small 17.25-26", Amy, 424-1770

Hand-held nebulizer, Sonja, 856-1081

Hospital bed, free, Christine, 349-4681

Hospital table, Ruth, 422-5294

Hospital table, Linda, 994-3788

Hospital table, Sonja, 856-1081

Knee immobilizer, pediatric, Stephanie, 654-5244

Lift, easy pivot, Sally or Julie, 855-9815

Lift chair, wide, Ronald or Wilma, 698-1233

Light weight wheelchair, under 20 lbs, folding, Raymond, 475-6559

Manual wheelchair, Myla, 326-1674

Pediatric gurney, for use in the shower, reasonable price, Suzanne, 633-0234

Pediatric stroller, for 5 yr old, Trisha, 723-1279

Perkins Braille writer, reasonable price, Joanne, 678-3453

Recliner, assist person w/ disability to standing position, Miltrez, 328-6240

Rifton pediatric gait trainer, small 17.5-26", Stacey, 651-6019

Scale, talking scale for weighing person, willing to pay reasonable price, Verita, 674-5949

Shower chair, Samantha, 349-5018

Shower chair, w/ back and wheels, Jennifer, 367-5690

Stroller, umbrella-style for use w/ 14 yr old, Heather, 420-9980

Stroller, rated for 150 lbs, Bonnie, 644-7235

TTD w/ built in answering machine, Brenda, 529-5858

Tricycle, for 11 yr old, Rifton Rustler or equivalent, Carl, 477-1709

Toilet seat, elevated, Samantha, 349-5018

Vail bed, Karen, 996-0750

Walker, reciprocal walker, reasonable price, Dora, 798-1650

Walker, w/ seat, Mamie, 322-8112

Wheelchair lift for van, Leonard, 933-0122

Wheelchair lift, to attach to back of car, John, 684-2642

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