

City Manager's Weekly Report

Friday, April 28, 2017

Department:

Administration - City Manager

Notable Notes:

Mayor and Council -

The staff and I welcomed Assistant to the Managers Mark Brainard this week and his onboarding has begun. We're looking forward to his assistance with contracts and purchasing, special projects and community engagement.

Very happy to share that 11 tons of documents has been digitized then shredded, along with 2 tons of original documents have been sent to the State Archives as part of our document management project! This effort is beginning to make an impact!

Congratulations to Mayor Sierer in securing \$8,000 support for the Mayor's Bike Ride event from Atlantic Realty to assist in funding bike related community improvements! The event will take place next Saturday.

The Code Enforcement Division is responding to a lot of high grass complaints which is typical this time of year.

The Police Department Trading Card Project will launch next week! We continue to get positive feedback from our local schools and community.

UDon't Need It? planning efforts are well underway and direct mail postcards will be mailed out in early May.

The meters on Main Street will once again be yarn bombed in recognition of increasing awareness of Lyme Disease.

We received good feedback from the recent high five video featuring employee John Bello on Main Street for National High Five Day.

Work to complete the 2016 street program is underway on Lark, and will then move to Orchard. The 2017 bids are in and are favorable with a past satisfactory contractor as the low bid. This will be on a future Council meeting agenda.

The work to construct the new salt shed will be underway soon with an estimate of two months until completion.

The Electric Department has completed the voltage upgrades on South Main Street, Dallas, Beverly, and West Park. That leaves two more areas along South College. This effort has taken us from 18mw of 4KW power down to the remaining 2.5mw that is left. This effort reduces load loss and ultimately will eliminate the need to store the 4kw equipment.

The infrared scanning of poles has started this week.

The Rittenhouse Park bridge restoration work is expected to begin May 8th and will be blocked from use for a two-week period. Please find the Parks and Recreation Summer Brochure that hit inboxes this week.

Please Save the Date of June 8th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. for the 3rd Annual DEMEC Joint Community Briefing to be held at Dover Downs.

Activity or Project:

Traffic Committee Update

Description:

Please be advised that an additional Traffic Committee meeting will be held next Friday May 5th at 10 a.m. to facilitate discussion related to a letter I received the evening of April 25th from the Bike Newark Committee. It should be noted that while this topic was brought up by Councilman Morehead at the Monday, April 24th Council meeting, it was the view of staff that were part of the original Traffic Committee meeting that there was a misunderstanding of reasoning for its vote. It's also my understanding that Bike Newark members were not at the original traffic meeting. For that reason, we have called for an additional meeting to take place on May 5th, and we expect the Bike Committee members to be in attendance in order to both express their concerns and allow for all to fully engage on the topic. I have attached a copy of the emailed letter I received the day after the Council meeting. I also point out that the Traffic Committee is advisory to the Mayor and Council.

Status: Started

Expected Completion: 5/5/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

Newark Transit Improvements Effort

Description:

Please find attached the draft Goals and Objectives for the UD IPA lead effort to engage on possible improvements to transit within Newark and its connections outward. Staff and I participated in a workshop this week to further identify opportunities for improvement. Of note is the low ridership of Newark's FREE UNICITY operation, route overlaps, and where opportunities for route modifications might be made. Effort will now focus on developing an initial option to share with the public and there is a plan to engage the public first at public events and ultimately through workshop meetings. Dart, Cecil transit, UNICITY, and UD IPA are all remaining very engaged in this effort. Creating awareness and engagement to hear from the community about the why our transit isn't a good enough option is of utmost importance. Staff will keep you apprised as this effort moves forward.

Status: Started

Expected Completion: 5/24/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

LanguageLink

Description:

Since the first calls were made on 1/23 through 3/31, it has been used a total of 30 times. The longest call was for 17 minutes, with the average call lasting 4 minutes (the median was 2 minutes). Five languages have been used, with Spanish accounting for the majority of the calls. This new language link option has been very helpful in our ability to adequately offer translation services to a wide range of languages which had become very difficult in recent years. Total expended through 3/31 for the service has been \$203.20. Cost to us is \$1.60 per minute.

Status: Started

Expected Completion: 3/31/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Department:

Administration - Deputy City Manager

Notable Notes:

Administration/HR Division:

- This week Andrew Haines attended the annual National PELRA labor law conference. This multi-day conference is focused on public labor and employers, new legal updates and various training opportunities. Also while in attendance, Mr. Haines learned that he was elected by his peers to be a member of the national board of directors. His term was effective on Wednesday when confirmed at the annual business meeting. Andrew will now interface and assist lead the direction of the organization with other labor peers from around the nation.
- The City Manager's Office hosted Wednesday the luncheon and thank you to selected staff for Administrative Professionals Day. Thank you to team members from Parks & Recreation for again providing entertainment for the participants.

Parking Division:

- Parking employees Abrar Ahmed and Stephen Mesa assisted with mail room duties from 4/19/17 to 4/21/17, as the Finance Department was short staffed those days.
- Marvin Howard prepared and made a presentation to Mayor and Council for Capital Project V1701 – License Plate Recognition on Monday, 4/24/17, with assistance from Courtney Mulvanity. Staff is working on the additional information requested for the next scheduled meeting for this project.
- The 2nd On-Street Meter Occupancy Report was completed and sent to Communications for review. The report goes over November 2016 to March 2017 Main Street smart meter occupancy, showing both percentage occupied and number of open spaces in our busiest district and how holidays and City events effected that occupancy.
- Two Parking Ambassadors, Nathan Henry and Michael Cuomo, began training on Monday, 4/24 and Tuesday, 4/25, and are on target to be fully trained by the end of the week.
- Two Parking Attendants, Gary Wilkinson and Kamal Khan, began training on Wednesday, 4/26 and are on target to be fully trained by end of week.

Activity or Project:

Recruitment: Certified Police Officer

Description:

After the initial interviews of five (5) certified DE officers, personal history statements have been provided and background investigations are assigned. Staff will continue assessments to try to determine and potentially select a candidate for the one (1) current vacancy.

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 5/31/2017

Execution Status: On Track

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Department:

Alderman's Court

Notable Notes:

Alderman's Court held three court sessions from 4/20/17 to 4/26/17. These sessions included trials, arraignments, capias returns, video hearings and violation of probation hearings. Parking officers were here to handle any appeals.

The Language Link continues to be used in the courtroom and for incoming calls.

Activity or Project:

Court Sessions

Description:

From 4/20/17 to 4/26/17 Alderman's Court handled 82 arraignments, 53 trials, 15 capias returns, 4 video hearings and 2 violation of probation hearings. The court collected a total of 357 parking payments of which 246 were paid online and 111 were paid in court. The court also collected payments for traffic/criminal fines which included 162 online payments and 53 payments were made at court for a total of 215 payments.

Status: Completed

Expected Completion: 4/26/2017

Execution Status: Completed

Activity or Project:**Description:**

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Department:

City Secretary and City Solicitor's Office

Notable Notes:

Bruce was in the office on April 24 for the Council meeting. Paul was in the office April 27 for Court.

Tara attended the final week of the Municipal Clerks Institute in Dover on April 21. Topics covered included

renewable energy efficiency, energy audits, the Delaware Emergency Management Agency, Energize Delaware and related opportunities, parliamentary procedure and human resources topics. This was a six week program through UD's Institute of Public Administration which allows participants to earn 20 of the 110 points needed for the Certified Municipal Clerk designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Renee met with Councilman Morehead on April 21 and Councilman Markham on April 27.

Bruce, Renee and Tara staffed the Council meeting on April 24. An addendum removing item 5A1 was sent on April 20 and a second addendum removing 8B was sent on April 24. Follow up was completed by staff on April 25 and 26.

Renee participated in two bid openings on April 25.

Renee met with the IT team regarding IT related items for the City Secretary's Office for the 2018 budget.

Renee attended the staff meeting on April 27 where the May 8 Council agenda was discussed.

Staff continued follow up from the 2017 Council election including meeting with new members, processing payment for poll workers and vendors, updating materials with new members, etc.

Renee spent time working with counsel on items to be included in the next Woodman v. Newark filing.

Renee completed the direction sheet from the April 24 Council meeting and circulated it to Council and staff.

Renee spent time drafting the May 8 Council agenda. Renee and Sarah also spent time reviewing the minutes from recent meetings to determine the time spent on various agenda items in hopes that staff can begin to better estimate the time taken for agenda items and meet the published expectation of an 11:00 p.m. end time as outlined in the Council Rules of Procedure.

Regarding minutes, staff time was spent on the April 20 Council Organizational (Sarah drafted) and April 24 Council (Tara drafting) minutes. The March 15 Council executive session and April 13 Election Board minutes are currently in the queue.

Sarah fulfilled 5 discovery requests for upcoming Alderman's Court cases this week. 147 discovery requests have been filed so far for 2017. The May 5 court calendar was received and the 9 associated casefiles were compiled for the Deputy City Solicitor by Sarah. 17 court calendars with 279 associated case files have been compiled for 2017 so far. Sarah also processed 1 plea by mail.

The office received 6 new lien certificate requests this week, which were sent to Finance for processing. 15 lien certificates were completed and sent to the requestor. So far 140 lien certificate requests have been processed for 2017.

Activity or Project:

Boards and Commissions Review Committee

Description:

Due to Council's postponement of several items on their April 24 agenda, the revised schedule for Council review of the remaining Boards and Commissions Review Committee recommendations is as follows: * Planning Commission, Downtown Newark Partnership and Board of Business License Review - May 8 * Personnel Review Committee, final overall recommendations and sunset of the

Committee - June 12.

Status: Near Completion

Expected Completion: 6/12/2017

Execution Status: Behind Schedule

Activity or Project:

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Execution Status:

Department:

Community Relations

Notable Notes:

DEMEC Demand Response: Last summer, we worked with DEMEC to share messages with residents regarding energy conservation during prolonged periods of excessive heat. We wanted to develop a more strategic approach to communicate this year, so we are working on that for this year. As a start, Kyle created several simple image posts that highlight ways to conserve energy and can be posted on social media. We are sharing those with DEMEC with no City identifiers so they can share them with other municipalities that may want to convey similar messages.

#HighFiveNewark: In celebration of National High Five Day, on April 20, we asked public works crew member John Bello to go out and give high fives on Main Street. The idea was a hit with the public, as John got dozens of high-fives and a lot of smiles. The video can be seen on the City of Newark social media pages, Channel 22, and the City's Youtube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bix5tFz2Iq4&t=3s>.

A New Night Downtown: A New Night Downtown is Saturday, June 10 from 3-9 p.m. Vendors interested in

participating in A New Night Downtown can find the form here:

<http://newarkde.gov/DocumentCenter/View/8276>. So far, more than a dozen businesses and vendors are registered to participate in the event. The original deadline to register is April 28, but we will continue to accept registration forms until May 12. Any businesses interested in being a New Night Downtown sponsor can find the sponsorship form here: <http://www.newarkde.gov/DocumentCenter/View/8283>. We are working with Gable Music Ventures to line-up nine musical acts to play on three different stages during the event. The names of those acts will be released in mid-May. The Parks and Recreation Department will once again be organizing a children's game area for New Night. I am working with them to pick this year's activities and prizes.

Newark Police Department 150th Anniversary: Megan is continuing to export and log the individual interviews with each police officer. She is also working on finalizing scripts for all the videos that will be released in the coming months. The video inviting the public to the 150th Anniversary Celebration on June 17 will be released in mid-May. A long-form piece highlighting the department's history will be released at the anniversary celebration. We will also be releasing feature videos highlighting technology and community policing, after the anniversary celebration.

A Community Thrives: The Downtown Newark Partnership and the [Newark Arts Alliance](#) are working together to lay the foundation for artistic growth and inclusion. In mid-April we submitted a video for a grant program called A Community Thrives. It's a new approach to social impact programs that was developed through a collaboration across the entire USA TODAY NETWORK. If we are one of the top 10 entries in the Art category, we'll move on to be judged, and could win a \$100,000 or \$50,000 grant. You can vote once per day until May 12. Click here to watch the video and vote:

<http://act.usatoday.com/submit-an-idea/#/gallery/60465704/>

Main Street Now Conference: Megan will be attending the Main Street Now Conference in Pittsburgh May 1-3. The annual conference brings together main street organizations from across the country to share ideas and learn about the latest changes and concepts from the parent organization, Main Street America.

Creative Design/Web Updates

- Created WOW Employee poster for lobby; Thompson Circle Traffic Committee meeting letter; and PUBs accepted credit cards sign
- Updated City Council pages – Chris Hamilton; Planning and Development website directory with Mary Ellen Gray's information; Parks and Recreation's website banners; Public Work's projects page; and Parks and Recreation's website buttons
- Posted Drug Take Back and Mayor's Fun Ride press releases to website
- Scheduled #HighFiveNewark video on TV22; and public meeting notices to InformMe

Press Releases/Media Inquiries

- City of Newark to Hold Prescription Take-Back Event: <http://bit.ly/2qbxl01>
- Karie Simmons, Newark Post, inquired about the presentations shared by contractors for the Rodney Dorm site.
 - Presentations provided (will be included on newarkde.gov website); coverage pending
- Karie Simmons, Newark Post, inquired about next steps by Code Enforcement, following the recent vote by Council.
 - Resulting coverage: http://www.newarkpostonline.com/news/article_e3c4407b-a310-5417-8ec0-084babe0db46.html
- Proactive outreach regarding LanguageLink translation service sent to Newark Post: I wanted to follow-up to a press release we had sent out in January regarding the

LanguageLink translation service, which provides human translator services for approximately 250 languages and dialects and is available over the phone as well as in-person at the City Municipal Building in the Payment and Utility Billing customer service counters and Alderman's Court. Since the first calls were made on 1/23 through 3/31, it has been used a total of 30 times. The longest call was for 17 minutes, with the average call lasting 4 minutes (the median was 2 minutes). Five languages have been used, with Spanish accounting for the majority of the calls. Total expended through 3/31 for the service has been \$203.20. Cost to us is \$1.60 per minute.

We are happy to see the service is being utilized and proving to be an added level of customer services for those who require it.

Activity or Project:

School Hill Project

Description:

Plans continue for the May 20th event, with UD providing significant assistance in terms of technology and volunteers to ensure the event runs smoothly. The event is being advertised through various outlets, with additional community outreach planned as we get closer to the event.

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 12/20/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:**Description:**

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Execution Status:

Department:

Electric Department

Notable Notes:

Monday, Delmarva had an issue on a joint use pole at Paper Mill Road and Cleveland Avenue. They requested Newark deenergize wires below where they were working. After switching around circuits to keep as many customers on as possible, the area was deenergized and thankfully Delmarva only took 15 minutes to complete the work.

On Tuesday during the rain, a fuse holder broke on Dallam Road and caused a 40 minute outage to customers in the Nottingham area.

The crews set a new pole on West Chestnut Hill Road because of tree damage and relocated a set of fuses on Pickett Lane for better reliability.

All the crews and electricians attended CPR and forklift training.

Contractor started infrared scan of aerial lines and substation equipment.

The electricians started checking capacitors for proper operation, fixed lights for parks, and continued working at the Municipal Building on office demo and relocation projects.

Engineering continued working on upgrading relay firmware, getting prices and specs on equipment needed for the Chestnut Hill Road Substation expansion, and getting necessary SCADA projects started which will be used by the recloser project.

Activity or Project:

SCADA and Automatic Restoration

Description:

Waiting on recloser developer's (Cooper/Eaton) legal team to get contacts signed before issuing POs.

Status: Started

Expected Completion: 12/31/2017

Execution Status: Behind Schedule

Activity or Project:**Description:**

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Execution Status:

Department:

Finance - Accounting Department

Notable Notes:

I attended DEMEC's Cost of Service Fundamentals & Financial Planning Workshop with Councilmen Morehead, Markham and Hamilton on 4/22.

The First State Community Action Network was in PUBS on 4/27 providing counseling services to individuals having difficulties paying their utility bills. Counseling services are provided on a weekly basis. Appointments can be made by calling PUBS.

Accounting staff will begin moving up to our new area on Monday, May 1st. The entire staff will be moved in completely by the end of May.

I would like to thank Council for their feedback with the revised Monthly Financial Update. Council's suggestions were incorporated into the February report.

Attached is the full rating report that we shared last month from FitchRatings. It contains the press release's text plus the scenario analysis that was included in the draft press release.

Activity or Project:

Payments and Utility Billing (PUBS)

Description:

The group handled 662 phone calls last week, with the average call length of each call being 2:52. There were 37 service orders initiated by PUB during last week. The group processed 4,259 utility payments and CityView transactions, 423 of which were imported automatically with our electronic processes and 2,878 of which were imported via web, lockbox or preauthorized payment (PAP) over the last week.

Status:

Expected Completion: 12/31/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

Independent Financial Audit

Description:

The Accounting staff is working on preparing the 2016 CAFR for CLA to review.

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 6/30/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

2018 Budget

Description:

Staff has begun prepping internally for the 2018 budget. Timelines are being discussed and training in our new budget module will occur in May for the staff and directors. The 2018 CIP suggestions by the Directors are being reviewed. Draft of timeline has been prepared and plan is to share these tentative dates with Council shortly.

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 9/30/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Department:

Information Technology Department

Notable Notes:**Leadership Notes**

- IT/Other Department Budget Hearings occurred this week (a few scheduled for next week)
- Helpdesk Structure has been reconfigured to conform more closely with ITIL standards
- Opened and reviewed submitted bids for 17-01

Infrastructure Team

- Paymentus - API website - completed infrastructure tests
- Completed 2 Time Clock replacements (configuration and deployment)
- ADFS project – Hired consultant and created the plan for implementation and testing – upcoming task Role deployment and configuration

- Infrastructure Audit – Networking and Servers – continued the configuration of the management network
- Infrastructure Audit – Storage – continued to re-allocate space to better use the existing storage
- SCADA Network Audit – continued to research design and best practices for the network access from both Vendor and Corporate sides
- NPD Evidence and 3 NPD users moved to the City network
- Completed the CED move
- Relocation of PWWR employees to temp workstations
- New employee setup/onboarding tasks
- Deployed Skype PC in CMCR

Applications Team

- Worked on Tyler Munis support tickets
- Worked on Harris support tickets
- Continued working with Harris Metersense to scaleback our test database (target history is 100 days)
- Reviewed UAT for Munis 11.2 upgrade and submitted trouble tickets to Tyler Technologies
- Requested dates for upgrading our live environment to 11.2
- Continued troubleshooting with the vendor TCM Memory Error
- Began testing P-Card import process
- Resolved Customer Connect Consumption view issue
- Application Analyst met with new Assistant to the Managers to transition duties
- Attended a meeting to review outstanding helpdesk tickets with PUBs
- Attended meeting to discuss outstanding Metersense issues
- Scheduled upgrade of Northstar Live for May 17th
- Consolidated a list of Tyler Forms with associated printers and IP addresses
- Worked with Tyler Technologies on City Manager name change on Payroll and Accounts Payable checks as well as Purchase Orders
- Reached out to Elster to talk about upgrading EAMS

GIS Team

- Installed ARCGIS on laptop in training room for Bus Route Meeting
- Submitted SAG Award to ESRI
- Continued work on DNP Map and Guide
- Attended Out and About demo
- Attended internal Help Desk Training
- Assisted with Help Desk ticket conversion
- Upgraded users to Desktop 10.5
- Continued investigation of Arcgis server to Arcgis Enterprise migration
- Began researching Crime Map for Police and a map of all City Projects for Communications
- Added new asset for Munis Work Orders

Facilities

- Multiple rooms are being painted and prepared for staffing reorganization
- Carpentry work throughout building as part reorganization also occurring

Activity or Project:

Munis Permitting Module Project

Description:

Project ongoing. City Council agenda items are slated for May. - Attended a meeting to discuss Central Property - Gathered documents for Tax module - Submitted procedures document for Tax module - Attended implementation for Tax module - Drafted a business license form for Business License module - Attended meeting with Planning Director and Codes Manager - Attended internal Help Desk Training - Assisted with Help Desk ticket conversion

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 12/31/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

Munis Tax Module Project

Description:

Project started.

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 12/31/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

City-Wide Fiber Project

Description:

Northern Fiber has been pulled into building. Two Splices remain. Southern Fiber is still on back order. No ETA.

Status: Near Completion

Expected Completion: 5/31/2017

Execution Status: Behind Schedule

Department:

Parks and Recreation Department

Notable Notes:

Director: Met with a developer about their landscape plan; working on the 2018 Parks of Recreation budget; began working on the Delaware Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails program (ORPT) grant; attended Bike Newark meeting; working with Delaware Department of Natural Resources about Redd Park Trail improvements; reviewing Old Paper Mill Park plan for potential design and layout; conducted parks maintenance meeting with Tom and Rich to discuss upcoming work orders and projects.

Recreation Superintendent: Along with Joe, met with Mark Farrall and Kevin Feeney from NPD regarding the 150th Anniversary open house for the police department and the support we can provide them for the event; along with Joe and Allison attended a meeting for the upcoming Mayor's Fun Ride and finalized details for the event on May 6; conducted staff meeting with recreation staff; consolidated updates from staff for the summer brochure, reviewed for corrections and worked with Shelby to get it finalized; completed data entry forms for entry into the registration program in support of the summer programs; attended New Night meeting with Megan, Joe and Tyler regarding the initial planning for the upcoming event on June 10; submitted package to the University of Delaware, Office of Equity and Inclusion for the registration of our department to conduct field trips at the University, this is a new policy in place for the protection of minors with any agencies wishing to bring minors onto campus.

Recreation Supervisor of Athletics: Completed schedules for adult softball and volleyball leagues and uploaded to City website; held summer camp staff interviews, met with assistant director at Rittenhouse; basketball and golf spring break camps were held all week; finalized details for summer programs and proofed the newsletter and July calendar; received annual license for the before and after care program at Downes; attended CPR and bloodborne pathogens training.

Coordinator of GWC and Volunteers: Continued to plan for summer programs; finalized programs and revisions in the summer brochure; coordinated and met with volunteers from Comcast NBC Universal, eight volunteers devoted **12** hours and funded and built the City's first official GAGA Pit and spread wood carpet in the play areas of the George Wilson Center, spring break camp participants taught volunteers to play Gaga as well; Spring Break Camp was held at the George Wilson Center with a total of 84 campers enrolled throughout the week; pool bids were sent out; pool opening work order form was completed; attended the CPR and AED certification course. **Volunteer Hours:** Eight Volunteers devoted **12** hours assisting with special park help building a GAGA Pit and spreading wood carpet at the George Wilson Center play areas, six volunteers devoted **21** hours assisting with the Simply Delicious Cake Decorating Spring Break Camp and two volunteers devoted **25** hours removing trash from Christina Parkway. Total Volunteer Hours for the week: **58** Hours.

Recreation Supervisor of Community Events: Prepared and sent performer contracts for the upcoming Spring Concert Series. Concerts will begin on Thursday, May 4th; preparing for summer programs and events; reviewing the Summer Program Guide and July Calendar; speaking to NKS Distributors about a visit from the Budweiser Clydesdales in July; Spring Break Specialty Camps were held last week and went over very well, Mad Science camps as well as Cake Decorating Camp were big hits.

Parks Superintendent: Looked at several tree issues from residents and with Code Enforcement, attended CPR/AED/BBP training, continued studying for upcoming NPSI course/exam, laid out seasonal display at rear of City Hall, did inspection of selected plants on traffic islands for insect/disease issues, and walked trail system through Rittenhouse for downed trees/trail issues.

Parks Supervisor: Assigned field staff daily and assisted as needed, attended CPR/AED/BBP training, and coordinated getting materials/supplies to Wilson Center for volunteers.

Parks/Horticulture: Staff continued mowing operations, sprayed all roses for aphid infestation, did interior bed maintenance at City Hall, dragged/scarified all ballfields, raked out/leveled all horseshoe pit areas throughout park system, continued on bed maintenance throughout park system, did equipment maintenance on mowing equipment, supervised volunteers on installation of Gaga Pit area and spreading wood carpet in play units at Wilson Center, did tree pruning/removal, completed crabgrass control/fertilizer application.

Activity or Project:

Rittenhouse Bridge Rehabilitation Painting

Description:

The Rittenhouse Bridge rehabilitation and painting project is scheduled to begin on May 8. During the repairs the bridge will be closed and not available for use. The project will include removal of the existing paint and repair of rusted areas, painting the bridge and removal and replacement of the wood planks across the bridge.

Status: Not Started

Expected Completion: 6/19/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:

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Execution Status:

Department:

Planning and Development Department

Notable Notes:

Code Enforcement

- Code Enforcement Manager Dave Culver attended the Council meeting on Monday night.
- Property Maintenance has begun to issue grass warning letters and will follow up with fines over the next several weeks.
- The site work on South Main Street for the next phase of Chimney Ridge is continuing.
- Site work has begun for the new hotel at 400 Ogletown Road.
- Construction is ongoing at Cleveland Avenue.
- The foundation work for the new building on STAR Campus is completed.
- Framing work is continuing at Woolen Way for the new townhouse apartments.
- Interior framing and exterior finishing work is ongoing at the Heights on South Chapel Street.
- Interior wall and roof installation continues at the University of Delaware South Academy Street dormitory.
- Construction is ongoing at the Lofts at Center Street. Steel structure installation began at the site and the foundation work for the new office and apartments at 21 Center Street is ongoing.
- Staff continues to update data on older building permits and code cases in anticipation of the CityView replacement project.

Planning/Land Use

- Director Mary Ellen Gray continued to attend the National Implementation and Dissemination of Chronic Disease Prevention conference in Denver, Colorado on Thursday, April 20, 2017. Director Gray is on the project team leading a County and statewide grant effort to improve access to healthy eating and active living to all citizens of Delaware. Attendance at this conference is a grant requirement. Director Gray will endeavor to apply lessons learned both at this conference and through the Delaware Plan4Health and Planners4Health grant to the City of Newark in advancing the goal of healthy eating and active living to make the City a desirable place to live for everyone.
<http://deplan4health.org/wordpress/>
- Director Gray is continuing her orientation to the City and the workings of the department. Director Gray met with another member of the Planning Commission, Alan Silverman, and former Director of Planning and Development Maureen Feeney Roser as well as attended a training session on the MUNIS system.
- Director Gray and Planners Mike Fortner and Tom Fruehstorfer participated in a meeting regarding the Unicity Bus system. This was a kickoff meeting with all of the entities involved with providing bus transportation in Newark, including DART, the University of Delaware, Cecil County and WILMAPCO, to better coordinate these transportations systems and to make the Unicity Bus system more efficient.
- Some time was spent this week preparing for the May 2 Planning Commission meeting. On the agenda are:
 - Discussion regarding next steps in the study of zoning-mandated parking requirements for downtown developments and uses.
 - Quarterly report on the Planning Commission 10/1/16 – 9/30/17 Work Plan.
- Mike Fortner completed a Financial Draw to New Castle County for the Community Development Block Grant Program covering expenditures through March 2017.
- The following was also completed this week:

- 6 Deed Transfer Affidavits
- 26 Building Permit Reviews

Activity or Project:

Bike to Work Day

Description:

On Wednesday morning, Mike Fortner met again with a committee from Bike Newark on planning for the Bike to Work Day Newark event. Bike to Work Day Newark will be held on Friday, May 19, 2017 from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. at Mentors' Circle at the corner of South College Avenue and Kent Way. The event is organized by the City of Newark, BikeNewark, and the University of Delaware. Bike commuters that morning can enjoy a light breakfast and hear brief comments by invited guest speakers, including New Castle County Executive Matthew S. Meyer. Safety for the event will be provided by UD Campus Safety and the Newark Police Department. Local businesses are supporting the event through sponsorships. Free Bike to Work Day t-shirts, courtesy of DelDOT and the Delaware Bicycle Council, will be available while they last. The goal is to get more and more people to consider biking as a viable means of transportation – for commuting, for one's health, for one's wallet, for our planet, and just for fun. More information can be found on the BikeNewark webpage at: www.BikeNewark.org/events/b2wd.

Status: In-Progress

Expected Completion: 5/19/2017

Execution Status: On Track

Activity or Project:**Description:**

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Department:

Police Department

Notable Notes:Patrol:

- During the week, several officers from the Patrol Division and other divisions are attending a NTOA SWAT operator's school.
- During the week, several officers will attend Sexual Assault Awareness training.
- On Monday, April 24th, Sgt. Greg D'Elia and Cpl. Brandon Walker attended a recognition ceremony by the Knights of Columbus where they were awarded the 2nd and 4th quarter of 2016 Officer of the Quarter awards.

Special Operations Unit:

- SOU is following up on a problem residence following citizen complaints. Officers will make contact with the home and its tenants and explain all applicable ordinances in an attempt to alleviate any future issues.
- M/Cpl. Conover is assisting with Patrol coverage while patrol officers attend mandatory ALERRT training.
- Cpl. Saunders is working to finalize details of the Newark Nightlife Partnership including venue and speaker selection.
- SOU will conduct order maintenance and Cop's in Shop's operations throughout the week.

Traffic:

- Traffic officers conducted patrol coverage during the week for both ALERRT and NTOA SWAT trainings.
- Traffic officers will assist with the March of Dimes walk on Sunday, April 30th.
- Traffic will deploy the large message board posting a traffic advisory for the upcoming AG Day.
- Traffic will attend a UD Move in Weekend meeting on Wednesday, April 26th.
- Traffic has deployed the small message board in the Christianstead neighborhood.
- During the week, traffic officers will conduct traffic enforcement at various locations throughout the city including Stafford, Edjil Drive and East Park Place.

Auxiliary Services:

- The NPD/MPD Regional SWAT is hosting a NTOA tactical workshop for operators. Facilitated training locations at the dorms in Newark, MTTS structure in Smyrna, and the Tactical Village Chester County, PA.
- Capt. Van Campen is drafting a SLEAF grant seeking training for officers to attend a Use of Force training in June 2017. This conference is designed to examine how court rulings have affected law enforcement, its policies and decisions to use force. Topics that Newark Police Department training officers will be trained on will include laws/ruling post Michael Brown and Eric Garner, structuring policy and procedures, future force-related issues and a myriad of other relevant topics challenging law enforcement.

Administration Division:

- Sgt. Bryda is assisting with a CALEA mock assessment at Delaware River & Bay Police Department on April 28th.
- Sgt. Bryda is assisting with patrol coverage on April 27th in order to allow for patrol officers to attend ALERRT training.
- Cpl. Mease is attending SWAT training the week of 4/24 – 4/28. School Resource Officer duties are being covered on an overtime basis, which is paid by Christina School District.
- The three officers currently on field training are entering their last two-week phase of training. Everyone is expected to complete FTO without the need for additional training.

Criminal Investigations Division:

- Mrs. Pennachi will be attending training in Rehoboth, DE presented by the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence beginning Monday, 5/1/17, through Friday, 5/5/17.
- On Saturday, 4/22/2017, Newark Police arrested a 12-year-old male for the 4/7/2017 residential burglary on Monro Road. The juvenile initially fled when officers attempted to contact him, however, he was quickly located on Connell Circle and arrested without incident. The juvenile was identified as being responsible for the burglary through surveillance footage, physical evidence, and interviews that were conducted by detectives. He was also identified and arrested for entering into several vehicles on Monro Road and Christina Mill Drive between 4/6/17 and 4/14/17.
- SCU Cpl. Kendrick has been assigned a background investigation for a certified police officer applicant.
- Det. Watson contacted the victim of an alleged robbery occurring in the area West Park Place. During the interview the victim quickly admitted this wasn't a robbery and that his property was never stolen. His wallet, with the money, as well as the phone, were with a friend at the time of report. The victim did confirm that he was attacked outside a party after somebody did a leg sweep on him. This portion of the incident is being investigated by P/O O'Donnell. The robbery was cleared as unfounded.

Activity or Project:

N/A

Description:

N/A

Status: Completed

Expected Completion: 4/27/2017

Execution Status: Completed

Activity or Project:

Description:

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4/23/2017

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4/29/2017



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SUMMER 2017

PARKS & RECREATION ACTIVITY GUIDE



A NOTE FROM OUR DIRECTOR:

Summer time is here! What an amazing time for kids to make great memories and friendships. Newark Parks and Recreation is proud to be part of those memories since 1968! The recreational opportunities are abundant, with many summer camps and activities to choose from as well as our long-standing events such as the spring concert series on the Academy Building lawn and Delaware's best fireworks display. Make sure you make time to visit one of our 650 acres of community and neighborhood parks, natural areas and open space this summer as well.

Thank you for letting us serve you as we strive to enrich the lives of all residents and promote healthy lifestyles.

Sincerely,
Joseph Spadafino
Director, Newark Parks and Recreation

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

It has been over 130 years since J. Sterling Morton founded Arbor Day. His simple idea of setting aside a special day for tree planting is now more important than ever. Join Newark Parks and Recreation for its Arbor Day Celebration at West Park Elementary School on Wednesday, May 3 at 11:30 a.m.

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SUGGESTIONS OR COMMENTS

If you have a suggestion or comment regarding the Newark Parks and Recreation department, please let us know. You may contact the department by phone at (302) 366-7000, parksrec@newark.de.us, or by mail at 220 South Main Street, Newark, DE 19711.



220 SOUTH MAIN STREET, NEWARK DE 19711
PHONE: 302-366-7000 FAX: 302-366-7169
HOURS OF OPERATION: MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
JOSEPH SPADAFINO, DIRECTOR

NEWARK PARKS AND RECREATION

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Parks and Recreation Department is continuously in search of recreation leaders and instructors with special skills and interests, as well as seasonal park maintenance personnel. The department offers part-time temporary employment opportunities in a wide variety of program areas. We are accepting applications for the summer season for the following positions:

LIFEGUARDS GYMNASIUM SUPERVISORS BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CENTER	PARK MAINTENANCE SOCCER INSTRUCTORS TENNIS INSTRUCTORS	BASKETBALL REFEREES BASKETBALL INSTRUCTORS SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS
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In addition, if you have a special talent and would like to share it with others by instructing a class, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department. We're open to new and interesting ideas. Examples of instructional classes include handmade crafts, cooking, pottery, music, dance, tennis and hobbies. For additional information on our employment opportunities, call (302) 366-7000 or visit www.newarkde.gov/play.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

The Parks and Recreation Department has many volunteer opportunities available to you! From teens through older adults, volunteers assist with special events, programs, summer camps, and are vital in taking care of our parks! More information, opportunities and volunteer applications are available online at www.newarkde.gov/play. We look forward to working with you. The following are just a few areas where volunteer assistance is needed:

Youth Sports League Coaches Soccer Basketball	Summer Day Camps Camp GWC Rittenhouse Camp Safe Kids Camp Specialty Camps Camp REAL	Summer Community Events Memorial Day Parade Liberty Day
Park & Trail Maintenance		Office Assistance

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank the many people who volunteer their time and expertise to assist with special events, coach teams, lend a hand in community service, and assist in leading programs. Volunteers contribute toward making Newark a better community to live, learn, work and play.

TRAFFIC ISLAND BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to extend a unique opportunity to you and your business. We invite you to take part in helping to beautify our community and also allow your business to be seen on roads heavily traveled by residents and visitors. To show your support, an island beautification sign is placed on a site with your business name printed on it. With the completion of DelDOT's improvements to South Main Street there are many sites available. For more information please call the Recreation office at 302-366-7000.



ADOPT-A-PARK/STREAM PROGRAM

The City of Newark has 17 miles of trails and 33 parks totaling over 650 acres of parkland. Newark's Parks and Recreation Department is offering local civic, social, school and family groups an opportunity for direct stewardship of our park, stream and trail areas. The Adoption program asks that your group pick up litter at the agreed upon park area at least one time each month. Trash bags will be provided. The Parks and Recreation Department can provide a list of parks or stream areas to select from. Other care or improvement options are possible, such as horticultural plantings or stream bank erosion protection. For more information, contact Chrissy at (302) 366-7000, cpalmer@newark.de.us. A special thank you to the organizations who are currently involved in the Adopt-A-Park/Stream program.

Curtis Mill Park - Methvin Family
Dorothy Miller Park - Energy & Environmental Policy Student Association
Elan Park - Ostertag - Stretch Family
Fairfield Park - Graduate Student Government
Fairfield Crest Park - Conkey Family
Folk Park - Girl Scout Troop #42, #176 & Kindness Matters in Delaware Youth Group
George Read Park - Kucienski Family
Hidden Valley Park - Menzer Family
James F. Hall Trail - The College School
Kells Park - Sigma Alpha Professional Agriculture Sorority
Lewis Park - Delaware Autism Program
Lumbrook Park - Delaware School for the Deaf
Mason Dixon Trail - Wilmington Trail Club
Newark Reservoir - Community Systems
Norma B. Handloff Park - Boy Scout Troop #56
Olan Thomas - Kucienski Family
Old Paper Mill Park - Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity
Phillips Park - Newark Center for Creative Learning
Pomeroy & Newark Rail Trail - Tom Burke
Rittenhouse Park - Gallaher Family & Bancroft Family
Stafford Park - McBride Family

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT DOES RDF STAND FOR?

RDF stands for Resident Discounted Fee. The Parks and Recreation Department strives to provide quality and affordable recreation opportunities to the community. In recognizing that City of Newark residents support our department along with other city services through their city taxes, residents are offered a discounted fee. Non-residents will pay the regular fee for programs. If you're unsure about resident status, you may call the Parks and Recreation Department at (302) 366-7000.

WHO IS A NEWARK RESIDENT?

Newark residents live within the corporate city limits. Not all persons with Newark mailing addresses live within the city limits. If you receive a City of Newark electric bill, you are a Newark resident. Not sure? The Parks and Recreation staff will be able to assist you (302) 366-7000. Those persons not living within the city limits are welcome to enjoy our activities at the fee listed.

DOES THE CITY OF NEWARK OFFER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

The City of Newark is committed to providing recreational opportunities to everyone without regard to economic circumstances. For this reason, a Fee Assistance Program is available for qualifying individuals (youths and adults). If you are interested in finding out more about the program, you are encouraged to contact Paula Ennis, Recreation Superintendent, at the Parks and Recreation office for more information. All inquiries and requests are strictly confidential. Funding for this program has been secured through the Federal Community Development Block Grant and is available on a limited basis.

WHAT IS THE JAMES F. HALL YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND?

The City and family and friends of Jim Hall have established a scholarship to honor his memory and recognize his great contribution to the Newark community. Jim Hall was the City's first Parks and Recreation Director, an outdoorsman and a conservationist. He founded our Summer Playground and Rittenhouse Camp programs to share his love of nature with Newark's young people. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide tuition assistance to youth who would otherwise be unable to participate in our activities and programs. For more information call the Parks and Recreation office at (302) 366-7000. All inquiries and application materials are strictly confidential.

NEWARK PARKS AND RECREATION

GEORGE WILSON COMMUNITY CENTER

303 NEW LONDON ROAD

If you are planning a special occasion or need a meeting place for your organization or group, the George Wilson Community Center (GWC) may be the perfect location! Located at 303 New London Road (across from Clayton Hall), the GWC is Newark's best-kept secret as a multi-purpose meeting space. The indoor facilities are available to organizations or individuals for rental purposes. The Main Hall has a seating capacity of 150 people. Each meeting room has a seating capacity of 20 people. If you are planning a birthday party, anniversary, baby shower or would like to hold a civic, business or other meeting, please call the Parks and Recreation Department or stop by to speak with the professional staff. In addition to affordable rates, we offer a staff person on site during all rentals who will provide set up and take down of tables and chairs. Additional equipment is available for your unique needs, such as a big screen TV, DVD player, stage and podium. Food and refreshments are permitted; however, alcoholic beverages are prohibited. A kitchen is also available to keep your refreshments and meals at the optimum temperatures and to keep your rental room clutter-free and clean.

FACILITY RENTAL RATES

(RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

ROOM	SHORT TERM *	LONG TERM **
Main Hall	\$40/HR	\$30/HR
Meeting Room	\$25/HR	\$20/HR
Kitchen	\$20/HR	\$20/HR

**The Short Term Rental Rate is any one-time rental.*

***The Long Term Rental Rate is available for those who book four or more rental reservation dates within a six (6) month time frame.*

RENTALS MUST BE RESERVED IN PERSON

A \$50 non-refundable deposit is due at time of reservation. For more rental information or to schedule an appointment, please contact the George Wilson Center by telephone at (302) 366-7000 or by email at gwc@newark.de.us.



BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT THE GEORGE WILSON CENTER (AGES 4 - 10)

Parents can leave the planning at the door and let GWC staff plan, program, set-up, and clean-up afterward. All parties are subject to availability of facilities. Reservations are required at least three weeks in advance of the party. All packages include set up and take down of tables and chairs. All packages are specifically designed for up to 12 children. There is a \$5 charge for each additional child. For more rental information or to schedule a party please contact the George Wilson Center by telephone at (302) 366-7000 or by email at gwc@newark.de.us.

PARTY PACKAGE ONE \$170

STAFF HOST FOR 2 ½ HOURS

2 HOUR BIRTHDAY PARTY

12 GOODY BAGS

T-SHIRT FOR BIRTHDAY CHILD

1 ARTS AND CRAFTS PROJECT

VARIOUS BIRTHDAY GAMES

PARTY PACKAGE TWO \$190

ALL ITEMS IN PACKAGE ONE

IN ADDITION TO:

BIRTHDAY PAPER PRODUCTS

BIRTHDAY BANNER

TABLECLOTHS

PARTY PACKAGE THREE \$220

ALL ITEMS IN PACKAGES ONE & TWO

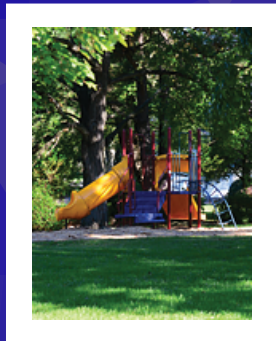
IN ADDITION TO:

4 LARGE PIZZAS

FRUIT PUNCH



CITY OF NEWARK
PARKS AND RECREATION
NATIONAL PARK TRUST
7TH ANNUAL
KIDS TO PARKS DAY



SATURDAY, MAY 20

Hashtag your photos taken in any of our Newark parks on Instagram with **#NewarkParksRec** and **#KidsToParksDay2017**



One photo will be selected as Newark's Kids to Parks Day winner and will receive a camp shirt and a \$50 Parks and Recreation OR Downtown Newark Partnership gift card. Entries will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, May 21 and the winner will be announced Monday, May 22.

SCHOOL AGE CARE

BEFORE & AFTER CARE AT DOWNES & WEST PARK ELEMENTARY

Ages K - 5th grade

Our before and after school programs offer children enriching learning opportunities in a fun environment and the ability to engage in a wide variety of activities. Activities include arts and crafts, indoor/outdoor play, games, homework help and special projects. As always we try to meet the needs and interests of our participants. Suggestions are always welcome. This program is for Downes and West Park Elementary School students only. The Before School Center will meet 7 - 8:15 a.m. and is for children in grades K - 5. The After School Center meets 3 - 6 p.m. for children in grades K - 5. One month's tuition is due at the time of registration (form included at the back of brochure). Tuition is due by the 1st of each month and a late fee is assessed after the 10th of each month. You can sign up for recurring payments through the Parks and Recreation Office or pay online after initial registration is received. Monthly payments are made one month in advance of attendance. The program will not operate when schools are closed. State of Delaware information forms are required prior to your child attending. Paperwork will be mailed to you in July. Purchase of Care is accepted at both sites.

Registration for both residents and non-residents begins April 24 for before and aftercare programs only.

BEFORE CARE - DOWNES

Activity #: 1317-097 **Fee:** \$150 **RDF:** \$140
Dates: Aug. 28 - June 11
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 7 - 8:15 a.m.
Location: Downes Elementary

BEFORE CARE - WEST PARK

Activity #: 1321-097 **Fee:** \$150 **RDF:** \$140
Dates: Aug. 28 - June 11
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 7 - 8:15 a.m.
Location: West Park Elementary

AFTER CARE - DOWNES

Activity #: 1311-097 **Fee:** \$174 **RDF:** \$164
Dates: Aug. 28 - June 11
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 3 - 6 p.m.
Location: Downes Elementary

AFTER CARE - WEST PARK

Activity #: 1320-097 **Fee:** \$174 **RDF:** \$164
Dates: Aug. 28 - June 11
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 3 - 6 p.m.
Location: West Park Elementary



SUMMER CAMPS

BROADWAY MUSICAL THEATER CAMP

Ages 8 - 14

Rachel Barton

Do you like to sing, dance, and perform? Have a fun-filled week learning show tunes, stage movement, and acting from a script and then performing a "Broadway" production at the end of the week. Theatre skills in vocalization, stage direction, creating the scene, stage characterizations, song interpretation, choreography, improvisation, costuming, and stage make-up will be covered. Campers will develop a confident stage presence needed for an award winning performance on Friday for family and friends. *Broadway here we come!*

Activity #: 1077-207 **Fee:** \$97 **RDF:** \$79

Dates: June 19 - 23

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 2 - 6 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

TV AND MOVIE ACTING CAMP

Ages 9 - 15

Rachel Barton

Ever wanted to be on TV or in the movies? Then this acting camp is the chance for your starring moment. Campers will work together as a team on different projects such as developing an acting script, a comedy show, a music video, a game show, a commercial, or a short movie and then cast and direct the actors, as well as learn camera techniques to film their productions. Campers will observe their acting, directing, and camera skills as they watch their "works in progress" each day. Families can watch the final video production at the end of the week in a star-studded filmfest. DVD's will be available for a small fee.

Activity #: 1078-207 **Fee:** \$97 **RDF:** \$79

Dates: July 10 - 14

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 2 - 6 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

CURTAIN'S UP THEATRE CAMP

Ages 7 - 14

Rachel Barton

Be a part of our ever popular stage acting camp where campers learn a scripted play to be performed at the end of the week. Learning how to act can be a truly creative experience as campers explore acting basics through imaginative theatre games. What a fun way to develop confidence, poise, self-esteem, concentration, communication, and interaction with others as well as make new friends. Campers will cover different forms of acting such as mime, improvisation, characterizations, scenes and monologues, and work towards a staged performance for family and friends. *Curtains going up!*

Activity #: 1072-207 **Fee:** \$97 **RDF:** \$79

Dates: July 24 - 28

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 2 - 6 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

DISNEY DANCE CAMP - NEW!

Ages 6 - 10

This Disney inspired week long dance camp will focus on ballet, jazz and even some hip hop! Fun dance games and crafts will be incorporated throughout the week. Bring a drink and a snack and join us as we sing and dance to our favorite Disney songs. A short performance will be held on the last day of camp for parents and families. Suggested attire: leotard, tights, jazz shoes or comfortable clothing.

Activity #: 1018-207

Fee: \$97 **RDF:** \$79

Dates: July 10 - 14

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

AMAZING ART CAMPS

Ages 6 - 14

Childrens creativity and imagination will be challenged in this week-long art camp. Each day campers create new projects using different mediums and techniques. Two-dimensional and three-dimensional projects will be explored. Each child should wear old clothing or a smock and bring a snack and drink daily.

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Fee: \$140 **RDF:** \$120

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

ACTIVITY

DATES

AGES

1003-217

June 19 - 23

6 - 12

1003-227

June 26 - 30

8 - 14

1003-237

Aug. 14 - 18

8 - 14

EXPLORING DRAWING & PAINTING CAMPS

Ages 6 - 14

Learn the fundamentals of drawing and painting in this week-long camp. Drawing techniques, perspective and technical skills will be explored using a variety of mediums. All materials will be provided.

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Fee: \$140 **RDF:** \$120

Hours: 1 - 4 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

ACTIVITY

DATES

AGES

1052-217

June 19 - 23

6 - 12

1052-227

June 26 - 30

8 - 14

1052-237

Aug. 14 - 18

8 - 14

POTTERY CAMP

Ages 8 - 16

Carole Fox

Use earthenware clay and polymer clay in this week-long camp. You will make decorative and functional projects while learning a variety of forming techniques. All glazes used are non-toxic and dinnerware safe. We recommend old clothing be worn to class.

Fee: \$113 **RDF:** \$94

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Location: George Wilson Center

ACTIVITY

DATES

TIMES

1124-207

July 17 - 21

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

1124-217

July 17 - 21

12:15 - 2:15 p.m.

1124-227

July 24 - 28

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

1124-237

July 24 - 28

12:15 - 2:15 p.m.



SUMMER CAMPS



CAMP G.W.C

Ages 6 - 13

The full-day and half-day camps give children a wide variety of activities to enjoy including games, sports, arts and crafts, swimming and exciting week-long themes. Activities will take place inside and out at the George Wilson Center and park. A trip is planned each week to local areas of interest. Past trips have included, Roller skating, bowling, Brandywine Zoo, Herr's Chip Factory and more. Trip prices are included in the registration fee. Our staff is well trained and motivated to provide the best possible experience for your child. Campers may also register for half day rate for Camp GWC (**Fee: \$80, RDF: \$68**). Transportation is not provided for half day campers to and from specialty camps held at locations other than GWC. Before and after camp care is also available. Daily rate for Camp G.W.C. is also available (**Fee: \$30 RDF: \$25/day**). Please contact the Parks and Recreation office at 366-7000 to register for selective days.

AGE GUIDELINES: Campers must be 6 years old and have completed Kindergarten but not older than 13 by the last day of each session.

FULL DAY

Fee: \$128 RDF: \$108

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Session IV - Fee: \$103 RDF: \$87 (No camp July 4)

BEFORE CARE

Fee: \$40 RDF: \$30

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Session IV - Fee: \$32 RDF: \$24 (No camp July 4)

HALF DAY

Fee: \$80 RDF: \$68

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. / 12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Session IV - Fee: \$64 RDF: \$55 (No camp July 4)

AFTER CARE

Fee: \$60 RDF: \$50

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Session IV - Fee: \$48 RDF: \$40 (No camp July 4)

SESSION #	DATES	FULL DAY	HALF DAY	BEFORE CARE	AFTER CARE
I	June 12 - 16	1330-217	1331-217	1328-217	1329-217
II	June 19 - 23	1330-227	1331-227	1328-227	1329-227
III	June 26 - 30	1330-237	1331-237	1328-237	1329-237
IV	July 3 - 7	1330-247	1331-247	1328-247	1329-247
V	July 10 - 14	1330-257	1331-257	1328-257	1329-257
VI	July 17 - 21	1330-267	1331-267	1328-267	1329-267
VII	July 24 - 28	1330-277	1331-277	1328-277	1329-277
VIII	July 31 - Aug. 4	1330-287	1331-287	1328-287	1329-287
IX	Aug. 7 - 11	1330-297	1331-297	1328-297	1329-297
X	Aug. 14 - 18	1330-207	1331-207	1328-207	1329-207

SUMMER CAMPS



RITTENHOUSE CAMP REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Session #	Dates	Full Day	Explorers	Before Care	After Care
I	June 19 - 30	FULL	FULL	1403-217	FULL
II	July 3 - 14	1400-227	FULL	1403-227	FULL
III	July 17 - 28	FULL	FULL	1403-237	FULL
IV	July 31 - Aug 11	FULL	1407-247	1403-247	FULL

RITTENHOUSE DAY CAMP

Ages 6 - 12

Rittenhouse Day Camp, conducted at Rittenhouse Park, is an exciting place for children to learn about nature and the great outdoors. Campers will be instructed and participate in canoeing, camping skills, nature crafts, campfire cooking, archery, hiking, camp songs, field trips and more. Our staff is well-trained and motivated to provide the best possible camp experience for campers. Each child is to bring their own lunch. A beverage is available each day. Six year olds must have completed Kindergarten. **Due to heavy demand, you may only register for two sessions per child.**

Fee: \$255 **RDF:** \$229

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Location: Rittenhouse Park

Session II - Fee: \$230 **RDF:** \$206 (No camp 7/4)

RITTENHOUSE BEFORE AND AFTER CAMP CARE

Ages 6 - 12

Campers will meet at the George Wilson Center to participate in gym and outdoor games, arts and crafts, swimming, a daily snack and more. Choose from Before Care, After Care or Before and After Care and indicate your choice on the registration form. Each option includes transportation to Rittenhouse Park from the Wilson Center and to the Wilson Center from Rittenhouse Park. Before Care and After Care must be paid in full when registering. Register early, space is limited.

BEFORE CAMP CARE

Fee: \$99 **RDF:** \$81

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Session II - Fee: \$89 **RDF:** \$73 (No camp 7/4)

AFTER CAMP CARE

Fee: \$140 **RDF:** \$120

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 3 - 5:30 p.m.

Session II - Fee: \$126 **RDF:** \$108 (No camp 7/4)

RITTENHOUSE EXPLORERS

Ages 5 - 7

Rittenhouse Explorers is a half day nature-oriented camp located at Rittenhouse Park. Activities include nature appreciation, archery, camping skills, canoeing, craft projects, hiking, songs and much more. Children must be five years old and have completed Kindergarten by the first day of camp. Our staff is well-trained and motivated to make your child's experience the best it can be. **CAMP HOURS:** 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Fee: \$146 **RDF:** \$126

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Rittenhouse Park

Session II - Fee: \$132 **RDF:** \$116 (No camp 7/4)

RITTENHOUSE FAMILY FUN DAY

All ages

Rittenhouse Camp Staff

Moms and Dads, have you heard all about Rittenhouse Camp? Now it is your turn to come and experience it for yourself firsthand! Let your children guide you through all the nature and outdoor activities they had a chance to experience themselves this summer. Campfire cookout included (hot dogs, smores!). Raindate is Thursday, August 10.

Dates: Aug. 8

Days: Tue.

Hours: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Rittenhouse Park

Activity #:

1408-207

1408-217

1408-227

Fee:

\$8 Ages 11 & Over

\$5 Ages 3 - 10

Free Ages 2 & Under

SUMMER CAMPS

RITTENHOUSE ROCKS

Ages 7 - 12

Rittenhouse Rocks is an extension of the popular day camp, conducted at Rittenhouse Park. This camp will include field trips and a continuation of favorite activities from Rittenhouse Camp including archery, canoeing and campfire cooking. Each child is to bring their own lunch. A beverage is available each day.

Activity #: 1406-207 **Fee:** \$219 **RDF:** \$199
Dates: June 12 - 16
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: Rittenhouse Park

Activity #: 1406-217 **Fee:** \$219 **RDF:** \$199
Dates: Aug. 14 - 18
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: Rittenhouse Park

RITTENHOUSE ROCKS AFTER CAMP CARE

Ages 7 - 12

Campers will be transported to the George Wilson Center (G.W.C.) to participate in gym and outdoor games, arts and crafts, swimming, a daily snack and more. Transportation is included to the G.W.C. at the end of each camp day. After Camp Care must be paid in full when registering.

Activity #: 1406-227 **Fee:** \$65 **RDF:** \$55
Dates: June 12 - 16
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 3 - 5:30 p.m.
Location: George Wilson Center

Activity #: 1406-237 **Fee:** \$65 **RDF:** \$55
Dates: Aug. 14 - 18
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 3 - 5:30 p.m.
Location: George Wilson Center

INSECT SAFARI CAMP

Ages 5 - 8

Iron Hill Science Center

Join the fun at the Iron Hill Science Center, exploring native insects outdoors and in the collections for this full day camp. We will watch for important pollinators in our pollinator garden, express ourselves and what we are discovering through art, storytelling, and hands on activities, including songs and dance (join in our bee dance day!). Be amazed at the loads of fun, success, and environmental "savvy" that your child will show. Five year olds must have completed Kindergarten.

Activity #: 0413-207 **Fee:** \$246 **RDF:** \$219
Dates: July 17 - 21
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: Iron Hill Science Center

INSECT SAFARI AFTER CAMP CARE - NEW!

Ages 5 - 8

Iron Hill Science Center

Extended care coverage for those participating in Insect Safari Camp from 3 - 5 p.m. at the Iron Hill Science Center.

Activity #: 0413-217 **Fee:** \$60 **RDF:** \$50
Dates: July 17 - 21
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 3 - 5 p.m.
Location: Iron Hill Science Center

FOUR EASY WAYS TO REGISTER

ONLINE

www.newarkde.gov/play

WALK IN

220 South Main Street, Newark, DE 19711
Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

MAIL

Newark, Parks & Recreation
220 South Main Street, Newark, DE 19711

FAX

302-366-7169

ADVENTURE FUN CAMP

Ages 10 - 14

Are you looking for some adventure this summer? Explore new activities and join us for four days of fun trips including outdoor rock climbing, tubing down the Brandywine River, an escape room & more. Don't get bored this summer, your adventures await!

Activity #: 1333-207 **Fee:** \$199 **RDF:** \$179
Dates: July 24 - 27
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Location: Rittenhouse Park

NATURE ADVENTURES CAMP - NEW!

Ages 5 - 8

Iron Hill Science Center

Discover the delights of the world around you as you explore trees, flowers, birds, mammals, and special rocks at the Iron Hill Science Center for this full day camp. Help your child to develop comfort, safe outdoor practices, and a love for the natural world through art, short hikes on the premises, examination and discovery activities with the museum collections, and many other avenues of fun and celebration of the environment. 5 years olds must have completed Kindergarten.

Activity #: 0411-207 **Fee:** \$246 **RDF:** \$219
Dates: July 31 - Aug. 4
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: Iron Hill Science Center

NATURE ADVENTURES AFTER CAMP CARE - NEW!

Ages 5 - 8

Iron Hill Science Center

Extended care coverage for those participating in Nature Adventures Camp from 3 - 5 p.m. at the Iron Hill Science Center.

Activity #: 0411-217 **Fee:** \$60 **RDF:** \$50
Dates: July 31 - Aug. 4
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 3 - 5 p.m.
Location: Iron Hill Science Center

SUMMER CAMPS

DELAWARE SOCCER CAMPS

Ages 3 - 12

Ian Hennessy

Delaware Soccer Camps are pleased to offer two great summer camp programs this year. A t-shirt is included in the cost for both camps. The Tot Camp will be a gentle introduction to soccer for boys and girls ages 3 to 6 years old. The kids will start out with soccer related games, spend some time on the playground, enjoy a healthy snack and will finish with a scrimmage and fun games. The day camp being offered is for 7 to 12 year olds and will emphasize technical development and fun!

Location: Downes Elementary

Days: Mon. - Thu.

DAY CAMP - 7 - 12 YRS

Activity #: 1605-207 **Dates:** July 10 - 13

Fee: \$168 **RDF:** \$155 **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Activity #: 1605-217 **Dates:** July 17 - 20

Fee: \$168 **RDF:** \$155 **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

TOTS CAMP - 3 & 4 YRS

Activity #: 0605-207 **Dates:** July 10 - 13

Fee: \$105 **RDF:** \$95 **Hours:** 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Activity #: 0605-217 **Dates:** July 17 - 20

Fee: \$105 **RDF:** \$95 **Hours:** 9 - 10:30 a.m.

TOTS CAMP - 5 & 6 YRS

Activity #: 0605-227 **Dates:** July 10 - 13

Fee: \$105 **RDF:** \$95 **Hours:** 9 - 11 a.m.

Activity #: 0605-237 **Dates:** July 17 - 20

Fee: \$105 **RDF:** \$95 **Hours:** 9 - 11 a.m.

CBK'S BACK TO BASIC BASKETBALL CAMPS

Ages 6 - 15

Bernard Corey

This camp offers an incredible opportunity for any future basketball player to learn and enhance their skills in dribbling, shooting, passing & defense. Open to kids of all ability levels. The camp will focus on learning the rules, skills and individual techniques through fun and innovative games. Participants should bring a snack, lunch and plenty to drink for breaks. No jewelry should be worn to camp. Boys and girls welcome. T-shirts included.

Fee: \$130 **RDF:** \$115

Hours: 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Location: Newark H.S.

ACTIVITY #

1610-207

1610-217

1610-227

1610-237

DATES

June 26 - 29

July 18 - 21

July 24 - 27

Aug. 7 - 10

DAYS

Mon. - Thu.

Tue. - Fri.

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BASKETBALL CAMP AFTER CAMP CARE

Ages 6 - 15

Bernard Corey

Extended care for those participating in our basketball camps at Newark High School.

Fee: \$45 **RDF:** \$32

Hours: 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Location: Newark H.S.

ACTIVITY #

1613-207

1613-217

1613-227

1613-237

DATES

June 26 - 29

July 18 - 21

July 24 - 27

Aug. 7 - 10

DAYS

Mon. - Thu.

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ARCHERY CAMP

Ages 8 - 12

Carol Protack

This camp will cover the basic fundamentals of archery. The archer will learn safety rules, basic shooting technique and about different types of bows. "Barebow" style of instruction will be taught. This is the simplest bow set up and the best way to start out learning. All equipment will be provided for you. Campers will need to bring a snack each day and will also participate in a craft activity. Shooting will take place on both the indoor and outdoor range.

Activity #: 1639-207

Fee: \$156 **RDF:** \$137

Dates: Aug. 14 - 18

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: New Castle 100 Archers

JUNIOR GOLF CAMP

Ages 7 - 17

Deerfield Golf Club Staff

This camp is designed for children of all skill levels. Every aspect of the game of golf is covered. Topics ranging from etiquette to swing technique and care of the golf course are covered. Our motto - Fun is #1!

Activity #: 1644-207

Fee: \$287 **RDF:** \$258

Dates: July 24 - 28

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Deerfield Golf & Tennis Club



SUMMER CAMPS

BASIC GYMNASTICS CAMP

Ages 5 - 15

Sarka Dubna

Spend time this summer having fun while learning new gymnastic skills! Our summer camp program is designed for children of all ability levels! Come continue skill development in addition to improving form and technique, or learn how to roll and swing for the very first time! Increase strength, flexibility and body awareness while facing fun and new challenges every day! All campers will perform a show on the last day at 3:30 p.m. Five year olds must have completed Kindergarten.

Activity #: 1626-207 **Fee:** \$110 **RDF:** \$94

Dates: June 19 - 22

Days: Mon. - Thu.

Hours: 1 - 4 p.m.

Location: Downes Elementary

Activity #: 1626-217 **Fee:** \$110 **RDF:** \$94

Dates: June 26 - 29

Days: Mon. - Thu.

Hours: 1 - 4 p.m.

Location: Downes Elementary

SKATEBOARDING SUMMER CAMP

Ages 5 - 12

Previous skateboarding experience is not required. Beginners will learn the fundamentals of board handling; basic riding skills such as balance, carving, riding transitions, and dropping-in. Advanced skaters learn grinds, ollies, and airs, and have the chance to learn to drop in on bigger ramps, and learn flip tricks. All participants are educated in skateboard safety, etiquette, and maintenance. Girls are encouraged to attend. We focus on learning and progression, and lessons are taught in a fun playful manner. Good sportsmanship, and getting kids excited about skateboarding are our ultimate goals. Our instructors love to share their knowledge. We specialize in small groups making sure that every camper skates away with new skills and tricks. Did we mention FUN!? Fun is the number one priority of each day. We make sure that each camper receives individualized attention. Our days start with a warm up, stretching and skateboarding demonstration. Once campers are warmed up, they will be divided into groups based on ability. Students must have a skateboard, helmet, knee and elbow pads, and wrist guards. Five year olds must have completed Kindergarten.

Activity #: 1528-207

Fee: \$185 **RDF:** \$165

Dates: July 10 - 14

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Handloff Park



TENNIS CAMPS

Ages 6 - 12

This camp provides young players an opportunity to become better tennis players in a fun, positive atmosphere. Emphasis will be placed on games and drills designed to develop basic strokes (forehand, backhand, serve and volley) as well as learn the game of tennis and develop footwork and strategy. Eye/hand coordination drills, tennis related games and other fun activities will be used as we discover this lifetime sport. Be sure to wear cool, comfortable clothing, sneakers, sunscreen, and bring plenty of water to drink. If weather is questionable, call our Leisure Time Hotline at 366-7147.

Fee: \$97 **RDF:** \$79

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Handloff Park

ACTIVITY

DATES

1617-207

June 26 - 30

1617-217

July 10 - 14

1617-227

July 31 - Aug. 4

CAMP T-SHIRTS ARE HERE!



**T-SHIRTS ARE AN
ADDITIONAL \$10.
PLEASE PLACE ORDER WHEN
REGISTERING FOR CAMP.
ACTIVITY # 1401 - 207**

SUMMER CAMPS

TOTAL SPORTS CAMP - SQUIGGLES - NEW!

Ages 3 - 5

Impact Sports

All players will learn the core competencies of a wide variety of sports including soccer, basketball, tag rugby, volleyball, tennis, cricket, and more! The concepts of teaching through play and maximum participation will be utilized to ensure a fun and safe environment for all players. Parents of children who have not completed kindergarten must remain on site for the duration of the camp. Rain makeup date is Friday, 7/21.

Activity #: 0641-207

Fee: \$109 **RDF:** \$95

Dates: July 17 - 20

Days: Mon. - Thu.

Hours: 9 - 10:15 a.m.

Location: Fairfield Park

TOTAL SPORTS CAMP - ALL STARS - NEW!

Ages 6 - 12

Impact Sports

All players will learn the core competencies of a wide variety of sports including soccer, basketball, tag rugby, volleyball, tennis, cricket, and more! The concepts of teaching through play and maximum participation will be utilized to ensure a fun and safe environment for all players. Rain makeup date is Friday, 7/21

Activity #: 1524-207

Fee: \$175 **RDF:** \$155

Dates: July 17 - 20

Days: Mon. - Thu.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Fairfield Park

FLAG FOOTBALL CAMP - NEW!

Ages 6 - 12

Impact Sports

Participants will practice fundamental skills in a non-contact, integrative, and encouraging environment. The concepts of teaching through play and maximum participation will be utilized to ensure a fun and safe environment for all players. End of camp small sided games and mini-tournaments will allow participants to showcase their skills. Rain makeup date is Friday, 7/21

Activity #: 1527-207

Fee: \$175 **RDF:** \$155

Dates: July 17 - 20

Days: Mon. - Thu.

Hours: 5:30 - 8 p.m.

Location: Fairfield Park

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DANGEROUS CAMP FOR KIDS

Ages 6 - 12

In this age of video games and cell phones, there is still a place for knots, tree houses and stories of incredible courage. This camp will encourage children to recapture the adventure of long summer days. We'll cover a wide range of topics with a sense of curiosity including dodgeball, knot-tying, how to make a great paper airplane, and so much more. This camp is loosely based on the book, "The Dangerous Book For Boys."

Activity #: 1503-207

Fee: \$119 **RDF:** \$99

Dates: June 12 - 16

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

DARING CAMP OF LIFE

Ages 6 - 12

Whether you're an athlete, a brainiac, or a little bit of everything, this camp gets you ready for anything—from making a "cootie" catcher and learning about heroes and heroines in history; to tying a hitch knot and organizing your own spy team. Girls and boys will learn life skills while setting off on a great summer adventure, where we'll cheer campers on to live out the credo: Enjoy yourself. Learn new things. Lead an Interesting Life. Roughly based on the book, "The Daring Book For Girls."

Activity #: 1503-217

Fee: \$119 **RDF:** \$99

Dates: Aug. 14 - 18

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

SUMMER CAMPS

SUPERHERO CAMP

Ages 7 - 12

Tom Kulesza

It's a bird! It's a plane! It's your very own superhero leaping tall buildings and protecting the City of Newark! Have fun designing your superhero, writing their story, and protecting the City of Newark.

Activity #: 1344-207

Fee: \$100 **RDF:** \$80

Dates: June 26 - 30

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

TECHSTARS: CODING WITH SCRATCH

Ages 9 - 12

TechStars

Don't just play games, learn how to create them yourself. Join the millions of people all over the world using Scratch to bring their ideas to life. Whether you're a first timer or you know a bit about Scratch already, we will help grow your coding skills. Explore different game genres such as racing, role-playing, combat, sport, puzzle, simulation and many more. Build single and multiplayer platform games, create memory games, race through mazes, add animation, photos and sound. Work in teams sharing your games and being a game tester by giving feedback for others. Scratch is a free project of the Lifelong Kindergarten Group at the MIT Media Lab.

Activity #: 1354-207

Fee: \$175 **RDF:** \$150

Dates: July 31 - Aug. 4

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 - 11:45 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

TECHSTARS: CODING WITH SCRATCH JR.

Ages 6 - 8

TechStars

Coding is the new literacy! With Scratch Jr, young children can program their own interactive stories and games. In the process, they learn to solve problems, design projects, and express themselves creatively on the Ipad. Create an animal race, a spooky forest, a dance party or play basketball. Add in sounds you record and photos you take for your own interesting and unique project.

Activity #: 1354-217

Fee: \$175 **RDF:** \$150

Dates: July 31 - Aug. 4

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 12:45 - 3:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

TECHSTARS: EARLY SIMPLE MACHINES

Ages 6 - 8

TechStars

Discover how the world works using Lego DUPLO® education kits. Build fun models using colorful elements such as a seesaw, rolling vehicle, spinning top, raft, and many more. By playing with and manipulating the models, children experience pulleys, levers, gears, and wheels and axles while exploring energy, buoyancy, and balance. Campers will discover basic physical science concepts such as gears, pulleys, levers, and wheels and axles.

Activity #: 1354-227

Fee: \$175 **RDF:** \$150

Dates: Aug. 7 - 11

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 - 11:45 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

TECHSTARS: MINECRAFT EDU: DESERT ISLAND SURVIVAL

Ages 9 - 12

TechStars

Follow us on a story of survival on a desert island. Campers will work together offline in our own Minecraft World hosted on a private server. Gradually gaining more creative freedom as you learn the tools of Minecraft, you will find ways to survive creating everything from scratch using just Minecraft blocks, your mining and crafting talents and your imagination and ingenuity. (Two campers per computer)

Activity #: 1354-237

Fee: \$175 **RDF:** \$150

Dates: Aug. 7 - 11

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 12:45 - 3:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

IT'S SIMPLY DELICIOUS COOKING CAMP

Ages 7 - 12

It's Simply Delicious

It's Simply Delicious Cooking Camp offers kids the chance to learn food preparation and presentation techniques in a weeklong half-day camp. These are hands-on kids cooking classes with a professional chef for kids entering 2nd through 6th grade. Our Summer Cooking Camp expands your child's dining horizons, promotes healthy eating, builds math skills and self-esteem, promotes teamwork and may even get them to cook for you! In this camp kids will work with real ingredients and make real food. All recipes will incorporate fruits or vegetables. By the end of the week the kids will have created a cookbook so they can make these simply delicious recipes at home.

Activity #: 1303-207

Fee: \$180 **RDF:** \$156

Dates: June 19 - 23

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

IT'S SIMPLY DELICIOUS CAKE DECORATING CAMP

Ages 7 - 12

It's Simply Delicious

Campers will have fun and learn the fundamentals of fondant and different cake decorating skills. They will bake and complete a different cupcake project each day. Projects may include their favorite characters from Minecraft, Star Wars, or Minions; Animals and flowers; Super Heroes. The best part... the campers will get to take their simply delicious creations home afterwards!

Activity #: 1303-217

Fee: \$180 **RDF:** \$156

Dates: July 31 - Aug. 4

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

**RESIDENT REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL
24 AND NON-RESIDENT REGISTRATION
BEGINS APRIL 28**

SUMMER CAMPS

MAD MACHINES & JUNIOR ENGINEERS

Ages 7 - 12

Mad Science

Whether your child loves to build things or destroy them, this week of camp includes lots of both! The junior Mad Science engineers will design and build bridges and "skyscrapers" using only simple tools plus their imaginations. Kids will even construct a geodesic dome big enough for all the campers to sit inside! Then, the machine madness starts. Kids will discover how many different machines, simple & complex, we use in our daily lives. Campers will have fun building their own catapults to take home and will work with simple machines such as pulleys, wedges, screws & levers. After the simple machines are created, we use them to make more complex ones with our soccer-playing, line-tracking, sound activated Mad Science robots!

Activity #: 1419-217

Fee: \$165 **RDF:** \$145

Dates: June 19 - 23

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

RED HOT ROBOTS

Ages 7 - 12

Mad Science

Join us for a week of fun with robots. Learn about the uses of robots in our world. Spend time playing with super-cool mad robots that could have a mind of their own. Use your skills to build your very own working robot to take home to "live" with you. Join us this summer in our Mad Science robot world! This camp includes a \$30 supply fee for your take-home robot.

Activity #: 1419-227

Fee: \$205 **RDF:** \$180

Dates: July 10 - 14

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

RADICAL REACTIONS & DETECTIVE SCIENCE

Ages 7 - 12

Mad Science

In this week-long program, campers will have tons of fun mixing up potions and experimenting with all kinds of chemical reactions! Our young chemists will grow crystals, create sidewalk chalk, and even make chromatography T-Shirts to take home. Students will also become science sleuths as they investigate how chemistry provides evidence at the scene of a crime. During this hands-on detective work, children will gather and test "crime scene" clues, make and analyze their own fingerprints, decipher codes and encrypt messages.

Activity #: 1419-237

Fee: \$165 **RDF:** \$145

Dates: July 17 - 21

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

ROCKIN ROCKETS

Ages 7 - 12

Mad Science

Kids have a "Rockin" good time at this rocket camp as they learn all about the purpose and function of rockets. How are they built? What is the function of each part? Throughout the week, campers experiment with different kinds of propulsion systems and "launch" their knowledge of flight as they blast-off, track, and recover different kinds of rockets.

Activity #: 1419-247

Fee: \$165 **RDF:** \$145

Dates: July 24 - 28

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

NASA: JOURNEY INTO OUTER SPACE

Ages 7 - 12

Mad Science

From our Earth's atmosphere to the outer reaches of our solar system, this hands-on program sends campers on a quest for exploration! Comets, planets, stars and more are all waiting to be discovered. Learn about the four forces of flight, the challenges of space travel, and participate in a rocket launch!

Activity #: 1419-257

Fee: \$165 **RDF:** \$145

Dates: Aug. 14 - 18

Days: Mon. - Fri.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center



SUMMER CAMPS

SAFE KIDS CAMP

Ages 5 - 8 (Must have completed Kindergarten)

This camp teaches kids how to be safe in an ever changing world. Strangers, fire safety, fun on wheels and in the water, accidents and emergencies will be taught while having a great time during camp. Visits from local emergency vehicles and personnel as well as a bicycle rodeo and swim time will be included in this week long full day camp.

Activity #: 1352-207 **Fee:** \$133 **RDF:** \$112
Dates: July 17 - 21
Days: Mon.- Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Location: George Wilson Center

YOUNG REPORTERS WORKSHOP - NEW!

Ages 10 - 14 *Josh Shannon & Karie Simmons*

Join Josh and Karie (from the Newark Post) on an adventure into journalism. Learn how to write articles and news reports that get and keep the attention of readers. Learn some tricks for taking great pictures. By the time that the workshop ends, the young reporters will put together their own newspaper that looks great.

Activity #: 1083-207 **Fee:** \$120 **RDF:** \$100
Dates: July 31 - Aug. 4
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Location: George Wilson Center

HORSE CAMP

Ages 6 - 13 *Sunset Stables*

A true horse camp at Sunset Stables, Delaware's only trail riding facility located next to Lums Pond State Park. Horsemanship and riding will be taught. The emphasis on FUN includes horse safety, ground lessons, grooming, riding instruction, horse bathing, crafts, horse related games, horse care/barn chores, horse anatomy and scavenger hunts. Trail rides will be included if conditions are suitable and camper is confident. Half day option is also available.

FULL DAY - Ages 8 - 13
Fee / RDF: \$300 **Days:** Mon. - Fri.
Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. **Location:** Sunset Stables

ACTIVITY	DATES
1507-207	June 26 - 30
1507-227	July 24 - 28
1507-247	Aug. 14 - 18

HALF DAY - Ages 6 - 13
Fee / RDF: \$200 **Days:** Mon. - Fri.
Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Location:** Sunset Stables

ACTIVITY	DATES
1507-217	June 26 - 30
1507-237	July 24 - 28
1507-257	Aug. 14 - 18

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FASHION CAMP - NEW!

Ages 7 - 13 *Great Taste Design Company*

Create, design and sew during this four day camp at Downes Elementary School with Great Taste Design Company! This Fashion Camp allows campers ages 7 - 13 the opportunity to learn sewing, design, leadership, and life skills. Each day of camp offers participants a variety of opportunities to craft, discover, and increase various skills. Campers design and produce several take home projects weekly. Participants can attend for one week or all weeks without repeating the same projects. Single Day Camp G.W.C. available for Fridays.

Fee: \$189 **RDF:** \$165 **Days:** Mon. - Thu.
Hours: 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Location:** Downes Elementary

ACTIVITY	DATES
1343-207	July 17 - 20
1343-217	July 24 - 27
1343-227	July 31 - Aug. 3

PHOTOGRAPHY CAMP - NEW!

Ages 8 - 13

Say "Trees!" during this week long photography camp at the George Wilson Center. Campers will explore different photography techniques each day using an included disposable camera. Photographers will learn excellent photo applications that can be used just in time for the 4th of July holiday! No camp July 4. All supplies, including a disposable camera and printing costs, are included in the camp fee.

Activity #: 1066-207 **Fee:** \$189 **RDF:** \$165
Dates: July 3 - 7 (No camp July 4)
Days: Mon. - Fri. **Hours:** 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Location: George Wilson Center



SPORTS & AQUATICS

PICKLEBALL

Ages 18 & over

Tom Foster

Try one of the fastest growing sports in America! Pickleball is described as a combination of ping pong, tennis and badminton. It's a great workout for players of all ages and most importantly tons of fun! We are pleased to announce the tennis court at the George Wilson Center now has lines painted for pickleball. Learn how to play the game at this introductory event. No experience necessary. No Paddle? No problem. Equipment will be provided if you do not bring your own.

Activity #: 1618-107

Fee: FREE

Dates: April 29

Days: Sat.

Hours: 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Park

Activity #: 1618-117

Fee: FREE

Dates: May 11

Days: Thu.

Hours: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Park

Activity #: 1618-207

Fee: FREE

Dates: June 8

Days: Thu.

Hours: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity #: 1618-217

Fee: FREE

Dates: July 26

Days: Wed.

Hours: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

LIL SHREDDERS SKATEBOARDING CLASS

Ages 4 - 7

For the little one who is itching to get on board! Participants will learn safety and the basics of skateboarding from experienced instructors, as well as play age-appropriate games and other fun activities. Parents are encouraged to attend and participate with their child. All skaters under the age of 6 must have a parent present during camp/lesson.

Activity #: 1520-107

Fee: \$90 RDF: \$75

Dates: May 6 - 20

Days: Sat.

Hours: 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Location: Handloff Park



GRINDERS (BEGINNER) SKATEBOARDING CLASS

Ages 8 - 12

For the future ripper with less than one month of skateboarding experience. Grinders camp will focus on the basics of skateboarding, including pushing, turning, and going down banked ramps. Further curriculum will include proper use of skateboarding equipment and basic terminology. This lesson will also highlight basic tricks for more advanced participants.

Activity #: 1521-107

Fee: \$90 RDF: \$75

Dates: May 6 - 20

Days: Sat.

Hours: 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Location: Handloff Park

THRASHERS (INTERMEDIATE) SKATEBOARDING CLASS

Ages 13 & over

For the skater with more than one month of skateboarding experience and who can demonstrate board control and confidence with speed. During the lessons, Thrashers participants will focus on learning new tricks such as drop-in's, and ollies, as well as discuss park etiquette and skateboard maintenance.

Activity #: 3520-107

Fee: \$90 RDF: \$75

Dates: May 6 - 20

Days: Sat.

Hours: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: Handloff Park

LITTLE GRIDIRON STARS - NEW!

Ages 4 - 7

Alex Scholl

A great introduction to America's most popular sport! Fundamentals of flag football will be instructed through different games and drills weekly. We'll cover the basic rules and emphasize fun.

Activity #: 0526-307

Fee: \$59 RDF: \$45

Dates: Sep. 11 - Oct 9

Days: Mon.

Hours: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: Handloff Park

RESIDENT DISCOUNT FEE (RDF)

In recognizing that City of Newark residents support our department along with other City Services, through their city taxes, the City offers residents a discounted fee. Non-residents will pay the regular fee for the programs.

SPORTS & AQUATICS

LITTLE KICKERS

Ages 5 - 6

Each week, the Little Kickers will receive 30 minutes of practice/instruction from coaches followed by a game. The number of participants registered will determine the number of teams. Two games may be played simultaneously on two fields or back to back on one field. Participants will be broken up in advance and find out which team they are on the first day. We are looking for interested parents who would be willing to assist in the practice/instruction with the teams and then be on the sidelines with the team during the games.

Activity #: 0662-307
Dates: Sep. 9 - Oct. 14
Days: Sat.
Location: Handloff Park

Fee: \$65 **RDF:** \$50

Hours: 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

TINY TOT SOCCER

Ages 3 - 4

A great introduction to a sport your child will love! Drills and fun are used to introduce and reinforce skill basics. We suggest that all children wear shin guards. This is an instructional program, not a league.

Activity #: 0601-307
Dates: Sep. 9 - Oct. 14
Days: Sat.
Location: Handloff Park

Fee: \$55 **RDF:** \$40

Hours: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

**FOR UPDATES ON ACTIVITY CANCELLATIONS
CALL THE LEISURE TIME HOTLINE
(302) 366-7147**

YOUTH SOCCER

Ages 7 - 12

Our youth soccer program is one in which boys and girls can have fun playing, learn about teamwork, develop individual skills and stay fit. We offer two levels of league play including the Elementary League (7 - 9 years) and the Junior League (9 - 12 years). The Elementary and Junior leagues consist of pre-season practices and scheduled games in which everyone plays. Standings are kept in the Junior league only, with each team qualifying for the playoffs. Players must meet age requirements as of Nov 1. **Registration deadline is before or at the skills session scheduled for the evening of Tuesday, August 8.** All new players are expected to attend their leagues skill session, where players will go through a series of drills to assess basic skill level. Returning players don't need to come to the skills session unless they request to be placed on a different team. Late registrations will not be guaranteed a spot on a specific team. Practices for the Elementary and Junior leagues begin the week of August 14, taking place on weeknight evenings and weekends. League play will begin in early to mid-September. Games will be scheduled on Saturdays, with Sunday afternoons used as rain dates. Players are encouraged to wear shin guards during practice sessions and games. Volunteer Coaches are needed to ensure a successful program. New this year coaches will receive half off registration for one child (limit two coaches per team).

ELEMENTARY SOCCER

Activity #: 1662-307
Dates: Aug. 14 - Nov. 4
Days: Sat.
Location: Fairfield Park

Fee: \$70 **RDF:** \$55

Hours: 9 - 11 a.m.

JUNIOR SOCCER

Activity #: 1663-307
Dates: Aug. 14 - Nov. 11
Days: Sat.
Location: Kells Park

Fee: \$79 **RDF:** \$65

Hours: 9 - 11 a.m.



SPORTS & AQUATICS

USTA FREE BEGINNER TENNIS LESSONS - NEW!

Ages 17 & over

We are partnering with the United States Tennis Association (USTA) Delaware District to offer FREE tennis lessons from May 1 - 18 for adults as part of their Grow the Game initiative. Registration taken directly through the USTA <https://ustadelawarecouncil.eventsmart.com/events/play-in-may>.

Classes will be held on Mondays & Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. at Handloff Park or 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Fairfield Park or on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Handloff Park.

TENNIS

Grab your racquet for the sport of a lifetime! How many other sports can be played by anyone at any age, at any time of year, and anywhere in the world? Whether you're new to tennis or have played for years – we invite you to enjoy the game with us and other tennis lovers. Lessons provide students with basic tennis technique and skill development. The objectives for each class are to teach participants new skills appropriate to your level of play and to improve your existing skills. Bring your own racquet or borrow one of our youth-sized racquets. Participants should wear tennis shoes and bring water to class. Tennis balls are provided.

ADULT TENNIS

Ages 16 and over

Fee: \$75 **RDF:** \$58

Hours: 7:30 - 9 p.m.

BEGINNER

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
3633-217	May 18 - June 22	Thu.	Fairfield Park
3633-207	May 21 - July 2 (No class 5/28)	Sun.	Handloff Park
3633-227	July 16 - Aug. 20	Sun.	Handloff Park
3633-237	July 13 - Aug. 17	Thu.	Fairfield Park

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
3635-207	May 15 - June 26 (No class 5/29)	Mon.	Handloff Park
3635-217	July 10 - Aug. 14	Mon.	Handloff Park

YOUTH TENNIS

Ages 11 - 15

Fee: \$75 **RDF:** \$58

Hours: 5:45 - 7:15 p.m.

BEGINNER

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
1633-217	May 18 - June 22	Thu.	Fairfield Park
1633-207	May 21 - July 2 (No class 5/28)	Sun.	Handloff Park
1633-227	July 16 - Aug. 20	Sun.	Handloff Park
1633-237	July 13 - Aug. 17	Thu.	Fairfield Park

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
1635-207	May 15 - June 26 (No class 5/29)	Mon.	Handloff Park
1635-217	July 10 - Aug. 14	Mon.	Handloff Park

PARENT/CHILD TENNIS

This parent and child program teaches both the adult and the child the fundamentals of tennis. In all of our busy lifestyles, it is nice to learn and exercise with your child. Have fun and play the game of tennis with your child this spring!

AGES 5 - 7

Activity #: 1606-207 **Fee:** \$69 **RDF:** \$55

Dates: June 3 - 24

Days: Sat. **Hours:** 9 - 10 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

AGES 8 - 10

Activity #: 1606-217

Fee: \$69 **RDF:** \$55

Dates: June 3 - 24

Days: Sat. **Hours:** 10 - 11 a.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

TEN AND UNDER TENNIS

It's a whole new ballgame for kids tennis! With equipment and courts tailored to suit their needs and abilities, kids will feel confident as soon as they pick up a racquet. Using the QuickStart Tennis format allows kids to rally back and forth over the net right away and enjoy the game right from the start. Lessons will be fun and taught in a playful manner. Racquets will be provided. Children should wear sneakers and bring water to drink.

AGES 5 - 7

Fee: \$69 **RDF:** \$55 **Hours:** 6 - 6:45 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity #	Dates	Days
1653-207	May 16 - June 20	Tue.
1653-217	May 18 - June 22	Thu.
1653-247	July 11 - Aug. 15	Tue.
1653-257	July 13 - Aug. 17	Thu.
1653-307	Sep. 12 - Oct. 17	Tue.
1653-317	Sep. 14 - Oct. 19	Thu.

AGES 8 - 10

Fee: \$69 **RDF:** \$55 **Hours:** 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity #	Dates	Days
1653-227	May 16 - June 20	Tue.
1653-237	May 18 - June 22	Thu.
1653-267	July 11 - Aug. 15	Tue.
1653-277	July 13 - Aug. 17	Thu.
1653-327	Sep. 12 - Oct. 17	Tue.
1653-337	Sep. 14 - Oct. 19	Thu.

SPORTS & AQUATICS

ADULT SWIM LESSONS

Ages 16 & over

Participants will be grouped into a single "beginner" category as this program is designed to help adults learn the basics of aquatics locomotion and safety, including water comfort and buoyancy, putting your face in the water, floating on your back and front, kicking, and basic arm motions. The deepest point of the pool is five feet. Come and learn in a comfortable, safe environment.

Activity #: 3521-207 **Fee:** \$65 **RDF:** \$49
Dates: July 10 - 26
Days: Mon. & Wed. **Hours:** 7 - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Dickey Park Pool

BEGINNER SWIM

Ages 4 - 12

In this introductory class, participants will learn the basic skills of water orientation including: blowing bubbles, bobs, submerge mouth, nose and eyes, floats and recovery, alternating arm action, supported kicking and jumps. This is NOT a parent/child program and participants must be comfortable leaving parent for the duration of the lesson.

Fee: \$65 **RDF:** \$49 **Hours:** 5:15 - 5:45 p.m.

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
0630-207	June 12 - 28	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.
0630-217	July 10 - 26	Mon. & Wed.	Dickey Park
0630-227	July 31 - Aug. 16	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.

ADVANCED BEGINNER SWIM

Ages 4 - 12

Participants will work on developing fundamental aquatic skills and independent performance of the basic skills: bob, floats, glides, flutter kick, jumps, front and back crawl, body alignment, turning over and body position and will begin work on rhythmic breathing. Prerequisites: Participants must be comfortable in the water and be able to perform an assisted back float for 3-5 seconds.

Fee: \$65 **RDF:** \$49 **Hours:** 5:50 - 6:20 p.m.

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
1630-207	June 12 - 28	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.
1630-217	July 10 - 26	Mon. & Wed.	Dickey Park
1630-227	July 31 - Aug. 16	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.

INTERMEDIATE SWIM

Ages 4 - 12

Participants will work on stroke development including introduction to deep water bobs, elementary breaststroke, butterfly kick and body motion and treading. Continued improvement in front and back crawl, glides and rotary breathing. Prerequisites: Must be able to swim independently on back and front for 5 yards, must be comfortable in deeper water.

Fee: \$65 **RDF:** \$49 **Hours:** 6:25 - 6:55 p.m.

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
1636-207	June 12 - 28	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.
1636-217	July 10 - 26	Mon. & Wed.	Dickey Park
1636-227	July 31 - Aug. 16	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.

ADVANCED SWIM

Ages 4 - 12

Participants will work on stroke improvement including introduction to breaststroke, open and flip turns. Continued improvement in front crawl with rotary breathing, back crawl, breaststroke, butterfly, sidestroke and elementary backstroke. Prerequisites: Must be able to swim one pool length using front crawl and backstroke.

Fee: \$65 **RDF:** \$49 **Hours:** 7 - 7:30 p.m.

Activity #	Dates	Days	Location
1631-207	June 12 - 28	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.
1631-227	July 31 - Aug 16	Mon. & Wed.	G.W.C.



SWIMMING POOLS

All Ages

A great place to spend those hot summer afternoons! We have two outdoor pools (20'wide x 40' long and 3' - 5' deep). One pool is located at the George Wilson Center and Park (303 New London Road) and the other is located at Dickey Park (just off of Madison Drive). There is no admission fee for either pool and certified lifeguards staff both. Children under the age of 10 years must be accompanied at all times by a responsible person 16 years of age or older. Permission slips will be handed out on your first visit to the pool for children 17 and under. This rule and all other pool rules are strictly enforced.

POOL HOURS: 12:30 - 5:00 P.M.

TUESDAY - SATURDAY

JUNE 9 - AUGUST 19

****Pools may close due to cool or inclement weather. Call our Leisure Time Hot Line at 302-366-7147 for this information****

TOTAL BODY HOUR

Ages 16 & over

Gina Reich

Up-beat music and interesting routines keep you focused on your fitness during these Newark Parks and Recreation fitness classes. A body sculpting workout using weights, body resistance, challenging moves, repetitions and cardio work. You will get motivated and be burning calories in no time! Please bring a water bottle, hand weights and a large exercise ball to class.

Fee: \$85 **RDF:** \$68

Hours: 7 - 8 p.m.

Days: Mon. & Wed.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity

3626-117

3626-217

3626-227

3626-307

3626-317

Dates

March 27 - May 10

May 24 - July 5 (No class 5/29)

July 17 - Aug. 23

Sep. 11 - Oct. 18

Oct. 30 - Dec. 13 (No class 11/20 & 11/22)

EVENING AUTHENTIC YOGA

Ages 18 & over

Meeta Gajjar Parker

The ancient practice of yoga is a combination of exercises, breathing and meditation techniques. It has long been an effective way of relieving emotional stress, stretching and toning the body and connecting with yourself. It energizes and refreshes, improves circulation and promotes mental clarity and concentration. Meeta is the daughter of the late Bharat J. Gajjar who brought yoga to Delaware in the 60's.

Days: Wed.

Hours: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: Newark Senior Center

Activity

3525-117

3525-207

3525-307

3525-317

Fee

\$81 **RDF:** \$64

\$81 **RDF:** \$64

\$61 **RDF:** \$45

\$61 **RDF:** \$45

Dates

April 5 - June 21

(No class 4/26 & 6/7)

July 5 - Aug. 16

(No class 7/19)

Sep. 6 - Oct. 25

Nov. 1 - Dec. 20

YOGA FOR STRESS

Ages 18 & over

Valerie Lane

Whether you are trying to find a better balance, your doctor recommended yoga, or you are looking for a little peace and quiet each week, this yoga class is for you! Through the session we will move through stress-relieving yoga postures and practices, breathing exercises, and various types of meditation. Please bring a yoga mat, any props you have (such as blocks or straps), and a blanket.

Days: Thu.

Hours: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity

3508-117

3508-207

3508-307

3508-317

Fee

\$84 **RDF:** \$70

\$83 **RDF:** \$66

\$68 **RDF:** \$56

\$68 **RDF:** \$56

Dates

April 6 - June 8

July 6 - Aug. 31

Sep. 7 - Oct. 26

Nov. 2 - Dec. 26

(No class 11/23)



ZUMBA

Ages 18 & over

Jennifer Palacio

Zumba is an international rhythm-based dance fitness program. A high-intensity, one-hour cardio workout that includes salsa, cha-cha, samba, cumbia, meringue, mambo, calypso, belly dance, Bollywood and much, much more! Anyone can do Zumba! Come to the party and dance your way into shape!

Days: Tue.

Hours: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity

3511-207

3511-217

3511-307

3511-317

Fee

\$70 **RDF:** \$56

\$20 **RDF:** \$33

\$67 **RDF:** \$50

\$60 **RDF:** \$44

Dates

May 2 - June 20

June 27 - July 18

(No class 7/4)

Sep. 5 - Oct. 24

Nov. 7 - Dec. 19

ZUMBA TONING

Ages 18 & over

Jennifer Palacio

Zumba® Toning is designed to strengthen, reshape your body and tone your muscles while burning even more calories. Here we combine music with dance, strength training and body sculpting workouts using 2-3 lb. hand weights or even your body weight along with aerobic moves.

Days: Thu.

Hours: 7 - 8 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

Activity

3645-207

3645-217

3645-307

3645-317

Fee

\$70 **RDF:** \$56

\$40 **RDF:** \$25

\$67 **RDF:** \$50

\$60 **RDF:** \$44

Dates

May 4 - June 22

June 29 - July 20

Sep. 7 - Oct. 26

Nov. 2 - Dec. 21

(No class 11/23)

STRONG BY ZUMBA - FREE TRIAL!

Ages 18 & over

Zumba Fitness is taking fitness up a notch by introducing STRONG BY ZUMBA. This music-led interval training is sure to get your heart pumping and give you a fast total body workout. Try the program out with the free one day class. Registration is not necessary, but is preferred.

Activity #: 3512-207

Fee: FREE

Dates: July 25

Days: Tue.

Hours: 7 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

CURTAIN'S GOING UP

Ages 7 - 14

Rachel Barton

The curtain's going up on our popular acting class as our young actors learn the acting skills & techniques needed to give a polished stage performance. Students learn stage movement, stage direction, vocalization, auditioning techniques, stage terminology, improvisation, character development, stage make-up, costuming, blocking, cold readings, awareness, trust, and many other theatre skills. Our acting students will develop a confident stage presence and have fun as they work towards a final scripted stage performance for family and friends. Students must be present for the last two classes (dress rehearsal & performance).

Activity #: 1074-137

Fee: \$139 **RDF:** \$119

Dates: April 7 - June 9

Days: Fri.

Hours: 4:30 - 6 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

ADULT POTTERY

Ages 16 & over

Carole Fox

Hand building with clay and working on the potter's wheel will be taught. Students can then explore their area of interest. Returning students may continue at their own pace. Twelve pounds of clay, glazes and firings included. Additional clay can be purchased for \$15 per 25 lb. bag.

Activity #: 3128-207

Fee: \$180 **RDF:** \$157

Dates: June 22 - Aug 10

Days: Thu.

Hours: 6:15 - 8:15 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

INTRODUCTION TO POTTERY WORKSHOP

Ages 8 & over

Diana Simmons

This two-part introductory pottery workshop will teach basic hand-building techniques (including pinch & coil pottery) to children and adults! Create your masterpiece on Monday and return on Friday to learn how to glaze and finish your creation. Finished pieces can be picked up one week after the workshop.

Activity #: 1121-207

Fee: \$52 **RDF:** \$40

Dates: July 10 & 14

Days: Mon. & Fri.

Hours: 5 - 8 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

BRING YOUR PARENT TO POTTERY

Ages 8 - 16

Diana Simmons

Parent and children will learn hand-building techniques (including pinch, coil, and slab construction) and will have time to glaze their pieces during class the last class day. Finished pieces can be picked up one week after the class ends. Price includes one child and parent.

Activity #: 1123-207

Fee: \$106 **RDF:** \$89

Dates: Aug. 7 - 28

Days: Mon.

Hours: 5 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

SMARTPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP - NEW!

Ages 16 & over

Smartphones have become the most convenient way to freeze and revisit moments of our lives on a daily basis. This smartphone photography workshop focuses on the different ways to get the best images from your smartphones while also exploring the creative side of smartphone photography. Learn about exposure, composition, creative apps, and techniques during the workshop. With your smartphone in hand, there will always be an opportunity to capture the best moments of your adventures. All participants must bring a mobile device with a camera such as an iPhone or Android smartphone.

Activity #: 1211-117

Fee: \$35 **RDF:** \$20

Dates: May 20

Days: Sat.

Hours: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center



**RESIDENT REGISTRATION
BEGINS APRIL 24 AND NON-
RESIDENT REGISTRATION
BEGINS APRIL 28**

SPECIAL INTEREST

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TRAINING

Ages 14 & over

New Castle County Department of Emergency Management

The City of Newark, in cooperation with New Castle County Office of Emergency Management, will be conducting a Basic CERT training course on Friday April 28, 6 - 10 p.m., and Saturday April 29, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. This 12 hour training program will be provided free of charge at the George Wilson Community Center, located at 303 New London Road.

Course curriculum includes American Heart Association CPR/AED Certification; basic first aid; hazardous materials awareness training; basic family preparedness strategies; proper use of home and office fire extinguishers; search and rescue; and more. Students also receive a CERT participant's training manual, and a CERT backpack with basic personal protective equipment including hard hat, gloves, safety glasses, and a flashlight.

Students will be provided a light dinner at the Friday evening session, and breakfast and lunch at the Saturday session at no cost.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

Activity #: 3359-107

Fee: FREE

Dates: April 28 & 29

Days: Fri. & Sat.

Hours: Fri. 6 - 10 p.m.

Sat. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

CPR / AED & FIRST AID

Ages 12 & over

Patti Reynolds

Participants learn to recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac and breathing emergencies. The course teaches the skills that participants need to know to give immediate care to a suddenly injured or ill person until more advanced medical personnel arrive and take over. Students who successfully complete this course will receive certificates for CPR/AED - Adult, which are valid for two years. Infant/Child CPR will be covered for any participant who requires it. American Red Cross First Aid will be covered for an additional \$20. Please contact the Recreation office at 366-7000 if you want to include First Aid.

Activity #: 3332-207

Fee: \$87 RDF: \$69

Dates: June 8

Days: Thu.

Hours: 6 - 9 p.m.

Location: Newark Senior Center

EMERALD ASH BORER AND BACTERIAL LEAF SCORCH: THEIR CURRENT AND POTENTIAL IMPACT ON NEWARK'S URBAN TREE CANOPY AND YOUR PROPERTY

All Ages

City of Newark officials will host an updated workshop to discuss and educate the public about two significant threats to our local tree canopy, the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) and Bacterial Leaf Scorch (BLS). Newark Parks and Recreation staff will be joined by experts from the University of Delaware, Delaware State Forest Service and others to explain how to identify tree species that may be affected, how to identify a tree currently affected, and measures, both preventative and treatment if any, that can be taken to minimize damage done to ash and oak trees. The workshop will also include information on tree replacement for ash and oak trees, including both native and non-native species. Officials hope that through education, property owners will be able to take necessary steps to minimize damage to trees, and by doing so, minimize costs and potential hazardous conditions created by unhealthy trees. The EAB and BLS represent two different threats to two types of trees. The EAB is an invasive pest that has been migrating across the country, and has been found just North of Newark in late 2016, attacking ash trees, claiming 5 million ash trees in Michigan and Ohio alone.

Activity #: 3437-107

Fee: FREE

Dates: May 16

Days: Tue.

Hours: 6 - 8 p.m.

Location: City of Newark Municipal Building

HOW TO WRITE A MEMOIR - NEW!

Ages 18 & over

Lois Hoffman

Have you always dreamed of writing a memoir? Do you know how it's different from an autobiography? Find out how you can write a story that resonates with readers, whether it's for your family or a wider audience. You'll also learn about self-publishing a book and how to sell it online on websites, such as Amazon and Barnes and Noble. This course will take you on a tour of writing, editing, pricing, publishing, and marketing your memoir, plus a whole lot more. You will leave with a solid understanding of how to construct your message and craft it into book.

Activity #: 3082-107

Fee: \$47 RDF: \$32

Dates: May 8

Days: Mon.

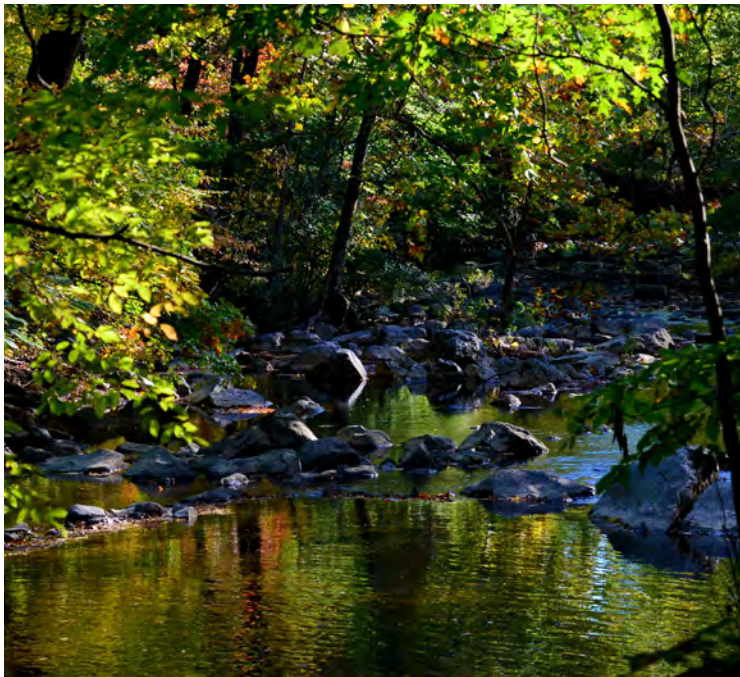
Hours: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Location: George Wilson Center

NEWARK BIKE PROJECT YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM - NEW!

Ages 9 - 14

Join in community service & bike related activities. Activities include learning bike maintenance and skills, fun rides, and community service projects. Program is free, but donations are appreciated. Bring your bike, water & helmet or inquire ahead if you'd like to borrow a bike for the program. Choose from four 4 week sessions held on Sundays from 4 - 6 p.m. in April, June, July or August. Content will vary so feel free to join us for one or more sessions! Program will meet at the Newark Bike Project located at 136 South Main Street. To sign up or learn more, please contact us at youth@newarkbikeproject.org.



WHAT'S YOUR "BATTING" AVERAGE? BAT PROGRAM

All ages *Debbie Keese*

What's Your "Batting" Average? Join us for a fascinating evening learning about Delaware bats. Are you an expert? You will be after listening to bat stories, crafting bat anatomy, singing batty songs and playing a bat game followed at dusk by live bat observation as they come out for their evening's activities.

Activity #: 1414-207 **Fee:** \$8 **RDF:** \$4
Dates: July 27
Days: Thu. **Hours:** 7:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Rittenhouse Park

INTRODUCTION TO HORSEMANSHIP

Ages 10 & over *Sunset Stables*

Have you ever wanted to be around horses but were intimidated by them? Have you ever wanted to learn more about horses in general? Here is your chance! Sunset Stables will give a full hour of information on horse anatomy, horse care, cost, and riding information. There is no riding in this class.

Activity #: 1505-107 **Fee / RDF:** \$13
Dates: April 27
Days: Thu. **Hours:** 6 - 7 p.m.
Location: Sunset Stables

HORSEBACK RIDING LESSONS

Ages 8 & over *Sunset Stables*

Group riding lessons at Sunset Stables. Lessons taught Western style. The horses are safe, reliable, and take good care of their riders. These horses are paired with guests according to riding ability.

Activity #: 1508-107 **Fee / RDF:** \$120
Dates: May 4 - 25
Days: Thu. **Hours:** 6 - 7 p.m.
Location: Sunset Stables

PONY UP

Ages 5 - 12

Pony Up is geared to give young children an introduction to horseback riding and horsemanship. Children will be introduced to grooming, leading, properly putting on the saddle, and Safety, Safety, Safety. Hand-led rides will introduce proper body position, control of the pony, etc. The ponies we use are all kid-friendly. Safety helmets are mandatory. Children must wear long pants and closed-toed shoes.

Activity #: 1507-107
Dates: May 20
Days: Sat.
Location: Sunset Stables

Fee / RDF: \$30

Hours: 10 - 11 a.m.

Activity #: 1506-207
Dates: June 24
Days: Sat.
Location: Sunset Stables

Fee / RDF: \$30

Hours: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Activity #: 1506-217
Dates: July 29
Days: Sat.
Location: Sunset Stables

Fee / RDF: \$30

Hours: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

TRAIL RIDE

Ages 10 & over

Sunset Stables

Join the staff of Sunset Stables for a one of a kind, one hour springtime trail ride through Lums Pond State Park. Enjoy mother nature from atop of one of their friendly horses. Helmets are required and provided at no extra charge. There is a weight restriction of 240lbs for this activity. Please dress appropriately, no shorts or open toe shoes. If you are new to riding or would like to learn about horses and riding prior to hitting the trail, pair this activity with Introduction to Horsemanship.

Activity #: 1504-107
Dates: April 29
Days: Sat.

Fee / RDF: \$35

Hours: 12 - 1 p.m.

Activity #: 1504-207
Dates: June 6
Days: Tue.

Fee / RDF: \$35

Hours: 6 - 7 p.m.

Activity #: 1504-217
Dates: July 25
Days: Tue.

Fee / RDF: \$35

Hours: 6 - 7 p.m.

FOUR EASY WAYS TO REGISTER

ONLINE

www.newarkde.gov/play

WALK IN

220 South Main Street, Newark, DE 19711
 Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

MAIL

Newark, Parks & Recreation
 220 South Main Street, Newark, DE 19711

FAX

302-366-7169

SPECIAL INTEREST

STAR GAZING NIGHT AT THE NEWARK RESERVOIR

All ages

Come out and enjoy the night sky over the Newark Reservoir. See the wonders of the universe as you have never seen them before through a telescope. We will be gazing upon the craters of the moon, the rings of Saturn, and whatever else the night may bring. We will also keep our eyes open for satellites and meteors. A brief introduction to the sky, and how it appears to move will be followed by some hands-on time with the telescopes. Bring flashlights as you will need to park at the bottom of reservoir and walk to the top.

Activity #: 3502-207

Dates: July 28

Days: Fri.

Location: Newark Reservoir

Fee: FREE

(Raindate 7/29)

Hours: 8:30 - 10:30 p.m.

FULL MOON HIKES - NEW!

Ages 5 & over

Wilmington Trail Club Leaders

Enjoy a night of hiking by the light of the full moon! Join hiking leaders from the Wilmington Trail Club on a hike at the reservoir as they lead a family-friendly hike on the paved path with a beautiful view of the night sky. Wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather. Pre-register by no later than 4 p.m. on the previous business day.

STRAWBERRY MOON

Activity #: 3415-207

Dates: June 9

Days: Sun.

Location: Newark Reservoir

Fee: \$3 RDF: \$3

Hours: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

BUCK MOON

Activity #: 3415-217

Dates: July 9

Days: Fri.

Location: Newark Reservoir

Fee: \$3 RDF: \$3

Hours: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

STURGEON MOON

Activity #: 3415-227

Dates: Aug. 7

Days: Mon.

Location: Newark Reservoir

Fee: \$3 RDF: \$3

Hours: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

NATURE CREATIONS

All ages

Debbie Keese

Celebrate the summer and become inspired by the beauty of the natural materials within the City of Newark Rittenhouse Park! Join nature enthusiast and instructor Debbie Keese, in a hands-on program using recycled items and materials found in nature. Enhance your love for the natural world through art, short hikes and fun in celebration of the environment. Meet at the art pavilion across the bridge.

Activity #: 4506-207

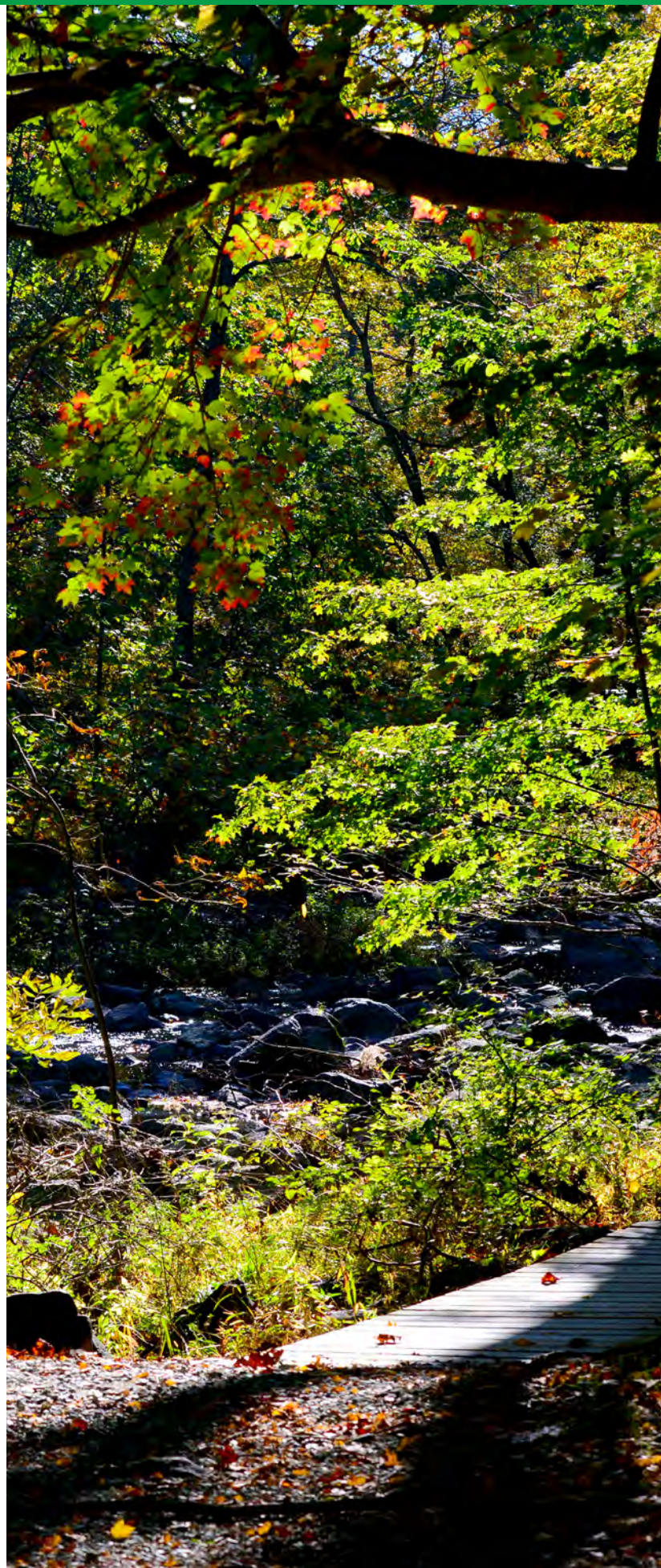
Dates: July 15

Days: Sat.

Location: Rittenhouse Park

Fee: \$15 RDF: \$10

Hours: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.



SPECIAL INTEREST

LIFE 101 - NEW!

Learn the basics of life on your own. Whether you are going to be staying home alone after school, heading to college, going through other life changes, or just want to break away from paying someone else to do simple home maintenance, this series of six workshops will help you get on your way to independence. Gain the knowledge and confidence that you need to try things on your own; from changing a car tire to internet safety, cleaning the kitchen to drilling a hole, using kitchen appliances and cooking to sewing a button. Learning life skills has no age limit, so this series will be geared to individuals from 12 through 102. Register for one workshop or try them all.

SAFETY FIRST

Ages 12 & over

Regardless of your situation, safety should always be paramount. Walking, driving, in your home, and even on the internet, we all face dangers every day. How we handle situations has a direct effect on the outcome. Learn about ways to minimize your chances of becoming a victim of crime and ways to keep yourself and your loved ones safe during everyday activities, as well as minimizing damaging effects during times of disaster. Sessions will include:

- Street Smarts
- Internet Safety
- Safe at Home
- Dealing with Emergencies & Disasters

Activity #: 3351-217 **Fee:** \$30 **RDF:** \$20
Dates: June 12 - 15
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Newark Senior Center / Newark Police Annex

FINANCE

Ages 12 & over

In today's ever-changing world of electronic devices and capabilities, the world of finance is changing to keep up with the times. Whether you are opening a checking account for the first time or trying to understand your bank's ever-changing technology upgrades, learning how to understand your 401K statement or saving for a new house, take the fear out of finance and feel confident about your money and how it can work for you. Sessions will include:

- Understanding Insurance
- Finance Basics & Checking 101
- Budgeting, Investing & Retirement Planning
- Interest & Saving Strategies

Activity #: 3351-227 **Fee:** \$30 **RDF:** \$20
Dates: June 19 - 22
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Newark Senior Center

SURVIVAL BASICS

Ages 12 & over

Heading out on your own requires skills, patience, and a little of grandma's know-how. Topics from using a washing machine and removing stains to how to sew a button on, hem a pair of pants and properly iron a dress shirt will be covered.

- Clothing Care
- Mending & Repair
- Cleaning
- Organizing

Activity #: 3351-237 **Fee:** \$30 **RDF:** \$20
Dates: June 26 - 29
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Newark Senior Center

TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Ages 12 & over

There are so many tools and gadgets available today, it's difficult to know which to use and when. This course will teach you about different types of tools and some of their basic maintenance. Whether you are on the road or in the yard, learn how to use and care for your tools, so that you can get the job done right.

- Basic Tools & How to Use Them
- Yard & Garden Basics
- Auto Care

Activity #: 3351-247 **Fee:** \$30 **RDF:** \$20
Dates: July 10 - 13
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Newark Senior Center

KITCHEN CAPERS

Ages 12 & over

Go through kitchen basics and beyond. Learn about various kitchen appliances and supplies, how to stock your kitchen, food safety and so much more. Sessions will include:

- Kitchen Basics; Appliances and Gadgets from A to Z
- Keeping It Clean & Food Safety and Storage
- What's in The Bag? Tricks to Shopping and Stocking
- Simple Meals

Activity #: 3351-257 **Fee:** \$30 **RDF:** \$20
Dates: July 17 - 20
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Newark Senior Center

HOME MAINTENANCE

Ages 12 & over

Whether you own your home, rent, or plan to live in a dorm, knowing some of the basics to home repair and decorating will give you confidence in taking on some unexpected challenges. Sessions will include:

- Basic Painting & Wall Repair
- Plumbing
- It's Electric!
- Decorating

Activity #: 3351-267 **Fee:** \$30 **RDF:** \$20
Dates: July 24 - 27
Days: Mon. - Thu. **Hours:** 6:30 - 9 p.m.
Location: Newark Senior Center



NEWARK'S YOUTH'S GOT TALENT

Thursdays, May 4 - June 22
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Academy Building Lawn

Come early to the Spring Concert Series and enjoy the talents of local youth from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m. Musicians and performers ages 6 and over can apply to be part of the series. If you're interested in performing please call (302) 366-7000 or email parksrec@newark.de.us.

SPRING CONCERT SERIES

Thursdays, May 4 - June 22
7 - 8 p.m.
Academy Building Lawn

Music is a language that speaks to everyone regardless of age, gender or race. Join us on journey around the globe, exploring culture and creativity through the diversity of music, at the Newark Spring Concert Series

Concerts will be held Thursday nights 7 to 8 p.m. starting May 4 and running through June 22. Grab a bite to eat and do some shopping on Main Street then join us for an evening of fun on the Academy Building lawn.

MUSIC: A LANGUAGE WITHOUT BORDERS

MAY 4
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
BLAMOH DOE - AFRICAN DRUM

MAY 11
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
TWICE DAILY - IRISH

NEWARK'S YOUTH'S GOT TALENT
JESSICA BELLE - SINGER / SONGWRITER

MAY 18
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
MEETA GAJJAR PARKER - INDIAN

MAY 25
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
E. SHAWN QAISSAUNEE - AFGHAN JAZZ

NEWARK'S YOUTH'S GOT TALENT
GRACE WALTON - VARIETY

JUNE 1
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
PAUL CULLEN - LATIN ECLECTIC ACOUSTIC

JUNE 8
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
POLKADELPHIA - GERMAN & POLISH POLKA

JUNE 15
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
THE JUVENILES - AMERICAN ROCK & ROLL

JUNE 22
 SPRING CONCERT SERIES
TAHIRA - STORIES & MUSIC FROM GHANA



NEWARK MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Sunday, May 21

1 p.m. - Ceremony on the UD Green

2 p.m. - Parade on Main Street

The Newark Memorial Day Parade is an annual event that is held the third Sunday in May. During this annual event, veterans of wars from all branches of services have continued to march in the parade.

To start the day, a ceremony honoring our nation's veterans is held on the University of Delaware's Campus Green at Memorial Hall followed by a wreath laying ceremony at the Academy Building lawn and parade on Main Street. This year a Chair of Honor will be dedicated at the Ceremony on the Green. This chair will also sit at other community events to honor and remember over 81,000 Missing in Action and Prisoners of War since WWI.

4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS

Tuesday, July 4, 6 - 10 p.m.

(Rain Date for Fireworks only: July 5)

University of Delaware Athletic Complex

4th of July Fireworks will be held on Tuesday, July 4th at the University of Delaware Athletic Complex. Vendors and entertainment will begin at 6 p.m. For more information, please call (302) 366-7000 or email parksrec@newark.de.us



MAYOR'S FUN RIDE

All ages

This event will feature educational and safety information, raffles and prizes, children's activities and the option of a 2.5 mile family fun bike ride or a scenic 8.5 mile bike ride around Newark. Registration and ride starts at the Newark Shopping Center at 230 East Main Street. Free cinch bags will be given to everyone who pre-registers. T-shirts or cinch bags will be available for onsite registration while supplies last. The fee for the event is \$5 for an adult. Children (17 & under) are FREE! The Mayor's Bike Ride benefits the bike community of Newark. Organizers and sponsors of this event include Atlantic Realty, Bike Newark, and Newark Parks and Recreation.

Activity #: 3602-207 **Fee:** \$5 / 17 and under FREE

Dates: May 6

Days: Sat.

Hours: 10:15 a.m. - 2.5 mile Family Fun Ride

11 a.m. - 8.5 mile Newark Loop Fun Ride

Location: Newark Shopping Center 230 East Main Street



VENDORS FOR LIBERTY DAY/FIREWORKS & COMMUNITY DAY

Vendor Packages for Liberty Day / Fireworks and Community Day are available. Please call 302-366-7000 or email parksrec@newark.de.us for more information or to be added to the vendor mailing list. Packages will be emailed and available at www.newarkde.gov/play.

JULY PARKS & RECREATION MONTH FREE EVENTS PRE-REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED

NATURE PRINTS

Thursday, July 6, 6 - 7 p.m.
Handloff Park Pavilion

Create beautiful art using items from nature. Join us for this free workshop at Handloff Park and learn how to make your own work of art using flowers and leaves to add vibrant natural color to your work. We will be making paper designs but feel free to bring a canvas bag or light colored fabric from home to see the effects. You are also welcome to bring unique clippings of floral or greenery from home or use the pieces that we supply.

TIE DYE NIGHT

Thursday, July 13, 6 - 7 p.m.
George Wilson Center Pavilion

Tie dye has been a summer camp tradition since the 1960s and the bright swirls of color doesn't seem to ever go out of style. Breathe new life into an old piece of clothing or create a new masterpiece by using tie dye. Learn how to make a spiral, crinkle, and other great designs. Bring a shirt or item from home or buy a shirt to use from us for \$5.

THE GREAT CHECKER CHALLENGE

Thursday, July 20, 6 - 8 p.m.
Handloff Park Pavilion

Looking for a challenge? We've got just the thing; The Great Checker Challenge will pair you up to enjoy some fun and competition. We will bring the boards and you bring the moves. Who will be the king of this game?

CHALK ART

Thursday, July 27, 6 - 7 p.m.
Dickey Park Street Hockey Court

With a bit of chalk, a piece of blacktop, and your imagination, you can create a magnificent work of art. Whether you are 2 or 92, chalk can be a great medium to create. Join us at the Dickey Park hockey court to take part in chalk art. Each participant will get a space to create their own unique work.

PICNIC IN THE PARK

Friday, July 28, 5 - 7 p.m.
Handloff Park Pavilion

Picnic in The Park is a new event being hosted by the Newark Parks & Recreation Department. This Friday evening outdoor barbeque will host backyard games, crafts and activities for families to enjoy. From cornhole to badminton, friendship bracelets to burgers, this event is sure to add some heat to Newark's July Parks & Recreation month activities. Pack a picnic for the family, a grill will be provided if you want to prepare your meal onsite.

STRUT YOUR MUTT

Monday, July 31, 6 - 7:30 p.m.
Kells Park

In honor of National Mutt Day, join your friends, both human and canine for a walk in the parks. Mutt Strutters should meet by the Kells Park pavilion at 6 p.m. The walk will take place on paved trails. Please remember to bring water for both you and your pup, as well as clean up bags. All dogs should be up to date on shots and be people and dog friendly. Registration is not necessary, but join us on the Newark Parks & Recreation's Facebook event to see who is coming and invite your friends.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Wednesday, July 12, 5 - 8 p.m.
Handloff Park Pavilion

Family Fun Night is sure to have something for everyone in the family. The Newark Police Department will be offering free car seat safety checks, as well as hosting a bicycle rodeo and more. Games and activities will be hosted by the Parks & Recreation Department. More fun and activities will be announced soon, so check out Newark Parks & Recreation's Facebook page for updated information.

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL HILL EVENT

Saturday, May 20 1 - 5 p.m. at the George Wilson Center

The City of Newark, University of Delaware, NAACP, and the Friends of School Hill are collaborating to create historic remembrance displays of the George Wilson Community Center, formally the New London Avenue School. On Saturday, May 20, the George Wilson Center will be open to anyone interested in sharing memories pertaining to the New London Avenue School. Representatives and volunteers from above organizations will be collecting and preserving historic information, photographing mementos, scanning old photographs, filming and recording interviews and capturing the School Hill History. Please join us to share your recollection of this important and local past.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 1 6 - 9 p.m. on Academy Street

The Newark Police Department, University of Delaware Police Department, and Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Company are hosting the third annual National Night Out on August 1 on Academy Street from 6 - 9 p.m.

On display will be SWAT trucks, police motorcycles, the evidence van, mobile command posts, police bicycles, police trucks, fire equipment, etc. Officers will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers for attendees. A bean bag toss, opportunities to wear "drunk" goggles that simulate being intoxicated and other interactive events will be present. Demonstrations will include K9 officers, fire extinguisher training, and vehicular extrication techniques.

Save the date and come meet Newark's first responders in a very relaxed, family friendly setting!

NEW YORK CITY

Here's that December New York trip that many residents look forward to. Travelers will be dropped off near Radio City Music Hall then are on their own to enjoy the lights, decorations and holiday atmosphere. Great opportunity to get some holiday shopping done, while enjoying all that the city has to offer. Trip cost includes motor coach transportation.

Activity #: 4712-307 **Fee:** \$59 **RDF:** \$49

Dates: Dec. 9

Days: Sat.

Hours: 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Location: Newark Municipal Building

RESIDENT DISCOUNT FEE (RDF)

In recognizing that City of Newark residents support our department along with other City Services, through their city taxes, the City offers residents a discounted fee. Non-residents will pay the regular fee for the programs.

TRIP GUIDELINES

1. Register by mail, online or in person. No phone registrations will be accepted due to the wavier that needs to be signed and acknowledged.
2. Trips will depart from the City Municipal Building, 220 South Main Street and will assemble in the rear parking lot.
3. You will be dropped off near Radio City Music Hall.
4. Youth under age 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult on each trip.
5. The Parks and Recreation Department does not permit smoking while in the bus.
6. Newark residents are not permitted to register non-resident registrants during the "Newark Resident Only" registration period.
7. Refunds cannot be given unless seats and program tickets can be resold.



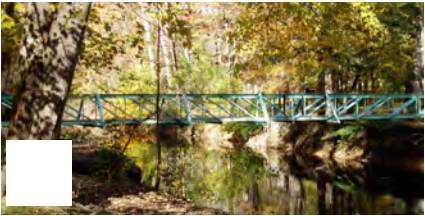


PARKS AND RECREATION PARKS AND TRAIL SCAVENGER HUNT

Check off each hidden item you find and share your adventure on Instagram using the hashtag: **#NEWARKPARKSREC**. Then, return or mail this completed Park & Trail Scavenger Hunt Form to the Parks and Recreation Department at 220 South Main Street, Newark, DE 19711 to win Newark Parks and Recreation Merchandise or a Gift Card!

BELOW IS A LIST OF PARKS WHERE YOU MIGHT FIND A SECRET ITEM

PHILLIPS PARK	NEWARK RESERVOIR	COLEMAN	RIDGEWOOD GLEN	COVERDALE
FOLK PARK	WHITE CHAPEL	POMEROY TRAIL	CURTIS MILL	EDNA C. DICKEY PARK
KERSHAW	RITTENHOUSE	KARPINSKI	STAFFORD	IRON GLEN
GEORGE REED	LEWIS PARK	LEROY C. HILL	FAIRFIELD	REDD PARK
LUMBROOK	OLAN THOMAS	RAHWAY	MCKEES	NORMA B. HANDLOFF PARK

HIDDEN ITEM	FAVORITE SPOT	ANIMALS SEEN	PARK & TRAIL
	The bench up top overlooking Old Paper Mill Park	Geese Mallards	Newark Reservoir
			
			
			

HIDDEN ITEM	FAVORITE SPOT	ANIMALS SEEN	PARK & TRAIL
			
			
			
			
			
			
			

GET YOUR PLAY ON

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JULY 2017

This July, discover the power of play and adventure. For children and adults, play is a vital part of our mental wellbeing, physical health and personal interactions. During Park and Recreation Month, NRPA is challenging everyone to get their play on with their local parks and recreation. Whether it's summer camp, an adult sports league, exploring a trail, Zumba class, meeting friends on the playground, playing cards in the park, or discovering nature — parks and play go hand in hand.

1

TAKE PART IN THE
PARKS & REC
SCAVENGER HUNT!

HOP A PARK DAY

2

**NEWARK PARKS
WHERE YOU CAN FISH
(LICENSE NEEDED)**

RITTENHOUSE PARK
RAHWAY PARK
CHRISTINA CREEK
KERSHAW PARK
OLD PAPER MILL ROAD
KARPINSKI PARK
COVERDALE PARK

3

PHOTOGRAPHY CAMP

AGES 8 - 13,
9 A.M. - 4 P.M.,
AT THE GWC,
FEE: \$189 RDF: \$165

4

**4TH OF JULY
FIREWORKS**

6 - 10 P.M.
UD ATHLETIC
COMPLEX

5

**LIFE 101
WORKSHOPS**

TOOLS OF THE TRADE,
KITCHEN CAPERS, HOME
MAINTENANCE, 6:30 - 9
P.M., NEWARK SENIOR
CENTER, FEE: \$30 RDF:
\$20 A SESSION

6

**NATURE PRINTS
HANDOFF PARK
6 - 7 P.M.
FREE!**

7

**FIRST FRIDAY RIDE
5:30 AT NEWARK
SHOPPING CENTER**

8

**ENJOY A BIKE RIDE OR
WALK ON THE JAMES F.
HALL OR POMEROY
TRAILS**

9

**FULL MOON HIKE
AGES 5 & OVER, 7:30 -
8:30 P.M., NEWARK
RESERVOIR, FEE: \$3**

10

**TOTAL BODY
HOUR**

AGES 16 & OVER, 7 - 8
P.M., AT THE GEORGE
WILSON CENTER, FEE:
\$85 RDF: \$68

**INTRO TO POTTERY
WORKSHOP**

AGES 8 & OVER, 5 - 8 P.M., AT
THE GEORGE WILSON CENTER,
FEE: \$52 RDF: \$40

11

**TEN & UNDER
TENNIS**

6 - 6:45 P.M., AT
THE GEORGE
WILSON CENTER,
FEE: \$69 RDF: \$55

12

**FAMILY FUN
NIGHT**

5 - 8 P.M.
HANDOFF PARK
FREE!

13

**TYE DYE
6 - 7 P.M.
GEORGE WILSON
CENTER**

**ZUMBA TONING
AGES 18 & OVER
7 - 8 P.M.
THURSDAYS AT THE
GEORGE WILSON
CENTER**

14

**FOLK DANCE
CLUB
8 - 9:30 P.M.
GEORGE WILSON
CENTER**

15

**NATURE
CREATIONS
10 A.M. - 12 P.M.
RITTENHOUSE
PARK**

16

**EVENING TENNIS
LESSONS**

AGES 11 & OVER
HANDLOFF &
FAIRFIELD PARK
FEE: \$75 RDF: \$58

17

**FLAG FOOTBALL
CAMP**

AGES 6 - 12, 5:30 - 8
P.M., FAIRFIELD
PARK, FEE: \$175
RDF: \$155

18

**EVENING SWIM
AT THE GEORGE
WILSON CENTER**

5:30 - 7:30 P.M.
FREE!

19

**TRY AN EVENING
YOGA CLASS,
HELD ON WED.
AND THU.**

20

**THE GREAT CHECKER
CHALLENGE
6 - 8 P.M. AT HANDLOFF
PARK
FREE!**

21

**BIKE RODEO
AT SAFE KIDS CAMP &
THE GEORGE WILSON
CENTER**

22

**FOOD & BREW
12 - 5 P.M.**

23

**NEWARK BIKE PROJECT
YOUTH EMPOWERMENT
AGES 9 - 14, 4 - 6 P.M.,
136 SOUTH MAIN
STREET**

24

**EVENING SWIM
LESSONS AT
DICKEY PARK**

25

**FREE DEMO
STRONG BY
ZUMBA**

AGES 18 & OVER,
7 - 7:30 P.M. AT
THE GEORGE
WILSON CENTER

**TRAIL RIDE
6 P.M. AT SUNSET
STABLES**

26

**PICKLEBALL
AGES 18 & OVER, 10 -
11:30 A.M. AT THE
GEORGE WILSON
CENTER**

27

**WHAT'S YOUR BATTING
AVERAGE?**

ALL AGES, 7:30 - 9 P.M.
AT RITTENHOUSE PARK,
FEE: \$8 RDF: \$4
**CHALK ART
6 - 7 P.M.
DICKEY PARK**

28

**PICNIC IN THE
PARK
5 - 7 P.M.
HANDLOFF PARK
PAVILION
FREE!**

**STARGAZING AT THE
NEWARK RESERVOIR
8:30 - 10 P.M.
FREE!**

29

**DISC GOLF
AT HANDLOFF
PARK**

**PONY UP
AGES 5 - 12
11 A.M. - 12 P.M.
SUNSET STABLES
FEE/RDF: \$30**

30

**THE QUICKEST WAY TO
REGISTER IS ON OUR
WEBSITE AT:
WWW.NEWARKDE.GOV/PLAY**

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**STRUT YOUR MUTT
6 - 7:30 P.M.
KELLS PARK AND
JAMES HALL TRAIL**

AUG 1

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
6 - 9 P.M. ON ACADEMY
STREET**



#PlayOnJuly

www.nrpa.org/July
www.newarkde.gov/Play
302-366-7000

REGISTRATION PROCESS



HOW TO REGISTER

The Parks and Recreation Department has four easy ways to register. Registration forms will be processed in the order that they are received.

ONLINE

You may register online at www.newarkde.gov/play

FAX

You may fax your registration form to 302-366-7169

WALK-IN

City of Newark Municipal Complex, First Floor
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
220 South Main Street Newark, DE 19711

BY MAIL

Newark Parks and Recreation
220 South Main Street Newark, DE 19711

PLEASE MAKE MONEY ORDERS OR CHECKS PAYABLE TO CITY OF NEWARK. WE ALSO ACCEPT DISCOVER, VISA AND MASTERCARD.

CANCELLATIONS

1. Newark Parks and Recreation reserves the right to cancel an activity due to insufficient registration.
2. Bad weather? Call our Activities Hot Line 302-366-7147.

CREDIT/TRANSFER/REFUND POLICY

1. Registrants will receive a full refund if the program is cancelled by Newark Parks and Recreation.
2. If you are unable to attend an activity, contact us within 24 hours prior to the start of the program and we will do one of the following:

- A. Credit your account the amount paid. (Credits are good for one year from the date of credit).
- B. Transfer you to another activity.
- C. Refund you the amount paid less a processing fee of \$10 or 10% of the cost of the program, whichever is greater. If you are not satisfied with an activity we would like to know why. Please contact us within 5 business days after the last activity meeting (please see a,b,c above).

3. Credits and Refunds do not apply to trips, events and adult sports leagues.
4. Additional trip policies are located in the trip section of your e-newsletter.
5. Allow three to four weeks for processing refunds. If you paid by credit card, your refund will be credited to your account within one to two weeks.

WAITING LIST

If an activity is filled, ask to be placed on a waiting list. Additional sections may be offered.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. The City of Newark does not carry medical insurance coverage for those people participating in city sponsored activities or using city parks or facilities.
2. Children may not accompany adults to activities designated for adult participation.
3. Persons found falsifying registration information will be dismissed from the activity and no refund will be issued.

City of Newark Department of Parks and Recreation

Activity Registration Form

Please print and fill out completely.

RESPONSIBLE ADULT

First Name M.I. Last Name Must reside within the corporate limits of Newark.
Resident* ☐ Non-resident ☐
Birthdate --
Mailing Address
City State Zip Code
Home Phone Work Phone Cell Phone
Email Address Please check if you would like to have receipt and information emailed to you. ☐

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

First Name M.I. Last Name Sex Birthdate -- Age
Activity Number - Activity Name Total Fee \$
\$

First Name M.I. Last Name Sex Birthdate -- Age
Activity Number - Activity Name Total Fee \$
\$

HEALTH INFORMATION

Does participant have any allergies? Yes No

If yes, Please explain: _____

Does participant have any physical or mental conditions that might require special consideration/attention? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUES

Sports program (please circle one) Basketball Soccer

League Name _____ Last Year's Team (if in same league) _____

Shirt Size (please circle one) Y/M Y/L A/S A/M A/L A/XL Is sibling in same league? Yes No Name _____

Is parent interested in coaching? Yes No Name _____ Phone number _____ Email _____

Emergency Release Waiver

I, the undersigned (or parent or guardian of _____) hereby authorize the City of Newark, Department of Parks and Recreation and emergency care personnel to provide and render necessary medical care and treatment of myself and/or the asforesaid child for any illness or injury, which may be suffered at any time while participating in Department of Parks and Recreation programs. It is understood that time permitting, specific permission from parent/guardian or family member will be secured in the event of any medical treatment or surgery is to be undertaken, but that, should an emergency arise, this authorization and consent will cover such an event. Also, I/we hereby accept responsibility for any accident which may occur in connection with this recreation activity, hold harmless the City of Newark, and all other parties involved in the promotion and/or conducting of the above named activity. As well, I/we understand that the City of Newark provides NO insurance coverage for this activity. I give permission for myself and/or my child to be photographed while participating and/or attending a Parks & Recreation activity. I understand that photos may be used in future publicity.

Signature (If under 18, parent/guardian must sign) _____ Date ____/____/____

The activities offered by the Newark Parks and Recreation Department are accessible to individuals with disabilities. If there are any reasonable accommodations that we might need to make for the participant to fully participate in this/these activities, please call the Parks and Recreation office to discuss the matter with the activity supervisor(s).

Please return registration form with payment to:
Newark Parks & Recreation Department
220 South Main Street
Newark, DE 19711
Fax (302) 366-7169

Payment type: Cash ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Security Code

Card #

Exp. Date ____/____/____ Name on card (Print) _____
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City of Newark Department of Parks and Recreation

Activity Registration Form For Camp and Extended Youth Activities

Please print and fill out completely for Day Camps, Sports Camps, Before/After care and Schools Out

Responsible Adult

*Must reside within the corporate limits of Newark

First Name 	M.I. 	Last Name 	Resident* 	Non-resident
Mailing Address 			Birthdate - -	
City 		State 	Zip Code 	
Home Phone 		Work Phone 		Cell Phone
Email Address 				Please check if you would like to have receipt and information emailed to you. ☐

Participant Information

First Name 	M.I. 	Last Name 	Sex 	Birthdate - -	Age
Activity Number 	Activity Name 	Total Fee \$			

Supplemental Information

TOTAL (From this sheet and others attached) \$ _____

1. Parent/Guardian Name _____ Work Phone _____ Work Hours _____ Cell Phone _____
 Parent/Guardian Name _____ Work Phone _____ Work Hours _____ Cell Phone _____
 Home Phone _____
 Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
2. Person other than the parent/guardian to whom the child may be released _____
3. Child's Doctor _____ Phone _____
4. Medical Insurance Company _____ Policy /Group Number(s) _____
5. Is child under medical care? _____ If yes, please explain _____
6. Is it necessary for child to take medication during the program hours? _____ If yes, please explain _____
7. Date of most recent DPT shot _____
 Does child have any allergies? _____ If yes, please explain _____
8. My child is permitted to participate in all activities to include short walking trips under the supervision of the program staff.

Emergency Release Waiver

I, the undersigned (or parent or guardian of _____) hereby authorize the City of Newark, Department of Parks and Recreation and emergency care personnel to provide and render necessary medical care and treatment of myself and/or the asforesaid child for any illness or injury, which may be suffered at any time while participating in Department of Parks and Recreation programs. It is understood that time permitting, specific permission from parent/guardian or family member will be secured in the event of any medical treatment or surgery is to be undertaken, but that, should an emergency arise, this authorization and consent will cover such an event. Also, I/we hereby accept responsibility for any accident which may occur in connection with this recreation activity, hold harmless the City of Newark, and all other parties involved in the promotion and/or conducting of the above named activity. As well, I/we understand that the City of Newark provides NO insurance coverage for this activity. I give permission for myself and/or my child to be photographed while participating and/or attending a Parks & Recreation activity. I understand that photos may be used in future publicity.

Signature (If under 18, parent/guardian must sign) _____ Date ____/____/____

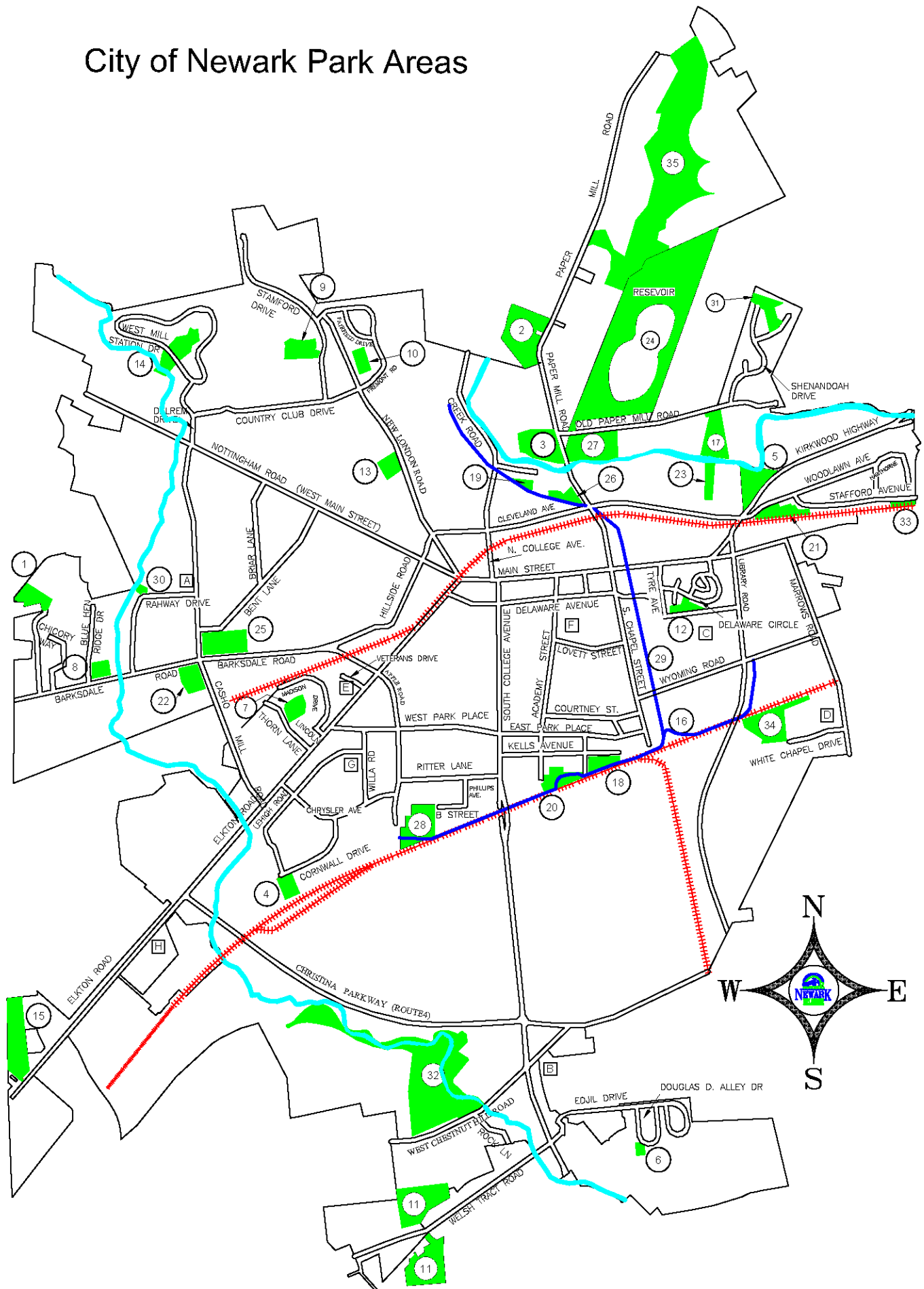
The activities offered by the Newark Parks and Recreation Department are accessible to individuals with disabilities. If there are any reasonable accommodations that we might need to make for the participant to fully participate in this/these activities, please call the Parks and Recreation office to discuss the matter with the activity supervisor(s).

Please return registration form with payment to:
Newark Parks & Recreation Department
 220 South Main Street
 Newark, DE 19711
 Fax (302) 366-7169

Payment type:	Cash 	Check 	Credit Card 	Security Code
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City of Newark Park Areas



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Park Areas

Refer to Parks Map on page 36

NOTE: Lighted courts will be available for evening play until 10 p.m. from early March to early December

PARKS AND LOCATIONS

	MAP LOCATION	AREA (ACRES)	TENNIS COURT * (NO LIGHTING)	TENNIS PRACTICE WALL	BASKETBALL COURT * (NO LIGHTING)	BASEBALL-SOFTBALL FIELD	PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	SWIMMING POOL	PICNIC TABLES	COMMUNITY CENTER	NATURAL AREAS AND TRAILS	PARKING	SHELTER	SOCCER	FACILITY RENTAL (HALL/KITCHEN)	HORSESHOE COURTS	VALLEY STREAM ACCESS	STREET HOCKEY COURTS	BOTANICAL AREA
COLEMAN Country Hills Dr.	1	5.7									X								
COVERDALE 396 Paper Mill Rd.	2	16.8									X						X		
CURTISMILL 225 Paper Mill Road	3	7							X		X	X					X		
DEVON 46 Cornwall Dr.	4	4.6					X		X										
DOROTHY P. MILLER Capitol Trail	5	7.28									X						X		
DOUGLAS D. ALLEY 420 Douglas D Alley Dr	6	.9					X		X										
EDNA C. DICKEY 60 Madison Dr.	7	8.2			1	1	X	X	X			X	X			6		X	
ELAN 2 Blue Hen Dr.	8	6.7			*1		X		X			X	X						
FAIRFIELD 491 Stamford Dr.	9	7.0	3		2	1	X		X			X	X	X					
FAIRFIELD CREST 20 Winfield Drive	10	3.7	1		*1		X		X										
FOLK PARK 98 Welsh Tract Rd.	11	34.6	1*		*1	1	X		X		X	X				1			
GEORGE READ 315 Delaware Cir.	12	2.8			*1	1	X		X			X							
GEORGE WILSON CENTER 303 New London Road	13	4.8	1		1	1	X	1	X	X		X	X		X	1			
HIDDEN VALLEY 120 W Mill Station Dr.	14	6.5			*1		X				X						X		
IRON GLEN, Elton Road	15	12.4		Future Development															
JAMES F. HALL TRAIL	16	1.76									X	X							
KARPINSKI 345 Old Paper Mill Rd.	17	8.0									X						X		X
KELLS 201 Kells Ave	18	5.2		1	2	1	X		X		X	X	X	X					
KERSHAW 197 Paper Mill Rd.	19	2.0	2*								X						X		
LEWIS 727 Academy St.	20	4.2	2				X		X		X	X	X						
LUMBROOK 100 Woodlawn Ave.	21	5.9	2		2	1	X		X			X	X						
LEROY C. HILL Barksdale & 1000 Casho Mill Rds.	22	6.3				1						X							
MCKEES 100 McKees Ln.	23	4.0			1		X		X				X				X		
NEWARK RESERVOIR Old Paper Mill Road	24	113									X	X							
NORMA B. HANDLOFF 1000 Barksdale Rd	25	15.8	3	1	2	2	X		X			X	X						
OLAN THOMAS 100 Paper Mill Rd.	26	4.3																	X
OLD PAPER MILL PARK Old Paper Mill Rd	27	12.3		Future Development													X		
PHILLIPS 101 B St.	28	13.7	3		2		X		X		X	X	X						
POMEROY TRAIL	29																		
RAHWAY 922 Rahway Dr.	30	.9					X										X		
RIDGEWOOD GLEN Shenandoah Dr.	31	12.4					X				X								
RITTENHOUSE 228 West Chestnut Hill Rd.	32	45.9					X		X		X	X	X				X		
STAFFORD 420 Stafford Ave.	33	1.8					X											X	
WHITE CHAPEL 40 White Chapel Rd.	34	10			1		X		X				X						
WWM M REDD, JR 500 Paper Mill Rd.	35	68.5					X				X	X							

OTHER FACILITIES USED FOR PROGRAMS

A. DOWNES SCHOOL
220 Casho Mill Road

B. MCVEY SCHOOL
908 Janice Drive

C. NEWARK HIGH SCHOOL
750 Delaware Avenue

D. NEWARK SENIOR CENTER
200 White Chapel Drive

E. PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICE
220 SOUTH MAIN STREET

F. WEST PARK SCHOOL
193 West Park Place

G. NEWARK CHARTER SCHOOL
2001 Patriot Way

April 25, 2017

Dear City Manager Houck,

We are writing to request your support of a proposed bicycle infrastructure pop-up demonstration project on Casho Mill in celebration of Downes Bike to School Week (May 8-12), in spite of a recent recommendation by the Traffic Committee for restrictions.

The proposed project aims to demonstrate for one week both buffered bike lane segments and protected bike lane segments. We would like to assess the community's reaction to both types of improvements. It is our understanding that the Traffic Committee voted to support the **buffered** bike lane, but not the **protected** bike lane elements, due to concerns that the Downes Elementary School community would be disappointed should a permanent protected bike lane be the preferred infrastructure improvement when, in reality, it is not a viable project at this point in time due to cost limitations and maintenance challenges.

In response to these concerns, the Downes Bike to School Week Planning Committee offers the following information:

- In August 2016, Downes Elementary School was awarded a Safe Routes to School grant to consider bicycle infrastructure improvements to Casho Mill Road. The pop-up demonstration during Bike to School Week, based on a conceptual design developed in conjunction with DelDOT, is a first step in the public engagement that is a key element of the decision-making process regarding the final project design.
- The purpose of the demonstration project is two-fold. First, it is intended to kick off the public outreach process to develop goals for improving the convenience and safety of children bicycling to Downes. Second, the project is an opportunity to educate residents on less common safe bicycling infrastructure alternatives. Such experiences can help residents provide more educated input into bicycling infrastructure changes in their community.
- The organizers of the Downes pop-up demonstration project considered the concerns raised by the Traffic Committee during its design of the project, and have taken steps to make clear to the Downes community that the protected bike lane is a **potential future opportunity**, not one that is likely to result from the existing grant due to its projected cost.
- A protected bike lane on Casho Mill, at some future time, should not be ruled out a priori, but should be explored fully as a viable alternative when and if the opportunity presents itself. For example, a protected bike lane could be a future extension of the buffered bike lane if a phased approach were adopted. Protected bike lanes might also be considered in other parts of Newark in

time, and opportunities like this one (and the Delaware Ave. pop-up project) help Newark residents experience the possibilities.

- The planning team also believes that the traffic barrels that will be used to mimic a protected bike lane will enhance the safety of students and their parents who are being encouraged to ride bicycles to school during Bike to School Week. The barrels will help to slow traffic, much as they do in construction zones.
- Lastly, one of our partners, the University of Delaware Institute for Public Administration, is planning to use the pop up demonstration project to test a survey gathering feedback from users about their experiences, positive and negative. This survey and study is part of a larger initiative by DelDOT to collect data on active transportation and required approval by the UD Institutional Review Board (IRB). The feedback will provide useful statistics for future transportation planning, as it will hopefully result in a new resource for the IPA Complete Communities Toolkit. This toolkit is made available to Newark and other Delaware communities to help support community planning for active transportation and other healthy community initiatives.

We apologize for not being present at the Traffic Committee meeting when our project was discussed. However, our decision to place it on the Traffic Committee agenda was intended as a courtesy notification. Our planning committee included representatives from the Newark Police Department and Department of Public Works, with whom we worked closely to address concerns related to safety and project design. Consequently, we were not anticipating that the Traffic Committee would raise objections to our proposed project, on which we have been working for several months.

We would also like to politely note that our Bike to School Week team consists of a broad and diverse representation of stakeholders, who have worked many long hours to carefully plan for this week-long event and pop-up project. This work is being done by volunteers and supportive partners at no cost to the city and should yield data that will be beneficial to the city regarding community interest in and behavior relating to active transportation – a transportation mode that supports the Mayor’s Healthy Newark Initiative.

For all of these reasons, we respectfully ask the City to support our plans.

Thank you for your consideration.

The Downes Bike to School Week Planning Team

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The Newark Transit Coordinating Partnership

The Newark Transit Coordinating Partnership will evaluate the integration and coordination of DART, Unicity, University of Delaware, and Cecil County Transit services to increase mobility options and provide secondary benefits to the Newark community such as traffic and parking relief; to deliver more efficient and user-friendly transit services within the University of Delaware campus and City of Newark via reduced duplication of transit routes and coverage; to better define key markets for each service provider and coordinate an integrated outreach marketing program to attract and retain transit system users. The following goals and objectives are the basis for this planning initiative:

GOAL #1 – Improve mobility options to meet demands and needs of Newark residents, employees, students, and visitors

- Identify the appropriate service area for each transit service provider that provides optimal connectivity, including connections to regional services (SEPTA, Amtrak, and Intercity Buses).
- Analyze span and frequency of services and make adjustments to meet market demands

GOAL #2– Provide quality passenger amenities to enhance bus service and attract discretionary riders

- Review existing inventory of bus stops, shelters and/or benches at highly used stops and transfer locations
- Create an action plan to improve amenities related to ADA, safety, and bicycle concerns; and integrate between transit providers.

GOAL #3– Make transit services easier to understand and use

- Increase the availability of information regarding routes and schedules
- Develop information kiosks, real time information, displays at bus shelter and transfer locations
- Institute a community outreach/education program for residents, students, commuters, visitors
- Coordinate customer service
- Develop and implement a marketing program geared towards downtown workers, University of Delaware employees for new developments at the STAR campus at Newark Train Station
- Create and distribute an integrated transit system map
- Implement advanced technologies for better coordination such as a system-wide web site, real-time tracking of buses, integrated ridership collection systems, and ridesharing applications
- Explore fare and funding options in conjunction with a revamped transit plan (prepaid fares; University discounted fares, etc.)

GOAL #4 – Promote transit system efficiency for all providers

- Integrate transit service provisions by all providers to increase mobility options
- Define and communicate the role of each transit provider/service plan so users understand it as an entire, seamless, transit system. Within this system:
 - o DART will provide the regional community wide transit services; commuter routes to/from outlying areas, define key transfer stations and hubs to connect with other providers
 - o Unicity will shuttle from remote parking lots to campus and city of Newark main destinations with a regular fixed route service between off-campus housing to campus
 - o UD will provide on campus circulator/shuttle service

Newark, Delaware

Full Rating Report

Ratings

Long-Term Issuer Default Rating AA+

Outstanding Debt

General Obligation Bonds AA+

Rating Outlook

Stable

Analytical Conclusion: Newark's 'AA+' Issuer Default Rating (IDR) and general obligation (GO) bond rating reflect its notable financial flexibility and low debt levels. The city benefits from a revenue framework that captures economic activity related to local tax-exempt entities, while modest carrying costs underlie a well-controlled expenditure framework. Fitch Ratings expects these factors, coupled with conservative financial management, would enable the city to maintain financial stability and solid reserves in an economic downturn.

Key Rating Drivers

Economic Resource Base: The city of Newark is located in northwestern Delaware, approximately 25 miles southwest of Wilmington, DE and 45 miles southwest of Philadelphia. The city's estimated 2015 population is 33,817. Healthcare and higher education are key components of the local employment base, and the region is also known for its economic strength in financial services.

Revenue Framework: 'aa' factor assessment. The city's revenue base, composed primarily of utility system transfers and property taxes, should increase in line with inflation. The city has an unlimited legal ability to raise property taxes.

Expenditure Framework: 'aa' factor assessment. Moderate carrying costs, an adequate capacity to manage labor-related costs, and the ability to pare down overpayments for long-term liabilities underlie the city's solid expenditure flexibility. Natural expenditure growth will likely align with revenues.

Long-Term Liability Burden: 'aaa' factor assessment. Fitch expects the city's long-term liability to remain low relative to the resource base.

Operating Performance: 'aaa' factor assessment. Strong expenditure flexibility and substantial independent revenue-raising capacity enable the city to demonstrate a superior degree of gap closing ability and financial resilience during an economic downturn.

Rating Sensitivities

Revenue Growth Prospects: Evidence of revenue growth prospects weaker than Fitch's current assessment could pressure the city's revenue framework and escalate its natural pace of spending growth relative to revenue increases. The Stable Outlook indicates that Fitch considers this scenario unlikely.

Analysts

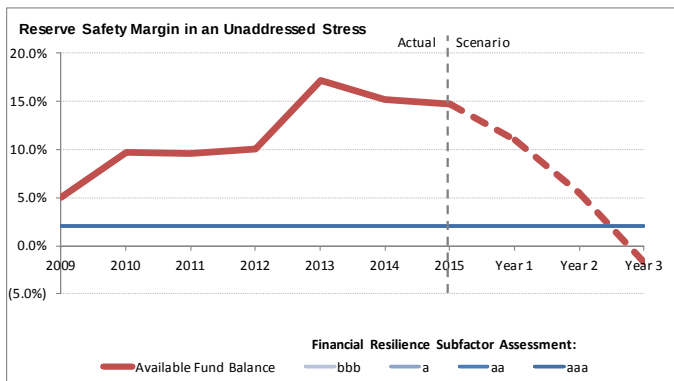
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Newark (DE)

Scenario Analysis

v. 2.0 2017/03/24



Analyst Interpretation of Scenario Results:

Past financial performance has demonstrated the city's proven willingness to increase revenues and maintain reserves through fluctuating economic conditions. Historical general fund revenues have exhibited a fair amount of volatility through a typical economic cycle scenario, and solid reserves are among the tools the city can employ to offset revenue stress that may occur. Fitch believes the city could utilize a portion of its reserves, lean on its strong revenue raising capacity and pare down expenses while maintaining superior financial resilience.

Scenario Parameters:

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
GDP Assumption (% Change)	(1.0%)	0.5%	2.0%
Expenditure Assumption (% Change)	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Revenue Output (% Change)	(1.0%)	0.0%	0.0%
Inherent Budget Flexibility	Superior		

Revenues, Expenditures, and Fund Balance	Actuals							Scenario Output		
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Total Revenues	11,276	13,071	13,200	13,599	14,757	14,758	13,038	12,908	12,908	12,908
% Change in Revenues	-	15.9%	1.0%	3.0%	8.5%	0.0%	(11.7%)	(1.0%)	0.0%	0.0%
Total Expenditures	20,171	20,704	22,129	23,554	22,390	24,203	24,291	24,777	25,273	25,778
% Change in Expenditures	-	2.6%	6.9%	6.4%	(4.9%)	8.1%	0.4%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Transfers In and Other Sources	12,539	13,146	13,870	13,660	12,581	12,721	13,855	13,717	13,717	13,717
Transfers Out and Other Uses	3,054	4,242	4,650	3,638	3,279	3,435	2,733	2,788	2,844	2,901
Net Transfers	9,485	8,904	9,220	10,022	9,302	9,286	11,122	10,929	10,873	10,816
Bond Proceeds and Other One-Time Uses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Operating Surplus(+)/Deficit(-) After Transfers	590	1,271	291	67	1,669	(159)	(131)	(941)	(1,492)	(2,054)
Net Operating Surplus(+)/Deficit(-) (% of Expend. and Transfers Out)	2.5%	5.1%	1.1%	0.2%	6.5%	(0.6%)	(0.5%)	(3.4%)	(5.3%)	(7.2%)
Unrestricted/Unreserved Fund Balance (General Fund)	1,168	2,424	2,584	2,721	4,412	4,191	3,977	3,037	1,545	(509)
Other Available Funds (Analyst Input)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Combined Available Funds Balance (GF + Analyst Input)	1,168	2,424	2,584	2,721	4,412	4,191	3,977	3,037	1,545	(509)
Combined Available Fund Bal. (% of Expend. and Transfers Out)	5.0%	9.7%	9.6%	10.0%	17.2%	15.2%	14.7%	11.0%	5.5%	(1.8%)
Reserve Safety Margins	Inherent Budget Flexibility									
	Minimal		Limited		Midrange		High		Superior	
Reserve Safety Margin (aaa)		16.0%		8.0%		5.0%		3.0%		2.0%
Reserve Safety Margin (aa)		12.0%		6.0%		4.0%		2.5%		2.0%
Reserve Safety Margin (a)		8.0%		4.0%		2.5%		2.0%		2.0%
Reserve Safety Margin (bbb)		3.0%		2.0%		2.0%		2.0%		2.0%

Notes: Scenario analysis represents an unaddressed stress on issuer finances. Fitch's downturn scenario assumes a -1.0% GDP decline in the first year, followed by 0.5% and 2.0% GDP growth in Years 2 and 3, respectively. Expenditures are assumed to grow at a 2.0% rate of inflation. Inherent budget flexibility is the analyst's assessment of the issuer's ability to deal with fiscal stress through tax and spending policy choices, and determines the multiples used to calculate the reserve safety margin. For further details, please see Fitch's US Tax-Supported Rating Criteria.

Rating History (IDR)

Rating	Action	Outlook/ Watch	Date
AA+	Affirmed	Stable	3/22/17
AA+	Revised	Stable	4/30/10
AA	Affirmed	Stable	4/23/10
AA	Affirmed	Negative	7/20/07
AA	Assigned	—	12/08/00

Credit Profile

Christiana Care Health System, one of the state's largest private employers and the University of Delaware (UD), enrolling over 20,000 students, anchor the local economy. E.I. DuPont de Nemours and Company (DuPont) and Dow Chemical are scheduled to complete their merger later in 2017; the combined entity, DowDuPont, is expected to retain a solid presence in the region, despite DuPont's notable number of layoffs in the state more than a year ago. The exceptionally well-educated local work force has contributed to city unemployment rates, which have been consistently below the national average. Below-average wealth levels and a high poverty rate reflect the presence of a large student population.

Taxable assessed values have recovered to pre-recession levels. The county, which provides the tax base data, has not conducted a reassessment of all real property since 1983, and therefore, market value estimates are unavailable.

Revenue Framework

City finances rely significantly on historically stable enterprise fund transfers. Utility transfers to the general fund totaled about \$13.8 million in fiscal 2015, representing slightly more than half of general fund revenue and transfers in. Though atypical for local governments, this transfer dependence is designed to keep taxes low and to ensure that tax-exempt entities share in the cost of government, most notably UD, which occupies a significant portion of the city's total land area.

The city's enterprise funds include water, wastewater, electric and parking. The aggregate system has consistently generated very strong debt service coverage ratios on system obligations: net revenues covered debt service by 8.8 times (x) in fiscal 2015. The electric and water funds, accounting for 74% and 13% of total enterprise operating revenues, respectively, attained coverage of 16.4x and 2.9x. UD is the utility system's largest customer, consuming about one-third of generated power; the 10 principal utility customers accounted for over one-half of power consumption.

Fitch expects a stable population will contribute to natural revenue growth in line with inflation.

The city has an unlimited legal ability to increase its property tax rate.

Expenditure Framework

Public safety accounted for slightly over half of the city's fiscal 2015 expenditures. General government is the next largest line item, equal to slightly more than one-quarter of expenditures.

Given the city's generally stable population, the natural pace of spending growth is expected to equal or slightly exceed revenue increases.

Modest carrying costs and adequate maneuverability in addressing work force compensation and headcount underlie the city's solid expenditure flexibility. Fixed carrying costs associated with debt service, actuarially determined pension contributions (ADC) and other post-employment benefits (OPEB) constitute around 13% of the city's governmental spending.

The city generally overfunds its pension ADC, which represents approximately 10% of governmental spending. Management anticipates continued annual funding in the range of 100% to 110% of the ADC, consistent with its historical ADC overfunding. The city's OPEB funding has at times been at or near the actuarially determined level. Additional financial flexibility is evident in the city's consistent pay-as-you-go capital funding.

Related Research

[Fitch Affirms Newark, DE's GOs at 'AA+'; Outlook Stable \(March 2017\)](#)

Related Criteria

[U.S. Tax-Supported Rating Criteria \(April 2016\)](#)

The city has moderate control over its largely unionized work force. Three labor unions within the city represent approximately 85% of the work force. Management can fully control headcount, and strikes are prohibited. Municipal employees are subject to binding arbitration, where arbitrators review broad economic and financial conditions. Recent labor settlements have varied from cost-of-living adjustments to larger increases designed to enable employee salaries to achieve parity with nearby municipalities. A number of early retirement programs under way will help the city realign its personnel costs as needed.

Long-Term Liability Burden

The city's history of funding capital needs on a pay-as-you-go basis has helped maintain a low debt burden. Including pension obligations, the long-term liability burden approximates 4% of the city's personal income base, roughly evenly divided between overlapping debt and the net pension liability. Outstanding direct debt issued to fund general governmental obligations is minimal, at slightly above \$1 million, and nearly the entire outstanding principal amortizes within the next five years. The direct debt calculation excludes GO debt issued to pay for capital projects for the self-supporting enterprise systems.

The \$47 million fiscal years 2017–2021 capital improvement plan (CIP) includes \$22.5 million for general government capital projects. The city funds the vast majority of its projects on a pay-as-you-go basis and has no immediate plans to issue additional debt for these projects.

The city's single-employer defined benefit pension plan consists of three distinct plans, although the city manages and administers them collectively. Actuarial studies indicate that the plans' net position can provide all projected future benefits of current employees. This pension plan is closed to new non-police employees, who instead participate in a defined contribution plan. The city's OPEB liability is less than 1% of personal income.

Operating Performance

Past financial performance has demonstrated the city's proven willingness to increase revenues and maintain reserves through fluctuating economic conditions. For details, see Scenario Analysis, page 2.

Conservative budgeting has resulted in a trend of general fund operating surpluses, adding to reserves during times of economic recovery. The city's reserve policy calls for between 30–60 days of the current year's general fund operating expenditures, or 1%–3% of the cost basis of all governmental fixed assets, plus debt service. Fitch expects the city to maintain reserve levels consistent with Fitch's 'aaa' operating performance assessment, even with the occasional minimal drawdown.

The city concluded fiscal 2015 with a deficit of approximately \$131,000, equal to less than 1% of spending. Positively, governmental expenditures included capital funding and overpayment of the pension ADC in amounts that exceeded the general fund deficit. Available fund balance equaled a sound 14.7% of spending.

Preliminary fiscal 2016 results indicate that both revenues and expenditures will exceed fiscal 2015 actuals and that there was no use of reserves to cover expenditure shortfalls. Pension contributions again exceeded the ADC.

The fiscal 2017 general fund budget includes a small surplus, even accounting for OPEB payments above the pay-as-you-go minimum. Year-to-date results show both revenues and expenditures increasing on a year-over-year basis. Fitch expects fund balance levels will remain consistent with those of the past few years.

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NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

WEEK 04/16/17-04/22/17

INVESTIGATIONS

CRIMINAL CHARGES

	2016 TO DATE	2017 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2017	2016 TO DATE	2017 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2017
<u>PART I OFFENSES</u>						
a)Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
b)Attempt	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnap	3	1	0	2	1	0
Rape	0	1	0	3	0	0
Unlaw. Sexual Contact	3	5	0	1	0	0
Robbery	15	9	0	5	3	1
- Commercial Robberies	7	5	0	0	1	0
- Robberies with Known Suspects	1	0	0	0	0	0
- Attempted Robberies	1	1	0	0	1	1
- Other Robberies	6	3	0	5	1	0
Assault/Aggravated	9	7	0	4	14	0
Burglary	30	14	0	12	4	2
- Commercial Burglaries	8	5	0	0	1	1
- Residential Burglaries	18	8	0	10	3	1
- Other Burglaries	4	1	0	2	0	0
Theft	207	158	10	51	63	2
Theft/Auto	9	19	0	5	2	0
Arson	0	1	0	0	0	0
All Other	44	34	1	20	17	2
TOTAL PART I	320	249	11	103	104	7
<u>PART II OFFENSES</u>						
Other Assaults	114	97	10	53	48	6
Rec. Stolen Property	0	1	0	9	2	0
Criminal Michief	58	73	4	26	15	3
Weapons	3	8	0	14	13	2
Other Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alcohol	88	38	10	142	71	5
Drugs	47	55	4	62	61	12
Noise/Disorderly Premise	223	256	22	104	79	8
Disorderly Conduct	49	50	4	37	32	4
Trespass	54	55	4	23	23	4
All Other	170	142	13	102	119	5
TOTAL PART II	806	775	71	572	463	49
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>						
Alarm	301	139	5	0	0	0
Animal Control	148	120	7	0	2	1
Recovered Property	99	86	10	0	0	0
Service	10711	12081	723	0	0	0
Suspicious Per/Veh	185	193	21	0	0	0
TOTAL MISC.	11444	12619	766	0	2	1

	THIS WEEK 2016	2016 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2017	2017 TO DATE
TOTAL CALLS	920	14,431	936	15,732



Newark Police Department
Weekly Traffic Report
04/16/17-04/22/17



TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	2016 YTD	2017 YTD	THIS WEEK 2016	THIS WEEK 2017
Moving/Non-Moving	3385	2828	354	112
DUI	55	50	0	5
TOTAL	3440	2878	354	117

TRAFFIC COLLISIONS				
Fatal	0	0	0	0
Personal Injury	63	80	7	3
Property Damage (Reportable)	391	329	32	15
*Hit & Run	101	77	9	1
*Private Property	90	71	9	1
TOTAL	454	409	39	18

*Included in the total collision numbers

Note: Typically, the YTD numbers are generated by adding the current week statistics to the YTD statistics from the previous reporting period. Periodically, the numbers for this report will be generated from the beginning of the year to capture data that may have otherwise been omitted due to a processing delay or other administrative anomaly, more accurately updating the year-to-date totals.