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December 8, 2013

Episcopo wins run-off

Since there wasn't a majority winner (a total of 50% of the vote plus one) in the October 19th Trustees of New Castle Common Election a run-off election was scheduled for Saturday, December 7th between the top two contenders Thomas A. Episcopo and James A. Whisman, Jr.

Saturday 570 votes were cast (53 absentee) between 10am and 6pm. Episcopo garnered 350 votes to Whisman's 220.

Earlier in the campaign Episcopo said "he's eager to seek the opportunity to serve as a Trustee of New Castle Common".

The Trustees were established by the Penn family in 1764, prior to the existence of the U.S. The Trustees of New Castle Common are a most unusual organization. They are unique within the State of Delaware, and perhaps among these United States. The Trustees have a history as old as New Castle because the common land has existed as such since the days of early Dutch colonization when New Castle was Fort Casimir in 1651.

Now more than 200 years later, this body of 13 Trustees oversee a nonprofit charitable organization founded by William Penn, which was incorporated in 1764 and reincorporated by assembly in 1792. The Trustees purpose is to benefit the citizens, to preserve the historical City of New Castle and the remaining lands and open space now held in trust. Its income is derived primarily from property rentals and investments.



Thomas A. Episcopo



12-8 InterNatl Children's Day Natl Brownie Day
Take it in the Ear Day Eli Whitney*248 (1825), James Thurber*119 (1961), Sammy Davis Jr.*88 (1990), Maximilian Schell-83, Flip Wilson*80 (1998), Jim Morrison*70 (1971), Kim Basinger-60, Teri Hatcher-49, Sinead O'Connor-47 Washington's retreating army in the American Revolution crossed the Delaware River. 1776, President Lincoln announced his plan for the Reconstruction of the South. 1863, On "I Love Lucy," a pregnancy was acknowledged in a TV show for the first time. 1952, John Lennon, was assassinated by Mark David Chapman. 1980

12-9 Weary Willie Day Christmas Card Day Natl Pastry Day Emmett Kelly*115 (1979), Tip O'Neill*101 (1994), Kirk Douglas-97, Redd Foxx*91 (1991), Dick Van Patten-85, Buck Henry-83, screenwriter, "The Graduate", Beau Bridges-72, John Malkovich-60, Donny Osmond-56



George Washington sold his race horse, Magnolia, to Colonel Henry Lee. 1788, Author and creator of "Uncle Remus and Brer Rabbit," Joel Chandler Harris was born. 1848, Levant M. Richardson received a patent for the ball-bearing roller skate. 1884, U.S. Post Office in Wilmington, Delaware offered Christmas Seals for sale for the very first time. 1907, WRIGLEY'S gum was trademark registered. 1924, Sperry Rand Corp. unveiled a new computer, known as Univac 1107. 1960

12-10 Human Rights Day Jane Addams Day Dewey Decimal Day Emily Dickinson*183 (1886), Melvil Dewey*162 (1931), Chet Huntley*102 (1974), Dorothy Lamour*99 (1996), Dan Blocker,*85 (1972), Gloria Loring-67, Susan Dey-61 NY Gov. Lovelace announces monthly mail service between New York & Boston. 1672, British civil engineer Robert Thompson patented the first pneumatic tires. 1845, Women were granted the right to vote in the Wyoming Territory. 1869, Grand Ole Opry makes its first radio broadcast, in Nashville formerly "WSM Barn Dance" 1927, Hugh Hefner published the first "Playboy". 1953

12-11 Natl Noodle Ring Day Fiorello La Guardia*131 (1947), Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn*95 (2008), Rita Moreno-82, Donna Mills-71, Brenda Lee-69, Teri Garr-68, Jermaine Jackson-59 The first recorded sighting of the Aurora Borealis was in New England. 1719, Boston's Bijou Theatre, first American playhouse lit exclusively by electricity, opens. 1882, The kind citizens of Enterprise, Alabama dedicated the first known monument to an insect (boll weevil)! 1919, Joe DiMaggio announced his retirement. 1951, Karen and Richard Carpenter received a gold record for their single, "Top of the World". 1973

12-12 Natl Ding-a-Ling Day Poinsettia Day Edward G. Robinson*120 (1973), Frank Sinatra*98 (1998), Bob Barker-90, Ed Koch-89, Connie Francis-75, Dionne Warwick-72 "The Katzenjammer Kids" (Hans and Fritz) appeared in the NY Journal for the first time. 1897, George Grant of Boston patented the golf tee. 1899, Charles M. Schwab formed the



United States Steel Corporation. 1900, The "Motel Inn," the first motel in the world, opened in San Luis Obispo. 1925, Tide detergent introduced. 1946, British engineer Christopher Cockerell patented the first hovercraft. 1955

12-13 Ice Cream Day Violin Day Mary Todd Lincoln*195 (1882), Archie Moore*100 (1998), Dick Van Dyke-88, Christopher Plummer-86, John Davidson-72, Ted Nugent-64 The National Guard was created by the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. 1636, John Adamson received a patent for a dry dock. 1816, "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens published, 6,000 copies sold. 1843, Percy Everitt received a patent for the first coin-operated weighing machine. 1884, The Clip-on tie is created. 1928



12-14 Natl Bouillabaisse Day Monkey Day Worldwide Candle Lighting Day Nostradamus*510 (1566), James Doolittle*117 (1993), Morey Amsterdam*99 (1996), Don Hewitt*91 (2009), Lee Remick*78 (1991), Patty Duke-67 David Wilkinson of Rhode Island patented the nut and bolt machine. 1798, George Washington, died at Mount Vernon. 1799, Orville Wright made the first attempt (it failed) at powered flight. 1903, First NFL division playoff, Bears beat Packers 33-14. 1941, Sandy Koufax, age 19, was signed by the Brooklyn Dodgers. "You Send 1953, Me" by Sam Cooke topped the charts. 1957



**Second Sundays
at Immanuel 4pm see page 5
Blues Blast 1-7 pm see page 6**



NBC	CBS	FOX	ESPN
810	803	805	850
510	503	513	570
10	3	29	140
10	3	29	206

WEEK 14

Date Teams Time

THU, DEC 5

Houston at Jacksonville 8:25 PM NFL

SUN, DEC 8

Indianapolis at Cincinnati 1PM CBS

Atlanta at Green Bay 1PM FOX

Cleveland at New England 1PM CBS

Oakland at NY Jets 1PM CBS

Detroit at Philadelphia 1PM FOX

Miami at Pittsburgh 1PM CBS

Buffalo at Tampa Bay 1PM CBS

Kansas City at Washington 1PM CBS

Minnesota at Baltimore 1PM FOX

Tennessee at Denver 4:05 PM CBS

St. Louis at Arizona 4:25 PM FOX

NY Giants at San Diego 4:25 PM FOX

Seattle at San Francisco 4:25 PM FOX

Carolina at New Orleans 8:30 PM NBC

MON, DEC 9

Dallas at Chicago 8:30 PM ESPN

USA TODAY → NFL Schedule

WEEK 15

THU, DEC 12

San Diego at Denver

8:25 PM NFL

SUN, DEC 15

Washington at Atlanta

1PM FOX

Chicago at Cleveland

1PM FOX

Houston at Indianapolis

1PM CBS

New England at Miami

1PM CBS

Philadelphia at Minnesota

1PM FOX

Seattle at NY Giants

1PM FOX

San Fran at Tampa Bay

1PM FOX

Buffalo at Jacksonville

1PM CBS

Kansas City at Oakland

4:05 PM CBS

NY Jets at Carolina

4:05 PM CBS

Green Bay at Dallas

4:25 PM FOX

Arizona at Tennessee

4:25 PM FOX

New Orleans at St. Louis

4:25 PM FOX

Cincinnati at Pittsburgh

8:30 PM NBC

MON, DEC 16

Baltimore at Detroit

8:30 PM



12/14 Spirit of Christmas

12/22

Cantata at NC United Methodist Church 11am



WHAT IS YOUR
Month of Birth



REDNECK
ELF NAME?
Day of Birth

A-B	TRIXIE	January	the candy-caned	1-2	Meth-Head
C-D	JUDD	February	the sparkly	3-5	Inbreeder
E-F	LOUANNE	March	the evergreen	6-7	Welfare Mama
G-H	NUTMEG	April	the tinseld	8-10	Baby Daddy
I-J	BUBBA	May	the mistletoed	11-13	Dope Dealer
K-L	JIMBO	June	the gingerbred	14-16	Crack Whore
M-N	HARLEY	July	the snowy	17-19	Deer Hunter
O-P	NOELLE	August	the sugar-plumed	20-22	Beer Guzzler
Q-R	CLETUS	Sept.	the frosty	23-25	Stripper
S-T	BETTY LOU	October	the red-nosed	26-27	Hoarder
U-W	SISSY	November	the jingling	28-29	Wino
X-Z	MERLE	December	the naughty	30-31	Line Dancer



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Mon. 12/9 Todd Roselle Tues. 12/10 Calvin Marshall 90

Thurs. 12/12 Arista Gordy * Sun. 12/15 Thomas Tear

Anniversary Thurs. 12/12 Penny & Mike Sobieski

Birthday or Anniversary approaching?

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VISITOR HOME

Mon 12/9	Flyers	Senators	7:30 PM
Wed 12/11	Flyers	Blackhawks	8PM
Thu 12/12	Canadiens	Flyers	7PM
Sun 12/15	Flyers	Capitals	3PM

Cobblestone Reminders

See the **New Castle Weekly** for Full Schedules

Tues. 12/10 Regular City Council Mtg. 7pm

Tues. 12/16 Planning Commission Mtg. 6:30pm

Thurs. 12/19 HAC Meeting 5pm

► <http://newcastlecity.delaware.gov/>

AMERICA'S GAME PHILADELPHIA'S HONOR

WHEN: December 14, 2013

WHERE: Lincoln Financial Field

GATES OPEN: 11:00 am

MARCH-ON: 12:15 pm

KICK-OFF: 3:00 pm

TELEVISION COVERAGE

CBS (National) www.sportsline.com

CBS3 (Local) www.cbsphilly.com



For further GAME DAY INFO [Click Here!](#)



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• prior registration required

Mon 10-9 Tues 10-9 Wed 2-9 Thurs 2-9 Fri 10-5 **Typo to enter text**

PICTORIAL PILGRIMAGE OF THE HOLY LAND

Sun., Dec. 15th, 12 noon in the Parish Hall, Fr. Keene will present "Living Stones", a visual synopsis of his pilgrimage to the Holy Land accompanied by various biblical passages setting each site visited into its scriptural context. This presentation is particularly appropriate during the season of Advent as we prepare for the coming of Christ as a babe in Bethlehem. *Please join us for this pictorial pilgrimage through the land of the Holy One.*



"Fourth Annual Christmas at Belmont Hall A Civil War Christmas" on Sat. Dec. 14th, from 1 to 4 pm

at [Belmont Hall](#), located at 713 Smyrna-Leipsic Road in Smyrna



The program will include an American Civil War military encampment featuring living-history re-enactors from the [2nd Delaware Volunteer Infantry](#) as they tend a fire and portray camp life as it might have occurred during the Christmas seasons of 1861-1865. Activities include horse-drawn sleigh rides, presentations on civilian life during the Civil War, period music, a visit from Santa and craft-making activities for children. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. For additional information, call 302-264-9048.

Visitors to Belmont Hall can also take in the [Christmas Open House at the Smyrna Museum](#) that will be taking place on Dec. 14 from 10 am to 2 pm. In addition, Belmont Hall will be open for free tours on Sunday, Dec. 15 from 2 to 4 pm



The model train display that includes 150 locomotives and 300 freight cars, at the Brandywine River Museum is a popular holiday exhibition, delighting visitors of all ages is open Nov. 29th through Jan. 5th



DECEMBER at Our Senior Center

Mon 12/9 10 Hope through the Holidays 10 Art Class Wed 12/11 9:30 Beginner's Computer Class 12 Holiday Lunch 12:30 William Penn H.S. Choir Thurs 12/12 10 Bayada "Healthy Holidays" 12:30 Shop Rite Fri 12/13 12:30 New Castle Farmer's Market

MON

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

TUES

9-3 Billiards
9:30 Shanghai
10 Bingo
12 Lunch
12:45 Bingo
1 Strength Building/Exercise

WED

9-3 Billiards
9:30 Park Walk
11 Line Dancing
12 Lunch
1:30 Tai Chi

THU

9-7 Billiards
9:30 Wii Bowling
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 Wii Bowling
10 Bingo
10 Mah Jongg
10:30 Beginner's/Arthritis Exercise
12 Lunch



Great Gift Idea! Tickets for the April 26th

Delaware Theatre Company's matinee performance of **AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'** Save handling fees and buy your tickets from a [New Castle Sr Center](#) block of seats that will benefit the Center. Call **Marianne Caven** at 302 588-7410 to reserve your tickets.

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English Christmas Punch is a warm punch that is perfect for holiday parties. The rum and red wine are paired with a tea of your choice, though I would suggest something universal like a green or Earl Grey teas. An orange-based tea would work nicely as well.

There are two methods you can use to make this punch, one simply warms everything together and the other involves a little showmanship by lighting a sugar-filled ladle of rum and pouring it into the punch.

Let's stay with the safer...no flame method.

Make sure that both your punchbowl and glasses are suitable for warm drinks. As with any drink that is flamed, caution should be taken when making igniting the ladle.

Gotta get

- * 750 ml bottle dark rum • 750 ml bottle dry red wine
- * 3 cups strong, brewed tea • 2 cups sugar
- * 1/2 cup orange juice • 1/2 cup lemon juice
- * Season fruits for garnish

Here's how

1. Heat, but do not allow to boil, the all of the ingredients in a saucepan or chafing dish.
2. Stir well, ensuring all of the sugar is dissolved.
3. Pour the heated mix into a heat-proof punch bowl and add seasonal fruits like orange slices and cranberries.

Serve warm.

Make now for Christmas Gifts & Holiday Baking

Homemade Vanilla Extract

Maybe this is the opportunity that you'd wished you'd acted upon when December 15th rolls around this year, and you realize there are lots of little gifts you need to hand out here and there, but you "got nuthin'".

All you need are bottles, vanilla beans, vodka and 5 minutes...seriously! Okay, you have to wait a few months before it's ready,

You'll need some small bottles
vanilla pods (3 or 4 per bottle)

200ml (about 7 oz) good quality vodka

- * Carefully, slit the vanilla pods open with a sharp knife.
- * Drop into the vodka, straight into the mini bottle of vodka, or into your own bottle(s).
- * Close the bottle and leave in a cool, dark place for 4 to 6 months before using.



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The Holidays at the **Amstel & Dutch Houses**

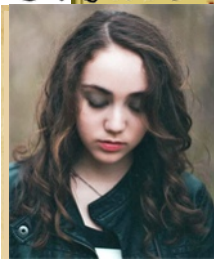


The Amstel House will be decorated for a traditional holiday celebration in colonial times, showing off a "dessert board" of the period, and featuring traditional 18th century customs during the period of Governor Nicholas Van Dyke's residency. At the Dutch House, experience a celebration of St. Nicholas' Eve, a tribute to the legend of Saint Nicholas, Dutch patron saint.

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The Laird family rooms will focus on acts of charity during the holidays in the early 1920s. Visitors will experience the many ways the Laird family entertained, dressed to impress, and hosted a charity dinner and silent auction.

The taproom tells the story of anticipated New Year's revelry.

The Read House and Gardens, operated by the Delaware Historical Society is located on The Strand in New Castle. The Holiday display is open through Sunday, Dec. 15th. Starting Wed. Dec. 18th through Sun., Dec. 29th offering special Read family focused tours.

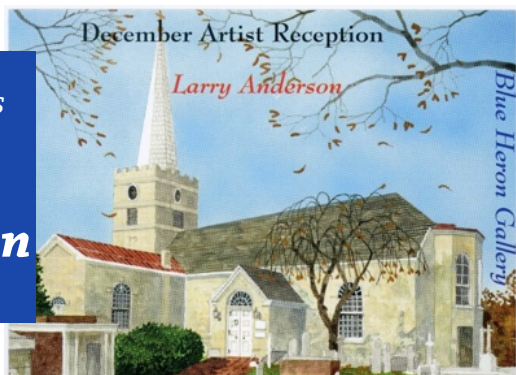
The Read House will be closed Christmas.

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TIDES & CURRENTS

Reedy Point Tides

		h	m	ft	cm
8	Su	03:31 AM		5.0	152
		10:26 AM		-0.2	-6
		03:54 PM		5.5	168
		11:07 PM		-0.4	-12
9	M	04:32 AM		5.1	155
		11:26 AM		-0.2	-6
		04:56 PM		5.3	162
10	Tu	12:01 AM		-0.4	-12
		05:34 AM		5.1	155
		12:26 PM		-0.1	-3
		05:57 PM		5.2	158
11	W	12:55 AM		-0.4	-12
		06:34 AM		5.3	162
		01:25 PM		-0.1	-3
		06:57 PM		5.2	158
12	Th	01:48 AM		-0.4	-12
		07:30 AM		5.4	165
		02:23 PM		-0.2	-6
		07:53 PM		5.1	155
13	F	02:40 AM		-0.4	-12
		08:23 AM		5.5	168
		03:19 PM		-0.3	-9
		08:45 PM		5.1	155
14	Sa	03:30 AM		-0.4	-12
		09:13 AM		5.6	171
		04:11 PM		-0.3	-9
		09:35 PM		5.1	155

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