



City News

**The next Regular
City Council meeting
is 7 p.m.,
Tues., Jan. 14th at
Town Hall**

**Holiday Changes in
Trash & Recycle
Schedule
City Offices Closed
Tuesday, Dec. 24th &
Wednesday, Dec. 25th
NO Trash Pick Up**
Reg. Schedule Rev. Schedule
Dec. 23rd Dec. 23rd
Dec. 24th Dec. 26th
**No Yard Waste Pick Up
Regular Recycle Pick Up
on Thur. Dec. 26th &
Fri., Dec. 27th.**
**City Offices Closed
Wednesday, Jan. 1st
NO Yard Waste Pick Up
Regular Trash &
Regular Recycle Pick Up**

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**Christmas
Tree
Curbside
Recycling**



More information on back.

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

**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 businesses 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 on the Forms & Fees page.



**Apply for City Property
Tax 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 couple (total house income.) Social Security income is not counted toward the maximum. The last day to apply is April 30th.

Exemption Audit Letter

If you are already receiving the over 65 or disability tax exemption, watch the mail for your yearly audit letter. You must complete, sign and return by April 30, 2020 to continue to receive the exemption.

December/January Events



**Saturday, December 21st
11 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Good Will Fire House
401 South Street**

"Christmas for the Kids" The New Castle City Police and Good Will Fire Company are inviting the children to the 4th Annual "Christmas for the Kids." There will be face painting, food, games, gifts and crafts for the kids. Don't miss this fun event for the entire family.

Friday, December 27th - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Fourth Friday Art Loop Downtown.

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

Thursday, January 9, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.

Courthouse Museum 211 Delaware Street

Revisiting the Founding Era Series

"Seized in September: Revolutionary War Comes to Delaware" - a presentation by Kim Burdick, through Delaware Humanities. More info. on back.

Thursday, January 16th 6:00 - 9:00p.m.

Guest Bartender Night at Jessop's Tavern

Come out and patronize your favorite guest Bartender. Proceeds benefit the New Castle Senior Center.

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 last minute gift.

New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!

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

Revisiting the FOUNDING ERA

The New Castle Public Library is hosting a series of programs starting on January 9, 2020. The series is

“Revisiting the Founding Era,” and it is being presented through a grant award the library received from the American Library Association and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

Local partners for this series are: New Castle Courthouse Museum, Delaware Humanities, 1st Delaware Regiment, and the Boy Scouts. Mark your calendars.

- **Thursday, January 9, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.**
“Seized in September: Revolutionary War Comes to Delaware” - a presentation by Kim Burdick, through Delaware Humanities.
- **Thursday, January 23, 2020 @ 7 p.m.**
Meet the Founding Fathers: What They Thought About Government, Taxation and Individual Liberties” – presentation by historian, Gene Pisasale.
- **Thursday, February 6, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.**
Portrayal of Major Robert Kirkwood (Delaware Continentals) – presentation by Chris Mlynarczyk President/Commander of the 1st DE Regiment.



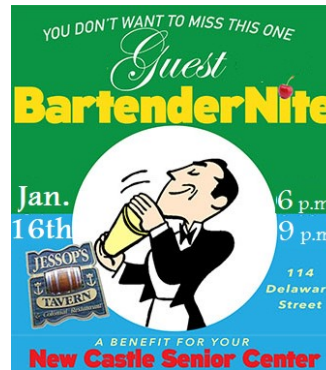
Trustee Grants Available

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. The deadline for submissions is Dec. 31, 2019.



New Castle Senior Center

Guest Bartender Night
Thursday, January 16th,
6:00-9:00 p.m. at Jessop's
Precedes benefit the New
Castle Senior Center.

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, 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.

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. In case of fire, firefighters need to be able to get to the hydrants quickly to protect people and property.



Christmas Tree Curbside Recycling

After the holidays place your tree curbside. Public Works crews will collect trees as teams are available.

- **DO NOT** block sidewalks.
- **DO NOT** place the tree in street or alley
- **DO NOT** place tree in bags
- **DO** remove tree stands, nails, ornaments, garland, lights, etc.

