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Town Manager



Winter 2018-2019  
Dec., Jan. & Feb.

### **DELMAR, DELAWARE INCUMBENTS GO UNCHALLENGED**

The Town of Delmar, Delaware was scheduled to hold its' Municipal Election on Monday, October 1, 2018. Because no one challenged the incumbents, an election was not necessary. On Monday, November 5, 2018, the Delaware Mayor and Council held its' Oath of Office ceremonies for Mayor Michael Houlihan, Council Member Mary Lee Pase, and Council Member Gregory Smith. After the ceremony, Council Member Pase was appointed to serve as the Vice Mayor.



Mayor Houlihan's new term will expire in 2020 and the terms for both Vice Mayor Pase and Council Member Smith will expire in 2022.



Also recognized on Monday, November 5, 2018, at the Delmar, Delaware Mayor and Council meeting was Jane Ann Smith for her 50 years of volunteering with the Ladies Auxiliary for the Delmar Volunteer Fire Department.

Delmar Utility Customers:

We are happy to announce that we can provide a new mailing option for your quarterly billing. **We can email your quarterly bill directly to your email.**

The setup is quite simple! **Email us at [delmartownhall@verizon.net](mailto:delmartownhall@verizon.net) from the email address that you wish to receive your quarterly bill and provide a brief message that you wish to begin the new E-Bill option. That is, it!** We will attach the email address to your utility account. We will send out a “test” email to ensure proper delivery will occur prior to the new billing quarter.

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#### Prevent Winter Water Leaks

Winter weather is certainly here and along with the winter weather comes the risk of frozen pipes. In order to avoid frozen pipes, allow a trickle of water to run through them and if the pipes are concealed by cabinets, open the cabinet doors to allow heat to get to them. If a pipe does indeed freeze and burst, contact Town Hall at (410) 896-2777 or (302) 846-2664 as soon as possible to have the water turned off so that repairs may be made. If a pipe bursts after regular business hours, call the Public Works On-Call number (443) 359-0894.

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#### Special Note

**Residents with questions concerning their utility bills are encouraged to contact Town Hall upon receipt of the bill and prior to the due date.** To help assist process payments as quickly as possible, residents should bring both sections of their bill to Town Hall when making payment.

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#### Reminder

Delinquent utility bills accumulate an *interest of 1%* per month beginning the day after the due date. The due date is listed on all utility bills and is generally one month after the billing date. Other penalties for late payments include a **\$10 administrative fee** on the seventh day after the due date.

- Disconnection for non-payment can occur as early as sixteen days after the due date. **A \$40 Disconnection fee is added as of 8 A.M. of day of scheduled disconnection.**
  - If you are making an online payment please allow 24 hours for payment to be notated on account.
  - If bill is not satisfied and disconnected; before water service will be restored the entire amount of the bill and a **\$10 reconnection fee** must be collected during regular business hours (8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.).
  - Services can be restored **after hours up to 6 p.m. and the reconnection fee is \$30.** Payment must be rendered to Town Hall by 9 a.m. the following business morning or the evening of restoration. Payments can be deposited in our drop box located behind Town Hall.
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#### Help Prevent Sewage Blockages



The Town has experienced several sewage blockages and

we request the following articles **not be flushed down the toilet.**

Facial Tissue    Wipes of any kind  
Bandages/Bandage wrappings  
Medical Waste    Pet waste    Feminine products  
Diapers    Cotton Balls and Swabs

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#### Snow Removal

It is important for all of us to do our part when it comes to safety and snow removal. It is vital and

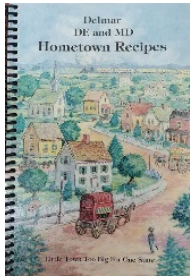


required by ordinance, for homeowners, residents and occupants to remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks surrounding their homes within twenty-four hours of the time that accumulation has ceased.

Thank you in advance for doing your part to keep the sidewalks safe.

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### DELMAR COOKBOOKS-



There are still cook books available for sale at Town Hall

. Going to someone's house for Thanksgiving? What a great hostess gift!

Visiting family and friends over the holidays? This would be a nice piece

of "home" to share with them. Cookbooks are \$10.00. We can actually ship a cookbook to someone for the shipping charge of \$2.47 per book.

Think outside the box for that gift for someone you never know what to buy for.

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### Town Hall Closings

Town Hall will be closed on the following dates:

Monday and Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas

Tuesday, January 1, 2019- in observance of New Year's Day

Monday, January 21, 2019 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, February 18, 2019 in observance of President's Day

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### HOLIDAY TRASH COLLECTION

#### Thanksgiving

Delmar, MD- picked up on FRIDAY, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### Christmas

Delmar, DE- picked up on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>. Delmar, MD- picked up on FRIDAY, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>

#### New Year's Day

Delmar DE- picked up on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 2<sup>ND</sup>.

Delmar, MD-picked up FRIDAY, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>

**Christmas Trees will be picked up on regular pick-up dates during the month of January.**

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### Delmar Christmas Parade

The Greater Delmar Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Delmar Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> starting at 2 p.m. (Rain date is Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm). The line-up will take place on N. Penn Ave. instead of S. Penn Ave as in the past years. From State Street, they will be making a left onto 8<sup>th</sup> Street and onto the School.

**The Delmar Masonic Temple, during the parade,** will be serving hot coffee, hot chocolate, cookies and donuts in front of their building at 100 E. State Street, Delmar, MD, across from St. Stephen's Church, which they have done for the past 4 years.

They will be serving from 12:30 p.m. on December 1<sup>st</sup> until the parade is done and all parade attendees have left.

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**The Kiwanis of Delmar** meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church at 100 10<sup>th</sup> St. Delmar, DE. They will be in the Christmas Parade again this year. They will also be singing Carols at the Delmar Nursing Home on Monday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Jeannie Stitt if you would like to join then at 410-896-3955.

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### Delmar Community Carol Sing

There will be a Community Sing on December 9,



2018 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church. All are welcome to St. Stephen's Camelot Hall at 103 E. State St. for soup, sandwiches and cookies after the caroling at no charge.

\*Please bring a canned good for distribution to the local needy. Come and Enjoy singing and listening to the music.

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### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Love Light Tree

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual holiday tradition of the dedication of the **Love Light Tree** will be held on Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm in State Street Park, Delmar, DE. Refreshments will be served at the Park. The names of those who have been honored by a light dedication will be displayed at the dedication ceremony. The tax-deductible donations made will not only honor your loved ones and decorate the



tree, but will also contribute to the many ministries of St. Stephen's UMC.

St. Stephen's UMC will be hosting a beef and dumpling dinner on Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> at the VFW from 12:30- 4:00 Cost is \$14.00.

### **Happenings at the VFW** **December, 2018**

- 2- Turkey Shoot -12 Noon- Open to Public
- 5- Bar Bingo 7 pm- Open to the Public
- 7- Delmarva Aces Quarter Auction-7 pm
- 9- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon Open to Public
- 12- Lions Club Meeting 6:30 pm
- 15- Cash Bingo-Dinner Included. Doors open at 4 pm. Open to Public
- 16- Turkey shoot-12 Noon- Open to Public
- 19- Bar Bingo-7 pm-Open to Public
- 23- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 25- Post Closed- Christmas
- 30- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 31- New Year's Eve Party 8 pm – 1 am Open to Public

### **January, 2019**

- 1- Black-eyed Peas for Lunch for Veterans
- 6- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 9- Lion's Club Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 11- Friday Nite Dinner- 6-8 pm- Open to Public
- 12-Delmarva Aces Quarter Auction- 7 pm
- 13- St. Stephen's Beef & Dumplings 12:30-4 pm Open to Public
- 13- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 16- Bar Bingo-7 pm- Open to the Public
- 19- Cash Bingo-4 pm. Dinner Included Open to Public
- 20- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 25- Friday Nite Dinner 6-8 pm- Open to Public
- 27- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public

### **February, 2019**

- 3- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 6- Bar Bingo 7 pm- Open to Public
- 8- Friday Nite Dinner 6-8 Dinner-Open to Public
- 9- Republican Woman Dinner- Open to Public
- 10- Delmar Library- Beef & Dumplings Dinner 12:30-4 Open to Public
- 10- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 16- Cash Bingo- Dinner Included-4 pm Open to Public
- 17- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public
- 20- Bar Bingo-7 pm- Open to Public
- 22- Friday Nite Dinner- 6-8 pm- Open to Public
- 23- 12U Baseball Quarter Auction-Open to Public
- 24- Laurel Library- Beef & Dumplings 12:30-4 Open to Public

24- Turkey Shoot- 12 Noon- Open to Public

### **Delmarva Model Railroad Club**



The Delmarva Model Railroad Club is Delmarva's largest club for model railroaders.

### **The main holiday Open House dates and times 2018-**

Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>- Saturday -11 am – 4 pm

Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>- Sunday -Noon to 4 pm

Dec. 1- Saturday -11 am – 4 pm

Dec. 2- Sunday- 12 Noon – 4 pm

### **2019-**

Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>- Saturday- 11 am - 4 pm

Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>- Sunday-12 Noon – 4 pm

Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>- Saturday- 11 am – 4 pm

Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>- Sunday- 12 Noon – 4 pm

There will be train videos to watch and refreshments will be for sale.

The Club is now having regular Operating Sessions. During these sessions, they operate their HO layout as the real B&O Railroad would. They run the same trains they would, adhering to the same schedule. If you are a Model Railroader and would like to attend one of the Operating Sessions, please call 302-856-9250 for more information.



The Delmar Parks and Recreation Council has **BIG NEWS!!** We will be starting a community garden this coming Spring! The garden will be located at the corner of S. Pennsylvania Ave and Walnut St, on the side of the old police station. We are looking forward to the community coming together so we can make this garden a huge success. The preparation for the garden will begin the end of January through February with the building of the beds. Please feel free to contact us if you would like to donate anything for the garden! You can message us through Facebook, call 410-896-2777 ext. 100, email [Delmarparksandrecreation@gmail.com](mailto:Delmarparksandrecreation@gmail.com) , or come

into Town Hall. We are so excited to begin this project and are looking forward to future.

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Delmar Parks and Recreation Council is looking for more members!

Do you live inside the Delmar School District? Do you want to make a difference in your town? Then we need you!! The Parks and Recreation Council meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining contact Town Hall @ 410-896-2777 EXT 100 or feel free to stop by!

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### **Little** Hands Made a **Big** Difference

The Town of Delmar is so grateful to the members of Cub Scout Pack 827 and one member of the Boy Scout Troop 176 for volunteering their time to participate in the Walnut Street Submerged Gravel Wetlands Project. Special thanks to Lion Scout Logan Lemp; Tigers Scouts Auldin Brown, Joshua Jenkins and Kamden Ralph; Wolf Scouts Owen Lloyd, Austin Lemp, Cameron Mobray, Joshua Vernier and Kolby Wallace; Boy Scout Troop 176 Evan Leitner, Also a special thank you to Sophia Oberton, Public Works Coordinator of Special Projects and Kip Leitner; Coordinator for the Scouts for organizing the partnership for this project. ( See photos below)







## **Delmar School District Calendar**

Dec. 13- Interim Progress Reports Distributed  
Dec. 19-31- Winter Break- Schools & Offices  
Closed  
Jan.1- Winter Break- Schools & Offices Closed  
Jan. 2- Teacher Prep Day- Schools Closed  
Jan. 3- Schools and Offices reopen  
Jan. 21- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Schools & Offices Closed  
Jan. 22-25- Mid Term Exams- Students  
Dismissed at 11:45 am  
Feb. 1- Report Cards Distributed  
Feb. 4- Professional Development Day  
Feb. 18- President's Day- Schools & Offices  
Closed

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### **DID YOU KNOW???**

Delmar's first school was a one room building erected about 1865 at the corner of First and Grove Streets on land donated by Winder Hastings. It was a one room building furnished with long benches and desks made of planks. The building was used at various times for religious services. Adult education classes were held in the schoolhouse on Sunday afternoons during the 1870's. This building remained until 1885 when it was burned and a two-story building was erected in its' place. When the school reopened there were 65 students who were graded into 2 departments.

In the corner of the woods near the junction of Rt. 13A and Foskey Lane, 2 one room buildings served from 1870-1890 as the school-houses for the students on the Maryland side of Town. One of these buildings was for the smaller children and the other for older boys and girls. The building for the older students was used only during the winter months when it was impossible for the children to do farm work. It was closed during the fall and spring.

In 1889 a two room building was erected closer to Town. This school was much superior to the first and served the community for 6 years. In 1895 it was necessary for the students of the highest grade to attend school in the old M.P. Church west of the railroad.

During the first two decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, 2 wooden two-story structures, one located at First and Grove Streets and the other at Rt. 13A and Chestnut Streets served the educational needs of the Town. In 1919 a small brick high school was built near Foskey Lane on Second Street. From 1921 to 1937 elementary school children continued to attend the school on Chestnut Street. In 1937, the Board of Education for Wicomico County, Maryland, with the assistance of a P.W.A. Grant added enough classrooms to the high school building to accommodate the elementary school children. Shortly thereafter, the old wooden structure was demolished.

In 1928, with the completion of a large, modern school building at the eastern side of Jewel Street, the elementary and high school children of the Delaware side of Town vacated the building they had occupied for so many years and moved into the new building.

After a concerted effort by all of the citizens of Delmar, the two high schools of the Town were consolidated in 1949. From this date on, all students receiving a high school education in Delmar have attended the Delmar, Delaware High School. In 1953, the upper grades of the elementary schools were consolidated with all the children in the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades attending the Delmar, Maryland Elementary school.

### **NOW YOU KNOW !!**

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100 S. Pennsylvania Avenue  
Delmar, MD 21875