"HISTORIC PAST" "BRIGHT FUTURE"



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MESSAGE FROM OUR MAYOR

Those lazy days of Summer are gone and Fall is approaching. I do hope everyone has many wonderful memories from this summer and are looking forward to what the Fall holds. I'd like to wish all our school aged residents a safe and successful school year ahead. Please remember as Mayor and along with Town Council, City Manager and City Staff we are all here to help if you should encounter any cares or concerns.

Over the Summer, Town Council passed two (2) Resolutions to honor Mr. Max Walton and Mr. William (Bill) Yowell for their dedication and commitment to our Little League Fields.

The City of Delaware City was the recipient of Mr. Walton's generosity when he saw the condition of the William (Buddy) Sadler Ball Field and was aware the Little League did not have the funds to correct the field's faults. Although in the early stages of ALS, Mr. Walton worked tirelessly alongside his son, Max, former City Manager Cathcart and Vice Mayor Malinowski to repair and renew the field. Therefore in honor of Mr. Walton's hard work, dedication and commitment to our community we dedicate the Babe Ruth Diamond to his honor and in his memory.

Mr. William (Bill) Yowell was a life-long resident of Delaware City and totally dedicated to his family, friends and his community. He was tireless in his support in many of the community's services especially the Delaware City Babe Ruth Baseball League. In honor and respect of his long standing commitment, the Little League Field has been dedicated in his honor and to his memory.

Framed copies of the Resolutions will be presented to each family and plaques in memoriam will be placed at the ball field in the near future.



CITY MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Delaware City is currently preparing for its 2019 Comprehensive Plan Update which is designed to guide the future actions of our community. It presents a vision for the future and identifies long-range goals and objectives.

Over the course of the next 9 to 12 months the Planning Commission will be working on updating the Comp Plan for our City. We invite you to come and share your ideas as we move through its chapters. It is through public dialogue that you as residents can express your vision for the future of Delaware City

which ultimately will settle into a collective vision in the plan update. Therefore, your feedback and engagement is a crucial part of the process. We hope to cover a few chapters each month.



Carol Houck

The Planning Committee Meetings are typically held the first Monday of each month, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. In case of cancellation please visit our website: www.delawarecity.delaware.gov . Notices will also be posted at Town Hall, Library, Post Office, Sunset Market and/or the Valero Station.

FROM CHIEF DAVID BAYLOR

ST. GEORGE'S BRIDGE CLOSURE



On Monday, September 10, 2018, DELDOT and the Army Corp of Engineers will be closing the St. George's Bridge for an estimated six (6) month time period. This will impact Delaware City in that traffic patterns will change and we will likely see an increase in motorist through the town.

The Delaware City Police Department is asking everyone, especially parents of children using the school buses to make their children aware of the increase in vehicular traffic and to use caution.

DELAWARE CITY DAY FIREWORKS

Reminder the Delaware City Day Fireworks will be on Sunday, October 7th
Approximate Time to Begin is 7 p.m.

The only anticipated street closures beginning at 5 p.m. are Clinton Street from Second Street to Battery Park and Washington Street at Front Street to Harbor Street (Crabby Dicks).



NO PARKING along these streets. Violators will be towed.

SHUTTLE SERVICE will begin at 4 p.m. with parking for the disabled in the parking lot adjacent to the Delaware City Fire Company and will end one hour after the fireworks are over.



Anyone attending the fireworks is reminded that pets will not be permitted on Clinton Street from Front Street to Battery Park and Washington Street from Front Street to Harbor Street beginning at 5 p.m..





SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

The passing of a stopped school bus with its red lights activated is a

Violation of Delaware State Law

VACANCY ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission is looking for a member who is interested in serving the City of Delaware City. The Planning Commission is an advisory board to the Mayor & Council on matters of development and growth in Delaware City. The Planning Commission term of appointment is 3-years. The meetings are the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Town Hall.

If you interested in being a part of this vital commission, please contact Town Hall (302) 834-4573.

FORT DUPONT PRESENTS FORTIFY MUSIC FEST



Fortify Music Fest September 29th!

Hosted by Fort DuPont Redevelopment & Preservation Corporation on the gorgeous grounds of Fort DuPont Located in Delaware City

Fortify Fest is a day-long music festival bringing local bands and national-touring tribute acts together on two stages. From The Police to David Bowie to Led Zeppelin, Fortify Music Fest is merging music you already love with the new best local talent.

Scheduled to Appear:

I—I:30 p.m. June Divided tribute to The Police
I:30—2 p.m. June Divided originals
2—2:30 p.m. Soraia tribute to David Bowie & Joan Jett
2:30—3 p.m. Soraia originals
3—4 p.m. Spokey Speaky tribute to Bob Marley
4—5 p.m. Nappy Riddem (Washington DC Reggae)
5—6 p.m. Steal Your Peach tribute to Grateful Dead & Allman Brothers Band
6—7 p.m. Montana Wildaxe (Wilmington Jam Band)
7—8 p.m. Joey Ditullio (Philly original rock band)
8—9 p.m. Kashmir The Live Led Zepelin Show

DON'T MISS THE FOOD TRUCK GALLERY

Flame N Grill Hibachi Swamptown Food Truck Zaikka Food Truck Gotta Lotta Gelata Cajun Sno Delicious Cravings

AN AWESOME

Beer Garden featuring Delaware Craft Beers Including the brand new Fortify IPA!



BEER + MUSIC + YOU = A PERFECT MATCH!

DELAWARE CITY FIRE COMPANY EVENTS



The Delaware City Fire Company is Pleased to Present the Following Events Mark Your Calendars Now so You don't Miss These Great Events

Saturday, October 6th Tribute to the Piano Men - Billy Joel & Elton John \$45 Per Person Includes Dinner, Show and Dancing.
For Tickets call 302 528 -2274



Sunday, October 14th Kors & Coach Bingo \$25 for 20 Games Call 302 420-2448 for more information Doors open at noon - play starts at 1pm

Sunday, October 21st Open House Community Day 11am-3pm. Rocky Bluewinkle; Demonstrations; Bounce House, etc.

Saturday, November 21st "Murder at the Long Branch Saloon" an Audience Interactive Murder Mystery Dinner \$45 a person call 302 528-2274 for tickets.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DELAWARE CITY



Saturday, October 6th beginning at 10 a.m.

This event will include: Bake Sale ~ Chili to go ~ Handmade Crafts ~ Pumpkins ~ Mums
Books and an Accessories Table
Accessories will be:

Jackets, Men's and Women's' Jewelry, Wallets, Purses, Scarves, Gloves, Sweaters, and Incidentals.

DELAWARE CITY 55+





AT THE SENIOR CENTER IN THE DELAWARE CITY LIBRARY

MONDAYS & TUESDAYS 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

DELAWARE CITY LIBRARY SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER EVENTS

Crafty Story Time- This popular story time is back after a summer hiatus. Enjoy a themed story time, followed by a fun craft! Call the library for this month's theme. September 6th, October 4th, 4 -5 PM. All ages.

Scrapbooking Summer Memories- Preserve vacation photos and summer memories at this beginner scrapbooking workshop. We will be using a Cricut papercutting machine to create a dynamic scrapbooking page! September 13th, 6-7 PM. Registration required.

Flu Shots- The library has partnered with Walgreens to offer flu shots at the library. Bring valid photo and insurance card (if applicable). September 10th, 2 -5 PM. All ages.

Podcast Club- Come to the library for this new AV club for teens! Use our state of the art camcorder and green screen to record a video podcast each month! September 10^{th} , October 8^{th} , 5 -6 PM. Ages 12 - 17.

Pub Trivia – A monthly trivia night held at Lewinsky's on Clinton. Contact the library for this month's theme. September 18^{th} , October 23^{rd} , 6:30 - 7:30 PM. Adults 21+.

Active Shooter Training- The Delaware City Police partner with the library for active shooter training. Learn how to recognize signs of potential violence around you, and what to expect after an active shooting takes place. September 20th, 7 - 8 PM. All ages.

PAWS for People- Read to a cuddly service dog or make up a story. This is great way to acclimate children to public speaking and annunciating while bonding with an animal. September 16th; October 7th, 21st, 1-2 PM. All ages welcome.

Intuitive Painting for Peace- Celebrate Peace Week Delaware by creating an intuitive painting. This spiritual method of painting helps you utilize your mind and heart to create a free-flowing work of art. September 24th, 12-30- 2 PM. Adults. Registration required.

Voter Registration Drive- Take part in the democratic process at this voter registration drive. The library, partnering with The League of Women Voters, will supply voter registration forms, a laptop for online registration, and refreshments. September 24th, I -6 PM. Ages 18+.

Wild Rumpus Story Time- This special active story time features an action packed story, followed by physical activity like singing, dancing, and movement! September 29th, October 27th, 12 -1 PM.

Art in the Library: Spooky Alcohol Ink – This monthly art program for adults features a different project every month! Celebrate Halloween by painting witches, ghosts, and pumpkins with alcohol ink. October 14^{th} . 1-2:30 PM. Adults. Registration required.

The Tale Tombstones Tell- Local author Ed Okonowicz in conjunction with Delaware Humanities shows us how permanent memorials reflect individual tastes and specific historical periods. October 16th, 6 -7 PM. All ages.

Read for the Record Day- Storyteller Diane Delaney joins the library for Read for the Record Day, an early literacy campaign that highlights the importance language skills for every child. She will read *Maybe Something Beautiful* by F. Isabel Campoy. October 25^{th} , 4-5 PM. All ages.

For additional programs at the library please visit our website at http://delawarecity.lib.de.us or like us on Facebook!

RIVER TOWNS FALL FESTIVAL



6th Annual River Towns Fall Festival Saturday, October 6, 2018 at 12:00 pm in the Historic Towns of Delaware City & New Castle

River Towns Fall Festival celebrates the heritage of Historic Delaware City & Historic New Castle as the two towns co-sponsor this single, one-day event, Saturday, October 6th.

This year River Towns introduces an expanded Bike Ride component that allows cyclists to travel between Delaware City, New Castle and Wilmington Riverfront at the DuPont Nature Center! The ride begins at 11:00 a.m.

The Jack A. Markell Trail along the Wilmington waterfront creates an exciting, new and expanded trail option for recreational riders.

The Fall Festival will feature children's games and free pony rides, live music as well as a craft beer and wine event in Battery Park, Delaware City.

WATER POLUTION HOTLINE



(302)STOPPIT Water Pollution Hotline

New Castle County, the City of Wilmington, and the Delaware Department of Transportation have established the (302) STOPPIT Water Pollution Hotline for residents to report pollution going into or coming out of the storm sewer system.

When Delaware City residents see evidence that someone has dumped chemicals or debris into the storm sewer system, here's what they can do:

- Visit www.302STOPPIT.org and fill out an online form
- Call or send a text message to (302) STOPPIT (302.786.7748) with the location and details
- Email hotline@302STOPPIT.org with the location and details.

The storm drains that line streets and parking lots connect to the storm sewer system and eventually reach local streams and rivers. For this reason, it is illegal for anyone to dispose of:

- * motor oil
- * household chemicals
- * yard waste
- * pet waste

or any other materials in storm drains and storm sewers. The partners will investigate all tips from residents and take appropriate action, which may include containment, cleanup, and issuing citations. If you don't want to drink it, it doesn't belong in the storm sewer system.

WATER RATE INCREASE

On July 16, 2018 Mayor and Council approved Ordinance 18-0618-01 Amending City Code Regarding Water Rates FY19 beginning in the October billing cycle. A copy of the Ordinance is available to read on Delaware City's website: www.delawarecity.delaware.gov The new rate structure is below:

BASE CHARGE

5/8" meter \$45.00 / Quarter \$15.00 / Month 1" meter \$81.00 / Quarter \$27.00 / Month

 1 1/2" meter
 \$138.00 / Quarter
 \$46.00 / Month

 2" meter
 \$172.00 / Quarter
 \$57.50 / Month

6" meter \$345.00/Quarter \$115.00/Month Minimum Charge \$23.00 / Quarter \$7.67 / Month

QUARTERLY WATER USAGE GALLONAGE

0 – 15,000 Gallons \$3.74 / 1000 Gallons / Quarter

15,001 – 25,000 Gallons \$4.31 / 1000 Gallons / Quarter 25,001 – 50,000 Gallons \$5.23/1000 Gallons / Quarter

Over 50,000 Gallons \$3.29 / 1000 Gallons / Quarter

MONTHLY WATER USAGE GALLONAGE

0 – 5,000 Gallons \$3.74 / 1000 Gallons / Month

5,001 – 8,500 Gallons \$4.31 / 1000 Gallons / Month

8,500 – 17,000 Gallons \$5.23 / 1000 Gallons / Month

Over 17,000 Gallons \$6.32 / 1000 Gallons / Month

DISCOUNTS AND SURCHARGES

Qualified Resident Senior Citizen or Disabled

Qualified Resident Institutional Customer

Non-Resident

Qualified Wholesale Commercial Customer

40% Discount
50% Discount

Per Agreement

OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Delaware City is turning the town TEAL for the month of September in recognition of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and to promote greater awareness of ovarian cancer and its symptoms.

To learn more please visit www.deovariancancer.org

KNOW THE SYMPTOMS





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Postal Customer Delaware City, DE 19706



BOXHOLDER DELAWARE CITY, DE 19706

ANNUAL HYDRANT FLUSHING

HYDRANT FLUSHING

will take place from Monday, September 24th through Friday, September 28th.



Water in the system remains treated during the flushing and slightly discolored water is still safe to consume. However, it is recommended that customers open their **COLD** water taps until the water runs clear. Avoid turning on hot water taps until the water runs clear to prevent discolored water from getting into the hot water heater.

They hydrant flushing program is performed every year and helps keep the distribution system clear of mineral deposits. It also allows all fire hydrants to be tested and repaired if necessary.

The flushing will be performed by employees of Artesian Water Company on behalf of the City. If you encounter some staining of laundry, stain remover powder is available at Town Hall that my be able to help.