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IS ON EVERYONE'S LIPS

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Bears needed!

Studies have shown that teddy bears have a positive impact when given to children who are experiencing some type of trauma. Many police departments throughout the United States have programs in which teddy bears are used to promote comfort to children in crisis.

The New Castle City Police are requesting donations of teddy bears to be used in moments when children we deal with need special care.

We appreciate the support of our citizens and businesses. Donations of teddy bears will be accepted at the New Castle City Police Headquarters.

Please email tina.shughart@cj.state.de.us with any questions.

this week in HISTORY

13 The *US Continental Congress* ordered the construction of a naval fleet. 1775, The cornerstone of what was termed the *President's House* was laid by George Washington. 1792, *B'nai B'rith* was founded. 1843, An ultrasonic burglar alarm was patented by *Samuel Bagno.* 1953, Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra introduced the Ford Edsel on an hour long special. 1957, 'Little' *Donny Osmond* received a shiny gold record for his rendition of the Steve Lawrence hit, Go Away Little Girl. 1971

14 *Theodore Roosevelt* was shot while campaigning in Milwaukee. Not seriously as he continued with his planned speech. *William Schrenk* was captured at the scene of the shooting. 1912, The book *Winnie-the-Pooh,* by A.A. Milne, made its debut. 1926, With a cast of 25,000, the *C.B. DeMille* epic, The Ten Commandments, starring Charlton Heston, began filming in Egypt. 1954, First live telecast from a manned US spacecraft *(Apollo 7).* 1968

15 *Grace Bedell,* 11 years old, wrote a letter to presidential candidate *Abraham Lincoln.* The letter stated that Lincoln would look better if he would grow a beard. 1860, *US Supreme Court* struck down part of the Civil Rights Act of 1875. It allowed for individuals and corporations to discriminate based on race. 1883, I Love Lucy premiered on television. 1951, An American treasure died. *Cole Porter,* renowned lyricist and composer, died at age 73. 1964, The *Freedom of Information Act* was passed. 1984

16 *Marie Antoinette* was guillotined for treason. 1793, The first modern hotel in America opened (Boston). *The Tremont* had 170 rooms @ for $2 a day and included four meals. 1829, *Marvin Pipkin* received a patent for the frosted electric light bulb. 1928, *Mrs. Jules Lederer* replaced Ruth Crowley in newspapers using the name *Ann Landers.* 1955, The once-lowly *New York Mets* won their first World Series baseball championship. The Miracle Mets were 100-to-1 long shots at the beginning of the season. 1969

17 The first issue of *National Geographic Magazine* was released at newsstands. 1888, *Al Capone* was convicted of income tax evasion. 1931, Mr. Smith Goes to Washington premiered. 1939, St. George and the Dragonet by Stan Freberg topped the charts. 1953, "Gimme a head with hair. Long, beautiful hair..." The rock musical HAIR opened. 1967, *Mother Teresa* of India was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. 1979, *Earthquake in SF* (6.9) cancels 3rd game of 86th World Series - kills 67. 1989

18 The *Mason-Dixon line* was agreed upon. 1767, *Samuel Morse* laid his first telegraph cable. 1842, The first broadcast of *Perry Mason* was presented on CBS Radio. 1943, The first computer-arranged marriage took place on *Art Linkletter's show.* 1958, *Walt Disney's* Jungle Book" is released. 1967

19 The *Revolutionary War* ended. 1781, The first documented performance of *"The Defence of Fort McHenry"* with music took place at the Holliday Street Theatre. Later published under the title *"The Star-Spangled Banner."* 1814, *Marlon Brando* made his debut in "I Remember Mama" on Broadway. 1944, Ray Bradbury's novel, *"Fahrenheit 451"* was copyright registered. 1953, *One World Trade Center* was ready for its first tenants this day, though the upper stories were not completed. 1970

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FLAG STATUS

Don't Wait - Check the Date!
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Tues 10-15 **Bill** Liggett
Wed 10-16 **Alice** Bridgewater ★ **Joe** Ciesielski ★ **Bill** Emory
Thurs 10-17 **Janice** DiMeglio Fri 10-18 **Ray** Lewis ★ **Ellie** Gerhart
Sat 10-19 **Terry** Gormley ★ **Roger** Clark
Mon 10-21 **Toby** Hagerott Tues 10-22 **Ashley** Sutterlin
Mon 10-14 . *Anniversary* **Laura** & **Don** Kowski *13th*
Sat 10-19 . *Anniversary* **Rainy** & **Ray** Peden *34th*

Birthday or Anniversary approaching?
Tell The Teditor flytedb13@comcast.net

Notable this week 13th *Columbus Day* ◆ *InterNatl Skeptics Day* Margaret Thatcher*94 (2013), Paul Simon-77, Sammy Hagar-72, Chris Carter-62, created "The X-Files", Marie Osmond-60, Jerry Rice-57, Nancy Kerrigan-50 14th *Be Bald and Free Day* ◆ *Natl Dessert Day* William Penn*375 (1718), Dwight D. Eisenhower*129 (1969), 34th U.S. President, E. E. Cummings*125 (1962), C. Everett Koop*103 (2013), Roger Moore-92* (2017), John Dean-81, Ralph Lauren-80, Usher-40 15th *White Cane Safety Day* ◆ *Happy Hag fish Day* John Kenneth Galbraith*111(2008), Arthur Schlesinger Jr.*102 (2007), Mario Puzo*99 (1999), Lee Iacocca-95, Penny Marshall*76 (2018), Richard Carpenter73, Sarah Ferguson-60, Emeril Lagasse-60, Vanessa Marcil-50 16th *Bosses Day* ◆ *Dictionary Day* Noah Webster*261 (1843), Oscar Wilde*160 (1900), David Ben-Gurion*133 (1954), William O. Douglas*121 (1975), Angela Lansbury-94, Suzanne Somers-73, Tim Robbins-61 17th *Wear Something Gaudy Day* ◆ *Natl Pasta Day* ◆ *Mammography Day* Pope John Paul I*106, pope for just 34 days in 1978, Rita Hayworth*100 (1987), Evel Knievel*80 (2007), Margot Kidder*70 (2018), George Wendt-70, Norm McDonald-55, Eminem-46 18th *Chocolate Cupcake Day* ◆ *Sweetest Day* Chuck Berry*93 (2017), Mike Ditka-80, Lee Harvey Oswald*80 (1963), Martina Navratilova-63, Jean-Claude Von Damme-59 19th *Natl Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Day* Jack Anderson*96 (2005), Robert Reed*86 (1992), John Lithgow-74, Evander Holyfield-57

NASCAR®

NASCAR schedule

Sep 1	Bojangles' Southern 500	Erik Jones
Sep 8	Big Machine Vodka 400	Kevin Harvick
Sep 15	***South Point 400**	Martin Truex, Jr
Sep 21	*Federated Auto Parts 400 7:30p	
Sep 29	*Bank of America ROVAL 400	

DOVER Race Date Sun **Oct 6**

COBBLESTONES GOAL POST

WEEK 7

Thurs, Oct. 17
Kansas City @ Denver 8:20p NFLN
Sun, Oct 20
Miami @ Buffalo 1p CBS
L.A. Rams @ Atlanta 1p FOX
Minnesota @ Detroit 1p FOX
Oakland @ Green Bay 1p CBS
San Francisco @ Washington 1p FOX
Jacksonville @ Cincinnati 1p CBS
Houston @ Indianapolis 1p CBS
Arizona @ N.Y. Giants 1p FOX
L.A. Chargers @ Tennessee 4p CBS
Baltimore @ Seattle 4:25p FOX
New Orleans @ Chicago 4:25p FOX
Philadelphia @ Dallas 8:20p NBC
Mon, Oct 21
New England @ N.Y. Jets 8:15p ESPN
Bye: Carolina, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Tampa Bay

ESPN ▶2019 NFL Schedule

WEEK 8
Thurs, Oct 24
Washington @ Minnesota 8:20p NFLN
U.S. Bank Stadium
Sun, Oct 27
Oakland @ Houston 1p CBS
N.Y. Jets @ Jacksonville 1p CBS
Philadelphia @ Buffalo 1p FOX
Seattle @ Atlanta 1p FOX
Tampa Bay @ Tennessee 1p FOX
N.Y. Giants @ Detroit 1p FOX
L.A. Chargers @ Chicago 1p FOX
Cincinnati @ L.A. Rams 1p CBS
Arizona @ New Orleans 1p CBS
Carolina @ San Francisco 4p FOX
Cleveland @ New England 4:25p CBS
Denver @ Indianapolis 4:25p CBS
Green Bay @ Kansas City 8:20p NBC
Mon, Oct 28
Miami @ Pittsburgh 8:15p ESPN
Bye: Baltimore, Dallas

▶**EAGLES** ▶**REDSKINS** and ▶**RAVENS**

SCHEDULE - SCORES & NEWS ▶**HERE**

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SCHEDULE - SCORES & NEWS ▶**HERE**

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Condolences to Skilton Family

on the loss of Harry ~ October 6th

LOCK YOUR CAR!

OCTOBER at Our Senior Center

Mon 10-14 CENTER CLOSED Columbus Day Tues 10-15 9 **"Chocolate by Leslie" Wed 10-16** 10 **Pinochle** 10 **Blood Work** 10 **National Depression Screening Day** 11 **Senior CAN Program Thurs 10-17** 9 **Bank & PO** 10 **Blood Pressure** 12:30 **Food Lion** ***NO*** **Bible Study** ***NO*** **Tai Chi** ***NO*** **Yoga** Closing at 3p **Fri 10-18 CENTER CLOSED Bazaar set-up**

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MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
9-3 Billiards 9 Pool Exercise 9:30 Park Walk 10 Crafty Seniors 12 Lunch 12:30 Mah Jongg 1 Chair Yoga	9-3 Billiards 9:30 Shanghai 10 Bingo 12 Lunch 1 Strength Building/ Exercise	9-3 Billiards 9:30 Park Walk 11 Line Dancing 12 Lunch 1 A.B.C. Class	9-3 Billiards 9:30 Shanghai 9:30 Bridge9:30 Knit/Crochet 10 Games w/Tom 12 Lunch 12:30 Super Market 1 Zumba Gold 2 Qi Gong/Tai Chi 5:30 Yoga	9-3 Billiards 9:30 Park Walk 10 Bingo 10 Mah Jongg 10:30 Beginner's/ Arthritis Exercise 12 Lunch 5:30 Bible Study

the New Castle library

Archived New Castle newspapers ▶CLICK **HERE**

LEGO club Study

10-14 CLOSED COLUMBUS DAY *OR*
Happy Indigenous Peoples' Day!
10-15 ADULT TECH CLASS/ 6p
"Basics of Microsoft Word
10-16 LEGO CLUB 3-4:30p/*all ages*
10-17 THE USUAL SUSPECTS 5:30p
"Free Fire"
10-19 FAMILY CRAFTERNOON 2-4p

424 Delaware St - New Castle DE 19720 - 302-328-1995
***registration required** ▶ www.nccdelib.org/newcastle

Mon 10-9 Tues 10-9 Wed 2:-9 Thurs 2-9 Fri 10-5 Sat 10-5 Sun Closed

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Payment is due at the time of sign up.
If you need to cancel your trip money will only be refunded if there is someone to take your place. . . .

October 23-Peddler's Village in Lahaska, PA: **9:30-5. Cost-$41/members; $51/non-members.** Price includes bus and driver's tip. Day is on your own. This historic village in Bucks County, PA features 42 acres of landscaped gardens and brick pathways, with charming colonial-style buildings. Enjoy 65 unique shops and six restaurants.

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Sat., Oct, 26th ◆ Noon – 3pm

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Fire Safety House
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New Castle City Police Fingerprinting
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Saturday 10am-11pm Sunday 10am9pm

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Stuff

4 tbsp olive oil - 3 ½ lbs boneless beef chuck roast, trimmed, cut into 2 1/2 inch pieces - 4 c. chopped onions - 2 c. good-quality red wine - 1 (14½ oz) can diced tomatoes, undrained - ½ tsp dried oregano
½tsp dried basil - ¼ tsp thyme - ½ cup hoisin sauce ***(this is the critical ingredient, don't leave it out!)*** - 2 bay leaves 1 garlic clove, minced

To Finish

1lb slender carrot, peeled, cut diagonally into 1 inch lengths - 1 tbsp cornstarch, mixed with - 1 tbsp water 2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley. Heat 2 tbsp olive oil in heavy large pot over high heat. Sprinkle meat with salt and pepper. Add meat to pot; sauté ½ until brown on all sides, about 10 minutes. Push meat to sides of pot. Reduce heat to medium; add 2 tbsp oil to pot. Add onions; sauté ½ until golden brown, about 15 minutes. Mix meat into onions. Add 1 cup wine, tomatoes with juices, garlic, herbs, hoisin sauce, and bay leaves. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to low, cover pot and simmer 45 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add carrots and 1 cup wine. Cover; simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.
Uncover, increase heat to high; boil until sauce is slightly thickened, stirring occasionally, about 15 minutes longer. Reduce heat to medium, add cornstarch mixture and simmer until sauce thickens, stirring occasionally, about 8 minutes. Discard bay leaves. Season stew with salt and pepper. Sprinkle with parsley and serve. Excellent with buttered egg noodles.

bloody roman

It seems like kickoff is getting ever earlier, and there's nothing better for pre-noon imbibing than a Bloody Mary. This recipe, is seriously gourmet, with a homemade tomato-and-chile mix and a raw oyster on top.

12 mild green olives, pitted
3 (12-oz) bottles Beer
► Roman Mix*
12 oysters, shucked, liquor reserved
Garnish: Olives, serrano chiles and chile threads.

the how to Place 2 olives in each of 6 pint glasses. Pour half a bottle of beer into each glass and top with the Roman Mix, divided evenly among the glasses. Place 2 shucked oysters with their liquor in each glass and garnish with an additional olive, a serrano chile and a few chile threads.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NEW CASTLE COMMON

DUE TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE TERM OF TRUSTEE GREGORY YACUCCI, THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEW CASTLE COMMON WILL HOLD AN ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 9, 2019,

TO FILL THE VACANCY.

***ELECTION DATE*: NOVEMBER 9, 2019**

***PLACE:* GOODWILL FIRE STATION**

***TIME*: 8 AM UNTIL 4 PM**

DEADLINE TO FILE FOR CANDIDACY:
October 10, 2019
DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE:
November 4, 2019
Register at the Trustees' Office
Located at 201 Delaware Street

CANDIDATES MUST BE A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE – FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS PRIOR TO THE ELECTION DATE AND BE AT LEAST 25 YEARS OF AGE BY THE DATE OF THE ELECTION AND BE REGISTERED TO VOTE ON THE TRUSTEES' VOTER LIST, WHICH IS SEPARATE FROM ANY OTHER VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS.

VOTERS MUST BE A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE - FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR PRIOR TO THE ELECTION AND BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE. THIS REGISTRATION IS SEPARATE FROM REGISTERING FOR FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL ELECTIONS. BRING PROOF OF RESIDENCY AND AGE TO REGISTER.

EARLY VOTING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE TRUSTEES' OFFICE, AT 201 DELAWARE STREET, BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 23, 2019 THROUGH NOVEMBER 8, 2019, AT 2 PM.

NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS ARE 10AM TO 3PM, MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY.

TO OBTAIN A BALLOT BY MAIL, CALL (302) 322-2809. REQUESTS WILL BE TAKEN STARTING ON OCTOBER 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 27, 2019. BALLOTS WOULD BE MAILED OUT AFTER THE BALLOTS ARE PRINTED (FOLLOWING THE WITHDRAW DEADLINE OF OCTOBER 2O, 2019). MAILED OUT BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 8, 2019, AT 2PM.

FOR QUESTIONS CALL 302-322-2809

On the third Saturday of May, rain or shine, many residents open their homes and gardens to visitors from all over the east coast and beyond for

A Day In Old New Castle,

the oldest operating house and garden tour in United States. Started in 1924, by a group of enterprising ladies from Immanuel Church on the Green, *A Day In Old New Castle's* mission was to share knowledge of life, art, history, and architecture in Colonial America. It also offered a day of fellowship and hospitality to and by the community as well as to raise funds for the preservation of the church and other historic buildings.

The New Castle Community Partnership, with the collaboration of many New Castle groups, organizations and individuals, has now taken on the continuation of this event but today all the funds raised are used to benefit New Castle non-profit organizations, churches and museums.

May 2020 will be the 96th year of *A Day In Old New Castle.* But to have a successful event day we need you, members of New Castle's community that are willing to give some time, talent, expertise, and elbow grease to produce an event that New Castle is uniquely noted for.

On **Tuesday, October 29th, 6:30pm** at the New Castle Court House Museum, the *Day In Old New Castle* Committee will have their kick-off meeting to start planning for our 2020 year. We invite you to join us and learn more about *A Day In Old New Castle* and the many ways you can be a part of this historic New Castle tradition.

For more information contact Cindy Snyder at 302-323-4453 or Cynthia.Snyder@delaware.gov

STREET SWEEPING THIS WEEK!

Monday Even #'s Tuesday Odd #'s: 7 - 10 am
Dobbinsville

Wed. Even #'s Thursday Odd #'s: 7 - 10 am
The Strand

OCTOBER						
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27	28	29	30	31		

We will be accepting donations until October 4th!

The Treasure Chest Items should be things that you could use but don't and are in good condition. Suggested new and old items: knick-knacks, collectibles, jewelry, unneeded gifts, decorative items, household items, kitchen items, pictures. We will not accept any clothing (including shoes and hats) or electronics (tvs, stereos, vcrs, etc.) Please note, any items donated that are valued under $1 or deemed unsellable will not be displayed.

Made for You We would like donations of handmade crafts, crocheted or knitted items (especially sweaters for all ages) or any other handmade specialty you may have. New or gently used sewing/craft supplies will also be accepted. We are not able to accept fabric material at this time

Reader's Corner We are looking for used books in good condition. Large print books are always needed. We are not able to accept any dictionaries, textbooks, outdated medical/health books or religious books.

Granny's Cupboard Bakers are needed! If you are able to bake for us, please call Denise at the center to sign up.

Volunteers are needed to help set up on October 18 and to help out the day of the bazaar, October 19.

Contact Natalie at 302 326-4209 if you are interested

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OCTOBER 30TH

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Have a group of 20 or more?
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New Castle Public Library

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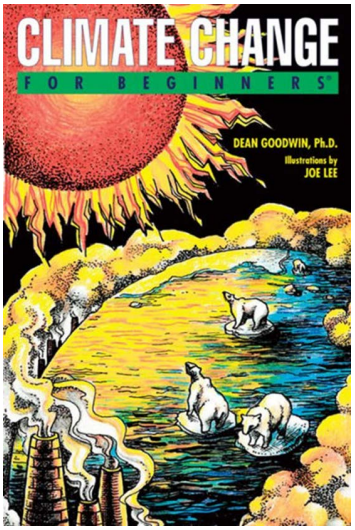
Thursday, October 17

6:30 -8:00 PM

The community is invited to listen to author and environmentalist, Dr. Dean Goodwin, as he explains the history of global climate monitoring and change, and the whos, whats, whens, wheres, and whys of the interaction between human activity and recent trends in the Earth's climate. Dr. Goodwin challenges us to understand the science behind environmental problems and provides a list of action items that can help slow the effects of global warming.

Climate Change For Beginners



Dr. Goodwin is an Environment Educator in the Science Department at the Odyssey Charter School in Wilmington.

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in New Castle

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New Castle Court House Museum
211 Delaware St., New Castle, DE
302-323-4453

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Pineapple is a 1-year-old who loves attention, especially if she gets to pose for the camera. She is affectionate and sweet, and has a playful twinkle in her eye. The only thing that could make you love her more is if you bring her her favorite cat treats. She is currently hanging out with her feline friends in our free-roaming cat room, and is available to adopt for a fee you name through Sunday, October 20th.
Brandywine Valley SPCA, 600 South Street, New Castle, DE 302-516-1000.
Click HERE to learn about all my friends on South Street

Brandywine Valley SPCA
FINDING THE HEART IN HUMANITY
www.bvspca.org

Brandywine Valley SPCA - 600 South Street, New Castle, DE 19720 Phone: (302) 516-1002

Reedy Point Tides

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Su	12:32 PM	5.8	177
○	07:24 PM	0.4	12
14	12:48 AM	5.7	174
	07:40 AM	0.4	12
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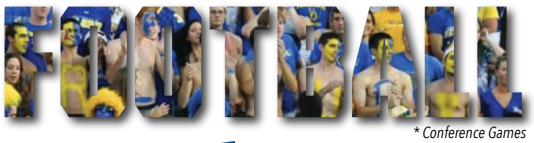

* Conference Games

Aug 29 (Thu) W 31-13
vs **Delaware State**
Sep 7 7p W 44-36
*@ **Rhode Island**
Sep 14 1p L 47-22
vs **North Dakota State**
Sep 21 1p W 28-27
vs **Penn**
Sep 28
@ **Pitt** L 14-17
*Oct 12 2p
@ **Elon** L 42-7

*Oct 19 1p
vs **New Hampshire**
*Oct 26 1p
vs **Richmond**
*Nov 2 2p
@ **Towson**
*Nov 9 1p
vs **Albany**
*Nov 16 1p
vs **Stony Brook**
*Nov 23 1p
@ **Villanova**

GO TO ▶ BULE HENS

Now to 10-26
Fort Delaware State Park
Paranormal Adventures

10-19
NC Senior Center Harvest Bazaar

10-19
Wm Penn Homecoming

10-19-20
St. Anne's Guild Attic Treasures 9-3
Sunday 9-noon

10-26
Wm Penn Day
Court House Museum

10-26
Good Will
Fire Prevention Open House

10-30
Halloween Parade

11-9
Veterans Walking Tours 11a & 2p

12-7
St. Peter's
Breakfast with Santa

12-8
St. Anthony's Society
Spaghetti Dinner

12-14
Spirit of Christmas
Dickens Christmas

13	7:10am	6:28pm
14	7:11am	6:26pm
15	7:12am	6:25pm
16	7:13am	6:23pm
17	7:14am	6:22pm
18	7:15am	6:20pm
19	7:16am	6:19pm

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Thurs. 10/17 Municipal Services Commission Mtg. 4pm
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This Summary of the October 8th City Council meeting from the notes of Council member Suzanne Souder and NOT an official record of the meeting.

It was a relatively routine meeting with good news about the Delaware Street project – after meeting with the contractor the City Administrator and City Engineer determined that we have sufficient funds to repair Delaware Street from The Wharf to 5th Street. More details about this below.

Minutes of prior meetings

Councilperson Michael Platt asked why there were no minutes of prior meetings to review. He said a resident asked him why this important public record is not available. There are now 4 regular and some special meetings with no minutes for review and approval. Minutes cannot be published on the City website until they are approved by Council. Mr. Platt feels that this is a disservice to the community. City Clerk Brian Whitaker said he was working on all the missing minutes and had recently submitted several sets to the City Administrator. Mr. Barthel said they were received Oct. 6 which was too late to post them to the agenda for a meeting on Oct. 8. (All items on the agenda must be published at least 7 days prior to the meeting.) Council President Linda Ratchford said that the City Clerk should advise the City Administrator if he needs help completing this task. We will have a number of sets of minutes to review at the November meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Janet Carlin reported that 99% property taxes have been paid and other payments and receipts are on schedule for this point in the fiscal year.

City Administrator's Report

Mr. Barthel reported that the contract with Cirillo Brothers for the Delaware Street project was signed on Oct. 7. The base bid for completing work from The Strand to 5th Street is $1,374,172. Repairing the street from The Wharf to 5th with modification of the island (former site of Banks Building) and the addition of 5 parking spaces on the left side would be $1.64 million. Mr. Barthel added a 5% contingency for unexpected issues bringing the total to $1.7 million which is within our budget. This does not include a new water and sewer line to serve a future public restroom with shower facilities for tall ship crews near The Wharf. It does not include $100,000 for relining the storm drains. City Building Official Jeff Bergstrom determined that the existing drain pipes are in good shape and thinks it best to defer this work until the repairs to the bulkhead are completed by the Trustees as that may change the location of some of the lines. He said that emergency repairs to failing sections of the storm drain were done previously so he sees minimal risk in waiting to complete this project. The storm drain could be relined at a later time without digging up the street. The work can be done from manhole to manhole.

Some discussion followed concerning the need for another public restroom with shower facilities. Mr. Platt said he thinks the roughly $50,000 it would cost to install the water and sewer lines would be better spent elsewhere since we don't know if the restroom/shower facility will ever be built. Mr. Barthel said we can defer a decision about this as a further survey must be done and the work wouldn't start until next spring. There are other issues still to be decided such as what type of striping to use for the crosswalks. Ms Ratchford said we can have a special meeting on these issues once all information is available. Council agreed to repave Delaware Street from The Wharf to 5th Street and to defer other decisions.

Chief of Police Report

Chief Richard McCabe said police activity over the past month was routine and wanted to report on other issues. The department completed its fall training with the County re: mental health and addiction issues. They are working on a program which would get low level, first time drug and alcohol offenders into treatment in lieu of arrest. The department would receive updates and if the person was not compliant with treatment they could still issue a warrant. I asked if this would also to apply to those with mental health issues who are arrested for disorderly conduct or a similar issue. He said the program for drug offenders is separate and that there is already a program for those with mental health issues.

Chief McCabe also reported that they are searching for a new dog to replace K9 Cooper. They want another dog who, like Cooper, is friendly and does well with children as well as being effective in tracking and drug sniffing. Once such a dog is located, she or he will train with the officer who will be the handler.

He reported on several other pending issues:

- The department continues to work on identifying and dealing with disorderly premises. One of the worst is to be sold. It has been identified as a flop house and a site for drug sales. They are trying to get help for the people who were living there. Closing this house should improve the quality of life for the neighborhood.
- They are looking into participating in the Take Care Delaware program which identifies children exposed to trauma. This would let them work with the school to get the children the help they need. They are exploring this issue with Colonial School District. Mr. Platt asked if the program would also apply to private and charter schools. The Chief said not at this point but they are willing to work with these schools, too.
- He said there has been some concern about enforcement in Battery Park. He prepared a detailed report on police activity there from Jan. 2016 to Oct. 2019. He reported that 46% of calls are self-initiated by police. Reporting helps them analyze and target hot spots. They recently arrested a man making sexual advances to a teen in Battery Park.
- They are researching a possible transition from seasonal officers to a cadet program. The program would be in conjunction with Wilmington University which would provide some of the training. Cadets would be limited to parking enforcement but could be used to help with cars not moved for street sweeping. To do this would require some changes to City Code and the formation of a Public Safety Committee to handle appeals. Middletown has such a program. There is still much work to be done on this but, if implemented, he hopes that some cadets would eventually become police officers.
- The Chief said he has noticed a disconnect between what the police do and what residents think they do. The department may start a Citizens' Police Academy which would meet 1 night per week for 8 weeks. This would be separate from the current program for volunteers who help the police. He will post information on the departments FaceBook page to gauge public interest.

Council Communications

Mr. Platt asked if we could publish the locations of habitual property violations (i.e. tall grass) in *The Weekly*. City Attorney Dan Lasco said they could be published but we would need to establish firm standards and equal application.

Mr. Platt also raised the issue of a possible change of venue for Council meetings. Current Council chambers are on the 2nd floor and have only 1 exit which would make emergency evacuation difficult. Other possible sites include Buttonwood School, St. John's Lodge, the Middle School, and the Senior Center. Mr. Barthel said it would take some work to move the audio equipment used to record the meetings but it could be done. Ms Ratchford said meeting in an active school could be a problem because of the need to coordinate with their schedule. She said the issue is important and asked staff to come back with recommendations.

Russ Smith reported that the archaeology project at the Ft. Casimir site is completed and they found the remains of the walls. The fort is not under water as was previously thought. The front wall was found along the edge of the parking lot at the end of Chestnut Street. Congratulations are in order for the New Castle Historical Society and the archaeologists who worked to get the funding for this project.

Mayor's Report

Mr. Quaranta reported that this Saturday, Oct. 12, we will host a community clean up event open to all residents. The program is in conjunction with the State and the County and provides a cost-free option for citizens to dispose of unwanted items which are not suitable for donation such as broken toys, yard tools, old tires, etc. There will be no fees imposed. Items may be brought to 1 of 3 locations between 7 and 11 am on Saturday. The locations are: vacant lot on the corner of W. 7th &

Center St, Buttonwood Park at the corner of Lincoln St. & Buttonwood Ave., or the open space at W. 9th & Tremont Streets.
The group working on improved coordination of arts-related events in our community will meet again this Thursday, Oct. 10. I suggested that local churches be invited as they often host musical programs. Contact him for more details.
The Mayor continues to work with federal and state leaders to reroute commercial truck traffic in Dobbinsville and Washington Park. U.S. Postal Service contractors continue to run through our neighborhoods and he is working to change this.
He expressed concern about the decrepit properties in all neighborhoods. He knows we're working on it but thinks we need to understand what State and County laws permit and use them. He also would like to know more about the ownership of rental properties. He hopes we will have further discussions about security cameras as juries have come to expect video.

Council President's Report

Ms Ratchford said that most of the remainder of the meeting will focus on the enabling legislation required for participation in the Downtown Development District program. City officials will be meeting with State officials this week regarding implementation. Boundaries of the district are on the City website. She hopes this program will encourage improvements to properties in the district, increase home ownership, help with the cost of restoring old homes, increase the number of people who both live and work in New Castle, and improve the integration of the various parts of the City. She would also like to see improvement in our retail options, especially regarding a grocery store.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

Bill Emory wants Council to push permit waivers for sidewalk repairs as there is dire need for this.
Alice Jarvis asked if the fee waivers only apply to items meeting the requirements of the State Downtown Development District (DDD) program. Ms Ratchford said that was correct – repairs to buildings or sidewalks must cost $25,000 or more to qualify. The program is designed to encourage major improvements.

Recognition of contributions of Robert "Bob" Sigmund

Council unanimously passed a resolution honoring Mr. Sigmund for his contributions to the City.

Resolution 2019-36 re: elimination of parking on a portion of Clayton St.

At the request of the business initiating this request, the item was tabled.

First Reading of Ordinance 522 & Ordinance 523

Ordinance 522 provides abatement on the increase in property taxes caused by an increase in assessed property values resulting from certain improvements made to properties within the DDD.
Ordinance 523 provides waiver of the City Realty Transfer Tax for first time homebuyers of properties located within the DDD.
Since this was the first reading of these ordinances there was no discussion. There will be a public hearing prior to a Council vote on them. The full text of these ordinances is available on the City website under the government tab and the proposed ordinances and resolutions section of the drop-down menu.

Resolution 2019-37 providing waiver of the HAC fee for certain improvements for properties in the DDD

This grants waiver of the HAC fee for new or replacement signage, façade improvements, installation of underground utilities, and/or sidewalk improvements within the DDD. It is important to know that HAC review and approval is still required, only the fee is waived.
The resolution passed unanimously.

Resolution 2019-38 providing a City Building Permit fee waiver for certain improvements for properties in the DDD

This does not remove the requirement of obtaining a building permit, it merely eliminates the fee. Mr. Platt asked if the improvements had to cost $25,000 or more to qualify. Ms Ratchford said that was correct. Mr. Platt then asked why this was only for properties in the DDD, why not the whole City? Ms Ratchford replied that this is part of the required enabling legislation for the DDD program. We can see how it goes and expand to the whole City at a later date if we think it would be effective.
The resolution passed 4-1 with Mr. Platt voting no.

Resolution 2019-39 providing a Business License fee waiver for new businesses operating in properties located in the DDD

New businesses would still require a license but the license fee would be waived for 1 year for a new business opening in an existing building and for 3 years for new businesses opening in a building newly constructed for the purpose of housing that business.
The resolution passed 4-1 with Mr. Platt voting no.

Open Public Comment

Lisa Rankin, a resident of Shawtown, said that she took offence at the flyer distributed in her neighborhood regarding the clean up on Saturday. She said that by identifying only the neighborhoods of Dobbinsville, Shawtown, & Buttonwood it implies that these parts of the City are more in need of clean up than others since it doesn't say that the whole City is included. She also objected to the fact that the flyer didn't say who was sponsoring the clean up. She called the City Office and was told it came from the Mayor's office. She said she had spoken to both Mr. Quaranta and Ms Ratchford about it. The Mayor offered to meet with members of these communities but she said they have no place to meet in these areas. Ms Ratchford agreed that the communication about this was not handled well. Mr. Platt asked where the flyer was distributed. Mr. Barthel said it was only distributed in the 3 areas Ms Rankin mentioned. Mr. Quaranta said that no offense was intended and also agreed that the communication could have been better. He said that the program is funded by the State and the County who have certain requirements for participation.
Bill Emory commended the administration for saving money on the Delaware Street project so that a larger section of Delaware Street can be repaired. He said that he thinks the $50,000 for water and sewer lines for a possible future bathroom would be better spent elsewhere. He thinks it would be much less expensive to simply add shower facilities to the existing public bathroom in Battery Park.
Rod Miller said he wants to "start a conversation" about dealing with houses in disrepair. He is pleased about the sheriff's sale of a house on E. 3rd Street and hopes it will result in improvement. He is concerned that there is no inspection of houses when they are sold to be sure they are fit for occupancy. He is aware of a house near him that a home inspector found to be structurally unsound. He worries that the realtor selling this property won't share that information with prospective buyers. He also wondered if this creates potential liability for the City.
Tim from the Goodwill Fire Company reminded everyone that they will host an open house on Oct. 26 and all are invited. There will be information about fire safety and food.