DELAWARE CITY DAY

Delaware City Day is Saturday, July 16, 2016. Come out and enjoy the 190th Anniversary of Delaware City with your neighbors, family and friends! The festivities start with the parade at 11:00 AM and continues throughout the day with games, food, and entertainment! Vendors open at 10AM. Universal Funk Order Band plays from 1-4pm. The celebration concludes at dusk with our infamous fireworks presentation! Congratulations to Barry Nickson, DCNC Babe Ruth Community Service Award Winner and Cheryl, Jay and JW Dennis (Dennis Family) Grand Marshal Winner.

ALL RESIDENTS EAST of FIFTH STREET who plan on moving their car on Delaware City Day and returning after 5PM will need a RESIDENTS' PARKING PERMIT!!! East of Fifth Street will be closed to all traffic on Delaware City Day, from 5:00 PM until after the fireworks. The deadline to get a parking pass is July 15th at noon. If you still have your parking permit sticker from last year, it is still good and you will not need to reapply. 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. You will need to show your registration card for all vehicles you want a parking permit for.

NO PETS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT AFTER 4PM! That includes Clinton and Washington Streets between Front and the Waterfront.

A Reminder that no liquor/beer/wine is allowed in the park. Police will be inspecting coolers and backpacks.

FIFTH STREET BRIDGE UPDATE

The construction of the Fifth Street Bridge replacement is scheduled to begin Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2016. The Bridge will be closed for approximately 150 days. You may need to make adjustments to your travel routes.

DELAFOREST FERRY

Summer hours from now until Sept. 5th: Wed-Fri 10AM to 5 PM and weekends and holidays 10AM to 6PM.

Mt. Salem UAME Church, 4th & Bayard, News
July 10th- Family & Friends Day 3:30PM (all are invited)
July 17th- Gospel Music Event 3:30 Service & Singers
July 25-29- Vacation Bible School 6:00 PM
Aug 14 - Homecoming 11AM & 3:30 PM Service

TOWNWIDE STREET SWEEPING

In accordance with our Stormwater Pollution Prevention & Management Plan, the City will be doing our semi-annual street sweeping of the whole City. The street sweeping will occur on Monday and Tuesday, July 18 & July 19. The schedule is as follows:

MONDAY, JULY 18th the following streets will be swept: All streets that run North and South- Streets North of Fifth Street - Second, Third, Fourth, Front, Williams, Canal, Solomon and Henry Streets. Streets South of Fifth Street -in Harbor Estates Seventh, Nowland, Cleaver, Warfel (Horse Shoe), and Clark.

TUESDAY, JULY 19th the following streets will be swept: All streets that run East and West - Canan, Franklin, Bayard, Hamilton, Clinton, Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison, and Monroe. South of Fifth Street-Hamilton Place, Clinton, Reybold, Warfel, and Clark.

We are asking that everyone remove their cars from the respective street on the day that it will be swept so the sweeper can easily pass down the curb. By sweeping the streets twice a year, it will help to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the storm sewer system and protect the water quality of nearby streams, rivers, wetlands and bays.

DELAWARE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

In order to help you and assist with our expenses, we have created an Ambulance Club Membership. For a minimum donation, if you or anyone in your household is transported to a local hospital by our ambulance, we will waive any monetary balance that you would normally have to pay. If you are an Ambulance Club Member and require the ambulance multiple times during the year you will have NO out of pocket costs. Just one ambulance transport for anyone in your household will more than pay for the cost of this yearly Ambulance Club Membership. Please see any member if interested or call 302-834-9336.

First Presbyterian Church

Sun, Aug 7th - everyone is invited to the 1st Presbyterian Church's annual Jubilee service starting at 10:00 a.m. The service consists of blue grass, gospel and spiritual music and hymns
Sun, Aug 28th - at 10AM, the 1st Presbyterian Church is hosting a worship service at historic Old Drawyers Church on southbound Rt. 13 at Odessa. Everyone is invited to step back in time with us.
**FREE BIKE HELMETS**

The New Castle County Chapter of the Delaware Safe Kids Coalition and the Delaware City Police Department have partnered to distribute free bicycle safety helmets to Delaware City residents ages 18 and under. To obtain a free helmet, a child, accompanied by his/her parent or guardian, must be a resident of Delaware City (proof of residency required), can come to the Delaware City Police Department located in Town Hall, 407 Clinton Street, on any Wednesday or Thursday between the hours of 12:00 noon and 4:30 PM.

**REEDY POINT PLAYERS**

The Reedy Point Players are thrilled to be celebrating their 16th year by announcing their latest line up!

- **October 2016:** Cemilla
- **December 2016:** A Christmas Carol
- **March 2017:** Shenanigans! A Pirate Cabaret
- **April 2017:** Titanic: Tragedy & Trial
- **Summer 2017:** One Act Competition

Next up, they will be having auditions for the Halloween themed production, Cemilla. For more information, please visit www.thereaedypointplayers.com.

**HIGH GRASS VIOLATIONS**

Section 106.3.1.5.2 Remedial Action in the City Code states for grass higher than 10", the homeowner will be given a Code Violation and will have 5 business days to mow. If the homeowner does not mow the lawn by the end of the 5th business day, Delaware City will fine the homeowner $50 and will have the grass mowed at the owner’s expense.
In 1898 Mary Jarrell, who lived on the corner behind town hall, recorded the following in her diary: "4th The glorious fourth and we celebrate the day here with a flag raising and a treat to the soldiers both regulars and volunteers who are encamped at the battery and near the battery. We treated them to cake and cream. The most cakes contributed to any one cause I ever saw, about two hundred of the finest ones, it was the very best the community could produce. And I think was enjoyed to the full. This is the second war I have participated in like manner, during the civil war I took an active part in all the festivities both before and after their return. And was now a participant in trying to make glad the hearts of those who have left home and all that is dear to them to engage in the strife between Spain and the United States for humanity's sake. We gave the soldiers all the cake and ice cream they could eat. And today the fourth of July, Admiral Samsonor Schuler fleet has captured the whole of the Spanish fleet as they were trying to run the blockade at Santiago de Cuba where they have been bottled up for so long and afraid to come out. Today the whole of them were either destroyed or captured with their Admiral, Admiral Cevera. This has been a glorious day altogether. For besides the great victory the pleasure of serving the soldiers to cake and cream. We have had a good rain. Everything has been burning up for want of rain. It was very hot the early part of the day, but after the rain the atmosphere was bearable and this mornings paper states that Admiral Dewey's transports had arrived at the Phillippines which started from San Francisco over four weeks ago. Lt Hobson and his men are reported safe but are still prisoners at Santiago de Cuba."

BUILDING CODE CORNER- SUMMER
Submitted by Kyle Bendler, Building Inspector

As we move into the dog days of summer, the heat is on! Swimming pools are great ways to cool off and beat the heat, but the can also have serious consequences if they are not properly maintained or installed. The State of Delaware requires that pools & spas only be wired by a licensed electrician; section 303 of the 2012 Property Maintenance Code sets forth the requirements for pool & spa enclosure maintenance, see https://law.resource.org/pub/us/code/ibr/icc.ipmc.2012.html. Please enjoy your summer safely and responsibly. The Building Official currently has office hours at City Hall on Wednesday’s from 9:30 – Noon, or by appointment. To learn more about our adopted codes visit www.icesafe.org.

FLOODPLAIN INFORMATION

Flood insurance may not prevent a flood, but it can help homeowners get back on their feet in the event of a flood. A flood insurance policy will give you peace of mind knowing that you are covered if the unexpected happens. The website - FloodSmart.gov — offers several tools and resources that you can use, including:

- The One-Step Flood Risk Profile to provide an estimation of a property’s flood risk and direct residents to local insurance agents, who can provide additional information on a flood insurance policy.

- The Cost of Flooding tool, illustrates how just a few inches of water can cost tens of thousands of dollars in damage.

- Consumer and business checklists to help residents prepare before the next disaster strikes.

You can also visit our website at www.delawarecity.delaware.gov for more information on the Floodplain.