



# The New Castle Crier

The Official Newsletter of New Castle City



Wed., Jan. 3rd is the first day to file for City Council Election.

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*Best Wishes to all for a Happy and Safe  
Holiday Season, and New Year.  
From the City Elected Officials and Employees!*

**City News**  
The next Regular  
City Council meeting  
is 7 p.m.,  
Tues., Jan. 8th at  
Town Hall  
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**Holiday Changes in  
Recycle & Trash Schedule  
City Offices Closed  
Monday, Dec. 24th &  
Tuesday, Dec. 25th  
NO Trash Pick Up**  
Reg. Schedule Rev. Schedule  
Dec. 24th Dec. 26th  
Dec. 25th Dec. 27th  
**No Yard Waste Pick Up  
CITYWIDE Recycle Pick  
Up on Friday, Dec. 28th.**

**City Offices Closed  
Tuesday, Jan. 1st  
NO Trash Pick Up**  
Reg. Schedule Rev. Schedule  
Dec. 31st Dec. 31st  
Jan. 1st Jan. 2nd  
**No Yard Waste Pick Up  
Regular Recycle Pick Up**



## January is the time to renew your City Business & Rental License's

Now is the time to renew  
your City of New Castle  
Business License and Rental  
Housing Business License.  
All business's located in and/or  
working within the city limits of New  
Castle, must have a current New Castle  
City business license.

All rental properties must have a  
current New Castle City Rental Housing  
Business License, both licenses must be  
renewed annually in January.

License applications are available at the  
City Administration Building, located at  
220 Delaware Street.

Both licenses are also available and  
payable online on the City website at  
[newcastlecity.delaware.gov](http://newcastlecity.delaware.gov) on the  
Forms & Fees page.



## Apply for City Property Tax Apply for Exemptions starting January 15th

January 15th begins the  
new cycle for city residents to apply for  
the over 65 or Disability property tax  
exemption. To make an appointment,  
at the convenience of the taxpayer, call  
the Finance Department at 322-9804.  
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 maximum. The last  
day to apply is April 30th.

## City Calendars are on their way!



The City Calendar will  
be mailed out later this  
month. Calendar's will  
also be available at the  
City Administration

building, the Police Station, MSC and  
other locations around the City.

## December/January Events

### Shop Small Continues throughout the year.



"Shop Small" and support the  
businesses in and around New Castle.  
Many of our local shops and restaurants  
offer gift certificates, the perfect gift.

**Friday, December 28th - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Fourth Friday Art Loop Throughout  
Downtown.**

Walk through town visiting galleries, unique  
objets d'art while snacking and sipping wine.

**Thursday, January 24th 6:00 - 9:00p.m.**  
**Guest Bartender Night at Jessop's Tavern**  
Proceeds benefit the New Castle Senior Center.



## Trustee Grants Available:

Grants are available from the Trustees  
of the New Castle Common. Every year  
the Trustees accept requests from the  
community organizations for efforts that  
benefit the citizens of New Castle. Competitive  
grants are evaluated by the Outreach  
Committee and voted on by the whole Board of  
Trustees. If your organization wishes to submit  
an application forms are available from the  
Trustees office or online at [TrusteesNCC.org](http://TrusteesNCC.org).  
The deadline for submissions is Dec. 31, 2018  
**Saturday, January 26, 2019 - Trustee Election**  
Good Will Fire House, 4th & South Streets  
Voting hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

# Quality you can see



Greenlite ENERGY STAR® certified lightbulbs

## LEDs Now \$0.99

LEDs last up to 25 times longer than incandescent lightbulbs and can save you \$90 or more over their lifetime.

FIND THEM AT: New Castle Historical Society at The Arsenal 30 Market St., New Castle

One of the energy efficiency initiatives offered in partnership between



## 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 on the City Website, [newcastlecity.delaware.gov](http://newcastlecity.delaware.gov). or at the City Offices .

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.

### TRASH/RECYCLE & YARD WASTE:



Place trash, yard waste and recycle at the curb the **night before your scheduled pick-up day**, this will insure your items will be picked up. Public Works crews start work at 6 a.m. in the summer, and 7 a.m. in the

fall and winter.

**Trash and trash containers:** All garbage is to be secured in plastic bags and placed inside solid containers (metal or plastic), with lids securely in place, each residence may place up to four (4) 35 gallon/50 pounds maximum at the curb for pick-up.

**Trustee Election on Saturday, January 26, 2019**  
**Good Will Fire House, 4th & South Streets**  
**Voting hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**



The Trustees of The New Castle Common has thirteen elected Board members. Board members serve for a term of 12 years.

**The Trustees are a separate entity from the City of New Castle administration. Trustee elections are held separately from City and General elections.**

**To vote in a Trustee election**, you must register specifically on a list of qualified voters maintained by the Trustees. A resident can register in person at the Trustee office, or by using the form available by going to their website at [www.trusteesncc.org](http://www.trusteesncc.org).

In the event it will be necessary for a run-off election that date will be Saturday, February 16, 2019.

**For additional information** call the Trustees office during our office hours at 302-322-2809.

Monday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Removal of Trash Containers:** All containers must be removed from the sidewalk or roadway and stored on the same day that they are picked up. Containers shall be placed or stored in the rear of residential dwellings, or along the side yards or alleyways but not within five feet of the front of the dwelling unless concealed by a fence.



**It is the responsibility of property owners to maintain the sidewalk in front of their property within 24 hours of the end of a weather event. If off-street parking is available, please move vehicles to**

**facilitate plowing.**

**The New Castle City Code, section 209-1:** Sidewalks require a minimum 3 feet of clearance within 24 hours of a snow event ending. If you have a neighbor who is unable to do this, think about helping out if you can.

**Please remember to clear any fire hydrant; this could save crucial minutes in an emergency.**

### Christmas Tree Curbside Recycling

After the holidays place your tree curbside. Public

Works crews will collect trees as teams are available.

- DO NOT block sidewalk for pedestrian use
- DO NOT place the tree in street or alley
- DO NOT place tree in bags

DO remove tree stands, nails, ornaments, garland, lights, etc.

