



The "Spirit of Christmas" will include "A Dickens Experience" this year

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS HOSTED BY THE NEW CASTLE VISITORS BUREAU & THE NEW CASTLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The 14th annual celebration of the Spirit of Christmas will feature tours of fourteen historic homes and gardens decorated for the season, events at the New Castle Court House and musical performances throughout town. An all-day sale of handmade crafts, jewelry, notecards, used books, breads, candies, jams and soups will take place at the church, making it easy to gather last-minute Christmas gifts.

The Spirit of Christmas has been an annual tradition for more than thirteen years now. Each year visitors fill the town to enjoy the festivities and help support a worthy mission - 100% of the proceeds generated from Spirit of Christmas are donated to the Friendship House, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware, a ministry to the homeless."

This year the day will also include **A Dickens Experience, presented by New Castle Historical Society.** The New Castle Historical Society will help bring the Charles Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol" to life on the streets of New Castle as part of the Spirit of Christmas!

Activities will start Friday evening with Fezziwig's Ball at the Arsenal and continue throughout the day on Saturday, concluding with the town's annual tree lighting ceremony and caroling in the Market Square at 5 p.m. For more information, go to www.newcastlecity.delaware.gov.

Thanksgiving & Christmas Trash Pick up Schedule

Thanksgiving Week Changes in
Recycling & Yard Waste Pickup
Wed., Nov. 26th City-Wide Recycling
Pickup/NO Yard Waste Pick-Up
Thurs., Nov 27th & Fri., Nov 28th
City Offices Closed; **NO** Recycle Pickup

Christmas Week Changes in
Recycle and Yard waste Pickup
Wed., Dec. 24th City-Wide
Recycle Pick-Up/
NO Yard Waste Pickup
Thurs., Dec. 25th & Friday Dec. 26th City
Offices Closed;
NO Recycle Pickup

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

November/December Citywide Events

St. Peter's Church - Winter Wonderland Christmas Bazaar Nov. 22nd and 23rd from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Crafts, gifts and baked goods. Breakfast with Santa on Saturday from 9-11 am. Italian Spaghetti dinner on Sunday from noon - 6 pm.

Annual Thanksgiving Community Ecumenical Worship Sunday, November 24th at 7 p.m.

New Castle Presbyterian Church, 2nd Street

Join your friends and neighbors in giving thanks for many blessings at this year's community worship service! Free will offering will be accepted.

Saturday, November 29th - Shop Small Day

Start your holiday shopping off right - support the small businesses in your neighborhood. November 29th is Small Business Saturday this year.

Arasapha Garden Club wreath-making Workshops

Gathering of the Greens Monday, December 1st

Wreath Workshop Wednesday, December 3rd - 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

& Thursday, December 4th - 9:00 a.m. - Noon Christian Education Building, New Castle Presbyterian Church. All events are free and open to the public. For dates and times, visit arasapha.org.



Fezziwig's Ball

Friday, December 12th from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Enjoy an authentic Victorian holiday ball to celebrate the season. Call 322-2794 for tickets.

Spirit of Christmas Celebration

Saturday, December 13th

9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Rain or Shine FREE to the public. 25

E. Second Street, and other locations throughout the city.

More information above.

A Dickens Experience

Saturday, December 13th

9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. - Rain or Shine

More information above.

New Castle City Police & Good Will Fire Co.

Christmas Party for the Children of New Castle

Saturday, December 13th

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Good Will Firehouse - 400 South Street

More information on back.

Community CPR/AED and Basic First Aid Course

Sunday, December 14, 2014

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Good Will Fire Company

More information on back.

New Castle – The First Capital City!

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

Street Sweeping & Leaf Pick Up Work Together to Control Pollution in Area Waterways

Why is Street Sweeping important? In addition to making our City a more beautiful place, street sweeping removes accumulated debris before it can be washed into storm drains. A 2013 water-quality engineering study noted that urban litter control programs including street cleaning and leaf removal can reduce the amount of deposition of pollutants by as much as 50%.

1st Monday (Even #'s) & Tuesday (Odd #'s) of each month - 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th Streets Kings Way, Queens Court, Juniper Street, McIntyre Drive, Clayton St, Young Street, School Street, Gray Street, Gray Court, Oak Street, Linden, Larkin and Hyder Alley.

2nd Monday (Even #'s) & Tuesday (Odd #'s) of each month - Dobbinsville

2nd Wednesday (Even #'s) & Thursday (Odd #'s) of each month - The Strand (Blower)

3rd Monday (Even #'s) & Tuesday (Odd #'s) of each month - Boothurst including Edgewood Drive in Rogers Manor

3rd Wednesday (Even #'s) & Thursday (Odd #'s) of each month - Buttonwood, including Buttonwood Avenue, Arbutus, Meehan Lane, Lincoln Street, A Street, Railroad Avenue, Jacquette Square, William Penn Square, Holcomb Lane and Booker Circle.

4th Monday (Even #'s) & Tuesday (Odd #'s) of each month - Van Dyke Village, including 11th St, 14th St, Victorian Court, Swedes St, Baldt Avenue, Brylgon Avenue, Megginson Avenue, Hewlett Avenue, Janvier Avenue and Moore Avenue.

4th Wednesday (Even #'s) & Thursday (Odd #'s) of each month - 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, Cherry, Harmony, Chestnut, Tremont, Deemer Place, Foundry, Shaw Alley, Williams, Plum Alley, Porter Alley, South St. and Delaware Street from 3rd to 7th

Every Friday of each month - Delaware St. from 3rd to Wharf, both sides, Dalby Alley, First Friday of each month.

“CHRISTMAS FOR THE KIDS”

New Castle City Police & Good Will Fire Co. are inviting the children of the City of New Castle to the 2nd Annual “Christmas for the Kids” celebration.

Place: Good Will Firehouse

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Date: 12/13/14

Don't miss this exciting event. Come visit Santa in his winter wonderland.

There will be snacks, lots of fun activities. Make & Take Arts & Crafts projects to take home with you and decorate your own Krispy Kream donut. Ho-Ho-Ho, don't miss this exciting party.



Historic Area Review Committee Looking for Input

The HARC Committee continues to review the Historic Area design guidelines and permit application review process. Your input is welcomed, please send written comments to their attention through the City Administration Office, 220 Delaware Street, New Castle, DE 19720 or email mdelaney113@newcastlecity.org.

Good Will Fire Co. is offering Community CPR/AED and Basic First Aid Course

Sunday, December 14, 2014 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Good Will Fire Company - 401 South Street

Good Will Fire Company will be sponsoring its first annual community CPR/AED and Basic First Aid Course. The course is FREE and open to citizens who are served by the Good Will Fire Company. Each participant will receive a certificate of completion. Light refreshments will be served. Spaces are limited. To sign up, contact Tim Moore at 302-420-1008 or email 18pd6@comcast.net.



Code Enforcement Corner

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.

Things to keep in mind as you prepare for winter.

Leaf pick-up has started: City of New Castle residents may rake leaves from trees on their property along the curbside for pick up by City personnel.

No other material such as trash, garbage, rocks, stone, should be placed amongst leaves for pick up under the leaf collection program.

Special trash pick-up is required for anything over four (4) 35 Gallon/50 pound containers. Special Pick-ups will occur on your regular day. Arrangements must be made and paid for prior to the pick-up day. Items that are not picked up cannot be left out for the following week. To make arrangements for a special trash pick-up call or go to the Public Works Dept. at the Trolley Barn, 900 Wilmington Rd, New Castle, DE, 302-322-9813 or 322-9808.

City Code § 209-1 Removal of snow and ice required. The owner, tenant or occupant of any house or other building, or the owner of any improved or unimproved lot is responsible for the removal of snow/ice within 24 hours of the end of an event, with a three feet minimum passage width. (note: Please, do not throw snow into travel lanes of the streets.)