



The New Castle Crier

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Grant Fund -
Deadline July 1st
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City News

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

City Offices will be
closed on Tue., July 4th
in observance of
Independence Day

Revised Trash Pickup Schedule:

<u>Regular Date</u>	<u>Revised Date</u>
Mon., July 3	Mon., July 3
Tue., July 4	Wed., July 5

No Yard Waste Collection
on Wed., July 5

June 19th - Aug. 24th
Battery Park 1/2 Day Camp
- Sign up Today!
Monday- Thursday
8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
\$35 a week - Ages 5-12
Call 395-5654 to sign up!

National Night Out, Tuesday August 1st, 6 - 8 p.m. in Battery Park



Calling all neighbors!

"National Night Out is an annual community-building

campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live." - *NNO Website*

The City of New Castle will be participating in National Night Out 2017 on August 1, 2017, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. in Battery Park. **The theme of this year's event will be drug addiction/prevention.** NNO brings community leaders and citizens together with our local public safety entities for conversation and determination to stomp out crime in our city. Participation from local groups can range from cooking hotdogs to organizing games for kids.

Please feel free to check out NATW.ORG for additional ideas and information about NNO. We are in the running for the "Rookie of the Year" award.

We need all of our local groups and citizens to participate to make this a great first year with NNO for the City of New Castle.

If your neighborhood or social group would like to participate in NNO, please contact Councilperson Valarie Leary at vleary@newcastlecity.com or Detective Tina Shughart at tina.shughart@cj.state.de.us.

Summer Lunch

New Castle Public Library is offering free lunch to children ages 5-17 through the Summer Food Service Program. Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:00 p.m. June 20th - August 11th



June/July Events

New Castle Public Library
Summer Reading Challenge 2017
Build a Better World!

This year's reading challenge has begun; registration will continue throughout the summer. For more information call the library at 302-328-1995 or visit their website at www.nccdelib.org/newcastle

Friday, July 7th, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday Art Loop. Sip and snack and enjoy special events in New Castle's Downtown District.

Tuesday, July 4th, 1:30 p.m.

Let Freedom Ring - Bells Across the Nation

Immanuel on the Green - Please be seated by 1:25
For more information call Noel Kuhrt 655-2096

Saturday, July 8th, & 22nd 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Bellanca Open House Bellanca Airfield and Delaware Aviation Hall of Fame Museum. Free Admission.

Friday, July 14th - 5:00 p.m.

New Castle Public Library - 424 Delaware St.

Sciencetellers: Explore the science behind clouds, air pressure, explosions and more.

Annual Summer Concerts and Dinner in the Park!

Wednesday's, June 21st - August 9th 6:30-8:00 p.m.

6/21: Big Package Band

6/28: First State Symphonic Band

7/12: Steve Lewis Big Band

7/19: Blue Cat Blues

7/26: Chapel Street Junction

8/2: Club Phred

8/9: Jibaro con Tumbao



New Castle - The First Capital of the First State!

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



Trustees Annual Education Grant Fund Deadline to Apply July 1st

The "Trustees of New Castle Common Education Grant Fund" was established in 1983 for eligible residents of the City 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. High school seniors must provide an acceptance letter from a college or university in order to be considered for a grant. 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, 201 Delaware Street, New Castle. Please 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 Education Grant Committee no later than July 1, 2017.



MSC HAS NEW SOFTWARE AND THE BILLS WILL HAVE A NEW LOOK

The MSC is implementing their new financial and billing software, *InCode 10* from Tyler Technologies. This means you will be seeing a new look on your utility bills.

We believe the bills will provide a better summary of your usage of electric and water and the associated charges. The Customer Service Representatives have received training on the new software but as with anything new there will be some bumps in the road.

Please be patient as we learn the new system and its capabilities.

What is Emerald Ash Borer?

Tree Advisory Commission news

- The Emerald Ash Borer attacks ash trees (and fringe trees.)
- The emerald ash borer has killed more than 40 million ash trees in many US states, including Delaware.
- Adults leave a D-shaped exit hole in the bark when they emerge in spring.
- Woodpeckers like EAB larvae; heavy woodpecker damage may be a sign of infestation.



For more information check the City website at newcastlecity.delaware.gov/tree-commission; or call 302-322-9801.

Get Involved with your National Park!



First State National Historical Park offers a variety of ways that you can get involved in your National Park this summer. In Historic New Castle the park has volunteer opportunities, through a partnership with the New Castle Historical Society, to interpret historic houses, lead walking tours of the historic district, assist with administrative tasks, and much more. Volunteers are also needed to assist with variety of special events that take place in Historic New Castle throughout the summer and fall.

Please visit the park's website (www.nps.gov/frst/getinvolved/volunteer.htm) or stop by The Arsenal to see all of the volunteer opportunities available.

Sheriff's House Rehabilitation

There is good news on the horizon for the rehabilitation of the New Castle Sheriff's House. Now that the planning phase is drawing to a close and an Environmental Assessment is nearly complete, the National Park Service has funded the first phase of design planning, which will identify design requirements for re-use alternatives of the historic Sheriff's House. This design work is scheduled to begin within the coming months. The park is excited to see the project funded and is eager to be one step closer to having a permanent visitor facility in New Castle.