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A Day in Old New Castle Saturday, May 17, 2014, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The 90th annual celebration of "A Day in Old New Castle" takes place Saturday, May 17th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This year's special emphasis is on gardens. The tour will include 22 private and 5 public gardens. Other highlights include three museum houses, two Colonial-era churches, and the New Castle Court House, Delaware's original capital building.

Stroll through carefully tended gardens, visit historic public buildings including the Amstel House, the Dutch house and the Read house. Enjoy guided historical walking tours, enjoy period music, dance, and hear change ringing on the church tower bells.



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This year the proceeds will benefit the New Castle Library Friends and the Arasapha Garden Club. Individual adult tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 on the day of the event and \$5 for children age 7-12.

Advance tickets are available at the New Castle Library and Traders' Cove Coffee Shop at Penn's Place.

For more information, contact A Day in Old New Castle, P. O. Box 166, New Castle, Delaware 19720 or call 877-496-9498 or go to www.dayinoldnewcastle.org.

May Market

Arasapha Garden Club Celebrates 80th Anniversary with Annual May Market

> Friday, May 2nd 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 3rd 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Market Square, Town Hall 2nd & Delaware Streets Rain or Shine

Free two-day public event features sale of unique flowers, herbs, plants and crafts, with master gardeners on hand to answer questions.

The next
Regular
City Council
meeting is 7 p.m.,
Tues., May 13th at
Town Hall

April/May Events

Friday April 25, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. City of New Castle Inaugural Arbor Day Celebration Historic Penn Farm. 807 Frenchtown Road

Sat., April 26, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

New Castle Community Yard Sale

Featuring Flea Market on the Green & Yard Sales For more info visit: www.historicnewcastle.org

Sat., April 26 - 6:00 p.m.

Save St. Peter's Pipe Organ Dinner & Silent Auction St. Peter's Gymnasium - 515 Harmony Street

Ticket cost: \$25.00 (\$35.00 at the door)

For more information go to savetheorgan.blogspot.com

Friday, May 2nd & Saturday, May 3rd

May Market - Market Square behind Town Hall

(see above for more information.)

Friday, May 3rd -First Friday Art Loop

First Friday's, New Castle joins Wilmington in offering an art loop. Wine, snacks, friends and beautiful works of art. Go to historicnewcastle.com for more information.

Friday, May 9th - 6:00 p.m.

Longaberger/Vera Bradley BINGO Night Good Will Fire Co. 4th & South Streets \$20.00 tickets at the door,

No Advanced Tickets.

Good Will Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a night of Longaberger/Vera Bradley BINGO! Refreshments will be available for sale, 50/50

chances for sale. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Games begin at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. A Day in Old New Castle

Come and tour the City you live in, a great day to visit homes, museums and Gardens. (see above for more info or go to day-inoldnewcastle.org.)

New Castle — The First Capital City!

The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast

Your ideas and input are wanted for the Historic Penn Farm

The 112 acre Historic Penn Farm is the last remaining working farm from the original William Penn Land Grant to New Castle. Since 1764, this farm has been under the care of the Trustees of the New Castle Common (Trustees) and served as a tenant farm through 2010.

In 2011 the Trustees entered into an agreement with Delaware Greenways to serve as a managing partner of the farm with the goal to repurpose the farm to serve the good of the community.

This spring Delaware Greenways and the Trustees are working on developing a 5-10 year comprehensive plan for the farm, and community input for a shared vision of the farm is a critical component to transforming the farm into a vibrant community resource and center for sustainable agriculture.

Opportunities to provide input:

Friday, April 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Join the Arbor Day celebration and be sure to stop by the visioning board to write, draw, or talk about your ideas for making the farm an active, productive community space.

Tuesday, May 13, 3:30-6:30—Public Workshop: learn about the latest activities and plans for Historic Penn Farm, and share your ideas for how the farm can best serve YOU and the community.

Sat., June 14, [TBD]- Stop by the Historic Penn Farm-Delaware Greenways booth during the Separation Day festivities at New Castle's Battery Park. Learn about the latest activities and plans for Historic Penn Farm, and share your ideas for how the farm can best serve YOU and the community.

Comments may also be submitted via: Suggestion box located at the Historic Penn Farm's Tract 6 Stand or by email to: bmanning@delawaregreenways.org

Code Enforcement Corner

Code Enforcement helps to maintain and improve the quality of life for 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 month's highlights; general reminders...

Property owners are responsible for the maintenance

Separation Day Expanding; Two Days Friday, June 13th & Saturday, June 14th

The City of New Castle, the Separation Day Committee and State of Delaware are once again joined by the New Castle Jaycees in planning the Separation Day festivities. There will be new additions, as well as all of your past favorites. There will be a Friday evening 5k Run, music and a wine and craft beer fest at the Courthouse plaza.

On Saturday the Parade will begin at 11:00 a.m. and end at the Courthouse Museum. The Arts & Craft show will be in Battery Park from 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. The Park will be full of activity and great food with Amusement rides, the Jaycees Kid's Corner, and Beautiful Baby Contest.

The evening will end with the fun for all ages Dance Party with American Pie Entertainment, and a concert featuring "Beatlemania-Now" with an amazing tribute to the "Lads from Liverpool", taking us into the evening's grand finale of our spectacular fire-works display at 9:30 p.m. For more information on any of the day's events, go to www.sepdayde.com.

Apply now for tax exemptions

Applications are now being accepted for the Over 65 or the disability property tax exemption. To make an appointment, at the convenience of the Taxpayer, call Marian C. Delaney at 322-9811.

The maximum yearly income requirements are \$15,000 for a single person and \$30,000 for a married couple. Social Security income is not counted toward the minimum. The last day to apply is June 16th.

and repair of sidewalks and driveways.

Grass must be maintained on a regular basis.

Trash and garbage left at curb for pick up must be stored in containers with lids at all times. Permissible times for placement must be observed.

No debris, junk, indoor furniture, appliance, etc. are to be stored on exterior properties.

Vehicles which are unregistered, wrecked, inoperable or missing any major components cannot be stored anywhere in the City except in a fully enclosed building.

Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals. This must be done immediately.