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City News

The next Regular City Council meeting is 7 p.m., Tues., Apr. 11th at Town Hall
City Offices will be closed on Fri., Apr. 14th in observance of Good Friday
Revised Recycle Pick-up Schedule
CITYWIDE
Recycle Pick-up Thur. April 13th
No Recycle Pick-up Fri. Apr. 14th

MSC
Please Note:
Contact Phone Number for Municipal Services Office 302-323-2330

March/April Events
Thursday, March 23rd 7:00 p.m.
New Castle Public Library 424 Delaware Street
From Here to There: Crossing the Delaware on Ferries and Bridges presented by Mike Dixon

Friday, March 31st 5:30 p.m.
Good Will Ladies Aux. Designer Handbag Bingo
401 South Street Tickets $25.00, available at the door or email emilymajew@gmail.com.

Tuesday, April 4 p.m.
New Castle Public Library 424 Delaware Street
The Shakespeare Nobody Knows: Lloyd King

Thursday, April 6th at 7:00 p.m.
NCHS Annual Meeting
The Arsenal, 30 Market Street, New Castle
New Castle Historical Society Annual Meeting.

Friday, April 7th - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
First Friday - Art Loop On the First Friday of each month, walk through local galleries and shops. Free

Monday, April 10th 6:00 p.m.
New Castle Public Library 424 Delaware Street
Monday Night Cultural Movie: The Movie Arranged will be shown.

Sunday, April 16th 6:30 a.m.
Easter Sunrise Service on the Wharf
Come welcome the Easter dawn at the ecumenical sunrise service. Dress warmly.

Sunday, April 16th 1:00 p.m.
New Castle Lions Easter Parade
The Green in New Castle
The New Castle Lions will hold their annual Easter Parade on the Green. Put on your Easter Bonnet and come join this delightful NC tradition.

Don’t forget to vote, Saturday, April 8th.
8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
New Castle Senior Center-400 South St.
Absentee Ballots are available from the City Office, Mon. - Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. until April 7th at 12 noon.

Absentee Ballots and State Voter Registration: State Voter Registration is available at the City Office; with extra hours available on Thurs., March 30th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. & Sat., April 1st from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

The deadline to register to vote in the City Election is April 3rd. April 7th at 4:30 p.m. is the deadline for Absentee Ballots to be turned in to the City Office. Absentee Ballots may also be brought to the polling place on the day of the Election.

Candidates Forum March 30th / City Election April 8th

Send in your Questions!
A Candidate Forum will be held on Thursday, March 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the New Castle Elementary School 903 Delaware St. All City residents are encouraged to attend this important event. Questions may be submitted by emailing NewCastleWeekly@aol.com or you can drop them off at 203 Delaware Street. You may also submit questions by calling 302-328-6005.

The Forum will be hosted by the New Castle Weekly and the New Castle Jaycees. They hope to see residents participating from all areas of New Castle. Don’t miss this chance to meet and compare the candidates who are running for City office in the 2017 City Election.

New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!
The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!
27th Annual Spring Clean Up Battery Park

Save the Date!
Saturday, April 22nd
9:00 to Noon (Rain or Shine)

The New Castle Sailing Club wishes to thank the City of New Castle, its residents and community groups who have supported this event over the years. They hope you will all come out again this year. Look for more information in the next Newsletter, or on the city website at newcastlecity.delaware.gov.

2017 Battery Park Half-Day Summer Camp Program Expanded to 10 weeks!
June 19 – August 24, 2017
Monday – Thursday - 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
$35 per session - Ages 5-12
Ten Weekly Sessions
Sign up for one, or all!

Once again this year the City of New Castle is partnering with New Castle County to offer a half day camp in Battery Park. Campers will enjoy supervised games, fitness and nature activities, and more! A nutritious lunch from the Food Bank of Delaware is served each day at camp and is free of charge.

Sign up online on the City website at newcastlecity.delaware.gov/parks-and-recreation, or come in the City office at 220 Delaware Street for registration forms.

Trustees Announce Annual Grant Tuition Fund

The “Trustees of New Castle Common Grant Tuition Fund” was established in 1983 for eligible residents of the City of New Castle.

An applicant must be a senior in high school or a recent high school graduate who is entering freshman year in an accredited undergraduate college or university as a full-time student in the coming September. Funded applicants from previous years who continue to be a student in good standing are invited to reapply for grant funding if available.

The grants are awarded to residents of the City of New Castle and on the basis of an acceptance letter from a college or university. If the applicant is a dependent, the parent must be a resident of the City of New Castle.

Application packets are available from the Trustees of New Castle Commons, 210 Delaware Street, New Castle, or call 322-2809 with any questions about the process or about residency in the City of New Castle.

Please note the application and necessary information must be received by the Grant Tuition Committee no later than July 1, 2017.

Calendar Correction:
Please note that the contact phone number for the Municipal Services office on the December Calendar page should be 302-323-2330. A complete list of contact numbers is available on the September calendar page.

SOLAR IN NEW CASTLE

On August 18, 2009, the Municipal Services Commission (MSC) of the City of New Castle adopted Net Energy Metering to comply with the State of Delaware legislation and to allow citizens of New Castle the ability to add solar to their homes and businesses. Since then four (4) residential and two (2) commercial solar systems have been installed. In addition, a community solar array was installed at the Penn Farm. The community system is owned and operated by the MSC for the benefit of all citizens. Owning electric generation allows the MSC to reduce costs in order to keep electric rates low for our customers. If you are interested in installing solar on your home the MSC staff will work with your solar contractor to attach your system to the MSC distribution system. We have been praised by solar contractors for our quick application process. Feel free to contact Pamela Patone, General Manager 302-323-2330 or Scott Blomquist, Electric Supervisor 302-323-2333 with any questions.