

national recognition APPA CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE IN RELIABILITY

Municipal Services Commission Electric Department has received national recognition for achieving exceptional electric reliability in 2015. The recognition comes from the American Public Power Association (APPA)—a trade group in Washington, D.C., that represents more than 2,000 notfor-profit, community-owned electric utilities such as Municipal Services Commission.

"This honor recognizes utilities that are statistically thriving when it comes to reliability," said APPA Senior Vice President, Engineering Services Michael Hyland.

APPA took Municipal Services Commission's reliability data compiled through its eReliability Tracker Service and compared it to the top quartile of system outage

duration from national reliability data collected by the Energy Information Administration—an independent agency that collects, analyzes and disseminates national energy data.

"Scott Blomquist and his team work hard to keep the lights on day in and day out," said Pamela A. Patone, General Manager at MSC. "It's nice to see that hard work pay off with this kind of recognition."

The MSC's Commissioners have been proactive in maintaining the City's electric system by creating redundancies with the construction of the Dobbinsville Substation and in developing a repairs and maintenance program. It is these types of activities that has led to this recognition. For more information on Municipal Services Commission and its commitment to reliability, visit http://newcastlemsc.delaware.gov/



13 A statute was passed limiting the sale of slaves in the colony of Virginia. 1660, Senate begins impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson. 1868, **Chester Greenwood** of Maine patented the earmuff, called the "Champion Ear Protector". 1877, *Standard time* was adopted throughout the US 1884, *Abbott & Costello's* (Who's On First was copyrighted. 1944, Braves' *Bobby Thomson* breaks his ankle, he is replaced by Hank Aaron. 1954, Arthur Treacher and Mort Lindsey and joined Merv Griffin in his TV debut. 1972

14 First American town meeting was held at Boston's Faneuil Hall. 1743, Henry Ford announced the new continuous motion method to assemble cars (93 minutes). 1914, George Eastman founder of Eastman Kodak Co., commits suicide rather than facing the ravages of cancer. 1932, FBI's 10 Most Wanted Fugitives program begins. 1950, A Dallas jury found Jack Ruby guilty of the murder of *Lee Harvey Oswald* in 1964... three years later John F. Kennedy's body was moved from a temporary grave to a permanent one. 49 to 5by **Dolly Parton** topped the charts. 1981

15 The Battle of Guilford Courthouse took place in North Carolina. British General Cornwallis¹,900 soldiers defeated an American force of 4,400, 1781, Jesse W. Reno patented the Reno Inclined Elevator. It was the first escalator. 1892, President Woodrow Wilson held the first open presidential news conference. 1913,

1934, Henry Ford restored the \$5 a day wage. 1934, The first blood bank was established. 1937, My Fair Lady opened a 6 1/2 year run on Broadway. 1956

16 Congress established the West Point Military Academy in New York. 1802, Ned Ludd leads a group of workers in a wild protest against mechanization. 1811, The State of Delaware enacted the first fertilizer law. 1871, Robert Goddard launches the first liquid fuel rocket. 1926, Iwo Jima was declared secure by the Allies. 1945, Peter, Paul and Mary released the single, <a>Puff The Magic Dragon. 1963, Paul Hornung and Alex Karras were reinstated to the NFL after an 11-month suspension for betting on football games. 1964

17 The first St. Patrick's Day! celebrated in USA 1735, Transylvania Land Co buys Kentucky for \$50,000 from a Cherokee chief. 1755, The rubber band was invented. 1845, In Otay, California, John Joseph *Montgomery* made the first manned, controlled, heavier-than-air glider flight in the US. 1884, President Theodore Roosevelt coined the word 'muckrake' 1906, Al Capone was released from jail. 1930, **1** Tequila by the **Champs** topped the charts. 1958, **President Nixon** asked Congress to halt busing in order to achieve desegregation. 1972

18 David Melville patented the gas streetlight. 1813, First railroad tunnel in US completed. 1834, Henry Wells & William Fargo founded American Express. 1850, Confederate women riot in N.C. to protest the lack of flour and salt in the South. 1863, was enlarged with the second Peace of Riga. 1921, President Eisenhower signed the Hawaii statehood bill. 1959,



Sealed bids for the City of New Castle Riverfront **Redevelopment Pier** Project will be received by the City Administrator until 1:30 p.m. on Thursday March 31, 2016, at the City Administration Building, 220 Delaware Street, New Castle, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Info HERE

Last year, the city solicited bids to build the pier extending 180 feet onto the river from the concrete wharf at the foot of Delaware Street. The city received only one offer to build the project for approximately \$3 million. A design firm hired by the city projected the cost would be \$800,000.

Cosmonaut Aleksei Leonov becomes the first person to take a space walk. 1965, Night Fever by the Bee Gees topped the charts. 1978

19 This is *St. Joseph's Day*, the day that those little birds known as swallows traditionally return to the Mission San Juan Capistrano. 1776, The *first bank robbery* in America (NYC \$245,000) was reported. 1831, Jan Matzeliger invents first machine to manufacture entire shoe. 1883, Nevada legalized gambling. 1931, Academy Awards aired on television for the first time. 1953, The staff of WJM-TV had a goingaway party, as the last episode of *^(III)* <u>The Mary Tyler</u> <u>Moore Show</u> was broadcast. 1977



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at Our Senior Center

Mon 3/14 11 Lunch Out Catherine Rooney's Tue 3/15 9-12 AARP Tax Aide Wed 3/16 10 Blood work-Lab 10 Book Club Thurs 3/17 9:15 Irish Dancers 10 Blood Pressure Screenings 11:30 Irish Trivia 12 St. Patrick's Day Lunch 12:30 Food Lion Fri 3/11 10 Green Bingo 12:30 Dollar Store

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9-3 Billiards 9 Pool Exercise 9:30 Park Walk 10 Crafty Seniors 12 Lunch 12:30 Mah Jongg 1 Chair Yoga

> Internet Job Search PAWS*/7PM

Taiji-Quan* 1-2p

Come Hell or Highball Knit 1/Crochet 2/7P

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GED in SPANISH* 6:30-8:30p

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Free After School Snacks 3 PM

LIBRARY AFTER HOURS*/7PM

MINECRAFT 3 PM/all ages

Tech Knowledge-Y Lab/2:30-4:30p

TUES 9-3 Billiards 9:30 Shanghai 10 Bingo 12 Lunch 1 Strength Building/ Exercise

WED 9-3 Billiards 9:30 Park Walk 11 Line Dancing 12 Lunch 12:30 YMCA **Diabetes** Prevention 1 Pilates

THUR 9-3 Billiards 9:30 Shanghai 9:30 Bridge 10 Games w/Tom 12 Lunch 12:30 Super Market 1 Zumba[']Gold 2 Qi Gong/Tai Chi 5:30 Yoga 5:30 Bible Study

FRI 9-3 Billiards 9:30 Park Walk 9:30 Knit/Crochet 10 Bingo 10 Mah Jongg 10:30 Beginner's/ Arthritis Exercise 12 Lunch



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Chronic Disease Self-Management a Program at the New Castle Senior Center

Mondays, March 21- April 25th 9:30-12:00

Sponsored by

Delaware Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health This **FREE** program is for anyone with a chronic disease, including heart disease, hypertension, kidney disease, chronic pain, obesity, and depression/ anxiety. Topics include: preventing or delaying health complications, dealing with frustration, fatigue, pain and isolation, communicating effectively with health professionals, understanding nutrition, appropriate exercise, etc. Each

participant will receive a copy of the book

"Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions."

For more information or to sign up, contact Natalie at the center. nkaplan@newcastleseniorcenter.com or 326-4209



Corned Beef # Potato Bake

Gonna need...

12 ounces Corned Beef Brisket, coarsely chopped 1 tbsp butter

- 1/2 c. chopped onions 2 tsps chopped fresh thyme 2 tbsps reserved horseradish-butter
- mixture

1 c. shredded Swiss cheese 1/4 c. shredded Parmesan cheese

2 c.s reserved potato halves Get Cookn'

- Heat oven to 375°F. Melez csps butter in large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add onion and thyme; cook and stir 3 to 4 minutes or until onion is tender. Remove from heat; stir in Corned Beef and horseradishbutter mixture. Meanwhile, coat bottom and sides of 9-inch glass pie plate with remaining 1 tsp butter; set aside.
- 2. Cut each potato half into 4 wedges. Arrange 1/2 of potato wedges in single layer over bottom of pie plate; stick remaining potato wedges upright around the edge of the pie plate. Combine cheeses in small bowl. Sprinkle potatoes with 1/2 of cheese mixture. Top with corned beef mixture and remaining cheese mixture. Press firmly with spatula to compact layers; cover with aluminum foil.
- 3. Bake in 375°F oven 25 to 30 minutes or until heated through. Uncover; continue baking 3 to 5 minutes or until cheese is melted and edges begin to brown. Let stand 5 minutes. Cut into wedges.

If using deli Corned Beef and frozen prepared roasted potatoes, increase covered baking time to 35 minutes.

"This **Irish Coffee** spin is

inspired by the classic cocktail the Rusty Nail, with Drambuie and Scotch whisky," says Silas Axtell of the

Townsman in Boston. "The name Cut Clasp comes from a type of nail used in more antique style construction. My grandfather used to pull them out of old floorboards to use in all of his construction projects; they're nostalgic for me since I ended up

being the one hammering them into the floorboards in all of his houses. The orange whipped cream adds a sweetness.

1oz Great King Street Glasgow Blend Scotch whisky 1oz Drambuie 3oz hot coffee 4oz orange whipped cream* Dash of ground-toasted juniper

Stir the whisky, Drambule and coffee together in a glass mug, and top with the cream. Sprinkle with ground-toasted juniper. *Orange whipped cream: Whip together in a cocktail shaker or bottle the zest of half an orange, 4 ounces heavy cream and 2 tbsps confectioners sugar.



About this time last year Cobblestones and DelDOT reported on another Rt.141 construction project, the repairs and paving of the Rt. 13 overpass. This widely used artery has been free of orange barrels and cones since last summer it seems. We are now

faced with a new construction project on 141 once again. From DelDOT: The construction is required to address the interchange area that currently experiences congestion during the morning and afternoon peak hours. As a result of the high number of congestion-related accidents, the location was identified for safety improvements in the Department's Hazard Elimination Program (HEP). The proposed improvement will address

the safety issues as well as capacity and infrastructure issues at the interchange. This project is the first of two reconstruction projects to provide improvements to the Route 141 and I-95 interchange. A second project currently in the design phase will address the issues at the Route 141 and southbound I-95 portion of the interchange. That project will

begin at the completion of the Route 141 and northbound I-95 project. Throughout the construction there will be periodic lane closures to Route 141, northbound I-95 ramps and northbound I-95. In advance of these closures, notification and detour route notifications will be provided via DeIDOT Traffic Report, Traffic Alerts, Variable Message Signs and project website.

For further information contact DeIDOT Community Relations at 1-800-652-5600 (in DE) or 302-760-2080, or visit the project website at: State Route 141/I-95 Ramp Interchange Construction



Smartasset[™] a New York financial technology company, recently released its **>**second annual study on the Best Places to Retire. The study rates cities by their tax friendliness, recreational and social opportunities for seniors, and availability of medical care. New Castle ranked number 2 in Delaware this year, after being unranked in last year's study. For a look at how New Castle compared to other top cities in Delaware, check the table below:

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Rank	City	Тах	Doctors' Offices per 1,000 People	Recreation Centers per 1,000 People	Retirement Centers per 1,000 people	% of Seniors	Best Place to Retire Index
1	Seafurit, DE	4.7%	23	2.2	G1	19.3%	95.78
2	New Castle, DE	47%	37	3.6	0.0	15.7%	91.30
3	Wirnington, DE	4.9%	5.2	2.0	0.2	12.4%	90.47
4	Hockessin, DE	4.7%	2.3	07	0.2	19.2%	85.82
5	Million, DE	4.7%	48	07	0.0	18.6%	84.85
6	Neveri, DE	4.7%	6.9	13	0.1	10.9%	82.48
7	Dover, DE	4.7%	37	0.8	0.1	56,4%	82.21
	Georgetown, DE	47%	3.6	0.8	0.0	11.2%	69.75
9	Smyrma, DE	4.7%	18	0.6	0.0	13.3%	63.25
10	Modelown, DE	4.7%	15	0.6	a 1	10.8%	59.25



Asbury Methodist Easter Sunday 10:15am 10:30am Children's Church

First Baptist Church

Easter Sunday Service 11am with communion and baptism

Immanuel on the Green

 Easter Sunday Services

 8am
 Holy Eucharist, Rite I

 9:45am
 Nursery available Academy

 10am
 Holy Eucharist, Rite II

 11:15am
 Coffee Hour Academy

New Castle Presbyterian

Easter Sunday 6:30am Sunrise Service at the Wharf Resurrection Worship 10:30am

New Castle United Methodist Easter Sunday 6:30 am Sunrise Service at the Wharf

10 am Service in the Sanctuary

St. Peter the Apostle Church Easter Sunday Masses 8:30 & 10:30am





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Events at Delaware State Fair M&T Bank Grandstand

Wednesday Jul 20th 7:30PM Jake Owen Tickets

Saturday Jul 23rd 8:00PM Jeff Dunham Tickets

Sunday Jul 24th 7:30PM Little Big Town Tickets

Monday **Jul 25th** 7:30PM *Alabama* Tickets

Friday **Jul 29th** 7:30PM *George Thorogood* Tickets

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Tuesday April 5th at 7pm • Town Hall



My son Jay has embarked on a new mission. After working with addicted youth for many years, he has now launched his dream. From his website:





FIREBIRD TRANSFORMATIONS is an individually-focused program of structured sober living for motivated men in the mountains of Western North Carolina. Our home is in a rustic setting yet very close to the internationally popular city of Asheville. Firebird innovates the incentive to recover by offering more than just a program- our shared way of life leads one to their own way of life, with the goal of leaving us with a takeaway skill, trade or certification... in addition to a healed self and strengthened family. We are building several on-site micro-enterprise opportunities, from a blacksmithing program, to a fully self-sustaining aquaponics greenhouse. We paired our Members with excellent clinicians and other community resources specializing in a wide range of supports.

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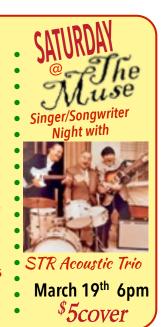


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http://newcastlecity.delaware.gov/



The Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs' <u>State Historic Preservation</u> <u>Office</u> and preservation partners throughout the state are gearing up to celebrate an important anniversary and everyone is invited to join.

FIELD TRIP TO Chanticleer Gardens Sat., April 23rd Arasapha Garden Club

invites all garden enthusiasts to join us on a field trip to Chanticleer Gardens located in Wayne, Pa. Chanticleer, the name for the Rosengarten Estate, was the summer home of the family which was transferred to the

Chanticleer Foundation in the early 1990's and has become a premier pleasure garden open to the public. We will be leaving at 9 am from the parking lot across from 419 South St,

New Castle. The estimated commuting time is 1.15 minutes. The Gardens open at 10 am. The individual entrance fee is \$10. This will be a selfguided tour with maps provided by the gardens. The terrain through parts of the garden is steep and at times uneven so plan to wear comfortable walking shoes. **Your RSVP is requested by April 1**st so transportation by member cars can be organized. There is the option for lunch at a restaurant in the area before returning to New Castle. Please indicate your interest in having lunch in your RSVP. Details will follow regarding lunch.

> Please RSVP by email to ArasaphaGarden@gmail.com Preview Chanticleer HERE





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Tell them you saw it in the Cobblestones

Alert neighbor foils auto theft

Last Monday, March 7th, at approximately 10:30AM the New Castle City Police responded to the area of West 3rd Street for a report of a man attempting to break into vehicles.

When police arrived on scene, area residents pointed them in the direction that the suspect fled. M/ Sqt. Bernard Torre spotted the man, but lost sight of him in the area of East Second Street.

Robert E. Coates, 35, of the 200 block of E. 2nd Street was captured on video near the victim's vehicle and identified by police.



On March 10th Coates was picked up in the Wilmington area by Wilmington Police on an unrelated incident. Coates was charged with Attempted Vehicle Theft and Criminal Mischief (damaged car window) and released on unsecured bond pending a preliminary hearing.



My name is Sous Chef

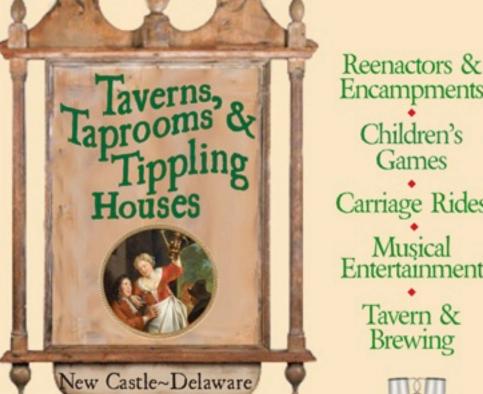
I'm a playful 7 years young and need a new home. Ya see Mom just moved to a new apartment and I can't stay. I love to play with boxes, pipe cleaners, twist ties and you! If you would like to meet me please call Mom Rikki 302-353-6483

the EASTER FAIR is coming Sat., March 26th 10am – Noon New Castle Presbyterian Church **25 East Second Street** Games, Crafts, Refreshments, and a **Celebration of the Life Christ Brings!** Egg Hunt Begins at 11 am **Ages 0-10**

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