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How cold was It? It was so cold a pedestrian's breath looked like steam at 12th and Arch Streets on Sunday. Overnight temperatures were expected to fall near zero. The outlook for the week remains chilly with the threat of snow Monday night. Story and more photos, B1. MICHAEL BRYANT / Staff Photographer

PRESIDENTS' DAY

Washington scholar cannot tell a lie

By Jeff Gammage INQUIRER STAFF WRITER

La Salle University scholar Stuart Leibiger found his way to Washington — the president, not the state — through a series of excursions.

As a boy, he immersed himself in Lincoln, visiting presidential sites during a family trip through Illinois. He detoured into Civil War history in high school, met up with Madison and Jefferson while an undergraduate at the University of Virginia.

Not until he was earning his

doctorate at the University of North Carolina in the 1990s did he fully arrive at his destination, immersing himself in the public and private lives of the nation's first president.

On Sunday — Washington's birthday — Leibiger is to receive a seminal honor, when he will be presented with the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association Award in Alexandria, Va. The award recognizes lifetime achievement and is giv-

en annually to someone whose See LEIBIGER on A13



Stuart Leibiger, a La Salle University scholar, will receive a lifetime achievement award for perpetuating Washington's memory and virtue.

CHARLES FOX / Staff Photographer

attack

The weekend of terror in Copenhagen had echoes of last month's assaults in Paris.

By Griff Witte and Karla Adam WASHINGTON POST

COPENHAGEN, Denmark The targets were eerily familiar: a cartoonist, police officers, and Jews.

The manhunt, too, had echoes: a European capital on virtual lockdown as police searched block by block, with helicopters sweeping the skies.

And after the suspect had been shot to death on a Copenhagen street, the profile that emerged was remarkably similar: a habitual criminal who, after serving time in prison, emerged as an ideologically motivated killer.

A month after homegrown terrorists traumatized France, a 22-year-old who was born and raised in Denmark tormented this nation for 12 hours over a murderous weekend that left many in this normally placid country wondering whether Europe has entered a new normal of unending fear.

Before a predawn shoot-out with police ended his spree, the assailant left two people dead and five police officers wounded, having attacked a cafe hosting a debate focused on free speech and a synagogue where a bat mitzvah was underway. In each case, a heavy security presence likely prevented the attack from

becoming a massacre.

The parallels between last month's attacks and the ones here focused investigators' atten-

tion on the possibility that the See DENMARK on A14

NETANYAHU'S CALL TO JEWS

"Jews deserve protection in every country but we say to Jews, to our brothers and sisters: Israel is your home. We are preparing and calling for the absorption of mass immigration from Europe.

Story, A14

For-profit donation bins draw complaints

Viltex USA containers, found mostly in front of vacant lots in poor areas, can be difficult to remove.

By Tricia L. Nadolny

blue letters was this message:

up, and clothing - along with a mattress, a broken television, and an empty bottle of brandy littered the sidewalk. He went to the police station.

500 feet from there. And a halfdozen more along nearby Broad

All have appeared within the last six months.



Shelly Fisher's new line of LED gear was inspired by a trip to Asia, where her medical ID bracelets are made. Emily Cohen Photography

Small Business: Fashionable medical ID bracelets led to a line of wearable LED safety gear for after dark.

Lightbulb Moment

hree years ago, Shelly Fisher's medical-identification-bracelets company in West Conshohocken, Hope Paige Designs L.L.C., had just started to hit its stride.

Her goal — to create jewelry designed not only to potentially save lives but to be fashionable, thus more likely to be worn — had been realized. The market was responding with back-toback years of doubling sales.

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And then, about a year later, a ngm went on lor Fisher. A light-emitting diode, or LED, to be precise. It would be the catalyst for a new company, 4id L.L.C., and a new product line of LED-enhanced safety items—lighted adjustable bands, shoeledes are bade and cline for more es, ear buds, and clips for run-ners, walkers, bikers, skiers, campers, pets — that generated \$500,000 in sales in 2014, its first

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year. Fisher expects revenue to top \$1 million a year from now. "That's pretty good for not being in business two years," she said. Not that Fisher intends to settle for that. Her companies — with a

combined workforce of 20 employees sharing third-floor offices in Tower One of the Tower Bridge complex — likely will double in size before too long, Fisher said.

That's partly because she and her crew are already working on yet another iteration of safety-oriented products — with Bluetooth technology.

The ability to pivot in response to changing market conditions is a necessary entrepreneurial skill,

But for Fisher, 57, of Villanova, her persistent



are 9-inch-long

LEDs to make

hikers, skiers,

dog walkers,

and others more visible

bikers, joggers,

strips with

search for the next product derives largely from a personal restlessness.

"These kinds of maneuvers keep the energy of your company going," she said. "It's exciting just trying something different."

The latest something different goes by names Power Wrapz, Power Armz, Power Lacez, Power Spurz, Power Stepz, and Power Budz.

They are for sale at national retailers including.

Urban Outfitters, T.J. Maxx, and Kmart, as well as at www.4id.com. They are priced primarily from \$15 to \$25, and most run on replaceable batteries with lights lasting 70 to 100 hours, depending on whether they are on steady or flashing.

For Fisher, the inspiration was a trip to Asia, See FISHER on C3



Q&A with Bill Stephenson, CEO of DLL Group, about leasing as a solution to limiting waste.

PHILLY DEALS

Corporate help for Catholic schools

In 2012, Philadelphia Archbishop Charles J. Chaput rescinded the threatened closing of four Catholic high schools after a group of developers, executives, and foundations promised to raise money and take a more active role supporting them.
On behalf of those schools, a

private group that helps families pay tuition has more than tripled its yearly scholarship grants through Pennsylvania's Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program and related credits.

The credits allow companies to redirect part of taxes to private, independent, and parochial schools so they can provide



tuition assistance to any student who applies, until the

money runs out.

Business Leaders Organized for Catholic Schools started as an archdiocese-controlled, layand ecumenically led, corporate-backed effort in 1980. After separating from the archdiocese in 2010, BLOCS raised an average of \$3 million a year in each of the next three years through corporate grants of the state tax credits. In 2012-13, the total more than doubled, to \$7.7 million. It reached \$10.1 million the next year, and the group is on track to raise \$15 million or more this year, says executive chairman Bill O'Brien.

O'Brien says the increase is a result not of a rise in state tax breaks, but of "a better-educated business community" that has increasingly signed up for the program. The money has been collected through more than 100 employers, listed at http://IAmABLOCSscholar.org/d

Some large Pennsylvania companies are on the list, such as Aramark, Peco, PNC, and Beneficial Bank. Many are See PHILLY DEALS on C3

Lazarus Krikorlan, officer, sold 18,000 shares at \$96.03 on Feb. 10, and now directly holds 8,412

Securities trades recently reported to the Securities and Exchange Commission by officers, directors and principal shareholders of corporations based or having sizable employment in the Philadelphia area. Titles are no expended to area. Titles are as reported to the SEC.

Airgas Inc.

homas M. Smyth, officer, sold ,200 shares at \$115.39 on Feb. , and now directly holds 4,173

Air Products & Chemicals Inc.

John D. Stanley, general counsel, sold 2,756 shares at \$151.27 on Feb. 6, and now directly holds 19,173 shares.

Amerisourcebergen Corp.

John G. Chou, officer, sold 21,460 shares at \$97.70 on Feb. 6, and now directly holds 37,490 shares.

Steven H. Collis, chief executive officer, sold 145,622 shares at \$96.01 on Feb. 4; the holdings were not reported.

Boeing Co.

Thomas J. Downey, officer, sold 18,332 shares at \$147.54 on Feb 3, and now directly holds 68,774 shares.

Shephard W. Hill, officer, sold 39,804 shares at \$143.59 to \$146.26 Feb. 2 to Feb. 3, and now directly holds 68,588 shares. Timothy John Keating, officer, sold 46,908 shares at \$147.63 on Feb. 3, and now directly holds 87,583 shares.

87,885 snares. Milched J. Luttlg, general counsel, sold 18,637 shares at \$147.37 on Feb. 3; the holdings were not reported.

Dennis A. Mullenburg, president, sold 27,998 shares at \$144.38 on Feb. 2, and now directly holds 127,042 shares.

Brandywine Realty Trust

Anthony A. Nichols Sr., director, sold 10,000 shares at \$16.50 on Feb. 9; the holdings were not reported

Buckeye Partners L.P.

INSIDER TRANSACTIONS

Robert A. Malecky, officer, sold 6,600 shares at \$76.50 to \$76.68 on Feb. 9, and now directly holds 62,551 shares.

Todd J. Russo, general counsel, sold 2,700 shares at \$76.27 on Feb. 9, and now directly holds 7,646 shares.

CSS industries inc.

Christopher J. Munyan, chief executive officer, sold 4,000 shares at \$27.71 to \$28.50 Jan. 29 to Feb. 3, and now directly holds 55,862 shares.

Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment Inc.

Henry B. Tipple, director and beneficial owner, bought 281,000 shares at 0.96 to \$1.03 Feb. 2 to Feb. 9, and now directly holds 481,000 shares.

DuPont & Co.

James C. Collins, officer, sold 600 shares at \$71.15 on Feb. 2, and now directly holds 91,158 shares.

Epam Systems Inc.

Anthony J. Conte, chief financial officer, sold 5,250 shares at \$48.39 to \$50.00 Jan. 30 to Feb. 2, and now directly holds 4,000 shares.

Karl Robb, officer and director, sold 1,500 shares at \$52.03 on Feb. 6, and now directly holds 55,200 shares.

Fuiton Financial Corp.

George W. Hodges, director, bought 5,630 shares at \$11.85 on Feb. 9, and now indirectly holds 40,489 shares.

Philmer H. Rohrbaugh, officer, bought 13,000 shares at \$11.73 on Feb. 5, and now indirectly holds 35,022 shares.

Incyte Corp.

Richard S. Levy, officer, sold 25,000 shares at \$75.11 on Feb. 6, and now directly holds 18,205

Knoll Inc.

Andrew B. Cogan, chief executive officer, sold 75,196

shares at \$21.09 on Feb. 10, and now directly holds 706,743 shares.

Kulicke & Soffa Industries Inc.

Jonathan H. Chou, chief financial officer, sold 36,639 shares at \$15.00 to \$15.64 Jan. 28 to Feb. 2, and now directly holds 116,365 shares.

Garrett E. Pierce, director, sold 20,000 shares at \$15.35 to \$15.77 Jan. 30 to Feb. 2, and now directly holds 101,746

Lockheed Martin Corp.

David B. Burritt, director, sold 3,940 shares at \$192.43 to \$192.50 on Feb. 4, and now directly holds 8,162 shares.

Brian P. Colan, officer, sold 1,391 shares at \$195.76 on Feb. 6; the holdings were not reported.

Richard H. Edwards, officer, sold 9,499 shares at \$192.99 on Feb. 5, and now directly holds 5,780

Merck & Co. Inc.

Wille A. Deese, officer, sold 135,864 shares at \$58.56 on Feb. 11, and now directly holds 106,925 shares.

Peter C. Wendell, director, sold 5,000 shares at \$58.76 on Feb. 9, and now directly holds 1,000

PNC Financial Services Group Inc.

Joseph C. Guyaux, officer, sold 15,329 shares at \$87.72 on Feb. 4, and now directly holds 44,927 shares.

Lorene K. Steffes, director, sold 1,000 shares at \$87.77 on Feb. 4, and now directly holds 2,041

PPL Corp.

Robert D. Gabbard, officer, sold 184,460 shares at \$36.00 on Feb. 3; the holdings were not reported.

Vishay Intertechnology Inc.

Marc Zandman, officer and director, sold 20,999 shares at \$13.43 on Feb. 10, and now directly holds 44,155 shares.

Fisher

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where her medical-identification bracelets are made. There, she noticed people wearing LED safety prod-

"I just thought it was kind of fun," Fisher said. "I thought we could do a lot with this."

The first of the 4id line launched early last year at trade shows.

The Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas was where Ryan DeChance, discovery manager at the shopping website www.thegrommet.com first saw 4id products and decided he had to carry them.

There are lots of differ-

ent companies trying to do something related to bike safety or walking or run-ning at night," DeChance said. "4id was a very elegant, simple solution that ... was easy to under-stand." Sales of 4id products through thegrommet.com have reached \$60,000 since their debut in April 2014, DeChance said.

Before Shelly Hope Fisher founded Hope Paige in December 2003 with friend Lisa Paige Hobyak, she owned a gym on the Main Line, first known as the Exercise Center and later as the Fitness Facto-

ry.
Though she left that

business behind, she does not plan to do the same with the medical-identification-bracelet company, even though chances are good 4id will outperform it given the popularity of lighted products — from wearable technology to the electronic dance-music scene.

Yet change is almost certainly in Hope Paige's fu-ture, said Fisher, who was not willing to disclose revenue but who added the "market has kind of lev-eled off."

"In the next two years, I would think the chances are good it will develop into a foundation-based company where its sole purpose will be to make charitable gifts," Fisher said.

That would fulfill what

had been the original plan for the company, she said, when it was inspired by Hobyak's breast cancer survivor mother and a teenage daughter of an official from the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation with type 1 diabetes.

Charitable work has been a big component of its mission.

Fun is the more prevail-ing component of 4id, said

a grateful Fisher.
"I kind of feel like I'm a world mother -- whoever wears these things you worry about," she said of the medical-identification bracelets.

Glowing bands for the after-dark active set, she said, "is a little more play-

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criminals impersonating IRS agents remain a threat to taxpayers. The IRS has seen a surge of these phone scams in recent months, which threaten police arrest, deportation, tax liens, and license revocation.

Phishing: Also known as fake e-mails or websites looking to steal personal information. The IRS will not send you an e-mail about a bill or refund. Don't click on an e-mail claiming to be from the IRS. It's likely a scam to steal your personal information.

Identity theft: Be espe-

cially on guard for identity theft around tax time. Criminals love to file fraudulent returns using someone else's Social Security number. It's gotten so bad even TurboTax had to halt some state tax filings

pant fraud.

If you're a target, call the IRS at 800-829-1040. If you don't owe taxes or have no reason to believe you do, report the incident to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484 or online

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(www.tigta.gov). Also, notify the Federal Trade Commission at www.consumer.gov/idtheft or call 877-438-4338.

If you think you're a victim of identity theft affecting a Pennsylvania tax return, report it to:

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Philly Deals

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Contributions in 2014 allowed BLOCS to aid 5,500 students, at an average of nearly \$2,000 per student, up from 3,100 grants the year before. The group still

had to turn away more than 8,000 applicants, O'Brien said.

"We expect donations to increase this year and next thanks to increased interest by business owners in the tax-credit programs, as well as continued support from the Pennsylvania

legislature," he said.

Separately, state House Speaker Mike Turzai (R., Allegheny) and some other legislative leaders are pushing for an increase in the statewide ceiling for the tax-credit program, currently \$150 million to \$250 million a

Why should anyone who is not Catholic, or a supporter of independent schools, want to see

more state taxes turned into tuition grants?

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child to the local taxpayer-funded public or charter school, the program pays for itself. Each student who stays in private or parochial school saves Pennsylvania taxpayers on average more than \$13,000 per child.

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