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Trustee Scholarship Announcement

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City News

The next Regular City Council Meeting is 7 p.m., Tues., May 10th at Town Hall

Public Outreach Meeting
N. C. Public Library
Wilmington Trust Room
424 Delaware Street,
Mon., April 25, 6p.m.

Public Outreach Meeting to present draft feasibility study of replacement of Delaware Street wharf bulkhead with a living shoreline. The study is available at the City office or online at newcastlecity.delaware.org

Spring in a busy time in New Castle!

Here's a snapshot of what's on tap for New Castle; please visit our website for much more information on all the events around the City: www.newcastlecity.delaware.gov.

Saturday, April 23rd - 9 a.m. to noon

Battery Park Clean Up

You can help! It's all hands on deck! The New Castle Sailing Club and the New Castle Community Partnership are co-sponsoring the annual spring Battery Park Beach Clean-Up this Saturday, April 23rd, from 9:00 to noon. Please join friends, family, neighbors, and colleagues in cleaning up the Battery Park beaches. Trash bags and gloves will be available, but please bring your own work gloves if possible. Volunteer certificates will be available. On the morning of the clean-up, please sign in at the registration table located by the New Castle Sailing Club sail house at the end of West 3rd Street.



Fri., May 6th 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sat., May 7th 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Celebrate spring at the annual May Market. Come to the Market Square at 2nd & Delaware and

enjoy a free open air market including unique, fresh flowering plants and herbs; artisan crafts; white elephant finds; and baked goods. To learn more about May Market, follow them at facebook.com/arasapha, or on their website at www.arasapha.org.

Saturday, May 21st, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A Day in Old New Castle. Taverns, Tap-rooms & Tippling Houses - Since the 18th century New Castle's inns and taverns have welcomed visitors from the world over. You are invited to discover many homes, gardens and public buildings that witnessed the early history and commerce along the Delaware river. To purchase tickets go to historicnewcastle.org.

April/May Events

Saturday, April 23rd - 9 a.m. to noon

Battery Park Clean Up

Come out and lend a hand! (See info above)

Saturday, April 30th - 10.m.

Miss & Mrs. Separation Day Pageant
New Castle School, 903 Delaware Street

Sponsored by the New Castle Jaycees, we are looking for Miss & Mrs. Separation Day. All age categories. For complete information and to sign up come to the City office, or go to Sepdayde.com.

Monday, May 2nd, 7:00 p.m.

Courthouse Museum - West Wing

New Castle Community Partnership Meeting.

Sunday, May 1st. 8am-4pm. Free New Castle Archaeological Symposium at New Castle Court House Museum

Sunday, May 1st. Anthony's Club Spaghetti Dinner - 12:00 - 6:00 p.m. St. Anthony's Club, 1017 Gray Street
Salad, Roll, Spaghetti and two meatballs! \$8.00.

Monday, May 2nd, 7:00 p.m. Courthouse Museum - West Wing - N. C. Community Partnership Meeting.



Fri., May 6th - First Friday /Art Loop: sip, snack and enjoy objets d'art in Historic New Castle 5-8p.m. Special this month 2nd ACT Antiques Collectibles & Treasures (304-306 Delaware Street) Grand Reopening, May 6th and 7th.

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Saturday, May 7th: Swanwyck Garden Club's annual "Plant and Bake Sale," 9-3 at Eisenberg School, Lander's Lane. Perennials, annuals, herbs, vegetables & goodies for Mother's Day. Benefits the Lander's Lane triangle.

Sat., May 21st 9 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Annual Day in Old New Castle. (See info above)

Separation Day 240 years and counting!

In 2026, America and the State of Delaware will turn 250 years old. Don't miss all the new events this year, a BBQ Fest - newcastlebbq.com, **Miss & Mrs. Separation Day**, and much more, as we build toward our Sestercentennial. Go to Sepdayde.com for more information.

New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!

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

2016 Spring Hydrant Flushing Program



The Municipal Services Commission Water Department will begin their Spring Fire Hydrant Flushing Program on Monday, April 25, 2016. Flushing will begin at 7:30 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri. taking approximately 10 business days to complete. The Hydrant Flushing Program is important to the City's water system. It is an integral part of MSC's goal to deliver the safest, highest quality water possible and ensures fire protection by testing the operation of our hydrants.

MSC schedules the flushing programs during the early spring and late fall when demands are lower using a carefully planned route to control the direction of flow in our system. Customers should not experience service interruptions during the flushing process.

The flushing process may cause some temporary water discoloration. There is no health hazard associated with the discolored water. If you notice discolored water, please run several cold water taps at the same time until the water is clear. Avoid using hot water and doing laundry until you are sure the water is clear.

MSC Commission urges all residents to exercise caution while traveling around the hydrant flushing crews as water may accumulate in the flushing area.

Your understanding and cooperation during this process is appreciated. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact the Municipal Services Commission Water Department at 323-2333 Mon. - Fri. between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Battery Park 1/2 Day Summer Camp

June 28,- Aug. 11, Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Sign up at the City Office or online at www.newcastlecity.delaware.gov/parks-and-recreation



Save the Date!

Old New Castle

"Fallen Hero's 5K Run/Walk"
In honor of Elizabeth A. Lonki
Thursday, May 26th 2016

Proceeds benefit the Elizabeth A. Lonki Scholarship Fund, named in memory of Senior Airman Elizabeth A. Lonki, a graduate of St. Peter School. Elizabeth was a true American hero who became the first woman from Delaware to die in combat in Iraq.

Medals for overall winners, T-Shirts for pre-registered participants. Details and registration information is available at www.oldnewcastlerun.com.

Onsite registration begins at 5:00 p.m.

Race start time is 6:30 p.m.

The Trustees Announce Annual Scholarship Fund



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

An applicant must be a senior in high school or a recent high school graduate who is entering the freshman year in an accredited undergraduate college or university **as a full-time student** in the coming September. Funded applicants from previous years who continue to meet the eligibility requirements are invited to re-apply for grant funding if available.

The scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need and scholastic ability. If the applicant is a dependent, the parent must be a resident of the City of New Castle. Applications and instructions are available from the Trustees of New Castle Common, Delaware Street, New Castle. **Note that student's application and a transcript of final grades must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than July 1, 2016.**

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 at the City Offices or on the City Web site 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.

Mosquito Control

The City of New Castle will be cooperating with the State of Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife to maximize mosquito control in the area in an



effort to combat mosquito borne diseases. The City will aggressively enforce City health codes that require the elimination of standing water, such as in tires or buckets.

Now is a good time to do a quick property check. Look for potential areas for mosquito breeding, anywhere water can collect and stagnate. Eliminating these types of areas will go a long way this spring and summer to help with mosquito control.

This month's highlights; general reminders...

1. Grass must be maintained on a regular basis.
2. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals. This must be done immediately.

Swimming Pools: must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. All pools capable of holding more than two feet of water (including above-ground pools) require a building permit, and must meet strict requirements including fencing, self-latching gate and, if applicable, electrical standards.