

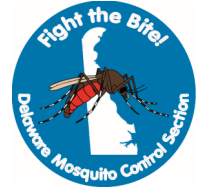


The New Castle Crier

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**Fight
the
Bite!**



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City News

**The next Regular
City Council meeting
is 7 p.m.,
Tues., Aug 8th at
Town Hall

**City tax bills have been
mailed out.**

**A 2% discount is
available if payment is
received by Aug. 31st.
During the month of
September, the base
tax amount is due.**

**A 6% penalty is
assessed on unpaid
taxes as of October
2nd, with an additional
1.5% per month
accrued on all unpaid
taxes. If you have
questions, please call
302-322-9804**



City Council to Appoint Mayor to Fill Vacancy

The City of New
Castle is sad to
announce that our

beloved Mayor, Don Reese, has
resigned from office. Don has been
dedicated to the City of New Castle
for many years, has accomplished
many things, and will be sorely
missed.

Per the City Charter, it is the duty of
the City Council to appoint someone
to fill the Mayor's position to serve
until the next City election,
scheduled for April, 2019. The City
Charter requires that qualified
candidates must: (1) be a citizen of
the State of Delaware, (2) be a
resident of the City of New Castle;
(3) have resided in the City for two
years before the appointment, and

(4) at the time of the appointment be
a qualified voter of the City.

Anyone who is interested in being
considered for the appointment to
the position of Mayor to serve the
remainder of Mayor Reese's term
which expires in April, 2019, may
register their candidacy at the City
office, located at 220 Delaware St., or
contact a Councilperson directly.
Council will consider nominations
and may vote on same at the Aug. 8th
meeting.

Anyone with questions on this
matter should contact Bill Barthel,
City Administrator, at 302.322.9812.



Summer Lunch

**New Castle Public Library
is offering free lunch to
children ages 5-17 through the
Summer Food Service Program.
Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:00 p.m.
June 20th - August 11th**

July/August Events

Saturday, July 22nd, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Bellanca Open House

Bellanca Airfield and Delaware Aviation Hall of
Fame Museum. Free admission.

Wednesday, July 26th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Summer Concerts and Dinner in the Park!

Chapel Street Junction - Bluegrass, Irish Folk and
Americana music.

Tuesday, August 1st, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

National Night Out Community Block Party in
Battery Park; see info on back of newsletter.

Wednesday, August 2nd, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Summer Concerts and Dinner in the Park!

Club Phred - award winning classic rock band!

Friday, August 4th, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday Art Loop. Sip and snack and enjoy
special events in New Castle's Downtown District.

Wednesday, August 9th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Summer Concerts and Dinner in the Park!

Jibaro con Tumbao Miami/Cuban style band

Saturday, August 12th, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Bellanca Open House

Bellanca Airfield and Delaware Aviation Hall of
Fame Museum. Free admission.

Saturday, August 26th, 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

510 Delaware St. Parking Lot New Castle UMC
Parking lot/community yard sale. Call 593-2018

Sunday, August 27th, 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Annual Antique Show in Battery Park

Sponsored by the New Castle Visitor's Bureau.

New Castle – The First Capital of the First State!

The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!

**National Night Out:
Red, White and Drug Free!
When neighbors know each other,
neighborhoods are safer.**



The City of New Castle is partnering with our City public safety agencies to host a community

event in coordination with National Night Out.

The free festival is set for 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 1st in Battery Park. The New Castle City Police Department and Good Will Fire Department will both be on hand with lots of exciting demonstrations. Local churches and non-profit groups will also be on hand to help out with the fun. Come out for hot dogs, popcorn and plenty of fun and games.

Events will include music by American Pie Entertainment, games and safety demonstrations;

child ID kits will be given away. The theme of this year's event will be "Red, White and Drug Free."

National Night Out brings community leaders and residents together with our local public safety entities so they can work together to stomp out crime in our city.

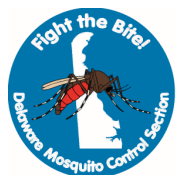
This will be the first year the City will participate in this event, which coincides with a nationwide effort that began in 1981 and now involves more than 16,000 communities. National Night Out is intended to promote crime prevention and foster ties between law enforcement and community members.

There is still time for your neighborhood or social group to participate; please contact Councilperson Valarie Leary at VLeary@newcastlecity.com or Detective Tina Shughart at tina.shughart@cj.state.de.us.



Delaware Greenways is excited to announce the hiring of a manager for Historic

Penn Farm. Fresh from the Longwood Program at the University of Delaware, Erin Kinley is a jack-of-all-trades horticulturist with experiences ranging from specialty crop production and plant biology, to public garden leadership and food education. With Erin's management, Delaware Greenways will continue to care for the property, and further develop its connections to the community.



Fight the Bite!

Because of a milder than normal winter, experts say mosquitoes are especially bad this summer.

The City of New Castle is cooperating with the State of Delaware Division of

Fish & Wildlife to maximize mosquito control in the area in an effort to combat mosquito borne diseases.

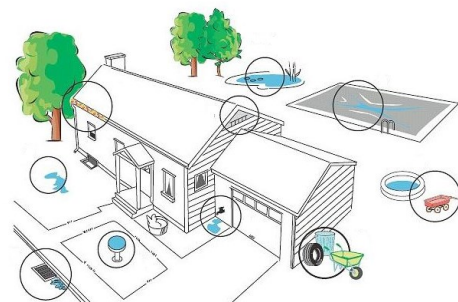
The City will aggressively enforce City health codes that require the elimination of standing water.

Please check your property for areas where mosquitos may breed.

- Stagnant water in birdbaths should be changed every other day.
- Keep gutters and storm drains clear.
- Low-lying depressions in lawn where water can collect should be filled in.
- Clean roof gutters to ensure proper water drainage.
- Consider stocking ponds with fish.
- Pool & boat covers can collect water and should be emptied right away. Wading pools need to also

be turned over when they are not in use.

- Toys and other objects around the yard should be stored in an area where they won't collect rainwater.
- Mosquitoes are often attracted to containers of standing water in wheelbarrows or tires that are left outside.



Protect yourself... Remember to protect yourself from mosquito bites by avoiding outdoor activities during peak mosquito times (dusk to dawn), and by wearing long sleeves and long pants, and/or properly using mosquito repellent. More information and tips are available on our website at newcastlecity.delaware.gov.