# CITY OF NEWARK MONTHLY NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2023





## FREE WATER FOR A YEAR!

We have an obligation to provide the EPA an inventory of our water service lines and we need your help! All you have to do is complete a quick 5-minute survey and upload a photo of the material of your water line (copper, lead, plastic, etc.).

What's in it for you? The chance to win a year's worth of water! Read more about the Lead and Copper Rule on our website and enter the giveaway at <a href="mailto:newarkde.gov/lead">newarkde.gov/lead</a>.

#### **NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE**

Patriot Day is Monday, September 11. Join the City of Newark in volunteering at Olan Thomas Park in honor of this day on Saturday, Sep. 9. Volunteers are essential in taking care of our parks and for us to conduct the quality programs and events that the community has come to love. Volunteer help and dedication to the community are greatly appreciated. There will also be lots of information on how to sign up for our Fall volunteer opportunities! For additional information or to register, please call (302) 366-7000 or email parksrec@newark.de.us.

## **COMMUNITY DAY**

The City of Newark's Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with the University of Delaware, and the Christina School District present the area's premier fall festival on Sunday, September 17, on the UD Green from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. This exciting event features fun for the entire family. The Green provides the perfect outdoor

## **STORM TREE DAMAGE TIPS**

Mother Nature has already sent storms our way this season, complete with heavy rains and high winds. Some people had little or no damage, while others were not so lucky! Tree damage ranges from broken limbs here and there to entire trees being uprooted. The weather service says that there are more storms to come before the season ends. Listed below are some important points to remember should you experience damage to your residence:

- $\cdot$  Secure the area and inform everyone to stay away. Large limbs that are broken and hanging can fall at any time
- · Contact the Code Enforcement Division of the City of Newark for a structural inspection.
- · Uprooted trees lying on their sides can shift. Partially uprooted trees can fall at any moment. Do not let people in these areas until a professional has assessed and resolved the issue.
- Do not touch the fallen tree. It make have taken down power lines. These lines may be hidden, but the could still be energized.
- · Call the professionals! You will need a reputable and qualified tree care company. Do not cut up storm damaged trees or limbs. Often times there are springloaded forces that can cause serious injury if not handled properly. Depending on where the tree lands, you may need a roofer, electrician, or carpenter. Make sure these contractors are licensed. The answers to the following questions can help relieve some of the stress associated with storm damage:
- 1. How will the work be performed?
- 2. Are you insured? Ask for current Certificate of Insurance.
- 3. When will the work be started and completed?

venue for local musicians and demonstration groups. A food court will have a variety of foods. Fine Art and Homemade Craft vendors will be displaying and selling their creations. The Children's Area is always a big hit with Scarecrow Making and more. Community Information booths and activities are supplied by a variety of local businesses and organizations. Vendors are still needed! This is a great way for local businesses, organizations, fine artists, crafters and more to showcase their organization and sell their wares to area residents. The rain date for the event is scheduled for Sunday, Sep. 24. Vendor packages are available at www.newarkde.gov/play. For more information call the

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## **VENDORS & PERFORMERS**

Fall is just around the corner and Newark Parks and Recreation has a full schedule of events for vendors to get involved. Starting with Community Day in September all the way through Santa's Secret Shoppe in December check out all that is available in the vendor packet located online at www.newarkde.gov/play.

#### **SUPER REBATE PROGRAM**

Our Conservation Advisory Commission launched the first-ever "super rebate" program for residents who purchase a qualified energy efficient window AC unit. Efficiency Smart is already offering a \$50 rebate and the CAC will double it! Follow the steps below to claim your rebate or visit our website for more information.







#### **WELCOME TO THE CITY!**

The City of Newark is welcoming new faces to our workforce. The new employees include:

- $\cdot$  Michael Riva, Police Officer, Police Department, 07/10/2023
- · Davoy Higgins, Part-Time Parking Ambassador, Parking Division, 07/10/2023
- $\cdot$  Joshua Dyal, Part-Time Parking Ambassador, Parking Division, 07/17/2023
- · Everett Brown, Police Officer, Police Department, 07/24/2023
- · Maya Sneed, Communications Officer I, Police Department, 07/26/2023
- · Raquel Arban, Digital Management Records Coordinator, Legislative Department, 08/07/2023
- · Joshua Berger, Maintenance I, PW&WR/Water Division, 08/07/2023
- · Breanna Myers, Communications Officer I, Police Department, 08/07/2023
- · Briana Grinkin, Police Officer, Police Department, 08/28/2023
- · Pierce Gilsenan, Police Officer, Police Department, 08/28/2023

Due to the Labor Day holiday, refuse normally collected on Monday, September 4 will be collected on Tuesday, September 5. Refuse normally collected on Tuesday, September 5 will be collected on Wednesday, September 6. There will be NO yard waste collection on Wednesday, September 6. Please call Public Works at (302) 366-7000 with any questions.

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