New Castle Crier

The Official Newsletter **Of New Castle City**

Volume 8, Issue 3* New Castle, DE * March 2014

Shake your Cabin Fever and Get a Jump on Spring with some Outdoor Activities.

The Inaugural Attack Addiction 5K will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2014! Join them at St. Peters Parking lot for a 5k course that will take runners and walkers through historic Old New Castle.

Race Time 8:00am- Registration opens 9:00am- Race start

Entry Info Register online at www.races2run.com/events/attackkaddiction-5k/ Entry fee- \$20 pre-registration (until the Thursday before the race at Noon) \$25 after and day of event

Delaware Greenways invites everyone to get outside, and will host the "See You Outside" Kickoff Party March 20th. The Second Annual "See You Outside Chal-



lenge" will begin next month - celebrate by attending the See You Outside Kickoff Party at the Delaware Museum of Natural History on Thursday, March 20th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Enjoy food, music, refreshments, and a preview of outdoor activities, community festivals, concerts, and special events throughout the First State. Tickets are only \$15 and can be purchased at the door or online at www.syodelaware.org/

Delaware Greenways is also reminding us that the Growing Season at Historic Penn Farm is upon us. Several projects will be starting in the upcoming months followed by plenty of opportunity for YOU to get your hands dirty and become a part of rebuilding the farm! One of the biggest issues is controlling the water flow on the property and starting this Spring, they will be restoring a few of the hedgerows. With the help of the Forestry Service and plenty of volunteers, they will be manually removing several invasive plant species as well as replacing vegetation with beneficial, native plant species to help absorb water and increase the diversity of native flora and fauna on the farm. Check out more activities at www.syodelaware.org.

Save on Your City Taxes

Applications for the Over 65 or Disability Tax exemption are accepted through June 16th.



To make an appointment at the convenience of the taxpaver, contact Finance Director Marian Delaney, at 322-9811.

The Exemption is available to seniors and persons with disabilities with income of \$15,000 for a single and \$30,000 for a married couple. Social Security income is not counted towards this total.

The next Regular **City Council** meeting is 7 p.m., Tues., March 11th at Town Hall

February & March Citywide Events

Saturday, March 1st - I augural Attack Addiction 5K Run/Walk. 8:00 a.m. Registration 9:00 a.m. Race Starts at Saint Peter's Church - 521 Harmony Street Pre-Registration \$20 Day of \$25

For more information go to: www.attackaddiction.com/5k

Saturday, March 1st - 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. A Night at "Scully's Irish Pub"

New Castle Historical Society will host their annual Winter Fundraiser event, A Night at Scully's Irish Pub, at historic Buena Vista in New Castle

For more information and to purchase tickets visit the New Castle Historical Society's website at

www.newcastlehistory.org or call 302-322-2794. All proceeds help support the New Castle Historical Society.

Wednesday, March 5th, 7 p.m.

Winterv Wednesdays Lecture Series. Join the New Castle Historical Society at the New Castle Court House Museum. Justin Carisio will discuss Henry Gawthrop of the 4th Delaware - a Quaker officer during the Civil War. Free to NCHS members / \$5 for non-members

Saturday, March 8th, from 7 –11 p.m. *St. Paddy's Irish Night* New Castle Senior Center Fund Raiser. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door the evening of the celebration. More Information on back.

Saturday, March 29th, from 8-11 a.m. New Castle Lions Club Pancake Breakfast and **Bake Sale.** New Castle United Methodist Church 510 Delaware Street. 6.00 adults 3.00 Children (Under 12.)

New Castle – The First Capital City!

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

New Castle Sailing Club Join Now for 2014 Sailing Season

Are you interested in learning to sail or taking up the sport again? The New Castle Sailing Club is currently seeking new members. No experience or boat is necessary. The Club owns a fleet of sailboats that are moored in the Delaware River off Battery Park from May to October. Cooperative ownership offers members the advantage of unlimited opportunities to sail without the high costs and time-consuming work associated with individual boat ownership.



Sailing instruction is free to Club members. Classroom work begins on Saturday mornings in mid-February with on-the-water instruction starting in early May. If you've seen the boats off Battery Park and would like to join the fun, now's the time! For more information go to: newcastlesailingclub.org or email us at membership@newcastlesailingclub.org.

Code Enforcement Corner

City Code Enforcement helps to maintain and improve the quality of life of New Castle City residents by administering an unbiased enforcement program to correct violations of City zoning, property maintenance and building codes;

Complaint forms are available at the City Offices or on the City Web site at newcastlecity.delaware.gov. Complaints are handled on a confidential basis; however, if feedback and/or updates are requested, name, address and phone number need to be provided with the complaint. **This Months Reminders:**

§ 166-4. Noises prohibited.

A. General prohibitions. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to make, permit, continue, or cause to be made, or to create a noise disturbance within the limits of the City of New Castle, except as provided in this chapter. Any owner of premises within the limits of the City of New Castle that such owner does not occupy will be presumed to permit a noise disturbance to occur after receiving an order in accordance with § 166-3, Subsection B. (5) herein. Enforcement of noise violations under this section need not require the use of a sound level meter, unless otherwise specifically stated.

(4) Any person or persons charged with a violation of this chapter for the first offense shall be subject to a fine

Second Annual Irish Night Fundraiser To Benefit New Castle Senior Center



This year's popular St. Paddy's Irish Night will be held Saturday, March 8, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the New Castle Senior Center. The evening will once again feature traditional music by the acclaimed Irish music group **Seven Rings**, featuring Old New Castle's

Mike and Tracey Connelly, and dance performances from award-winning New Castle County Irish dancers.

There will be a cash bar and guests are welcome to bring their own foods. Join your friends and neighbors for this special evening, take a chance to win a hamper of Irish goods and enjoy a table of complimentary Irish teas and treats! Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door the evening of the celebration. Visit the Senior Center at 400 South Street or call 326-4209 for reservations.



of at least \$100 and not to exceed \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both fine and imprisonment. For each subsequent offense such person shall be subject to a fine of at least \$250 and not to exceed \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

B. Specific prohibitions. The following are specific prohibitions:

(7)Construction noise. Operating or causing to be operated any equipment used in commercial construction, repair, alteration or demolition work on buildings, structures, streets, alleys, or appurtenances thereto, in the following manner:

(a) With sound control devices which have been tampered with. (b) In violation of any regulation of the United States Environmental Protection Agency. (c) Between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the following day on weekdays and between 9:00 p.m. on Saturday evenings and 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings, or between 9:00 p.m. the day before and 9:00 a.m. the day of a legal holiday which creates a noise disturbance, except as provided below.

(12) Power equipment. Operating or permitting to be operated any power saw, sander, drill, grinder, garden equipment or tools of a similar nature, outdoors in residence districts between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the following day, in such a manner as to create a noise disturbance.