



CITY NEWS

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ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the newly elected Council Members Paul H. Johnson, Sr., Beth Konkus, and Megan Titus. They will serve for two years. They were sworn in on Monday, April 21, 2014. Thanks to Betty Barrett for her service as a Council Member.

DELAWARE CITY DAY...

Mark your calendars!! Delaware City Day is Saturday, July 19, 2014. Anyone interested in volunteering for the best Delaware City Day ever, contact Dick Cathcart at 834-4573. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at Town Hall at 5:30 PM.

ALL RESIDENTS EAST of FIFTH STREET will need a RESIDENTS' PARKING PERMIT!!!

East of Fifth Street will be closed to all traffic on Delaware City Day, July 19, 2014. If you did not get a parking permit last year, you are asked to stop by Town Hall at 407 Clinton Street to obtain a **Free Parking Permit** if you plan on moving your car that day. You will need to show your registration card for all vehicles in your household and a parking permit will be issued for all vehicles for free. Without a permit you will not be able to enter the City until after the fireworks. If you still have your parking permit placard from last year it is still good and you will **not** need to reapply.

PROPERTY OWNERS MUST MAINTAIN SIDEWALK

In accordance with Chapter 8, Article II, Section 8-6 of the City Code, all property owners are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the sidewalks and right of ways that abut their property. The City has completed a detailed survey of the condition of the sidewalks throughout the City. In the coming weeks, property owners will be notified if the condition of their sidewalk presents a safety hazard, and we will request that the sidewalk be repaired. It is in the best interest of the property owner to repair hazardous sidewalks because if someone trips and injures themselves, the property owner is the liable party.

WELCOME

THE NEW DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

We would like to welcome our new Director of Public Safety, David Baylor. Dave is a retired Major of the Delaware State Police with 27 years police experience. He is very excited to be here in Delaware City. Make sure to introduce yourself to him.

He is replacing our long time Police Chief, Dan (TJ) Tjaden. TJ is now the Police Chief in Old New Castle. We would like to thank TJ for his many years of service and wish him luck with his new position.

We would also like to wish Officer Al Kaczorowski (Kacz) good luck with his new position.

MAYOR'S BALL

The Mayor would like to thank all those who attended, donated and/or worked with him on the Mayor's Ball to make it such a huge success. Due to the huge success Fort Delaware and the Delaware City Playground Fund will each receive \$20,000 for their cause.

POTASSIUM IODIDE (KI) TABLET DISTRIBUTION

The Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) and the Delaware Division of Public Health periodically distribute potassium iodide (KI) for individuals who reside and/or work within the Emergency Response Planning Areas (ERPAs) surrounding the Salem-Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations. The State of Delaware received the tablets when it chose to participate in a program initiated by the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The tablets will be distributed on the dates below and at the following locations:

Thursday, June 5th at the Delaware City Fire Company, 815 Fifth Street, Delaware City from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Thursday, July 31st at the Volunteer Fire Company, 27 West Green Street, Middletown from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Thursday, August 28th at Appoquinimink State Service Center, 122 Silver Lake Road, Middletown from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

For further information, contact the DEMA at 302-659-3362, or visit DEMA's website at: www.dema.delaware.gov.

TRASH CART REGULATIONS

According to Chapter 7 of the City Code, all trash and recycling carts should be placed by the curb for trash pickup no sooner than 15 hours before Monday morning trash/recycling pick-up. All carts should be removed from the curb and brought to the **REAR or SIDE** of the property by 6:00 AM Tuesday morning. We have issued reminders about moving the carts to the rear or side of the property before. This is the last warning, we will begin issuing citations from here forward.

Diamond State BBC Home Opener

The Diamond State Baseball Club's home opener will be on Saturday, May 17th at Fort DuPont State Park. Prior to the first pitch the Club will honor a 19th century player, Fergus George "Fergy" Malone, who was a transformative figure in the early development and popularity of baseball. Festivities begin at 12:45 PM with a double header beginning at 1:00 in 19th century customs and rules. Come out and enjoy the fun!

Delaware City Fire Company News...

...Town Residents have to have house numbers clearly visible so first responders will be able to locate it in the event of an emergency.

...DCFC has an Ambulance Club. If you are interested email them at dcfc15@dcfc15.com or call them at 302-834-9336.

...Thursday, May 22nd- DCFC fundraising at Crabby Dick's, 4-10 PM Stop by the firehouse for flyer.

...Friday, June 6th- Shrimp Fest & Silent Auction at DCFC. Call Deb at 302-528-2274 for tickets.

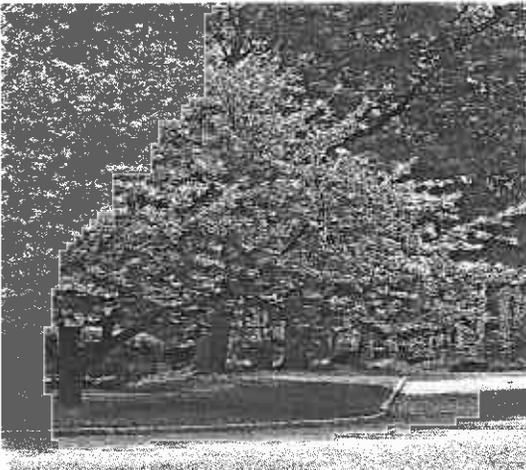
DELAWARE CITY E.B.T. CARD HOLDERS

TeFap Food Program is now available once a month at Dragon Run Park Building. It is held the last Thursday of each month. Hours run from 3-5 PM. If you receive food stamps, EBT or have low income you qualify. Call Betty Barrett for more information 834-8335.

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MONTHLY MEETINGS:

MAYOR and COUNCIL (regular monthly meeting) M&C meetings are held at the Paul H. Morrill, Jr. Community Center, 250 Fifth Street unless otherwise posted.

- **Monday, May 19, 2014** regular meeting at 6:30 PM and Board of Appeals will begin at 7:00PM

- **Monday, June 16, 2014** regular meeting at 6:30PM and the Public Hearing will begin at 6:00PM

HPC (Historic Preservation Commission) Tuesday, June 3rd at 7:00 PM at Town Hall

PC (Planning Commission) Monday, June 2nd at 7:00 PM at Town Hall

DELAWARE CITY DAY COMMITTEE – Tuesday, June 10th at 6:00 PM at Town Hall

All meetings' agendas are posted at Town Hall, Post Office, Sunset Market, Valero Gas Station, Library and www.delawarecity.delaware.gov . Please check the postings for special meetings, workshops or cancellations.

EVENTS FOR MAY, JUNE & JULY

MAY

Saturday, 17th - Diamond State Baseball Club's Home Opener, Fort DuPont State Park, 12:45

Thursday, 22nd – DCFC Fundraiser at Crabby Dick's, 4-10PM

Saturday, 24th - Cruise Club with Cool Cars- Battery Park, 3:30PM

Monday, 26th – American Legion's Memorial Day Ceremony – Battery Park, 10:30

JUNE

Thursday, 5th – Potassium Iodide Tablet Distribution- Delaware City Fire Company, 3-8PM

Friday, 6th – Shrimp Fest and Silent Auction- Delaware City Fire Company

Saturday, 14th – Historic Ghost Tour – Battery Park, 9PM

-Movie Night- Battery Park, 8:30PM

Saturday, 28th - Cruise Club with Cool Cars- Battery Park, 3:30PM

JULY

Saturday, 19th – DELAWARE CITY DAY- Battery Park- All day activities ending with Fireworks

Saturday, 26th - Cruise Club with Cool Cars- Battery Park, 3:30PM

Thursday, 31st - Potassium Iodide Tablet Distribution – Volunteer Fire Company, 27 W. Green St, Middletown. 12-8PM

If you wouldn't drink it, don't dump it!

Fertilizing the Lawn

Nearly everyone appreciates a well cared for lawn. To achieve the healthiest green lawn, many people turn to chemical fertilizers. Unfortunately, law fertilizers pose several risks to human health and water quality. Hazardous chemicals in fertilizers include ammonium nitrate, ammonium phosphate, ammonium sulfate, pesticides and potassium chloride. Fertilizers can be corrosive to skin, eyes and mucous membranes and can potentially affect water quality.

Fertilizer Use

When using fertilizers, read labels carefully to ensure that you are properly protected and that you use the right amount of fertilizer for your lawn. Don't fertilize before predicted heavy rain and be careful along lawn edges. Fertilizer left on sidewalks and driveways can easily be washed into storm water. It is suggested that slow-release fertilizer is less-hazardous. Look for bags that have the word "WIN" on them, this indicates that the fertilizer contains water insoluble nitrogen.

Leftover Fertilizer

If you have fertilizer left over, store it in a sealed and labeled plastic bag and keep it away from children, pets, and water. If you do not want to store it, it is best to find someone who can use it.

Disposal

Empty fertilizer bags that do not contain pesticides and weed killers can be disposed of in the garbage. If the fertilizer contains pesticide, please follow directions under "pesticides" on your product's label to dispose of properly.

Reducing the Need for Fertilizer

You can reduce the amount of fertilizer you need by frequently mowing your lawn with a mulching mower to a height of three inches and leaving the clippings on the lawn. Using compost and soil amendments also reduces the need for fertilizer.

REMEMBER - ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN!! Call Town Hall at 834-4573 to report any illicit discharges.

Source: *Eliminating Household Hazardous Waste*. Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. Boise, Idaho. 1999. pg 12-13.