**City News**

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

Thanksgiving Changes in Recycle Schedule
**Wed., Nov. 25th**
City-Wide
Recycle Pick-Up/
NO Yard Waste Pickup
Thurs., Nov 26th & Fri., Nov 27th City Offices Closed; NO Recycle Pickup

Christmas Changes in Recycle Schedule
**Wed., Dec. 23rd**
City-Wide
Recycle Pick-Up/
NO Yard Waste Pickup
Thurs., Dec. 24th & Fri., Dec. 25th City Offices Closed; NO Recycle Pickup

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**The “Spirit of Christmas” & “A Dickens Experience”**

Join the New Castle Presbyterian Church and the City of Historic New Castle, Delaware on Saturday, December 12th, for the 15th annual celebration of the Spirit of Christmas.

This all-day event, free to the public, is sponsored by the New Castle Presbyterian Church and the New Castle Visitors’ Bureau. Activities include tours of private historic homes decorated for the season, museum tours, events at the New Castle Court House and musical performances and entertainment throughout the town.

If you are looking for holiday gifts and food, the New Castle Presbyterian Church will hold an all-day sale of crafts, used books, homemade soups, candies, baked goods and breads, including the always-popular “Look What $20 Will Buy” table.

The festivities conclude at 5:00 p.m., with the town’s annual tree lighting ceremony and caroling in the Market Square.

Shops and restaurants throughout Old New Castle will be open as well, welcoming visitors with special discounts.

All proceeds generated by the New Castle Presbyterian Church will be donated to support the Friendship House, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware, and their homeless ministry.

For additional information, please contact the New Castle Presbyterian Church at (302) 328-3279, or check their website at newcastlepreschurch.org/spirit/.

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! More information on the back.

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**November/December Events**

St. Peter’s Church - Christmas Bazaar
Sat., Nov. 21st -9 a.m. -5 p.m. & Sun., 22nd 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Crafts, gifts and baked goods. Breakfast with Santa on Sat. from 9-11 am. Spaghetti dinner on Sun. from noon - 6 pm.
Annual Thanksgiving Community Ecumenical Worship Sunday, November 22nd at 7 p.m.
N. C. United Methodist Church, 510 Delaware Street
Join your friends and neighbors in giving thanks at this year’s community worship service! Free will offering will be accepted; parking behind church.

**Shop Small Day -Saturday, November 28th**
Start your holiday shopping off right - support small businesses in your neighborhood on Small Business Saturday.

**Arasapha Garden Club Wreath-Making Workshops**
Wed., Dec. 2nd- 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. & Thur., Dec. 3rd-9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. N. C. Presbyterian Church. For more information visit arasapha.org.

**First Friday Night - Fri., December 4th - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.**
Walk through town visiting galleries, unique objets d’art while snacking and sipping wine.

**Pancake Breakfast with Santa.**
Sat., Dec. 5th Good Will Fire Co. 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.
See Back for more information.

**St. Anthony’s Club Spaghetti Dinner - Noon - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, December 7th (First Sunday of each month)**
Salad, roll spaghetti and two meatballs. $8.00

**Fezziwig’s Ball - Fri., Dec. 11th from 7:30 – 10:30 p.m.**
See Back for more information.

**Spirit of Christmas Celebration & A Dickens Experience Saturday, December 12th - 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.**
More Information above, and on the back.

**“Christmas for the Kids” - Saturday, December 19th N. C. City Police & Good Will Fire Co. Christmas party for the kids. Details on the back.**

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**New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!**

The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!
On Friday, December 11th, all are invited to don their finest period or formal attire and usher in the holiday season with the New Castle Historical Society at Fezziwig’s Ball, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Guests will enjoy an authentic Victorian holiday ball full of refreshments, dancing & merriment at the Arsenal! Tickets for this event are $40 per person. Space is limited and early registration is encouraged, as tickets will sell out.

Spend your Saturday, December 12th, in Historic New Castle, as the town transforms into a Victorian Winter Wonderland. Begin your day by attending one of NCHS’s three English Tea seatings, at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., or 3 p.m. at The Arsenal. Those in attendance will celebrate the season with assorted teas, scones, lemon curd, and clotted cream, as well as a variety of sweets and sandwiches. Bring your family & friends to share in an event for all to remember! Tickets for English Tea are $24 and can be purchased on the New Castle Historical Society’s website; see information below.

Make your way to the Courthouse stairs at 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. to see your favorite A Christmas Carol characters in action, as they perform scenes from the iconic work by Charles Dickens. For tickets and more information, please contact NCHS at 302-322-2794 or visit newcastlehistory.org.

The New Castle Crier Returns

Working together with the Trustees of the New Castle Common, and the Municipal Services Commission, City Council has reinstated the “New Castle Crier” newsletter monthly utility bill insert. The Crier provides information on upcoming events, services, and activities. If you would like to submit an article or post an event, please contact Kim at kburgmuller@newcastlecity.org.

The Newsletter is sent out to increase communications with residents. The City website, newcastlecity.delaware.gov, and local media such as The New Castle Weekly and Cobblestones, are other ways residents can get information. If you have questions, comments or suggestions they may be sent to the City Administrator at bbarthel@newcastlecity.org.

CHRISTMAS FOR THE KIDS

New Castle City Police & Good Will Fire Co. are inviting the children of the City of New Castle to the 3rd Annual “Christmas for the Kids” celebration.

Place: Good Will Firehouse - 401 South Street
Date: Saturday, December 19th
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Don’t miss this exciting event. Come visit Santa in his winter wonderland. There will be snacks and lots of fun activities.

Make & Take Arts & Crafts projects to take home with you. You can even decorate your own Krispy Kream donut. Ho-Ho-Ho, don’t miss this exciting party.

Pancake Breakfast with Santa
Saturday, December 5th

New Castle Hundred Lions Club and Good Will Fire Company will host a Pancake Breakfast, with Santa! Saturday, December 5th at Good Will Fire Co., 4th & South Streets
Pancake Breakfast from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Visit with Santa from 8:30 to 11 a.m.
For tickets see a Good Will Fire Fighter or a Lion. Tickets will also be available at the door.
Adults $6.00
Children (under 12) $3.00