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Stepping off the sidewalks....

November 27, 2016

Don't miss the PANCAKE Breakfast with

> Don't start **Shopping Local** until you've had the best breakfast ever and visited with Santa.Come over to the Good Will Fire Hall, 4th and South Streets from 8 until 11:30 am.

> > See page 9 for all the details!

- 27 NY Times dubs baseball The National Game, 1870. Curtis P. Brady was issued the first permit to drive an automobile through Central Park. 1889, Louis 'Satchmo' Armstrong recorded ◆You Made Me Love You. 1926, The play "Key Largo," by Maxwell Anderson, opened. 1939, The Beatles released their Magical Mystery Tour album. 1967
- **28** Arm & Hammer baking soda was trademark registered. 1905, American-born Lady Astor was elected the first female member of the British Parliament. 1919. The ◆Grande Ole Opry debuts on radio. 1925, Bank robber George "Baby Face" Nelson was killed by FBI agents near Barrington, IL. 1934, Coffee rationing began, lasting through the end of WW II. 1942, NYC began 11 days without newspapers when a strike of photoengravers shut down publication. 1953, President Johnson annozd that Cape Canaveral would be renamed Cape Kennedy 1963
- **29** The first *Army-Navy football game* was played at West Point. 1890, Almon Brown patented the rotary dial. 1892, Traffic signal patented by Ernest E. Sirrine. 1905, Bill Gates adopted the name Microsoft for the company he and Paul Allen had formed. 1975, The Grammy Awards were shown on network television for the first time. Best Comedy Performance, Musical, went to Homer & Jethro for their immortal → Battle of Kookamonga". 1959

- **30** The United States and Great Britain sign a peace treaty in Paris, formally ending the *Revolutionary War*. 1782, John Landis Mason received a patent for the first pepper shaker with a screw-on cap. 1858, Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz were married. Lucy filed for divorce the day after their final TV show was filmed in 1960. 1940, CBS replayed the program ◆ Douglas Edward and the News three hours after it was received on the West Coast. It was the world's first broadcast via videotape. 1965, ◆ Brian's Song was the ABC Movie of the Week. The theme song, was performed by Michel Legrand. 1971
- **1** Sherlock Holmes appeared for the first time in print in "A Study in Scarlet." 1887, Ford began using a new movable assembly line. 1913, *Boys Town* founded by *Father Edward Flanagan*. 1917, *Lady Astor* was sworn in as the first female member of the British Parliament. 1919, Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to give up her bus her seat.. 1955, Sam Cooke, Buddy Holly and Crickets debut on Ed Sullivan Show. 1957, Big Girls Don't Cry by the Four Seasons topped the charts. 1962, Barney B. Clark receives the world's first artificial heart transplant. 1982
- **2** Gillette patented the KC Gillette Razor. It was first razor to feature a permanent handle and disposable double-edge razor blades. 1901, *Herbert Hoover* goes before Congress to make a plea for a \$150 million public works program to work on various construction projects and help to put America back to work. 1930, Don Imus signed on at WNBC, 1971, ◆ Papa Was a Rolling Stone by the **Temptations** topped the charts. 1972

they came and they shopped Saturday proved to be a perfect day for Shopping Local. Here King Ken points out the many selections offered at Penn's Place. New Castle merchants are offering many specials in the weeks to come!

> **3** Manufacturer Mutual Fire Insurance Co. issued the *first* fire insurance policy. 1835, The first successful Technicolor motion picture, "The Toll of the Sea", was shown. 1922, Alka Seltzer was sold for the first time, 1931, Frank Sinatra was in the Columbia Records studio recording • Old Man River. 1944, Paul Harvey - Hard Work began his Natl radio broadcast. 1950, After rowing 2,962 miles in 81 days, Tori Murden of the USA eased her 23-foot boat, "American Pearl", to the Guadeloupe dock. She had just rowed across the Atlantic Ocean. Astonishingly, Murden appeared relaxed, even radiant, as she stood up to toss out a rope. "Next time, the Concorde," she quipped. 1999

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WEEK 14 Thurs 12/8

Oakland at Kansas City 8:25p NBC Sun 12/11 Pittsburgh at Buffalo 1p CBS Denver at Tennessee 1p CBS New Orleans at Tampa Bay 1p FOX Washington at Philadelphia 1p FOX Arizona at Miami 1p FOX San Diego at Carolina 1p FOX

Cincinnati at Cleveland 1p CBS Chicago at Detroit 1p FOX Houston at Indianapolis 1p CBS Minnesota at Jacksonville 1p FOX New York at San Francisco 4p CBS Atlanta at Los Angeles 4:25p FOX Seattle at Green Bay 4:25p FOX Dallas at New York 8:30p NBC

Baltimore at New England 8:30p

► EAGLES ► REDSKINS and ► RAVENS

Happy Cobblestone Birthday

Sun 11-27 Carol Dempsey - Erica Suppa Tues 11-29 Stephen Campbell Thurs 12-1 Lisa Webster - Jason Caper - Mark Weaver Fri 12-2 Kimmy Palmer Sat 12-3 Christina Gambler - Jack Nagle

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

Notable this week 27th Black Friday Buy Nothing Day Bat Masterson*163 (1921), "Buffalo Bob" Smith*99 (1998), Jimi Hendrix*74 (1970), Caroline Kennedy Schlossberg-59 28th Small Business Berry Gordy-87, Hope Lange*107 (2003), Gary Hart-80, Randy Newman-73, Paul Shaffer-67, Judd Nelson-57 29th Square Dance Day Jacques Chirac-84, President of France, Chuck Mangione-76, Howie Mandel-61, Kim Delaney-55 **30th** Computer Security Day Samuel Clemens "Mark Twain"*181 (1910), Sir Winston Churchill*142 (1965), Richard Crenna*90 (2003), Robert Guillaume-89, Dick Clark*87 (2012), Abbie Hoffman*80 (1989), Mandy Patinkin-64, Billy Idol-61, Bo Jackson-54, Ben Stiller-51, Clay Aiken-38 1st World Aids Awareness Day Mary Martin*103 (1990), Woody Allen-81, Lou Rawls*80 (2006), Lee Trevino-77, Richard Pryor*76 (2005), Bette Midler-71, Treat Williams-67 2nd Fritters Day • Natl Mutt Day Georges Seurat*157 (1891), Charles Ringling*153 (1926), Julie Harris*91 (2013), Cathy Lee Crosby-72, Stone Phillips-62, Lucy Liu-48, Monica Seles-43, Britney Spears-35 3rd Natl Tree Lighting Day • Bartender Appreciation Day Andy Williams*86 (2012), Ozzy Osbourne-68, Darryl Hannab-56, Katerina Witt-51, Brendan Fraser-48



This Wednesday, Nov. 30th, 9am to 6pm and Thursday morning, Dec.1st from 9am to noon to help decorate the wreaths. Come for a few hours

or all day. We set up at the New Castle Presbyterian Church in the Christian Education Building, across from the Arsenal and the statue of William Penn on

Market St (East 2nd St).

The wreaths and garlands will be hung in time for Spirit of Christmas on December 10, 2016.



Sun, 11/27 Cleveland 1p Mon, 11/28 @ Toronto 7:30p Wed, 11/30 VS Sacramento 7p Fri, 12/2 ٧S Orlando 7p Sat, 12/3 Boston 7:30p Mon, 12/5 Denver 7p

Home Court

4-12

Tue, 11/29

Thu, 12/1

Sat, 12/3

Sun, 12/4

Home Ice 9-10-3 Sun, 11/27 Tue, 11/29

Calgary 7p Boston 7p Boston 7p Ottawa 7:30 p @ Chicago 1p



See the THE WEEKLY for Full Schedules

Mon 12/5 Tree Commission Mtg. 4pm Tues 12/6 Trustee Mtg. 7pm Thurs 12/8 Historic Area Commission Mtg. 6:30pm Tues 12/13 Regular City Council Mtg. 7pm

http://newcastlecitv.delaware.gov/



Where Friends

► New Castle Senior Center

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Gather'



MON

9-3 Billiards

12 Lunch

9 Pool Exercise

9:30 Park Walk

10 Crafty Seniors

12:30 Mah Jongg





at Our Senior Center

Mon 11-28 10 DJ lke 10 Adult Coloring 12:15 Birthday Celeb 12:30 Brain Boosters Web 11-30 10 Nutrition Ed: Food Labels 12:30 Art Class

Thurs 12-1 12:30 Food Lion & Fr. 12-2 12 Handbells Concert **TUES**

1 Pilates

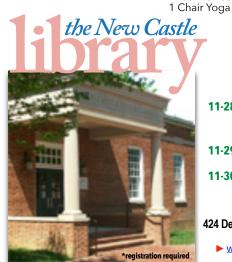
9-3 Billiards 9:30 Shanghai 10 Bingo 12 Lunch

1 Strength Building/ Exercise

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

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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11-28 JOB CENTER/10a

LinkedIn & How to Use It

PAWS*/7p

11-29 R, R Story Time 10:30a/ages 3-6 yrs GED in SPANISH* 6:30-8:30p 11-30 Tech Knowledge-Y Lab/2:30-4:30p

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

Kim Rogers Burdick to Speak at the

New Castle Court House Museum Save Wed., Nov. 30th at 7pm, as historian and author, Kim Rogers Burdick will speak on ordinary Delawareans coping with extraordinary circumstances from her new book, Revolutionary Delaware-

Independence in the First State. While there are many legendary Revolutionary War heroes, Delaware has many unsung heroes. Citizens from every village, town, crossroads and marsh risked their lives to support their

beliefs and sacrificing for a new nation.

Sr. Center Charter Bus Trips

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. .

December 9 Bethlehem, PA.

8:00-4:30. Cost-\$20, includes bus and driver's tip. Admission to Christkindlmarkt is on your own Sign up early for your favorite trip!

Trips will be cancelled at least two weeks in advance if there is not enough response.

"It at at the festive time of year that abundance rejoices and want is most keenly felt." Charles Dickens

Please consider donating food to For more information

St. Peter's for the St. Holiday Vincent DePaul's Food Closet

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"Dickens" Dramatic Reading of "A Christmas Carol"

Saturday Dec 3rd 6pm \$5 cover

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COBBLESTONES November 27, 2016

Limoncello CheesecakeSquares



Limoncello liqueur is the perfect complement to cheese in these squares.

ingredients

Nonstick cooking spray – 8 ozs purchased biscotti – 6 tbsp (¾ stick) unsalted butter, melted – 3 tbsp grated lemon zest – 1 (12-oz) container fresh whole milk ricotta, drained, at room temp. – 2 (8-oz) packages cream cheese, at room temp. 1¼ cups sugar – ½ cup limoncello liqueur – 2 tsp vanilla extract – 4 large eggs, at room temp.

directions

Fire up the oven to 350°

Spray the bottom of a 9 by 9 by 2-inch baking pan with nonstick cooking spray.

Finely grind the biscotti in a food processor. Add the melted butter and 1 tbsp of lemon zest, and process until the crumbs are moistened. Press the crumb mixture over the bottom (not the sides) of the prepared pan. Bake until the crust is golden, about 15 minutes. Cool the crust completely on a cooling rack.

Blend the ricotta in a clean food processor until smooth. Add the cream cheese and sugar and blend well, stopping the machine occasionally and scraping down the sides of the work bowl. Blend in the limoncello, vanilla, and

remaining 2 tbsp of lemon zest. Add the eggs 1 at a time, and pulse just until blended. Scrape down the sides of the bowl as needed.

Pour the cheese mixture over the crust in the pan. Place the baking pan in a large roasting pan. Pour enough hot water into the roasting pan to come halfway up the sides of the baking pan. Bake until the cheesecake is golden and the center of the cake moves slightly when the pan is gently shaken, about 1 hour (the cake will become firm when it is cold).

Transfer the cake to a rack; cool 1 hour.
Refrigerate until the cheesecake is cold, at least 8 hours and up to 2 days.
Cut the cake into squares and serve. Watch the VIDEO

Gov. Lea's Special Eggnog



Yield: ½ gallon (easy to increase)

1 dozen eggs, separated ~ 4 to 7 thsp sugar ½ pint dark Jamaican

½ pint brandy

1 pint heavy cream

1 pint milk

Beat egg yolks.
Add sugar, rum,
brandy, cream, and
milk. Beat egg whites
until stiff peaks
form. Fold in stiffly

beaten egg whites. Let stand overnight. Refold the egg whites which will rise to top. Add more milk to taste.

Louise Lea Nowland of Wilmington shared her father's, former Delaware Governor (1905-1909) Preston Lea recipe for his Christmas time specialty in the

Delaware Heritage Cookbook.

If you can get your hands on a copy, I strongly suggest it!

What dinner time staple got its start due to a surplus of turkey following Thanksgiving?

And we have been eating tremendously...um... appetizing and healthy meals ever since.

The TV dinner owes its existence to Thanksgiving, an order miscalculation and a salesman named Gerry Thomas. In 1953, the folks at Swanson had overestimated how much turkey they would sell. Like, by 260 tons. They finished the holiday with ten refrigerated railroad cars full of the stuff. Luckily for them, they had Gerry Thomas on their team. The clever salesman came up with the idea of a frozen dinner. Using the food trays from airplane flights for

inspiration, he put together an assembly line of women to throw some turkey, cornbread, gravy, peas and sweet potatoes on a tray, then sell the whole meal as a frozen dinner. And thus, the TV dinner was born. The new product was a hit. In 1954, Swanson sold 10 million turkey dinners.



Hi! My name is **Khan** and I'm a real sweetheart of a girl, a brindle beauty who arrived at the Brandywine Valley SPCA as a stray. I'm super friendly and playful and really enjoy a good game of fetch. I'm smart and agile and would make a great companion on hikes and runs. Once we get that exercise out of the way, I love to snuggle- let's keep each other warm this winter! Come see me and it will be love at first sight for both of us, I'm sure! I have been spayed, microchipped and am current on all of my shots so I'm ready to go! Let's meet soon! Click HERE to learn about all my friends on South Street



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



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NEW CASTLE HUNDRED LIONS CLUB

Saturday, December 03, 2016

Good Will Fire Hall

4th and South Streets, New Castle

1:30 a.m.



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The Trustees of New Castle Common annually award grants to community organizations and scholarships to eligible residents of the

City of New Castle.

Application forms for this year's grants and scholarships are available on the Trustee's web site: https://trusteesncc.org or from the Trustees' office.

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Last year the Trustees budgeted \$75,000 for scholarships and more than \$200,000 for community grants.

In addition to the forms, the web site contains information on the allocation of Trust funds, properties, meeting minutes and the history and past projects of the Trust.

Deadline for Community Grant applications is December 31, 2016 Deadline for Scholarship applications is July 1, 2017

TRUSTEES OF NEW CASTLE COMMON 201 Delaware Street New Castle, DE 19720







a picture of your tree for a feature later this month.





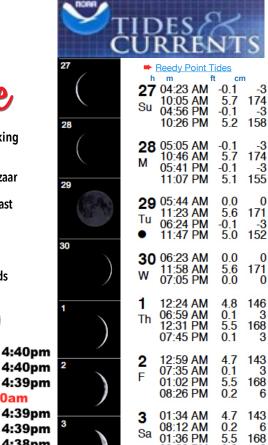
11-30 & 12-1 Arasapha Wreath Making Workshop 12-2-4 St. Peter Christmas Bazaar 12-3 Lions Pancake Breakfast with Santa

12-10 Spirit of Christmas 12-10 **Christmas for the Kids**

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7:03am 7:04am 7:05am 7:06am

4:38pm 4:38pm



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TFIELD CHORALE 슜 PERFORM

On Saturday, December 10th, the Westfield Chorale, from Westfield NJ, will return for the second year to perform for New Castle's Spirit of Christmas celebration. The performance, which will be held at 1:30 at the New Castle United Methodist Church, includes many of the Christmas classics such as *Do You Hear What I Hear, Carol of the Bells*, and Fred Waring's beloved 'Twas the Night Before Christmas. In addition to the choral works, the concert includes Christmas readings as well as carols for the audience to sing along.

This is actually the 29th year the Chorale has performed together, having started back in 1987, when they were students at Westfield High School. Under the direction of their choral director, Bill Mathews, the program became a Westfield tradition, bringing in the Christmas season for 27 years at the First Baptist Church of Westfield, where Mr. Mathews was also Minister of Music. After he was appointed Organist and Choir Director at New Castle United Methodist, he invited the group to last year's "Spirit of Christmas" celebration, and they joyously accepted. The singers will be traveling from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia to join with their friends in this annual celebration.

There is no charge for the concert.

It is a gift from the Church and the Chorale to the people of New Castle. New Castle United Methodist is located at 510 Delaware Street, in between 5th and 6th Streets.

9 Corridor MASTER PLANT

updates for the Route 9/New Castle Avenue area between Wilmington and New Castle. Stop by the

Rose Hill Community Center on November 29

anytime between 5:30 and 7:30 PM. A formal presentation will take place at 5:45 PM Refreshments, daycare and Spanish interpretation will be provided.

To learn more, please visit www.wilmapco.org/ routeg or click to view the Route 9 Corridor Master Plan on Facebook.

It began in Delaware

Christmas Seals®

In the early 20th century, tuberculosis was the leading cause of death in the U.S. Physicians were experiencing the first signs of success treating tuberculosis in special hospitals called sanatoriums, and one of those facilities had fallen on tough times. The tiny Delaware sanatorium would have to close its doors if \$300 could not be raised to save it. One of its doctors explained the plight to his cousin, a Red Cross volunteer named Emily Bissell. Bissell was a veteran fundraiser, and she soon came up with a plan based on one that had worked in Denmark: She borrowed money from friends to print the first 50,000 Seals, got permission from the Wilmington postmaster to sell them in the post office lobby, and sold the first Christmas Seal on December 7, 1907.



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Emily Bissell designed the first holiday seal in 1907 and sold them at the Wilmington Delaware post office for a penny each.





This lovingly transformed 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome on CloudsRow in the heart of Historic New Castle has the charm and modern amenities you'd expect. This 1,100 sq. ft. home is a must see and offered for \$279,900, but open to short term lease agreements (furnished or unfurnished)

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Everyone is invited to this free, all-day event.

Sponsored by the New Castle Presbyterian Church and the New Castle Visitors' Bureau.

Activities include tours of many historic homes decorated for the season, museum tours including events at the

New Castle Court House
(part of the First State National Historical Park)
and musical performances and entertainment throughout the town.

If you are looking for holiday gifts and food, the New Castle Presbyterian Church will hold an all-day sale of crafts, used books, homemade soups and breads, and gift items - including the always popular "Look What \$20 Will Buy" table.

The festivities conclude at 5:00 p.m., with the town's annual tree lighting ceremony and caroling in the Market Square.

Shops and restaurants throughout Old New Castle will be open as well,

welcoming visitors with special discounts.

Proceeds generated by the New Castle Presbyterian Church will be donated to support the Friendship House, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware, ministry to the homeless newcastlepreschurch.org/spirit.



St. Anthony's Club Spaghetti Dinner Salad, Roll, Spaghetti and two meatballs! **Next Sun.** Noon-6pm *Dec* 4th ...and the First Sunday of Each Month **\$8**



DECEMBER 7

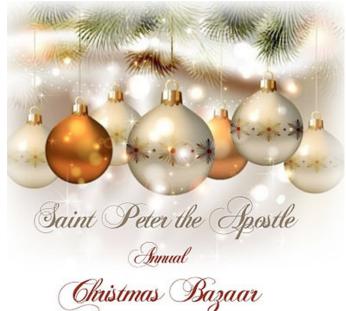
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Friday 5-8pm, Saturday 9am - 7pm, Sunday 11:30-3:30pm 521 Harmony Street, New Castle



A Dickens Christmas Carol outside the West Wing of the Courthouse

at 12 and 1pm

Saturday, Dec. 10th

A shortened family-friendly version of the classic tale

including Scrooge, Marley's ghost, Fred, the Cratchit family, charity solicitors, Joe the ragman and all the spirits. **#HistoricNCHolidays**



Jim Meek	Scrooge
Jim Whisman	
Eric Salee	solicitor
Fiona Fawcett	
Ava Mellinger	Belinda's sister
Fezziwig	Jack Gardner
Sam Dressler	Fred Hollowell
Michael Vuccola	Ghost of Marley

Spirits of Christmas		
	Gail Wagner	Past
	H. Michael Shilling	Present
	Susan Small	Future
	Wade Finner	Old Joe
	Logan Jones	Tiny Tim, B.
	Mary Zober	Mrs. Cratchit
	DirectorsGail Wagner a	nd Jim Meek

The New Castle Historical Society thanks the Reedy Point **Players** for their assistance. The Reedy Point Players will be staging the full length version of **A Christmas Carol** on Fri., Dec. 9, Sat.., Dec., 10, and Sun., Dec.11 at the **Delaware City Community Center**. For more information, visit www.thereedypointplayers.com



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A Dickens

Experience

Travel back to mid-nineteenth century England and experience Christmas in the Dickens tradition



December IIth

December 12th

Two Days Many Wonderful Memories

FRIDAY, DEC. 11TH 7:30 - 10:30PM

Join us for a recreation of Fezziwig's Ball at the historic Arsenal. Don your finest period or holiday attire and enjoy an authentic Victorian Holiday Ball full of refreshments, dancing, and merriment!

Space is limited and this event WILL sell out!

Reservations can be made by

calling the New Castle Historical Society Office at 302-322-2794 or here www.newcastlehistory.org



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

Enjoy a festive elegant Victorian Tea at The Arsenal. Celebrate the season with assorted teas, scones, lemon curd, clotted cream, scones, sweets, savories are Sandwiches crafted by William Penn High School's Culinary Arts Program. Bring your family and friends to share in an event that you will all remember!

Three seatings available: 11am, 1pm, and 3pm. Space is limited and this event WILL sell out!

Reservations can be made here www.newcastlehistory.org or by calling the Society Office at 302-322-2794 to reserve your experience.

The wreaths and greens that transform New Castle into a Colonial Christmas are all handmade by the Arasapha Garden Club that acknowledges grants from the Trustees of New Castle Common and the City of New Castle and a gift from A Day in Old New Castle.

A Dickens' Christmas Carol

Saturday, December 12th

Two performances outside at the Courthouse at 12 and 1pm. They last half an hour. Greatly expanded over last year to include not only Scrooge (Jim Meek), Tiny Tim, the charity solicitors and Bob Cratchit but also Marley's ghost, the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future, the Cratchit Family, Joe the Ragman, The Boy and Carolers! Stay on to explore the town as it is transformed into a Victorian wonderland complete with street actors, decorations, and the like! The New Castle Historical Society thanks the *Reedy Point Players* for their assistance



Spirit of Christmas

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

9:30am to 5:30pm
Ratn or Shine
This town-wide
celebration, sponsored
by the New Castle
Presbyterian Church and
the New Castle Visitors
Bureau presents private
homes and churches
decorated for the season,
and musical events
throughout the day.

Programs for the day are available at the NC Presbyterian Church, 25 E. 2nd Street. For more information, call the church at 302-328-3279 or visit at http://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/spirit. Admission will be free {during The Spirit of Christmas} at the Amstel House, which will be decorated for a traditional colonial holiday celebration, and the Dutch House, which will feature a celebration of St. Nicholas' Eve by the NC Historical Society and will be open from 10am to 4pm

Historic New Castle Delaware

Hospitality for Volunteers during Dickens Events provided by the Clarion Hotel - The Belle