



City News

The next Regular City Council meeting Tues., November 9th at the N.C. Senior Center 400 South Street

City Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday, Nov. 25th & Friday, Nov. 26th There will be No Recycle Pick-up on those days. There will be City-Wide Recycle Pick-up on Wednesday, Nov. 24th and no yard waste pick-up.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the City newsletter please call the City office at 322-9801 or email the City office at info@newcastlecity.delaware.gov.

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**Remember!
Sunday, November 8th
Set your
Clocks Back &
Change your
Smoke Alarm
Batteries!**



New Castle City Public Safety "Adopt a Family" and "Christmas for the Kids" Celebration



The New Castle City Police and Good Will Fire Company will be adopting two families from the City of New Castle as a part of the "Christmas for the Kids" annual event.

Criteria for families being adopted by the New Castle City Police and Good Will Fire Company:

- The family must reside within the incorporated city limits of the City of New Castle.
- The family must be nominated by a member of the community.
- The family must be in good standing with the community.

The NCCPS Adopted Families for

Christmas will be funded by the donations raised in conjunction with the "Christmas for the Kids" celebration. The families chosen for adoption will be personally invited to the "Christmas for the Kids" celebration located at the Good Will Fire House. Direct donations from the community will be accepted in form of a check or present/gift. The presents will primarily focus on the needs of the children in the family.

Please provide as much information about the family as possible when making the nomination.

Representatives of NCPD and GWFC will contact the families directly for detailed information once the families have been chosen.

Nominations can be made at the New Castle City Police Station or emailed to tina.shughart@cj.state.de.us.

October/ November Events

Friday, Oct. 22nd, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Fourth Friday Art Loop. Sip and snack in New Castle's Downtown District.

Saturday, Oct. 23rd - 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

William Penn Day

New Castle Court House Museum. Events include:
10 a.m. - Livery of Seizen with William Penn, 11:30 a.m. - Trial of William Penn, 2:00 p.m. - Guiliama and Hannah Penn presentation.

Thursday, Oct. 28th 6:30 p.m.

New Castle Annual Halloween Parade

Parade lineup starts at 6:00 p.m. at St. Peters School parking lot. Cash Prizes. A New Castle Tradition Sponsored by the New Castle Lions Club.

Hauntings in History Walking Tours: Fri. & Sat. nights in October, the 9th - 30th at 7, 8:00, & 9:00 p.m. For ticket information call 302-322-2794 or go online to www.newcastlehistory.org.



**Saturday, Oct. 30th 12 - 3 p.m.
Good Will Fire Co. Open House**

Mark your calendars and come out to the fire station on October 30 for Good Will's annual Open House. All their fire, rescue, and EMS equipment will be on display as well as displays from public safety partners including New Castle City Police Department, New Castle County 911, New Castle County Emergency Management and Citizen Corps, Delaware State Police Aviation Section, and New Castle County Police Mounted Patrol.

**Friday, Nov. 5th - 7 p.m. \$25.00/20 Games
Good Will Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary - Designer Handbag Bingo: 401 South Street Fun,** food and designer handbags! Doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo begins at 7 p.m. Refreshments, raffles & 50/50's for sale. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Must be 18 or older to attend.



New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!

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



Good Will Fire Company Fire Safety Month & Open House

Good Will Fire Co. would like to remind us all that October is National Fire Prevention Month and that means it's time to take precautionary steps to prevent dangerous and life-threatening fires. According to the National Fire Prevention Association, the winter months see an increase in home fires. These are the months when we turn on the heat to keep our homes warm. While we need to keep our homes warm, there are steps we should all take to prevent a fire.

- Make sure your heating source is well maintained.
- Don't store items near your heating source.
- Make sure draperies and furniture and other combustible items are kept far enough away from a heating source.
- Don't leave candles or cigarettes unattended
- Don't overload outlets and surge suppressors.
- Make sure smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are working.
- Place a smoke detector on every level of your home and test them monthly. Replace batteries annually. (Hint, Nov. 7th when you set you clocks back.)
- Get a fire extinguisher and make sure it's not outdated. Most fire extinguishers have an expiration date. Place one on each floor of the house and in the garage too.

Don't miss Good Will Fire Co.'s Open House on October 30th from 12 - 3 p.m. (see front of newsletter) for fun activities and more lifesaving tips. If you need a smoke detector contact the Good Will at (302) 328-2211 or stop by 401 South Street.

Code Enforcement Corner

The City Code Enforcement Department 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 at newcastlecity.delaware.gov or in the City offices; you can also call the Code Officer at 322-9801.

DANGEROUS OR VACANT PROPERTIES:



Any vacant property must be registered with the City and maintained as if that property were used or occupied. Please call the Pubic Services Department at 322-9801 with any questions you may have about registering a vacant property.

UNREGISTERED OR INOPERABLE VEHICLES:

In any zoning district, it shall be unlawful to park,



Protecting our state's precious water begins with you...

Storm drains and roadside ditches lead directly to our streams, rivers, lakes and bays. So, any pollutants like oil, pet waste, leaves, grass clippings, trash, or dirty water from washing your car, or other outside activities that enter a storm drain eventually get into our state's precious waters.

Report illegal dumping or evidence of discharge of pollutants into storm drains:

Call: 302-322-9801 or Email:

jbergstrom@newcastlecity.delaware.gov

How can You help? Follow these Simple Tips to help keep our water clean.

- **Never dump anything down a storm drain.**
- **Keep grass clippings off of sidewalks and streets.**
- **Use fertilizers and pesticides sparingly and sweep up any excess; consider using natural alternatives.**
- **Check your car for leaks, and recycle used motor oil.**
- **Take your car to a car wash, instead of washing it in your driveway.**
- **Pick up after your pet.**
- **Compost your yard waste.**



store, or permit to be parked or stored, other than inside a fully enclosed building, any vehicle that is required to and does not have current registration attached to the vehicle, is inoperable in the manner for which it is designed, is missing major components, is wrecked or is dismantled.



DOMESTIC ANIMALS:

It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly permit a dog, cat or other domestic animal owned or subject to the control of such person to defecate upon any street, sidewalk or park, or upon any public property, or upon any private property within the City of New Castle without the consent of the owner or tenant of such private property. In the event that any dog, cat or other domestic animal deposits its excrement upon any public or private land, such owner of said dog, cat, or other domestic animal shall remove immediately, in a sanitary manner any fecal matter deposited by said dog, cat or other domestic animal.