



CITY NEWS

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March 2019

Delaware City Town Hall
407 Clinton Street
(302) 834-4573

Mayor :
Stanley E. Green

Council Members:
Betty Barrett
Beth Konkus
Robert Malinowski
Megan Titus
Chase Renoll

Interim City Manager:
Dave Baylor
Chief of Police:
David Baylor

**Delaware City
Directory**

Police Department
(302) 836-6344

Delaware City Fire Hall
(302) 834-9336

Post Office
(302) 834-4716

Library
(302) 834-4148

Fire Hall Rental
(302) 392-1783

Park Building Rental
(302) 834-0662

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NOTICE

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A REDUCTION ON YOUR CITY PROPERTY TAX AND WATER RATES

With certain household income limitations, you may be eligible for a reduction on your city property tax and water rates during fiscal year 2020. (Beginning July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020)

The household income, excluding Social Security and disability pension, is limited to:

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Single Applicant: | \$20,000 |
| Married Applicants: | \$25,000 (combined income) |
| Household: | \$25,000 (total household income) |

You may be eligible if you were 65 years of age or a disabled resident on SSI and have owned your current residence for one (1) year, by December 31, 2018, and your income does not exceed the limits above.

1. You must submit the following documents with your application: Copy of Federal Tax Form (1040) for 2018. *If you do not file a Federal Tax Form, You must submit: a copy of 2018 Social Security Benefit Statements, a copy of 2018 interest statements, and a copy of 2018 pension statements if applicable.*
2. Proof of income for all household residents over 18 years old
3. *Certificate of Insurance Award if disabled*
4. Proof of age and address (Matching Items 1-3 above) shall be presented. These include Picture ID, License, or Birth Certificate for homeowner applying for discount.

Applications for Exemptions are available at Town Hall. If you need assistance filling out the application please feel free to stop by Town Hall, and we will be glad to assist you. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30AM to 5:30PM and Friday from 8:30AM to 12:30PM.

PLEASE NOTE: This application form and the required documents must be submitted every year to demonstrate continued eligibility.

Deadline for Filing: April 15, 2019

Posted: January 5, 2019 Town Hall, Post Office, Sunset Market, Delaware City Valero, and Library

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CANCELLATION OF ELECTION 2019

Only one (1) candidate for the office of Mayor filed and only two (2) official candidates filed for the two (2) available Council positions in Delaware City this year; therefore, in accordance with Section 8-08 of the Delaware City Charter and Code Book Chapter 2, Article II, Elections, there will be no formal Municipal Election in Delaware City in 2019. No voting machines will be made available for voting or for write-in campaigns on the day of election.

The office candidates are
 For Mayor: Stanley E. Green for a 2-year term
 For Council Members: Robert Malinowski and John P. Buchheit, III for 2-year terms
 They will be sworn into office at the April 15, 2019 meeting of the Mayor & Council

We wish to thank Council Member Betty Barrett for her years of service as a member of Council and her contributions on behalf of the residents of Delaware City.

TOWN HALL'S NEW HOURS

Delaware City Town Hall's hours are
8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Town Hall will be closed Friday, April 19th in observance of Good Friday.

MEETINGS



Mayor & Council: Monday, March 18th 6:30* p.m. Delaware City Fire Company
 Monday, April 15th 6:30* p.m. Delaware City Fire Company
**in the event a Public Hearing is scheduled on the agenda, Mayor & Council Meeting will begin at 6 p.m.*

Planning Commission: Monday, April 1st. 6:30 p.m. and Monday, May 6th 6:30 p.m.
 Council Chambers, Delaware City Town Hall

Historic Preservation Commission: Tuesday, April 9th 7 p.m. and Tuesday May 7th 7 p.m.
 Council Chambers, Delaware City Town Hall

If you wish to be on the Planning Commission's or Historic Preservation Commission's agenda, please contact Town Hall at least ten (10) days before the meeting date. 302 834-4573

Agendas for all meetings are posted at Town Hall, Post Office, Sunset Market, Valero Station and Library

DELAWARE CITY FIRE COMPANY EVENTS



Sunday, March 10th when you set your clocks forward also remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

If you need a smoke detector contact Delaware City Fire Company and one will be brought to you. A volunteer will be happy to install it for you if necessary.

Sunday, May 12th: The drawing for the filled **Yeti Tundra 45 Cooler** will be held. Tickets can be purchased through any member of the Fire Company now until the drawing. Tickets are 1 for \$5; 3 for \$10 and 7 for \$20

Tuesday, March 12th: BRIO Fundraiser. Flyers are available at the Firehouse.

Friday, April 26th DCFC ANNUAL SHRIMP FEAST: The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the event will begin 7 p.m. until midnight with DJ and dancing. Tickets are \$35 per person which includes all you can eat shrimp, roast beef, potato and pasta salad. Draft beer, wine and soda will be served at the cash bar.

Contact Brett and Jessica Neel 302 838-2458 for tickets.

Sunday, April 28th MICHAEL KORS & COACH BINGO: Doors open at noon. Play begins at 1 p.m. \$25 for 20 games.

SAFETY REMINDERS FROM YOUR FIRE COMPANY



Please make sure house/business numbers are visible from the street so first responders are able to see them. House numbers should be at least 4-inches high and business numbers should be at least 6-inches high.

If you are using an alternative heating device (i.e. space heaters, etc.) be careful of where they are placed. **DO NOT** place near anything that can catch fire (i.e. blankets, curtains, etc.). If using a propane heater, please be sure the propane is stored properly.

BENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4th ANNUAL CANCER WALK in Memory of Ivy—Saturday, April 13th
Registration at 9 a.m., walk begins at 9:30 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DELAWARE CITY



Palm Sunday Service — April 14th at 10:00 a.m.

Officiated by Rev. Randy Otto

Maudy Thursday Service — April 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Officiated by Rev. Grace Howard

Easter Sunday Service — April 21st at 10 a.m.

Officiated by Rev. Grace Howard

You are invited to join us at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday Mornings for our regular church services:

- March 10th. Rev. Grace Howard with Special Music by Bob Haugh
- March 17th. Rev. Laurel Loveless
- March 24th. Rev. Grace Howard
- March 31st. Rev. Lyle Dykstra
- April 7th. Rev. Randy Otto



Community Bible Study is held every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (except for April 18th.)

DELAWARE CITY DAY 2019

Mark Your Calendars — Make Your Plans

DELAWARE CITY DAY 2019

SATURDAY, JULY 21st.

The day will kick-off with our traditional hometown parade. Following the parade Battery Park will host the Children's events, food and craft vendors for your enjoyment from noon until 5 p.m.



Applications for the parade, food and craft vendors will be available mid-April by contacting Town Hall

FIREWORKS

The Delaware City Day Fireworks has a **NEW DATE!!**

Please plan to join us on Sunday, September 22, 2019

In Battery Park at Dusk

For the most outstanding Fireworks display in Delaware



TOWN WIDE YARDSALE

MARK YOUR CALENDERS

TOWN WIDE YARD SALE

Saturday, April 27th

&

Sunday, April 28th

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Free Large Item Pickup
Monday April 29th

DELAWARE CITY LIBRARY EVENTS FOR MARCH & APRIL

Art in the Library- Learn a new art form at this monthly recurring art program for adults. Call 302-834-4148 for this month's theme. March 10th, April 28th, 1-2:30 p.m. Adults. Registration required.



Pub Trivia- Join us at Crabby Dick's Fort Delaware for our monthly pub trivia event. Call 302-834-4148 for this month's theme. March 19th, April 19th, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Adults 21+.

Jane Goodall- Jane Goodall is the world's foremost expert on chimpanzees. She is also a conservationist animal right's activist. Learn how experts observe chimpanzee behavior in the wild and try it out for yourself in dramatic play style. March 19th, 5-6 p.m. Ages 6-12.



Reupholster an Ottoman- A professional sewing instructor teaches participants how to reupholster an ottoman. Sewing machines and all other supplies provided. March 23rd, 1-2 PM. Adults. Registration required. Call 302-834-4148 to register.

Alice's Ordinary People: Film Screening & Filmmaker Q&A- Celebrate Women's History Month with a screening of the documentary Alice's Ordinary People with the filmmaker. The film's subject, Alice Tregay, is an unsung heroine of the Civil Rights Movement. Her remarkable story spans the historic period from the marches of Dr. King to the election of Barack Obama. A Q&A with the filmmaker follows the documentary. March 21st, 6-8 PM. All ages.



Art as Prevention with Local Artist Eunice Lafate- Celebrate Women's History Month with local folk artist Eunice Lafate. She speaks about her 30 years of real-life experience using the arts to engage inner city at-risk youth. Participants will then create an art piece being mindful of race and gender relations. March 24th, 1-2 PM. Ages 14+.

Poetry Publishing Workshop- Members of Local Gems Press teach us how to get published, followed by a Q&A session. Get tips from the experts! March 14th, 1-2:30 PM. Adults.

Foam Rabbit Basket- Get ready for Easter with your very own no sew foam basket. April 16th, 5-6 p.m. Ages 6-11.

Reusable Bag Sew-a-Thon for Charity- Honor Earth Day by sewing reusable bags to donate to charity. Help those who can't afford to replace plastic shopping bags break their dependence on plastic. Sewing machines and supplies provided. April 22nd, 6-7 p.m. Adults. Registration Required. Call 302-834-4148 to register.



Easter Celebration- This year Dragon Run Park and Delaware City Library combine forces to bring you an Easter celebration. Activities include egg hunts for ages 0 to 12, food, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. Event held at the library. Rain or Shine. April 7th, 1-3 PM. All ages.

For additional programs at the library please visit our website at

<http://delawarecity.lib.de.us>

or like us on Facebook!

REGISTER YOUR PETS!



In light of the upcoming warmer weather the Delaware city police department would like to encourage those with pets to register them with our department. Often times our officers will receive notice of pets at large or have citizens bring them to our HQ after their recovery.

The pet registry allows our officers to return these beloved animals to their proper owners without the involvement of animal services.

All you need to do is provide us with the name of your pet, the owners name, address and phone number and a picture of the pet in question.

If you don't have a photo, we would be glad to take one for you!

This service has already assisted us in returning several pets to their owners!



The police department will take back medications any day anytime !

DRUG TAKE BACK DAY! Nationwide Event!

SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2019

9:00a - 12:00p

DELAWARE CITY POLICE DEPT.

NO NEEDLES!

DELAWARE CITY SENIOR CENTER

Put your best foot forward in 2019 and join the Delaware City Senior Center Games, Puzzling, Bingo, Coffee and Snacks 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays At the Delaware City Library



Disaster Supply Kit

WATER—at least 1 gallon daily per person for 3 days

FOOD—at least enough for 3 days

- non-perishable packaged or canned food/juices
- food for infants or the elderly
- snack foods
- non-electric can opener
- cooking tools/fuel
- paper plates/plastic utensils

CLOTHING—seasonal/ rain gear/ sturdy shoes

BLANKETS/PILLOWS, etc.

FIRST AID KIT/ MEDICINES

- prescription and non-prescription medications
- glasses, dentures, hearing aids, etc.

SPECIAL ITEMS—for babies and elderly

TOILETRIES—Hygiene Items

MOISTURE WIPES

FLASHLIGHT/ BATTERIES

RADIO— Battery Operated and NOAA Weather Radio

CASH

KEYS—Extra set of home and car keys

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS in a waterproof container

- insurance, medical records, bank account numbers, Social Security card, etc.
- identification and proof of residency such as a utility bill
- document all valuables

TOYS/BOOKS/ ENTERTAINMENT

TOOLS—Keep a set with you during the storm

VEHICLE FUEL TANKS FILLED

PET CARE ITEMS

- proper identification/immunization records
- ample supply of food and water
- a carrier or cage
- medications
- muzzle and leash

Watch and Warning...Know the Difference

A **WATCH** issued for your part of the coast indicates the possibility that you could experience coastal storm or hurricane conditions within 36 hours. This watch should trigger your family's disaster plan, and protective measures should be initiated—especially those actions that require extra time such as securing a boat, leaving a barrier island, etc.

A **COASTAL FLOOD WARNING** issued for your part of the coast indicates that moderate or severe coastal flooding is occurring, is imminent, or is expected within the next 12 hours.

A **HURRICANE WARNING** is issued when sustained winds of at least 74 mph are expected within 24 hours. Once this warning has been issued, your family should be in the process of completing protective actions and deciding the safest location to be during the storm.

Listen to Your Emergency Alert System (EAS)

Radio Stations:

New Castle County: WSTW (93.7 FM); WDEL (1150 AM)
Kent County: WDSD (92.9 FM); WDOV (1410 AM)
Sussex County: WZBH (93.5 FM); WSSR (900 AM)
Statewide Traffic Information: WTMC (1380 AM)

For More Information:

Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA)
302-859-3382; in-state toll free: 877-729-3382
www.state.de.us/dema

Local Emergency Management Offices

New Castle County: 302-573-2855
Kent County: 302-736-2222
Sussex County: 302-855-7801
Wilmington: 302-571-4430

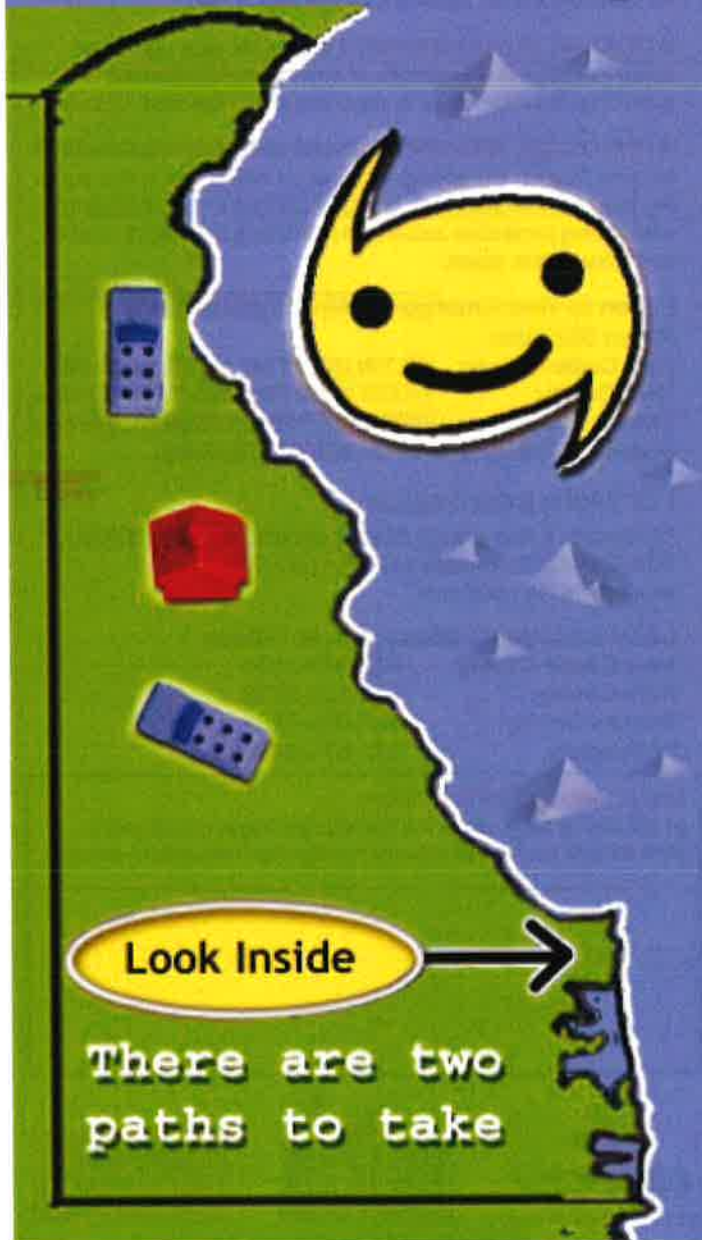
Local Contact Information:

(If this area is blank, check the Government Pages of your phone book for your county's emergency management office phone number)



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What Should You Do If A Coastal Storm Threatens Your Community?



FAMILY PREPAREDNESS TIPS FOR EVACUATING DURING A COASTAL STORM



- Stay alert to storm advisories
Watch and Warning—know the difference.
- Enact your family disaster plan
- Map out your route
Use travel routes specified by local authorities. DO NOT get on the road without a place to go.
- Fill your car with gasoline
- Evacuate if told to do so
DO NOT get stranded, EVACUATE EARLY.
- Enact your pet plan
Before a storm threatens, contact your veterinarian or local humane society for information on preparing your pets for an emergency. Shelters do not usually accept pets.
- Bring your disaster supply kit
Including important documents, identification, and proof of residency.
- Secure your home before leaving
Board up windows and glass doors, anchor loose yard objects or bring them inside and lock your doors.
- Get cash
Following a coastal storm, banks and ATMs may be temporarily closed.
- Notify family and friends of your plans
- When evacuating:
If possible, evacuate to the home of either friends or family in a non-vulnerable area within your county. Next, try a motel or hotel and as a last resort go to a shelter.



People who require special assistance in evacuating should register with their local emergency management office.

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Delaware City native

Joylette Portlock

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's

WOMEN TO MEET IN 2019



In a winning series of 34 short Communitopia climate-change videos titled "[Don't Just Sit There — Do Something!](#)" Joylette Portlock stars as a scientist — you can tell by the white lab coat — and news anchor and wisecracking woman on the street. They're just characters, but they're also her.

The Delaware City, Del., native studied biology and anthropology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and earned her doctorate in genetics at Stanford, designing genetics programs for science museums.

But she warmed to climate change and to communicating its dangers and solutions. And she aims to do so in practical and approachable ways.

That'll be one part of her new job, which she started in mid-December, as executive director at [Sustainable Pittsburgh](#). She comes from the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, where she was associate director of science and research, to fill the big shoes of Court Gould, who 20 years ago founded this nonprofit that promotes sustainability programs for businesses and collaboration on regional policy initiatives for sustainability.

Ms. Portlock also worked for Al Gore's Climate Reality Project and has served as Western Pennsylvania outreach coordinator with PennFuture, a statewide environmental advocacy group where she worked with its members, elected officials and the public on energy, air, water, mining and transportation issues.

All of this is a natural fit for the girl who persuaded her parents to recycle and co-founded her high school Earth Club. Now the 40-year-old resident of Swissvale (where she founded the farmers market) has two children, ages 10 and 7, with whom she loves to spend every rare second of free time that competes with roles such as serving on the Allegheny County Board of Health.

Couldn't she have picked something easier than, you know, saving the Earth?

She laughs a big laugh and pauses for several seconds. "I'm not afraid of a challenge!" She takes another long pause and quotes Jonas Salk: " 'Are we being good ancestors?' It's important."

When the magnitude of the challenges starts to get to her, she buoys herself by looking at all the gains that have been made, including existing programs and relationships of Sustainable Pittsburgh, and she's confident that she can build on those to help communities make the world better together. Don't be surprised if she does so with a joke.

"You have to figure out a way," she says, "to meet people where they are."

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TOWN WIDE YARD SALE
 Saturday, April 27th
 &
 Sunday, April 28th
 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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STORM WATER

As storm water runoff flows over land surfaces, pavements, yards, driveways and roofs it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants. Storm water can flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or costal water. Anything that enters a sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nations greatest threat to clean water. In efforts to control storm water pollution, we must consider individual, household and public behaviors and activities that can generate pollution from these surfaces. These common individual behaviors have the potential to generate storm water pollution:

- ◆ Disposing of pet-waste
- ◆ Applying lawn chemicals
- ◆ Washing cars
- ◆ Changing motor oil on impervious driveways
- ◆ Household behaviors like disposing leftover paint and household chemicals

It takes individual behavior changes and proper practices to control such pollution.

If you would not drink it, do not dump it!

Only rain down the drain!

