

# The New Castle Crier

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## City News

The next Regular  
City Council meeting  
is 7 p.m.,  
Tues., May 9th  
NC Senior Center\*  
400 South Street  
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City Offices will be closed  
on  
Mon., May 29th  
in observance of  
Memorial Day  
Revised Recycle  
Pick-up Schedule  
CITYWIDE  
Recycle Pick-up  
Fri., June 2nd



## A Day in Old New Castle & The Kalmar Nyckel visit to Delaware Street Wharf.

On Saturday, May 20th come to town for historical reenactments, kids activities, plundering pirates, colonial craftsmen, and musical performances. The City museums will be open, and you can tour beautiful homes and gardens that are rarely open. Tickets are available at [www.historicnewcastle.com](http://www.historicnewcastle.com)

## May & June Events

It's time to sign up for the 2023 Half-Day Summer  
Recreation Camps For children Ages 5-12

- Monday – Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- June 21st – August 11th
- \$40 per child per week

**REGISTRATION:** Pre-registration is required. Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited.

**BREAKFAST:** DE Dept. of Education Summer Food Service Program is available at select sites. Call the camp office to verify if camp site has breakfast provided..

**ACTIVITIES:** Daily camp programming includes arts/crafts, weekly themes, fitness and nature activities, sports games, fresh-air time, and recreational and educational programming New Castle County Parks & Recreation/Camps.  
Contact Information: (302) 395-5654

**CAMP FORMAT:** Half-Day Camps run from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday except for the following dates: Monday, June 19 and Tuesday July 4.



Save the Date:  
Arasapha's Annual May Market  
Friday & Saturday, May 5th & 6th

### NEW CASTLE COURT HOUSE MUSEUM

★ **Sat. April 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00-** "New Castle and the Lincoln Assassination" Brian Cannon tells the true story of NC President, Zachariah Gemmill, who was in the military unit that captured John Wilkes Booth.

★ **Wed. April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm** – Film screening of "The Conspirator". Story of Mary Surratt, a Lincoln assassination conspirator who was executed by the Federal government. Directed by Robert Redford and starring Robin Wright, James McAvoy, Kevin Kline and Tom Wilkerson.

★ **Sat. April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00** – "Earth Day BEE Aware!" Thomas Lunt, owner and operator of Ft. Casimir Honey Co. and Apiary, will present a program on bees and their importance as pollinators to sustain life on this planet. Varieties of honey, soaps, candles and balms for sale.

★ **Sun, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:00** – "Lafayette's Farewell Tour of America". Dr. Patricia Maclay presents the details of Lafayette's tour and his stops in New Castle in 1824.

*New Castle – The First Capital of the First State!*

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



## Trustees Scholarship Fund Applications for 2023/2024 School Year are Available Now

The "Trustees of New Castle Common Scholarship Fund" was established in 1983 for eligible residents of the City of New Castle.

The scholarships are awarded to full-time residents of the City of New Castle and are for undergraduate study only. High school seniors must provide an acceptance letter from a college or university to be considered for the Scholarship. If the applicant is a dependent, the parent must be a resident of the City of New Castle.

A new applicant must be a senior in high school or a high school graduate who is entering an accredited undergraduate college or university as a full-time student in the coming Fall semester. The application deadline is **July 5, 2023**.

Applicants from the 2022/2023 school year must complete another application at this time and provide an official Spring 2023 grade transcript prior to the **July 5, 2023** deadline.

Application packets are available from the Trustees of New Castle Common online at [www.trusteesncc.org/grants](http://www.trusteesncc.org/grants). Completed packets can be returned online to [office@trusteesncc.org](mailto:office@trusteesncc.org) or by mail to Trustees of New Castle Commons, 807 Frenchtown Road, New Castle, DE 19720. Completed applications can also be hand delivered to the same address Monday – Thursday, 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

If you have any questions about the process or about residency in the City of New Castle, please call the Trustees office at 302-322-2809. Please note that the application and/or all necessary information must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than

**July 5, 2023.**



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEW CASTLE COMMON ELECTION UPDATE

**The Trustees have received one (1) candidate application for the open seat. Therefore, there is no contest and the voting scheduled for May 13, 2023, has been cancelled.**

### Hearth Cooking Saturday April 15th from 10 am to 2 pm

Join our cooks in the Amstel House kitchen for hearth cooking demonstrations! We'll be preparing several dishes with origins in Swedish, Dutch and American food traditions using original recipes



(historically called "receipts") from the 18th and early 19th centuries using authentic tools and techniques.

Enter the kitchen through the back door of the Amstel House, which is accessible through the garden, and stay as long as you like ... and come back more than once to see how the meal progresses.

Tickets are not required for the cooking demonstrations. To see the rest of the house, tickets are required and are available at the New Castle Visitor Center at the Arsenal. Guided tours of the Amstel House are scheduled at 10 am, Noon and 2 pm. For more information visit our website at [newcastlehistory.org](http://newcastlehistory.org) or contact us at [info@newcastlehistory.org](mailto:info@newcastlehistory.org).

## 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.

You can call the Code Enforcement office at 302-322-9801 or complaint forms are available in the City Office or on the City Web site at [newcastlecity.delaware.gov](http://newcastlecity.delaware.gov).

Complaints are handled on a confidential basis; 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.**