City News

CITY ELECTION 2019!
Send in your Questions!

A City Council and Mayoral Candidate Forum will be held on Wed., March 27th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the New Castle Elementary School, 903 Delaware Street.
All City residents are encouraged to attend this important event. Submit your questions by email to NewCastleWeekly@aol.com or you can drop them off at 203 Delaware Street. You may also submit questions by calling 328-6005.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!
Election Day
Saturday, April 13th.
8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
New Castle Senior Center

Absentee Ballots are available from the City office, Mon. - Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. until April 12th at 12 noon.

Absentee Ballots and State Voter Registration: State voter registration is available at the City office, 220 Delaware St., daily from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; with extended hours on Thurs., March 21st from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. & Sat., April 6th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The deadline to register to vote in the City Election is April 8th. April 12th 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.

Underground Railroad In New Castle. Presentation by Associate Professor Robin Krawitz. Tales of the UGRR in New Castle and how the laws affected people who assisted fugitive slaves.

Saturday, April 13th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon
Annual Beach Clean Up at Battery Park
More Information on back page.

Saturday, April 13th & 27th Bellanca Airfield and Delaware Aviation Hall of Fame Museum. Free Adm.

Saturday, April 20th - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
New Castle Presbyterian Church Easter Faire
25 East 2nd Street
Games, Crafts, Face-Painting, Refreshments, and an “eggciting” Easter Egg hunt! The entire New Castle community is invited!

Sunday, April 21st 6:30 a.m.
Easter Sunrise Service on the Wharf
Come welcome the Easter dawn at the ecumenical sunrise service. Dress warmly.

Sunday, April 21st - 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. Come join this NC tradition.

March & April Events
Friday, March 22nd, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Fourth Friday Art Loop. Sip and snack in New Castle’s Downtown District.

Friday, March 22nd, 6:00 p.m. (Rescheduled)
New Castle Library Friends Annual Supper Meeting & Program. Soup and chili supper & program. RSVP at 302-328-1995 or nclibraryfriends@gmail.com.

Wednesday’s, during Lent - 6:00 p.m.
Ecumenical Lenten Soup Suppers
Each year the New Castle churches take turns hosting weekly Lenten soup suppers. All are welcome. March 3/20 - Hope Lutheran Church: 230 Christiana Rd (273) 3/27 - Immanuel Parish House: 100 Harmony St. 4/3 - St. Peter’s Church: 521 Harmony St 4/10 - NC United Methodist Church 510 Delaware St.

Friday, March 29th - 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Designer Bag Bingo, 401 South Street
Good Will Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary Fund Raiser
Support the Ladies Aux. at Designer Hand Bag Bingo! Tickets only $25; you must be 18 or older to attend.

Saturday, April 6th, 1:00 p.m.
Courthouse Museum, 211 Delaware Street
From Kidnapping to Escaping Enslavement: The Underground Railroad In New Castle. Presentation by Associate Professor Robin Krawitz. Tales of the UGRR in New Castle and how the laws affected people who assisted fugitive slaves.

New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!
The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!
Trustees Announce Annual Educational Grant Fund
The “Trustees of New Castle Common Educational 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. The grants are awarded to full-time residents of the City of New Castle. High school seniors must provide a high school transcript and an acceptance letter from a college or university in order to be considered for the grant. If the applicant is a dependent, the parent must be a resident of the City of New Castle.
Funded applicants from previous years who continue to be a student in good standing are invited to reapply. Application packets are available from the Trustees of New Castle Commons, 201 Delaware Street, New Castle or on line at trusteeenc.org 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, 2018.

LED Lightbulbs now .99¢
Standard and dimmable specialty LED lightbulbs are available for a limited time for .99¢ each at the New Castle Visitor Center at the Arsenal. Discount pricing courtesy of the Municipal Services Commission of the City of New Castle, in partnership with Efficiency Smart and DEMEC. LED's last up to 25 times longer that incandescent lightbulbs and can save you $90 or more over their lifetime. Call Efficiency Smart at 877-889-3777 or visit www.efficiencysmart.org/new-castle-delaware with any questions or for more information.

Code Enforcement Corner
Code Enforcement helps to maintain and improve the quality of life for 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 in the City Office 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.
This month’s highlights; general reminders...
Property owners are responsible for the maintenance and repair of sidewalks and driveways. Grass must be maintained on a regular basis. Trash and garbage left at curb for pick up must be stored in containers with lids at all times. Permissible times for placement must be observed. No debris, junk, indoor furniture, appliance, etc. are to be stored on exterior properties. Vehicles which are unregistered, wrecked, inoperable or missing any major components cannot be stored anywhere in the City except in a fully enclosed building.
Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals. This must be done immediately.

Spring Clean Up of Battery Park
Saturday, April 13th - 9:00 to Noon
For the 29th year, volunteers will gather to participate in the Beach Clean Up in Battery Park. The clean up will begin at 9:00 a.m. (rain or shine) at the end of Third Street in Battery Park and will wrap up at Noon.
The New Castle Sailing Club thanks the City of New Castle, its residents and Community groups for their support. Community service certificates will be issued to participating students. Wear sturdy, old footwear and bring work gloves if you have them.

TRUSTEE ELECTION
The Trustees will hold an election on May 11, 2019 at the Good Will Fire Station from 8 am until 4 pm, to fill a vacancy on its Board. Should a run-off election be necessary, it will be held on June 22, 2019 from 8 AM until 4 PM at Goodwill Fire Station.
To vote in a Trustee election, you must be registered on the Trustees’ voter list, which is an independent voter list, separate from City, State, or Federal registration. If you’re not registered to vote, you may register at the Trustees’ Office, 201 Delaware Street, during normal business hours, usually 10 am to 3 pm, Monday through Thursday. The deadline to register is May 6th. To qualify you must be at least 18 years of age and have been a resident of the City of New Castle for at least one year prior to the election date. Bring your driver's license showing your City of New Castle residence and other form of proof (MSC bill) to show that you meet these qualifications.
If you want to run for Trustee, the filing deadline is April 11. Candidates must be at least 25 years of age and must currently reside in the City of New Castle and have resided in the City for at least two years prior to the election date. Forms are available at the Trustee office to file for candidacy. Call 302-322-2809 for more details.

Goodwill Fire Station.