City News
The next Regular City Council meeting is 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 10th at Town Hall

Thanksgiving Changes in Recycle Schedule
**Wed., Nov. 27th**
City-Wide Recycle Pick-Up & NO Yard Waste Pickup
Thurs., Nov 28th & Fri., Nov. 29th City Offices Closed; NO Recycle Pick up.

See Reverse for Leaf Pick Up Information.

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The “Spirit of Christmas” & “A Dicken's Experience”
Saturday, Dec. 14th 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
19th Annual Spirit of Christmas Free event /Rain or Shine
Spirits of Christmas is sponsored by the N. C. Presbyterian Church and the N. C. Visitors Bureau, featuring historic house tours, concerts and museums decorated for the season, a Victorian Marketplace on the Green, events at the New Castle Court House and musical performances throughout town. Programs for the day’s events can be picked up at the church where there will be an all-day sale of handmade crafts, jewelry, notecards, books, breads, candies, jams and soups.
Saturday's activities conclude with the town’s annual tree lighting ceremony and caroling in the Market Square at 5:30 p.m. For more information, visit the event’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/spiritofchristmasde.
All proceeds are donated to Friendship House homeless shelters in Wilmington.

Friday, Dec. 13th & Saturday, Dec. 14th A Dickens Experience
The New Castle Historical Society presents the 6th annual A Dickens Experience, starting with Fezziwig's Ball on Friday evening, Dec. 13th, from 7 – 10:30 p.m. at The Arsenal; details on back.
The event continues the next morning, Saturday, Dec. 14th, starting at 10 a.m. with costumed characters strolling through town, performances of A Christmas Carol at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., wreaths made by the Arasapha Garden Club for sale on the Green, and Victorian Teas at The Arsenal; details on back. The Read House, Amstel and Dutch House Museums are open and decorated for the season. For more info on the day’s events go to the NCHS Facebook page, or www.newcastlehistory.org.

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER EVENTS
Shop Small Saturday - Sat., November 30th
Start your holiday shopping off right, by supporting our New Castle businesses. More info on the back of newsletter.

Arasapha Wreath making Workshops:
Help decorate Historic New Castle for the Holidays.
Every year, Arasapha members and volunteers participate in a beloved New Castle tradition: decorating all-natural wreaths that adorn the Historic District during the holiday season.
Tue., Dec. 3rd 10am-3pm/Wed. Dec. 4th 9am-7 pm/Thur. Dec 5th 9am-3pm

St. Peter's Church - Annual Christmas Bazaar
Fri., Dec. 6th - Sun., Dec. 8th Crafts, gifts, White Elephant Sale and baked goods. Fri. 5 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Sat. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Don’t miss Breakfast with Santa on Sat. from 9 -11 a.m. ($7) or the Spaghetti Dinner, Sun. 12 - 6 p.m.

Pancake Breakfast/Breakfast with Santa
Good Will Fire Co. Sat., Dec. 7th 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.
See Back for more information.

“Christmas Party for the Kids”
Saturday, Dec. 21st—Good Will Fire Co.
401 South Street
New Castle City Police & Good Will Fire Co. Christmas party for the kids. Details on the back.

Holidays at the Amstel and Dutch Houses.
December 1st Through December 30th
The Amstel House and the Dutch House will be decorated for a traditional Colonial holiday celebration.

New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!
The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!
CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE KIDS
The New Castle City Police Dept. & Good Will Fire Company are inviting all the children of the City of New Castle to “Christmas for the Kids”
Place: Good Will Fire House
401 South Street
Date: Saturday, December 21st
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 gifts, snacks and lots of fun activities.
You can help! Please call 302-322-9800 or visit the NC Police Station at 1 Municipal Blvd. for information on how you can help make a magical holiday party for our kids.

CODE CORNER SPECIAL NOTICE:
In the fall, the City of New Castle Public Works Department collects loose and bagged leaves; collection runs through the end of November, or until the majority of the leaves have fallen. Leaves should be raked next to the curb for pick-up. Do not rake leaves into the street, those leaves can wash down the street and clog storm sewer grates when it rains. This can cause flooding and leaching of phosphorus into the river through wastewater.
• DO Rake your leaves to the curb.
• DON’T rake them into the Street.
• NEVER mix any other yard/green waste in with leaves; leave other items out for the regular Wednesday yard waste pick-up. These items can clog and damage machinery. You can also put leaves in bags or cans for Wednesday Yard Waste pick up.

Pancake Breakfast with Santa!
New Castle Hundred Lions Club & Good Will Fire Co. are hosting a Pancake Breakfast with Santa!
Saturday, December 7th
Good Will Fire Co., 401 South Street from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.
Visit with Santa from 8:30 to 11 a.m.
The Good Will Ladies Auxiliary will be selling baked goods, just in time to stock up for the holidays. For tickets call 302-328-LION, or ask a Lion. Tickets will also be available at the door.
Adults $6.00
Children (under 12) $3.00

Small Business Saturday November 30th
Start your holiday shopping, and explore Historic New Castle all while supporting our local businesses.
The fun starts at 9 a.m. at the New Castle Court House Museum (211 Delaware Street) where you will receive a passport and enjoy a cup of hot coffee and donuts. There will also be local artisans located in the West Wing to get your shopping day started.
The shop small passport is your ticket to a scavenger hunt around New Castle. Shop and collect stamps from all of your favorite places. Visit all participating locations, answer a few local trivia questions and enter your passport into our grand prize basket drawing. For more information visit their Facebook page, @VisitHistoricNewCastle.

A Dickens Experience Special Events
Friday, December 13th, Fezziwig’s Ball, 7:00 - 10:30 p.m. Fezziwig’s Ball at the Arsenal, with live music from the Susquehanna Travelers. Tickets are $40 per person and include food and beverages. Period attire is encouraged, but not required. Don’t know how to dance? The Dance Master and assistants from the Victorian Dance Ensemble will give explanations of everything. They are also offering a free dance rehearsal (casual dress) on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Arsenal.

Saturday, December 14th, attend a Victorian Tea at 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., & 3:30 p.m. in the New Castle Visitor Center at The Arsenal. Tickets for the Tea are $26 per person or $160 for a table of 8 (a savings of $48.) Tickets for Fezziwig’s Ball and the Victorian Teas are strongly recommended. For tickets or more information call 302-322-2794, or go to newcastlehistory.org/events

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