



# CITY NEWS

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## DELAWARE CITY UNIVERSAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING

### DELAWARE CITY'S FREE RECYCLING PROGRAM IS NOW IN FULL SWING!!!!

By now all of you have received your new recycling carts and your old blue bins have been picked up. If you still have not received your new recycling cart or if you still have the blue bins, please call Town Hall at 834-4573 so we can arrange to pick up the blue bins and/or deliver your new recycling cart.

Please put your recycling cart out by 7:00 AM Monday morning and your recycling material will be picked up that day. Remember recycling is now single stream. You can place all your recycling material in the one recycling cart. You no longer need to sort your recycling! Your regular trash carts should also be placed at the curb by 7:00 AM Mondays and I.D.S./Waste Industries will pick up your trash.

Do I have to recycle? The answer is no. The State law does not require you to recycle, but the intention of the law is to make recycling convenient to residents by providing curbside, single stream service so all residents will **WANT** to recycle. The State law does require the City to provide **EVERY** resident a recycling cart regardless if they want to participate. The purpose is to encourage all residents to recycle and Delaware City is pleased to do our part to have a positive impact on our environment and to help keep disposal costs down.

Remember by recycling you are helping the environment. Do not forget that if we do not do more to recycle, we are going to pay more for trash disposal. Last summer the landfill tipping fee went up from \$61.50 per ton to \$80.00 per ton. Right now all three of Delaware's landfills are undergoing expansion projects at a price tag of over \$100 million. These are costs that we, the consumers, ultimately bear. Disposal costs are not going to decrease. If we do not get **ALL** of Delaware, including Delaware City, to do more recycling, the more we are going to pay for disposal. That is not a fear for 20 years from now, it is a reality that will affect us in the immediate to near future.

If you have any questions about recycling, please call Kathy Clifton at Town Hall 302-834-4573 or email her at [kclifton@ci.delaware-city.de.us](mailto:kclifton@ci.delaware-city.de.us).

**REUSE**

**RECYCLE**

**REDUCE**

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**RECYCLING CART**

Your new recycling cart is the property of the City of Delaware City. If you should move from your current residence, you must leave the recycling cart at the property for the next homeowner. The same rule exists for your IDS trash cart. Although both carts are the City's property, it is your (the homeowner's) responsibility to maintain your recycling cart and trash cart. Please identify your recycling cart and trash cart with the number that is on the carts so on Monday's when you are taking your carts back onto your property you can make sure you are getting the correct carts. You may find it easier to put your address inside the lid of each cart for identifying purposes.

Each parcel is given one recycling cart. If you live in an apartment, your recycling cart must be shared by all the tenants in the building. Your landlord should place the recycling cart in a location that is convenient and accessible to all the tenants in the building. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kathy Clifton at Town Hall 834-4573.

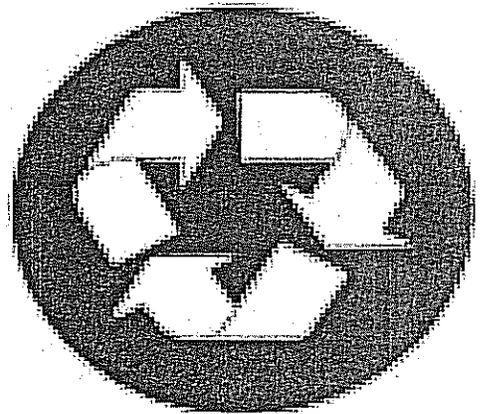
**WHAT CAN I RECYCLE?**

Acceptable single stream recyclables you can put into your new recycling cart are:

- Newspapers/ Brown Paper Bags
- Magazines, Catalogs
- Telephone/Soft Cover Books
- Junk Mail/Envelopes (all types)
- Paper
- Paperboard (cereal/tissue boxes)
- Corrugated Cardboard (flattened)
- Narrow-Neck plastic bottles (examples: milk jugs, bleach/detergent, shampoo bottles)
- Plastic Grocery Bags
- Glass Bottles/Jars (any color)
- Metal Cans (tin, steel and aluminum)

There is no need to place your recyclables into bags before putting them into the cart. For more information as to what you can recycle please visit: [http://www.awm.delaware.gov/Recycling/Pages/What%27s\\_recyclable\\_in\\_Delaware.aspx](http://www.awm.delaware.gov/Recycling/Pages/What%27s_recyclable_in_Delaware.aspx).

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## **IT'S TAX TIME AGAIN!!!!!!!!!!**

By now everyone has received their tax statement or at least a courtesy copy. If you have not, please contact Town Hall at 834-4573. Tax payments are due no later than September 30 to avoid penalties and interest.

Just a reminder—if you change your mortgage company for any reason or are now paying your own taxes, please contact Town Hall so we can get the necessary information and send your tax statement to the correct party.

## **RECYCLING, YARD WASTE & TRASH**

Yard trimmings and other yard waste items cannot be placed in the trash carts with regular trash. The City provides **free** curbside yard waste and recycling pickups. I.D.S. will not pick up your trash if it contains yard waste. Please place any yard waste in clear plastic bags or bags that are clearly marked as yard waste. If you have large branches/trees or tree clippings they must be bundled and no larger than a 4 foot bundle so a man can pick it up. If it is more than that you will need to call a contractor and make special arrangements for it to be picked up. You can put your recycling-bottles, cans, newspapers, etc-in your new blue and yellow recycling containers. **Only the recycling material that fits inside the blue and yellow recycling container will be collected.** The Cutting Edge will pick up the yard waste and recycling items on Mondays and I.D.S/Waste Management will pick up your trash on Mondays.

## **DELAWARE CITY SENIOR CENTER**

If you are 50 + years old and want to have some fun, come out and join the Delaware City Senior Center. They meet at the Library at 250 Bayard Street every Monday and Tuesday from 10 AM to 1 PM. For more information call Kevin Swed at the Library 834-4148.

## **Dog Owners**

Recently we have received numerous complaints about dog owners allowing their dogs to defecate on others' properties and not picking it up. Please be considerate and pick up your dogs' waste. There are "mutt mitts" in Battery Park for your convenience. We have also been receiving complaints of dogs being walked around the neighborhood without a leash. New Castle County has a law that dogs must be on a leash when walking outside their yard for safety reasons. Please respect your neighbor's property and safety. Thank you for your consideration.

## **A BIG THANK YOU**

The Mayor and Council, Police Department and staff of Delaware City would like to thank the residents of Delaware City for their cooperation during the recent hurricane Irene. Working together Delaware City weathered the storm!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SEPTEMBER

9-10 *The Guys* by the Reedy Point Players  
17 Canal Fest  
24 Cruise Night  
30 Ghost Tours at Fort Delaware

### OCTOBER

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Ghost Tours at Fort Delaware  
8 Oktoberfest by Delaware City Fire Company  
14, 15, 16, 21, 22 *Edgar Allen Poe The Masquerade* by Reedy Point Players  
22 Delaware City Fire Company Open House 10 AM-2PM  
Cruise Night in the Park

### NOVEMBER

6 Hike Across Delaware  
25 Black Friday-Support Delaware City Merchants  
26 Cruise Night

### DECEMBER

15 Silent Auction Fundraiser & Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest  
15-18 *Stocking Stuffers* by Reedy Point Players  
TBD Christmas Parade

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**MAYOR and COUNCIL** (regular monthly meeting) - Monday, Sept 19, 2011 at 7:30 PM at Delaware City Fire Hall, 815 Clinton Street

**HPC (Historic Preservation Commission)** Tuesday, Oct 4, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall

**PC (Planning Commission)** Monday, Sept 12, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall

**BOARD OF HEALTH** – Wednesday, Sept 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall

**DELAWARE CITY DAY COMMITTEE** – Thursday, Oct 13, 2011 at 6:00 PM at Town Hall

All meetings are posted at Town Hall, Post Office, Sunset Market, Valero Gas Station, Library and [www.delawarecity.delaware.gov](http://www.delawarecity.delaware.gov) . Please check the postings for special meetings, workshops or cancellations.

**Did you know....**On Saturday, October 8, 2011 the Dover Motor Vehicle (DMV) will be open only for Senior Citizens 62+ years old to get licenses renewed or cars inspected.

....Canal Fest is Saturday, September 17, 2011. Come out and enjoy the day.

....The Delaware City Fire Company will hold its annual Open House from noon until 4 PM on Saturday, October 22, 2011 at the Fire Hall on 5th Street. There will be displays of emergency apparatus and equipment as well as public safety displays. The Delaware City Fire Company will also be giving away smoke detectors and batteries to all those that need them.