

# Seaford Soroptimists honored with marker

By Glenn Rolfe  
Delaware State News

SEAFORD — On hold one year due to COVID-19, a Delaware historical marker now stands at Soroptimist Park, recognizing the power of women and Soroptimist International of Seaford's community influence for more than 70 years.

The Delaware Public Archives formally dedicated the marker May 17, commemorating the Soroptimist Club, an all-volunteer organization that was formed on May 24, 1950.

"It was a great recognition of really who they are and what they have done in Seaford," said Seaford Mayor David Genshaw. "They are just really a stellar organization in Seaford."

State Rep. Danny Short, R-Seaford, who served on Seaford City Council and then as mayor before moving on to state government, helped to facilitate the effort.

"They have been a great community player. That's why the city, when I was mayor, and all the mayors including the current mayor have supported their efforts and what they are doing for the city," said Rep. Short. "They are very quiet about it. They don't ask for recognition. But we felt it was time to give them some (recognition) and place that marker there."

Soroptimist Park, located off Middleford Road, is owned by the city and maintained through a collaborative effort with Soroptimist International of Seaford.

"I call it kind of a silent group that just goes along and does their thing, and makes a huge impact back into the community," said Soroptimist International of Seaford President Renee Morris. "The word 'soroptimist' is actually a Latin word that means 'best for women.' It's a women-based organization to empower and betterment lives for women not only in our communities, but also internationally."

Next to the park is the Soroptimists' Nellie G. Allen Curiosity Shop, a thrift shop that turns donations of clothing, household goods and other items into financial support benefiting the community.

"Certainly, Soroptimists has been a great organization. It's a bunch of women that do a great job as far as volunteering and helping the community," said Sussex County Council President Michael Vincent, who served on Seaford council before being elected to council. "And all that money goes back to the community. They do great work for the community and surrounding areas. They are good people. That shop, besides generating income that they give away, employs some people. So, they help the economy in that way, giving people jobs. Those girls do great work. They are a big asset to the city of Seaford."

In 2009, the nonprofit launched Cinderella's Closet (the name has since changed to Your Sister's Closet), which offers women and girls a low-cost dress/apparel alternative for proms, homecomings, weddings and beauty pageants. Your Sister's Closet has a location on High Street in downtown Seaford.

"All of the gowns are donated. We have well over 200 gowns. We get so many wonderful donations for



Submitted photo  
The Delaware Public Archives on May 17 unveiled the Soroptimist International of Seaford historical marker. From left, Stephen M. Marz, director/state archivist Delaware Public Archives; State Rep. Daniel B. Short; Seaford Mayor David Genshaw; Soroptimist International of Seaford President Renee Morris; Sussex County Council President Michael H. Vincent; Dolores Slatcher, Soroptimist International of Seaford member; and Seaford City Manager Charles D. Anderson.



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Your Sister's Closet is one of the outreach programs offered by Soroptimist International of Seaford. On High Street in Seaford, it offers low-cost gown alternatives for proms and other formal events.

that," Ms. Morris said.

For decades, the Seaford chapter has awarded annual scholarships. This year, SIS is awarding a total of \$20,000 through five scholarships to graduating seniors in Seaford and surrounding Western Sussex County area, Ms. Morris said.

Other major programs include the Women's Opportunity Award, the Best for Women Award, the Suitcase Project, Youth Forum (which enhances speaking/presentation skills) and the SMART Girls program through the Boys & Girls Club along with some international projects.

Abroad, SIS provides funding support for Wells for Ghana. The Seaford organization also helps women in underserved countries start up businesses through a revolving funding program that is re-invested.

"So, we are empowering women to kind of get on their own feet and be independent," Ms. Morris said.

At home, SIS supports women through homeless shelters and programs addressing domestic violence.



Renee Morris, president of Soroptimist International of Seaford, speaks at the Delaware Public Archives historical marker dedication.

The Seaford chapter's membership spans the age spectrum. The oldest of four life members with Soroptimist International of Seaford is 97. Combined, those four life members have over 200 years of service to the Seaford chapter, Ms. Morris said.

"And we have younger career women in the working field, wanting to give back to the community," said Ms. Morris. "I will say it is a wonderful group of women - very dedicated."

Mr. Vincent, who grew up in Seaford, has vivid memories of the property that now houses the park and Seaford Soroptimists' thrift shop.

"My first exposure to that piece of property was I was about 4 years old, and my father took me there to see a Seaford Eagles baseball game.

That property is where the Seaford Eagles minor league team played ball," said Mr. Vincent. "Then after that, at some point in time, the Soroptimists took that place over and they put a softball field back there. I played on the fire company softball team for years."

Ms. Morris, whose two-year term as president will end in June when she will pass the president's reins to current 1st Vice President Trisha Newcomer, recognized Rep. Short for his assistance in securing the marker and the funding. "We're very appreciative to Danny for that," she said.

"It's just a fantastic organization of women. Just don't get in their way ... if they are on mission!" said Rep. Short with a chuckle.

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## MISS BONNIE HUGHES IS SEAFORD HIGH'S "MISS BLUE JAY"



Following the Dover-Seaford basketball game here last Friday night the High School student body moved into the Cafeteria and enjoyed festivities in honor of this year's "Miss Blue Jay" who it developed, was Miss Bonnie Hughes. The scene pictured above depicts some of the pageantry arranged by the Blue Jay staff to honor its favored daughter. Contestants included: left to right: Colleen Sturgeon, Mary Ann Sammons, Frances Burton, Miss Hughes, Mary Lynn Burris, Barbara Cummings and Sandra Jones.

WALLER'S STUDIO

### Little League Registration Next Saturday

Registration for all boys 9 through 12 years old will be held on Saturday, March 4, 1961 and Saturday, March 11, 1961, at the Seaford Fire Hall. This registration is for all boys interested in the Little League program.

### Seaford Man Receives His Masters Degree

Carl E. Fritz, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Fritz, Sr. received an M.A. degree in psychology at the winter convocation of George Washington University, Washington, D. C. on February 22nd. Mr. Fritz received his B.A. degree from Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio in 1952. He is now staff associate with the Delaware Association for Retarded Children in Wilmington.

## Minutes of the City Council

7:00 P.M. February 13, 1961  
Mayor Williams opened the meeting with the following members present: Mr. R. Hayman Lank, Mr. Howard W. Hinkson, Mr. Marshall R. Nesbitt, Mr. Albert E. Stevens, and Mr. John W. Kinkell.

Minutes of the regular meeting of February 14 and special meeting of February 15 were read and, as there were no corrections, stood approved as read.

Mr. Handley of Cambridge, Maryland, was present to demonstrate a mobile short-wave radio set. He explained the operation and demonstrated it by talking from the Mayor and Council Room in the Municipal Building to a car in all sections of the City. Council thanked Mr.

Handley and told him that if and when the City considered buying radios, he would be contacted.

City Manager read a letter from the State Highway Department that a traffic light for Stein Highway and Atlanta Road had been approved and would be placed when funds became available.

There was a discussion of the falling of a heavy concrete light standard on Tull's Crossing Bridge. City Manager was authorized to write to the State Highway Department and suggest that these standards be replaced with steel poles and modern mercury vapor fixtures and if this was done the City would maintain them.

Because of the Budget Committee meeting after the Municipal election, Council told City Manager to check with the low

## Easter Seal Campaign This Month

The 1961 Easter Seal Campaign, a month long campaign to raise funds for handicapped children and adults, begins this week in Delaware.

Letters containing sheets of Easter Seals have been mailed to the home of 75,000 Delawareans, accompanied by an appeal letter signed by Gov. Elbert N. Carvel.

The campaign extends from March 2 to April 2.

Foremost among the uses for Easter Seal contributions are care and treatment of crippled children and adults, education, and research.

James T. McKinstry, general chairman of Delaware's Easter Seal campaign, pointed out this week that "as public support of

## Jaycees Lead In State Contest

The Seaford chapter of the Junior Chamber of Commerce is leading among the 17 chapters in Delaware in a contest based on community service projects, attendance, and membership.

National Director John Griffiths of Wilmington announced the standings of the states' Jaycee chapters at the mid-year point of the state Jaycee administration.

The Seaford chapter headed by Richard Saper, President, is setting the pace and is seeking the top position in a contest which will close in May.

Second place honors in the contest at this time go to the Dover chapter and its president, Thomas Holt. In the number three position is the Smyrna-Clayton chapter with Robert Belber at the helm.

The other chapters follow according to the standings below:

4. Laurel, 5. Wilmington, 6. Middletown, 7. Newark, 8. Rehoboth Beach, 9. New Castle, 10. Millsboro, 11. Brandywine, 12. Milford, 13. Christiansa Hundred, 14. Milton, 15. Harrington, 16. Georgetown.

## Senior Citizens Hear Talk On Convention Activities In La.

The Senior Citizens Group, sponsored by the Soroptimist Club, met on Wednesday afternoon, February 22nd, at the Parish House. Victor Rawlins, President, was in charge and there were 30 members and 2 guests present.

The group had as their speaker, Mr. William McKnight, president of the Salisbury Senior Citizens and he gave a wonderful talk on the Convention of Senior Citizens held in New Orleans, La. recently and which he attended.

The members enjoyed games, group singing and readings. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Anna May Marvel, Mrs. Millie Hardesty and Mrs. Grace Morgan.

The next meeting will be held on March 8th with a covered dish dinner at 12:30. All members are urged to attend and bring a covered dish.

## Ki-Wives To Meet

The Ki-Wives Club will meet Tuesday, March 8, 8:00 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Walter Bell at Hearn's Pond.

## NOTICE

ALL CITIZENS who are eligible to vote in the Municipal Election, Monday, March 6, 1961, are urged to come out and vote for the Candidate of their choice. Polls will be open from 12 Noon to 6 P.M. at the City of Seaford Municipal Building.

**W. J. Williams, Mayor**  
City of Seaford

## Soroptimist To Open Shop

The March business meeting of the Soroptimist Club of Seaford was held at the Seaford Inn on Wednesday evening with president, Belva Hurley, presiding.

The meeting opened with the salute to the flag and invocation by Nellie Walker.

After the reading of the minutes and the treasurer's report, Belva Hurley called for committee reports.

A letter was read from the Soroptimist Club of Newark inviting the Seaford Club to their Thirteenth Birthday Meeting and Dinner at the Country Club of Newark on March 27.

A letter was read from W. J. Williams, Chairman of the Chicken Festival, requesting that two members of the Soroptimist Club attend the meeting at the Seaford Municipal Building on March 9. Nellie Allen and Elizabeth Lloyd were selected to attend this meeting.

Belva Hurley displayed a metal cabinet that she had purchased to keep the Soroptimist material in. It was voted to reimburse her and use this cabinet.

For some time the Soroptimist Club of Seaford has been looking for a location to open a shop for second hand and new merchandise. At this time they have located a suitable place. Elizabeth Lloyd has made a survey of other such shops in Salisbury, Chester town and Cambridge, and gave her report on this survey.

## Alton L. Kratz

Seaford friends of Alton L. Kratz, of Baltimore, were shocked this week to learn that he had died suddenly while at work in Chambersburg, Pa., this past Monday.

Mr. Kratz, 56, was the husband of the former Miss Eliza both Prettyman, of Seaford, and was well known here where he frequently visited his parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Quentor Prettyman. He had been a member of the United States Army for many years and was retired as Major. Following his retirement he was retained by private industry as an ordinance expert and had been residing in Baltimore for a number of years.

He is survived by his wife and a daughter, Phyllis.

Funeral services were conducted in Baltimore Tuesday.

After a long discussion, a motion was made by Mildred Smith and seconded by Helen Light to undertake this project starting April 1.

The members were asked to bring in suggestions for a name for the shop.

The location of this shop will be in the Warrington Building on High Street. The Soroptimist Club will appreciate any donations of clothes, utensils, jewelry, furniture, etc., to stock this shop.

It is a well known fact that the City of Seaford has benefited greatly from the Soroptimist Club and they hope the people of Seaford will support this project.

## Mrs. Litchford To Model In Lourdes Fashion Show

SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS BRING HONOR TO S.H.S.



Six Seaford students have won high honors in the ninth annual Delaware State Science Fair which was held at the Tower Hill School on Thursday through

Saturday, April 13-15, 1961.

The winners, pictured above with Mr. Arthur Ellis, junior high school science teacher and group sponsor, are: L-R: Jon Thiem and Mike Moynihan, first place winners in the Physical Sciences for their demonstration of the Effects of Air on Different Air Foils; Randy Larrimore,

honorable mention for his Gas Discharge Tube - Physical Sciences; Mr. Ellis; Diane Brower, honorable mention for her Heredity exhibit in the field of Biological Sciences; and Pat Williams and Bobbie Jean Dunham, honorable mention for their exhibits on Molds - Biological Sciences.

DEANS LIST



Laurel Minstrel Next Week

The "HOB0" Minstrel which is being presented by the Odd Fellows of Laurel on Monday and Tuesday, April 24th and 25th at 8 P.M. in the High School Auditorium is in its final stages of rehearsal, under the able direction of Mrs. Nell Barr of Georgetown, Del. The show will be presented in two acts and promises to be one of the better shows presented here with plenty of action interwoven with hilarious comedy, dancing by the top talent of the community, jokes that will relieve tension, songs by solo artists, and many other entertaining features. The theme of the show revolves around a Hobo hangout and depicts some of the various characteristics of their life. A chorus of 40 male and female voices will support the "Hobos" in their antics.

The show will have as its in-

Dean Robert J. Young of Radford College, Woman's Division of VPL has announced that Miss Ellen Irene Hallman has been included in the official dean's list for the winter quarter, 1961. A student at Radford is eligible for the dean's list when she makes twenty-four or more quality prints in one quarter and has no grade less than a "C". Miss Hallman, a Senior Elementary Education major, is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Hallman, 312 Fourth Street, Seaford.

COMMUNICATED

Dear Wright,  
I am sure that I do not have to remind you how nice it is to live in a community such as we have in the Seaford-Blades area. It is indeed gratifying to serve on a committee and have the wholehearted support of everyone concerned as I have just experienced as chairman of the David Webb Fund Dance sponsored by the Seaford Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary.

To start the evening off with a "bang", Mr. Griffith - Manager of the U. S. Plywood Co. here in Seaford, dropped by to wish us well and left us a check for \$250.00 from his company. Lu Parris and his orchestra gave us a very special rare the occasion and after his members were paid, Mr. William Rugg - one of the members in the band - donated his evening's earnings. Our good Mayor, Joe Williams took an evening from his busy schedule and gave the band his very able assistance with his bass violin.

We had drawings for door prizes and some of the winners donated their prizes. They were Joe Nusbaumer - \$10.00, Pete Smith - \$10.00, and Bill Palmer, an ex-neighbor of David Webb, donated \$39.00 to cover the cost of all door prizes.

There were many other donations, and tickets bought that were not used and I would like to thank each and every one who did so - so generously. I would also like to thank publicly the Firemen and Auxiliary members who helped to make this affair a success as well as my committee consisting of Jerry Marvel, Howard Hinkson, Helen Moore, and Betty Crosby.

I certainly wish David Webb could have personally seen the spirit displayed by everyone concerned. The affair was an overwhelming success and I expect to have \$600.00 available for the cause.

Wright, it all adds up to one thing - I still contend Seaford is one of the nicest places in the world in which to live.

Very sincerely,  
John A. Moore, Jr.

Senior Citizens Enjoy Slides Of Fla. Scenes

On Wednesday afternoon, Apr. 12, the Senior Citizens Club met with a large attendance and with Victor Rawlins presiding.

Mrs. Marion Rice showed slides taken on their recent trip to Florida which were very interesting. Mrs. Nellie Allen re-

Count-On-Me Circle

The Count On Me Circle of Blades Methodist Church met Thursday evening, April 6 at the home of Mrs. George Ruff with Mrs. Jane Phillips as co-hostesses. The business meeting was opened by Mrs. John Booth acting chairman. Two new members were taken in at this time, Mrs. Betty Martens and Mrs. Dorothy Ramey, a thank you letter was voted upon to send to Mr. Alton Bowers for his help in getting the palms for the church. A nominating committee was appointed by the chairman to submit names to the May meeting for election of officers.

Names for the Mother's Day bulletin were taken in at this meeting. A motion was made and carried to donate one hundred dollars to the church repair fund. Devotions for the evening were led by Mrs. Ruff and Mrs. Luzetta Jester. Guests for the evening were Mrs. Laura Glass and Miss Sally Glass of Baltimore, Md. Miss Glass showed delightful films of Switzerland and Germany, also gardens of Baltimore, Md.

Delicious refreshments were served by our hostesses. Rev. Pritchard led the circle in closing prayer.

Curiosity Shop Proves Successful Project For Soroptimists

The April business meeting of the Soroptimist Club of Seaford was held at the Seaford Inn on Wednesday with president, Belva Hurley presiding.

After the reading of the minutes and the treasurer's report, the president asked for committee reports.

Elizabeth Lloyd gave a report on the Curiosity Shop which was very gratifying. This project promises to be a success and the Soroptimist Club wishes to thank everyone for their contributions and hope that more do-

nations will continue to come in. Children's clothing are particularly needed.

Irene Dailey read the list of names and dates that the Soroptimist members were to work at the Curiosity Shop along with the Senior Citizens. It was reported that the Senior Citizens ladies are really doing very well at working in the shop and are extremely fine salesladies.

Anna May Marvel gave a report on Constitution and by-laws and read all the changes that had to be made on the by-laws as they are printed in the book.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the changes as read. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

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**Mizpah Bible Class To  
Meet Friday Evening**

The Mizpah Bible Class will hold its monthly meeting in the Social Hall of St. John's Church on Friday evening, May 29th, eight o'clock. Hostesses for the evening are Mrs. Mamie McGee, Mrs. Emma Coulbourne, Mrs. Mary Deakins, Mrs. Verda Moore, Mrs. Maude Spicer, Mrs. Betty Waller, Miss Lucy Ellis and Mrs. Lillian Thomas.

**Sorptomist Club  
Is Organized Here**

**Mrs. Anna M. Marvel  
Is First President**

The Charter Dinner of the Sorptomist Club of Seaford, a newly organized women's service organiza-  
tion, was held Wednesday evening at the Club Nanticoke. Approximately eighty club members and guests attended the dinner, which proved a very delightful affair.

After the opening ceremonies, the following guests of the Seaford Club were introduced by Mrs. Ethel Evans, President-Elect of the Dover Club, who acted as toastmistress: Hon. Lanesa Marvel, Mayor of Seaford; State Representative Warren L. Allen and Mrs. Allen; Mr. Donald Freiday, President of the Lenoir Club, and Mrs. Freiday; Mr. John Parsona, representing the Kiwanis Club, and Mrs. Parsona; Mr. Van Lee Stephens, President of the Seaford Fliv Company, and Mrs. Stephens; Mr. Thomas R. Young, Jr., President of the Seaford Business Men's Association, and Mrs. Young; Mrs. T. Scott Purns, President of the local American Association of University Women, and Mr. Purns; Mrs. William Hazzard, President of the Acors Club, and Mr. Hazzard; Mr. Milman Prettyman, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. James H. Phillips, Jr., Cashier of the Seaford Trust Company, and Mrs. Phillips, and Mr. Chas. M. Hollis, Jr., Cashier of the First National Bank of Seaford. A special address to the new club members and their guests was given by Mrs. Irene Luff, President of the Dover Club.

Messages of congratulation and best wishes were read from Gov. Elbert N. Carvel and State Senator Allen Cannon, who were unable to attend the dinner, as well as from a number of other Sorptomist Clubs and organizations.

During dinner, and at other times throughout the evening, a delightful musical program was furnished by the Nanticoke Four, accompanied by Miss Anna Lee Butler.

In a beautiful ceremony following the dinner, Mrs. Ericace Hammond, Board Member-at-Large of the North Atlantic Region, installed the Club's officers, as follows: Mrs. Anna M. Marvel, President; Mrs. Elizabeth Lank, Vice-President; Mrs. Grace Morgan, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Dorothy Hill, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Gwendolyn Dunn, Treasurer, and the following members of the Board of Directors: Mrs. Nellie Allen, Miss Margaret Mince, and Mrs. Elizabeth Lank.

The President's Pin was given to the new President by Miss Frances Baylis, President of the Eastern Shore Club, and Mrs. Charles O'Connell was presented by Mrs. O'Connell (Continued On Classified Page)

**Hospital Construction Bid  
Data Released By Committee**

**Plans Are Going Forward For  
Big Civic Groundbreaking Fete**

Bids on the construction of the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital will be received by the Hospital's Board and opened publicly June 22. Notification to advertisers that bids are being sought were published this week in various newspapers and at least six big construction organizations have indicated that they will submit bids before the June 15 deadline.

The Board is in agreement that the more bidders who indicate an interest in the project will mean that a greater amount of competitive bidding will give Western Sussex a better hospital at less cost.

Last week the Federal Government gave its approval to the plans and specifications for the hospital, paving the way for the board to prepare the specifications and place them in the hands of bidders.

This step is the culmination of several years' work on fund raising and planning for the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital. The institution is designed not as an acute need for such facilities in Western Sussex County, and the adjoining counties in Maryland. It will be located just east of Seaford on the former Spencer's Cattleland. The Nanticoke River will border the site on its western and southern edges, while the former Williams Ford will serve as its northern and eastern boundaries. It is felt that it is not too far distant future this pond will be reclaimed and the hospital will occupy one of the most beautiful settings on the Eastern Shore.

In order to make the formal dedication exercises in keeping with so gala an occasion, the hospital board has announced the appointment of W. Ross Collins, of Seaford, to serve as chairman of a civic festival on July 4th to mark the official groundbreaking. All civic and social organizations, civic leaders, fire companies and auxiliaries, bands, veterans' organizations and auxiliaries and individuals are being invited to take part in the affair. It is probable that a parade will precede the ceremonies and other elaborate festivities will serve as the climax.

**Seaford Girl In  
Graduating Class  
At Stephens College**

Miss Cecelia Layton Stauffer, of Seaford, is a candidate for an Associate in Arts degree from Stephens College for women at Columbia, Mo. Commencement exercises for the 117th graduating class will be held Tuesday morning, May 30, with degrees being conferred on more than 300 candidates by Dr. Homer P. Rainey, president of the college.

A number of special events have been planned for students, their parents and other guests starting on Friday, May 26, including the presentation of a play, "On Borrowed Time." A faculty and student art exhibit at the Art Center, water carnival, horse show, relay review, physical education demonstration, fashion show and senior concert will be among the special commencement features. The commencement ball will be given on Friday and Saturday nights at Lela Roney Wood ballroom.

Baccalaureate services will take place Sunday, May 28, and a special vespers service for parents will be held that evening. President Rainey will be the baccalaureate speaker.

Monday noon, following an awards convocation, an outdoor luncheon will be served to several thousand students, parents and guests. At an Old Missouri barbecue that evening at the Stephens College, Tuesday, May 23rd, of students will be entertained by men faculty members. Mothers

**Kiwanis Club Observes  
Twenty-Sixth Birthday**

The Seaford Kiwanis Club, organized 26 years ago this month, held a quiet observance of the date at their Friday night meeting in the Hotel Sussex.

Joseph H. Cox, the organization's first president, was program chairman and told of developments during the early years and some of the obstacles which were overcome. Other short talks were given by N. M. Conway, Winfield Scott, Jr., J. Erney Wilkey, all of whom are past presidents. The club received an invitation to attend an inter-club and ladies night meeting of the Salisbury club on Tuesday.

**Lyric Tenor's  
Concert Date  
Approaches**

**Raymond Tyler To  
Be Heard In Recital  
Next Wednesday Nite**

Next Wednesday evening, May 31st, the Woman's Society of Mt. Olive Church will present Mr. Raymond Tyler, lyric tenor, in a concert. Miss Anna Lee Butler will accompany Mr. Tyler.

Also featured on the program will be Seaford's premier duopiano team, Marie Schmidt and Anna Lee Butler.

The concert will be at 8 o'clock at the Seaford High School Auditorium. Tickets may be secured from members of the Woman's Society and also at the Lo-Mar Gift Shop.

**Program**

I. G. B. Pergolise  
Caro Mio Ben - G. Giordani  
Una furtiva lagrima from  
'L'Elisir d'Amore' - G. Donizetti  
Mr. Tyler

II.  
Le Reve de Des Grieux  
'The Dream'

III.  
Eloge  
Les fleurs que tu m'avais jettes  
from 'Carmen' - G. Bizet  
D. 2. Seaford, Mrs. Lauckland AFB, the Air Force, to basic service inductees there.

**BIRTHS**

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bryant, of Cannon, are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a 7-lb. boy, baby daughter, born Sunday in Kent General Hospital, in Dover. The little lady will be christened Mary Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Morris, R. D. 1, are the proud parents of a son, Dale Lee, born in Milford Memorial Hospital, Tuesday, May 23, weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz. Mrs. Morris, the former Miss Margaret J. West.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Morgan, Jr., 12 Corwell St., are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, Steven John, born on Wednesday, May 21st, in Milford Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 lbs. 4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Robert Fawcner, 402 King St., announce the birth of a son, George Steven, on Thursday, May 23rd, in Milford Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 lbs. 9 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Fleetwood are the proud parents of a son born on Tuesday, May 23rd, in Peninsula General Hospital, Salisbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leonard, of Laurel, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, John, born on Thursday afternoon, May 12th, at the Marnock, New York Methodist Church.

**Dryer-Spicer Nuptials**

The marriage of Miss Ann Marie Dryer, of New York City, daughter of Mrs. Henry C. Dryer, of Larchmont, N. Y., and the late Mr. Dryer to Mr. Jennings H. Spicer, of Seaford, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Spicer, of Seaford, took place on Friday afternoon, May 12th, at the Marnock, New York Methodist Church.

**Lions Auction  
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Plans are shaping Seaford Lions Club store sale for the community projects. It climaxes the Seaford 5-up Week, which will be by Mayor Marvel to 10th.

The vacant lot on between Thompson's Store and the new 5 has been obtained through the court Thompson.

Dickerson Brother to act as the auction have promised to show.

Below is a partial which will be offered

**Ernest Condon  
At Texas Air I**

Mr. Ernest A. Condon, of Texas, is a former pilot and instructor. He is now a member of the Seaford Air Force Club. He will be speaking at the Seaford Air Force Club on Friday, May 29, at 8 o'clock.



**Wright-Allen**

Announcement marriage of Bill Wright, daughter Wright and the Wright, of Seaford and E. Allen, son and Mrs. Oliver A. The ceremony was the home of the arbor of orange! day, May 19th, Clough. The bride attendant her sis Sullivan, of Seaford Hastings, of Seaford and Mrs. Allen a High School and



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 nd furniture of all kinds,  
 r, curtains and draperies.  
 ink Johnson, Telephone  
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**NOTICE**

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**KARL K. BROWN**  
**GRACE B. JAMES**

**NOTICE**

Interested Bidders  
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 Hospital, Seaford, Del.,  
 available May 29, 1950 at  
 Raymond R. Chatfield,  
 Chelton Ave., Philadel-  
 Opening date of bids  
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**Advertisement For Bids**

Seaford State Police will  
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 urchasing six (6) Stand-  
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 er, oil filter, side mirror,  
 1 signal lights, 600x16  
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 six (6) 1919 Ford Stand-  
 1 Sedans on the above-  
 lid. These cars may be  
 time between 8:00 a. m.  
 p. m. at the Delaware  
 ce Garage, Dover, Dela-

**SCOUT NEWS**

The first of the monthly troop  
 da hikes was held on Saturday,  
 when Boy Scout Troop 182 hiked  
 to their Middleford campsite.

Test passing featured the stay  
 at the camp. The boys cooked in  
 buddy fashion. In so far as pos-  
 sible, each new scout was placed  
 with an older, more experienced  
 scout. The new boy had to build  
 the fire, while the other's duty  
 was gathering wood. Some of the  
 tests given other than fire build-  
 ing were cooking, knife and axe,  
 wildlife, woodlore, edible wild  
 plants, stalking and tracking.

Buddies were: Edward Moore  
 and Steve Mach; William Tyson  
 and Robert Fough; Jack Covey  
 and Richard Kough; Cecil Tate  
 and Jerry Smith; Sandy Blackwell  
 and Richard Hargitt; Kenneth  
 Smith and Tommy Freiday.

Parents' Night will be held on  
 the meeting night, June 1st, at  
 Mt. Olivet Methodist Church.  
 There will be a Court of Honor,  
 Tenderfoot investiture, and in-  
 formation necessary for parents of  
 boys going to Camp Rodney this  
 summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hargitt  
 have as their guest his week Mrs.  
 Hargitt's father, Mr. Joseph Hel-  
 vick, of Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Haynes  
 have returned to their home near  
 here after a visit with relatives  
 in Palatka, Fla.

**— WHY PAY MORE? —**

**For Better  
 SHOES**

**REASONABLY  
 PRICED**

— See —

**ROBBY**

**SHOES FOR THE  
 ENTIRE FAMILY**

**High & Fine Sts.  
 Seaford**

**— WHY PAY MORE? —**



**Walter  
 H. Lister**  
 AGENT  
 Liberal  
 Allowance  
 On Your  
 Old Battery

**Broiler Competition Featured At  
 Chicken-Of-Tomorrow Field Day**

Herman I. Miller, Assistant Di-  
 rector of the Poultry Branch of  
 the Production and Marketing Ad-  
 ministration of the U. S. D. A.,  
 will be the featured speaker at the  
 Chicken-of-Tomorrow contest  
 field day to be held at the George-  
 town High School on June 1st.

According to Prof. A. E. Tom-  
 have, chairman of the contest  
 committee, awards will be pre-  
 sented in both the senior and ju-  
 nior divisions by an "open house"  
 at the Agricultural Experiment

Station Substation in Georgetown.  
 Miller will discuss a topic of  
 great interest to all of Delaware's  
 poultry industry, "Your Competi-  
 tion from Other Areas." In his  
 work with the PMA, he is in con-  
 stant contact with all of the other  
 parts of the country which pro-  
 duce young chickens.

Chickens on display during the  
 field day will be dressed and judg-  
 ed on May 31st. Delaware's best  
 five entries will be entered in the  
 regional competition at Spartens-  
 burg, South Carolina.

**BINGO AT LOG CABIN  
 CANCELLED FOR SUMMER**

The regular Thursday Game  
 Night at American Legion Log  
 Cabin will be discontinued for the  
 summer. Notification will be ad-  
 vertised next fall of starting date.

**Accepts New Post**

Thos. R. Young, owner of the  
 Seaford Frigidaire agency, and  
 dealer in home and industrial ap-  
 pliances, has announced the ap-  
 pointment of Jack Cassell, of Sea-  
 ford, to the position as head of  
 the firm's new plumbing and elec-  
 trical service division. Mr. Cassell,  
 for a number of years identified  
 with plumbing firms in Seaford,  
 will devote his full time to in-  
 stallations for the Young organiza-  
 tion.

Well-known in local sporting  
 circles as an outstanding athlete,  
 Mr. Cassell is also active in Na-  
 tional Guard activities.

**"G" Day**

The beginners of our country  
 joined hands in giving thanks un-  
 to the "Lord their God" for the priv-  
 lege of promoting his ideals and  
 laws of righteousness upon this  
 great earth of ours. They fought  
 for the privilege of worshipping in  
 their own simple way. Today we  
 are doing the same thing.

"G-Day" or "God's Day", as it  
 is proposed by the American Leg-  
 ion, is a day set aside for the  
 union of all Legionnaires in one  
 form to pay homage to God in a  
 body or group. We have a great  
 choice to make today between God  
 and chaos, we need His guidance,  
 protraction and wisdom in these  
 great days of perils. The American  
 Legion is doing its part to  
 support and promote this great di-  
 vine guidance appeal movement.  
 The American Legion is dedicated  
 to serving God and country.

The American Legion proposes  
 "G-Day" for launching community  
 movements to promote interest in  
 God's Program, encourage church  
 attendance, emphasize the need of  
 teaching all children in "G" and  
 thus to strengthen our churches  
 and synagogues which are the real  
 backbones of our freedom.

This would be a great world if  
 each of us each day would give a  
 few minutes of our time to sup-  
 port the great movement of God  
 and follow the Ten Command-  
 ments. The perils that now engulf

**ART WORK OF BETHEL  
 SCHOOL DISPLAYED SAT.**

A display of the Art work of  
 grades one to six of the Bethel  
 School will be on display on Sat-  
 ursday, May 27th from eight a. m.  
 to eight p. m. in the Bethel Post  
 Office. There will be non-objective  
 paintings and weaving on display.

The local committee consists of  
 Miss Helen Hutchinson, Mrs.  
 Charles Cordrey and Mrs. Lutie  
 Phillips. The public is urged to  
 attend.

**Soroptimist Club**

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Catherine Eddington, Executive  
 Chairman of the Dover Club.

A number of gifts were re-  
 ceived by the new organization, in-  
 cluding a gavel made from wood  
 taken from the Gettysburg Battle-  
 field, sent by the Gettysburg Club;  
 a scrap book for keeping Club  
 publicity clippings and mementos,  
 from the Eastern Sussex Club,  
 while the Dover Club, which spon-  
 sored the new organization, pre-  
 sented all of the new officers with  
 corsages, as well as a copy of Rob-  
 ert's "Rules of Order", a record  
 book for keeping the Club's min-  
 utes, copies of the official song  
 books, and a bank for keeping  
 small donations and Club fines.  
 Several donations of money were  
 received for the Club's treasury,  
 and the Kiwanis Club sent a beau-  
 tiful basket of flowers.

The principal address of the eve-  
 ning was given by Mrs. Pluma  
 Batten, Treasurer of the American  
 Federation of Soroptimist  
 Clubs and Past President of the  
 Salem, New Jersey, Club. In a  
 very inspiring talk, she stressed  
 the principal objectives as service  
 to the community and to fellow  
 Soroptimists.

Other charter members of the  
 Seaford Club are Mrs. Neta Hall,  
 Mrs. Helen Parrott, Mrs. Cath-  
 erine Tull, Mrs. Amelia Hardesty,  
 Dr. Doris Barnes, Miss Elizabeth  
 Berry, Mrs. Ethel Johnson and  
 Mrs. Virginia Foulk.

The organization of the Seaford  
 Club makes a total of five Sorop-  
 tist Clubs within the State.

about Christian matters are an as-  
 set to our community as well as  
 an asset to each child attending.  
 Our School this year will meet  
 from 9:00 until 11:30 a. m., five



# City of Seaford News



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## City Election Day - April 18; Be Sure To Vote!

Three City residents have filed for the two available positions on city council. Those running for the three-year council terms are:

- **Grace S. Peterson (302) 629-9844**
- **Orlando A. Holland (443) 359-1125**
- **Shane F. Beard (302) 236-7343**



The City of Seaford 2015 Municipal Election will be held on Saturday, April 18 in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 414 High Street, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. E.D.S.T. and 6:00 p.m. E.D.S.T.

If you have any questions or would like more information about or from the candidates, contact them at the numbers given above.

A nonresident property owner to be eligible to vote must be the owner of record for a period of six (6) months immediately preceding the date of the Annual Municipal Election (October 18, 2014) and shall have one vote provided he or she is registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" maintained at the City Hall.

The City of Seaford has independent registration procedures for the Annual Municipal Election. To vote, you must meet the eligibility requirements and be registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" maintained at City Hall.

All voters will need to show proof of residency which may be a State of Delaware driver's license, a federal or state tax return with Seaford address, a City of Seaford utility bill or real estate property tax bill, or a City of Seaford acceptable proof of residency or ownership.

If you will be out of town or unable to come to City Hall to vote on April 18, please contact City Hall at 302-629-9173 for information on absentee voting. The ballot must be returned to City Hall by April 17, 2015.

## City Seaford Celebrates 150 Years!

The City of Seaford is proud to be celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> birthday! In order to commemorate this significant event in style, the city is partnering with the Greater Seaford Chamber of Commerce to host the Towne and Country Fair and to celebrate "150 Years of Seaford."

This event will take place Memorial Day weekend, May 22 – 24, and will include many fun activities: a Friday night kickoff ceremony at City Hall, the Historical Vintage Car Club of Delaware's 1<sup>st</sup> State Meet at the Ross Mansion on Saturday morning, live music, educational exhibits, crafters, food vendors, a free outdoor showing of Pixar's hit "Big Hero 6," and so much more. Please visit [www.seafordchamber.com](http://www.seafordchamber.com) or [www.facebook.com/seaford150th](http://www.facebook.com/seaford150th) for more details and information on this great event. We hope you will celebrate with us!

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- **E-bills can be sent directly to you.**



## A Message from the desk of Mayor David Genshaw .....

Spring, my favorite time of year, has finally begun! After the cold winter we experienced, I think we deserve some great weather to enjoy time outside in beautiful Seaford.

The past few months the City has focused on key areas which I believe give us the best opportunity for growth. At the top of the list has been the promotion and education of the public and interested investors and developers regarding the DDD (Downtown Development District) incentive package offered by the state and also additional incentives offered by the City of Seaford. At this writing, one application has been submitted with several more in the works. This program is doing exactly what Governor Markell had hoped – giving serious investors and developers the incentive to move ahead on their projects now. I am excited about the interest we have seen and proud of our city staff for the intensity of the work they have put forth to help make this process fast and simple.

In February the City unveiled its new brand, “*Seaford a Perfect Place to Start,*” which I believe will energize the marketing of Seaford and all our community has to offer. While developing the new brand, we strived to honor our heritage and give purpose to what Seaford will look like tomorrow. Now City staff is working with several community organizations on ways to integrate the brand into their promotional efforts.

We’re looking forward to Seaford’s upcoming 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration in May and hope everyone will participate in the festivities.

One last note: elections for two city council positions will be held on Saturday, April 18. Please vote!



## Congratulations Blades, Delaware - 100 Years and Going Strong!



The City of Seaford congratulates the Town of Blades for its 100 years. The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Homecoming Celebration will be held on May 15 and 16 along with the Nanticoke River Marine Park Festival on Sunday, May 17. For more information on the festivities, contact the Town of Blades at 302.629.7366.



# “Light It Up Blue” For Autism Awareness; City to Host Walk and Lighting Ceremony

**Autism Awareness Walk** - Wednesday, April 1

5:15 p.m. at City Hall, Seaford

**“Light It Up Blue” Ceremony** - Wednesday, April 1

6:30 p.m. at Gateway Park, Seaford

The month of April is Autism Awareness month. The City of Seaford and the Sussex Health Promotion Coalition’s Worksite Wellness Program are partnering to kick off the City’s community walking club with an Autism Awareness Walk & Ceremony on Wednesday, April 1. The 3.4 mile walk will begin at City Hall at 5:15 p.m., looping around Hooper’s Landing and back to Gateway Park for the Lighting Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. The first 75 people registered will receive a special gift.



We support Autism Speaks with “Light It Up Blue,” a campaign designed to color the world blue in an effort to increase awareness of the challenges faced by people with autism. Awareness is the key to funding research for a cure and helping develop treatments that provide opportunities for people with

autism to thrive in this world. Even more importantly, awareness leads to the acceptance of people with autism and their differences. Given that one in 68 children is now being diagnosed with autism, just imagine how many community members have children, family members, or close friends who are affected!

Our Delaware “Light It Up Blue” committee is successful in lighting up schools, University of Delaware, Legislative Hall, Nanticoke Memorial Hospital, City of Seaford, Seaford School District, Greater Seaford Chamber of Commerce, Gallery 107, St. John’s United Methodist Church, Soroptimist Club’s Your Sister’s Closet, Nanticoke Automotive, Penco’s Elegant Designs, Hertrich Family of Dealerships, and other local businesses.

**We hope other local businesses will support our awareness efforts and join us in lighting their facilities and windows blue during the month of April.**

Thanks for helping us shine a light on Autism. For more information, visit [autismspeaks.org/LIUB](http://autismspeaks.org/LIUB), Autism Delaware or contact Carlyle and Marcia Windley, [cw20@comcast.net](mailto:cw20@comcast.net) or [mlwindley@comcast.net](mailto:mlwindley@comcast.net)

## Seaford Community Swim Center

### Normal Summer Hours

Monday - Friday

11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday

10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

The pool will open on  
Saturday, May 23.

Membership and swim  
team forms are available  
on the City of Seaford  
SCSC Web site:

[www.seafordde.com/scsc/](http://www.seafordde.com/scsc/)

Remember: Swim lessons  
will be given throughout  
the swim season at the  
Seaford Community Swim  
Center; lessons are open to  
ALL regardless of  
membership.



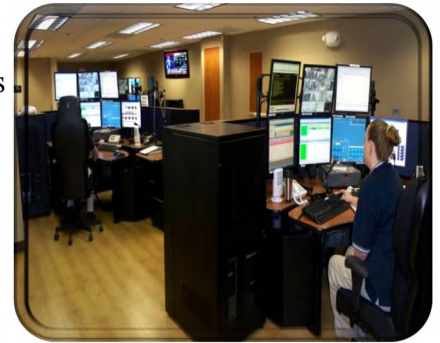
## Parks & Recreation Online Registration

Did you know that you can now register online for our Parks and Recreation programs? Just go to the City's Website - [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com) and click on Recreation; it will take you to the registration information!

Like us on Facebook and Instagram (Seaford Parks and Recreation) to see pictures, get news and updates. If you have any questions or have any problems, please contact Natalie Wilson, Supt. of Parks and Recreation, at 302-629-6809.

# National Telecommunications Week

National Telecommunications Week will be held from April 12-18. Our nation honors those who answer 911 calls, dispatch first responders, and handle other emergency communications tasks. The week offers dispatchers the opportunity to take credit for the critical work they perform and for communities to recognize the specialized skills that dispatchers provide. Seaford's communications center handles thousands of calls each year.



**Thank you to our dispatchers for their service and the job they do for our community.!**

## Senior Citizen Tax Exemption

Are you a senior citizen, 65 years or older before July 1, 2015 who owns property in our City? Have you owned the property for at least 10 years? Is this your place of residence? Is your income, other than Social Security, less than \$13,000 as a married couple or less than \$9,000 as a single person? Then you may be eligible for a senior citizen exemption on your property taxes.

Those whose qualify are required to re-apply each year. The 10-year residency requirement is waived for those who qualified for the exemption prior to 2008.

Applications will be sent out in April to the seniors who are currently noted in our records as exempt and will be available at [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com) and at City Hall after April 1.

## Parks & Recreation Happenings

- The Recreation Department is working with the Boys & Girls Club to sponsor a Pitch, Hit and Run competition on April 25.
- Adult softball leagues are now forming: Men's slow pitch will start in early April. Men's modified softball will begin in May and coed softball will start in June.
- There will be a Little Smashers tennis program in June for ages 4-7 and a tennis clinic in July for ages 8-12.
- Youth flag football and tackle football registration begins in May.
- Register for programs at the Parks & Recreation office or online at [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com).
- The City of Seaford will also sponsor Movie Night in the Park in the coming months. For more information, please call the office at 302-629-6809 or visit us on our Web site and Facebook page.





FREE TO THE PUBLIC!

Friday - May 1, 2015

5:00 to 8:30 PM  
Downtown Seaford

2nd Annual

LIVE for  
CHOCOLATE

A Night of Fun, Laughter and Support -  
Promoting Women's Health in Sussex County

Nanticoke is again partnering with the Greater Seaford Chamber of Commerce and the City of Seaford to promote women's health awareness through Live for Chocolate, a night of fun, laughter and support. The event will be held in Downtown Seaford and will include food, wine tasting, games, education, shopping, music and more. The evening will feature a Scavenger Hunt with chocolate treats at every stop!

More than 16 Downtown Businesses along with many of your favorite vendors from last year will be partnering for a great night. Games, prizes and fun activities will be located throughout downtown shops and just across the bridge in Blades.

Mark your calendar! Tell your friends!

For more information go to [www.nanticoke.org/girlsnightout](http://www.nanticoke.org/girlsnightout) or call 302-536-5386.

Co-Hosted By:



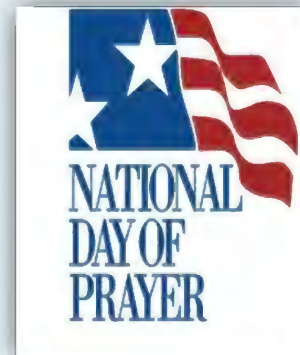
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National Day  
Of  
Prayer

Join us on  
Thursday, May 7  
from 12:20 to  
12:40 p.m. to  
celebrate  
"National Day of  
Prayer."

The program will  
take place on the  
steps of City Hall,  
414 High Street.  
We hope to see  
you there!



# Prepare For Clean Up Week

## May 11 - 15

Annually, the City of Seaford schedules a clean-up week in order to improve the appearance of the City. During this week, Public Works will haul away unwanted materials at no charge for **CITY RESIDENTS ONLY!!**

A City Resident is defined as anyone who receives utility services from the City of Seaford.  
(i.e. Electric, Water or Sewer)

**HEAVY MATERIALS:** Stoves, furniture, cement pipe, etc. will be collected separately as special equipment may be needed.

**WEIGHT LIMITS:** When filled, bags and containers shall not weigh more than 50 lbs.

**CONTAINERS:** Please use disposable containers as they will not be returned.

**PLACEMENT:** All materials to be picked up must be placed on the curb line no later than 8:30 a.m. on the day scheduled for your area's pick up. Our employees are not permitted to go on private property. Once a street has been cleared, the trucks WILL NOT RETURN.

**PRIVATE CONTRACT WORK:** Debris from any work done by a private contractor (cutting trees, construction, etc.) is the responsibility of the contractor. Do not place on curb line for the City to remove.



- Do not place leaves, limbs, twigs or grass clippings on the curb line during clean-up week. Normal pickup of these items will resume the week after clean-up week.
- No household garbage, paints or hazardous chemicals will be picked up. Call Delaware Solid Waste Authority for proper disposal of household hazardous waste: 800-904-7080
- No freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners or other appliances which contain, or may have contained, Freon will be picked up.

### Pick-Up Schedule

<b>Monday, May 11:</b>	East of Front Street, Mearfield
<b>Tuesday, May 12:</b>	Front St., to the RR track, Including Virginia Commons, Wilmar Village & Hurley Heights.
<b>Wednesday, May 13:</b>	RR tracks to Nylon Blvd.
<b>Thursday, May 14:</b>	Martin Farms, Westview and Parsons Village.
<b>Friday, May 15:</b>	Woodside Manor, Belle Ayre, Governor's Grant

Call Delaware Solid Waste Authority for proper disposal of household hazardous waste at 800-404-7080.

### What To Do:



**Please Remember Clean-Up Week Is Only For Residents Within the Corporate Limits of Seaford!**



# Cabin Fever This Winter? Get Out On the Golf Course

Now that spring is finally here, it's a good time to clean those golf clubs and head to Hooper's Landing for a day on the links.

Located at 1019 W. Locust St. in Seaford, Hooper's Landing offers quality, well-maintained greens, a golf shop, and friendly, helpful staff.

Yearly golf passes are available from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016. These passes include:

- ◆ unlimited greens fees (walk at any time)
- ◆ cart fees - \$15 for 18 holes
- ◆ discounts in golf shop and on range balls



Rates: Single Golf Pass \$825 for the year or \$125 a month (April thru October) and \$75 a month (November thru March); Family Golf Pass \$1,350 for the year or \$200 a month (April thru October) and \$125 a month (November thru March); Junior Golf Pass (age 12 - 19) \$350

Rates for 18 holes are:

January to end of March- every day

\$30 w/cart; \$20 walk

April to end of October

Monday-Thursday:

\$40w/cart; \$25 walk

Friday-Sunday:

\$45w/cart; \$30 walk

Every day Twilight (after 3 p.m.):

\$30 w/cart; \$20 walk

November to December- every day:

\$30 w/cart; \$20 walk

*Rates for nine holes are available at little more than half the 18 holes rate.*

Want to learn the game or sharpen your skills? Golf lessons are available with PGA Head Professional Michael Connor. The cost is \$65 for a one (1) hour lesson or five lessons for \$260 -- 5 for the price of 4! Ladies' clinics will be offered this spring, and clinics for Juniors offered this summer.

The Golf Shop is fully stocked with golf name brand clothing and accessories, complete lines of clubs from Callaway, Taylor Made and others, golf balls, and much more. Shop hours: Spring and Fall - 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Summer -6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

***For more information, call 302-629-2890. See you on the green!***

## Sewer or Electric Problems After Hours? Now What?

Did you know that the City of Seaford has an after-hours emergency number for all sewer and electric issues?

This after-hours emergency line is monitored by our communications center when the City's offices are not open. You won't be greeted by a recorded message; a live call taker will answer and have someone from the appropriate department call you direct or respond to the location of the issue.

**For after-hours concerns, please call 302-629-4550.**

## Earth Day Tree Raffle

Earth Day was founded in 1970 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Demonstrate your support by entering to win a free, energy-saving, shade tree for your home or business. Shade trees naturally provide a welcoming spot to cool down during hot summer days. When shade trees are properly located and planted, they can reduce home and business energy costs by reducing the need for summer air conditioning. The savings associated with trees doesn't stop with summer. In the winter, trees lose their leaves which allows the sun to warm up homes and business, reducing heating needs and lowering heating costs.

The 2015 Earth Day Tree Raffle is part of the City of Seaford's Earth Day Education campaign to teach its citizens more about energy efficiency and conservation. Seaford has provided a display at City Hall for the public to learn more about this year's overall message: Think Locally, Act Locally, and Buy Locally to benefit health and quality of life while saving money.

**To register for the raffle please stop by City Hall at 414 High Street.**

# DEMEC Reward the City for Outstanding Demand Response



Left to Right: Bill Bennett, Seaford Electric Superintendent; Dolores Slatcher, City Manager; Rick Garner, Electrical Engineer; Mayor David Genshaw; Charles Anderson, Asst. City Manager; Scott Lynch, DEMEC Energy Services Manager.

The Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC) congratulates the City of Seaford for its outstanding participation in the 2014/2015 Demand Response Program Year. The City of Seaford received a cash incentive for reducing their energy consumption during high energy use hours last summer.

Participation in the DEMEC/Comverge Demand Response Program contributes to the reliability and stability of the regional electric grid while rewarding its participants with monetary incentives. Demand

Response is one of the most effective tools used by utilities to combat high electricity costs while supporting electric reliability.

How it works is simple. Customers typically consume the most energy during the summer months. On especially hot days the regional grid becomes strained as customers demand more energy. In an effort to reduce the strain, large energy consumers are incentivized to reduce their energy use during peak hours when energy is most expensive. These reductions provide an effective and valuable service that results in a savings on power supply costs for all DEMEC members.

This incentive was created as a reward to municipal, commercial, and industrial customers who are doing their part to ensure grid reliability, keep costs down, and for being a good steward of the environment. To learn how your company can earn incentives for participating in the DEMEC/Comverge Demand Response Program, contact Scott Lynch, Energy Services Manager for DEMEC at (302) 653-2733 or by email at [slynch@demecinc.net](mailto:slynch@demecinc.net)

In an effort to promote the local economy and better familiarize our community with its businesses, the City wants to recognize newly established businesses and highlight significant accomplishments and accolades of its existing businesses.

Has your business been recognized in some way or is it expanding? Then we would like to put it in the "spotlight!"

Information can be sent to the City's Economic Development Manager Trisha Newcomer at: [tnewcomer@seafordde.com](mailto:tnewcomer@seafordde.com).







# Seaford

The Perfect Place to Start.

On Monday, February 9, 2015, the City of Seaford unveiled its new marketing campaign – *The Perfect Place to Start*. This campaign lends itself to multiple facets in marketing, whether Seaford is the perfect place to start a business, to retire, to start a family or to start a vacation.

The City recognized that it was time to create a new brand with which visitors, potential businesses and residents could connect. The Seaford community is one with tremendous pride in its historical heritage, but it's difficult for new residents or those considering the area to connect with a history unknown to them. The goal was to create a seamless marketing package that will promote the community and its assets.

The City was fortunate to use funding by USDA Rural Development and the Delaware Economic Development Office. With this grant they hired Arnett Muldrow & Associates to conduct the intensive three-day Charrette process. Mr. Muldrow met with the Steering committee, seven Focus Groups made up of public stakeholders, and held a public workshop during the process. Focus groups were comprised in the following categories:

- Arts, Attractions & Tourism
- Healthcare & Education
- Business & Property Owners
- Real Estate
- Merchants
- Ministerial Group
- City Staff

The results were presented to the Steering Committee which made some recommended changes; the final brand package was presented and approved at the City Council meeting on January 27. The City of Seaford and its staff are excited to embrace the new brand and put it into action, showcasing Seaford and its many attributes.



The Perfect Place to *Start a Business*.

[www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com)

Whether trading, growing, manufacturing, or creating, Seaford has had a long and historic connection with productivity. The combination of the nature of our workers, and their passionate connection to their region creates an environment focused on loyalty and an ethic for the power of hard work.

Seaford is a traditional community, whose historic downtown is nestled along the Nanticoke River, our thriving retail provides for shoppers throughout the region, our hospital cares for our own with the attention given when you know someone by name, and our inspired leaders are crafting a bright future for this place we call home.



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# City of Seaford News



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## City Election Day - April 16; Be Sure To Vote!

Two City residents have filed for the one (1) available position on Seaford's City Council. The candidates for the three-year council term are:

- **Frank Daniel Cannon, Jr.**  
(302) 228-3446
- **Leanne Phillips-Lowe\***  
(302) 629-9374



The City of Seaford 2016 Municipal Election will be held on Saturday, April 16 in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 414 High Street, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. E.D.S.T. and 3:00 p.m. E.D.S.T.

If you have any questions or would like more information about or from the candidates, contact them at the numbers given above.

A non-resident property owner to be eligible to vote must be the owner of record for a period of six (6) months immediately preceding the date of the Annual Municipal Election (October 16, 2015) and shall have one vote provided he or she is registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" maintained at the City Hall.

The City of Seaford has independent registration procedures for the Annual Municipal Election. (Registering for a state or federal election does not automatically register you to vote in the City of Seaford elections.) To vote, you must meet the eligibility requirements and be registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" maintained at City Hall.

All voters will need to show proof of residency which may be a State of Delaware driver's license, a federal or state tax return with a City of Seaford address, a City of Seaford utility bill or real estate property tax bill, or a City of Seaford acceptable proof of residency or ownership.

If you will be out of town or unable to come to City Hall to vote on April 16, please contact City Hall at 302-629-9173 for information about absentee voting. The ballot must be returned to City Hall by April 15, 2016.

\*Incumbent

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A message from the desk of Mayor David Genshaw

Thank you for your interest in Seaford, and I hope this newsletter builds your excitement about what is going on in our city.

Spring is my favorite time of year! Two reasons why:

(1) I love and appreciate how the members of Seaford's Spade and Trowel Club beautify our City with flowers. Their efforts add a special touch for everyone to enjoy!

(2) Employees of the City's Parks Department take pride in having all the recreation areas attractive and ready to go for spring sports and walkers. Take advantage of and enjoy these wonderful open spaces in our city.

If you have not seen the Conceptual Vision Plan for Seaford's downtown area, I would encourage you to take a look at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XHqcnMzM7RQ>

Several events return in spring which will offer you the opportunity to walk downtown and see the possibilities - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday on May 7 and Live for Chocolate on May 6. A leisurely stroll will enable you to visit one of our local churches, restaurants, the shops/businesses or the Seaford Museum. Allow yourself some time to experience the beauty of the fountain at Gateway Park, a stroll along the river walk, or check out the progress at The Residences at Riverplace. Come and see what everyone is talking about!

It truly is a privilege to serve you and our community as an elected official. Thank you! Remember, City elections will take place on Saturday, April 16 from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. (a new time frame this year) at City Hall on High Street.



*David Genshaw*



1<sup>st</sup> Saturday will begin on May 7, 2016 and run through December 3, 2016. We have "Charlie and the Arthritics", Charles Papparella as our entertainment in May. It will take place at the corner lot on High & Spring Streets (the former Burton Bros. Hardware).

TS Smith will return with seasonal produce for sale. Come out and join us in Downtown Seaford for a great time.!



# “Light It Up Blue” For Autism Awareness; City to Host Walk and Lighting Ceremony

**JustUS & Friends Band** - Friday, April 8

5:30 p.m. at Gateway Park, Seaford

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The month of April is Autism Awareness month. Join us on April 8th in Gateway Park as we Light It Up Blue! JustUS & Friends, a local band with the primary goal of promoting Autism Awareness, along with other disabilities, will play at 5:30 p.m. The official ceremony and lighting event will begin at 6:30 p.m.

We support Autism Speaks with “Light It Up Blue,” a campaign designed to color the world blue in an effort to increase awareness of the challenges faced by people with autism. Awareness is the key to funding research for a cure and helping develop treatments that provide opportunities for people with autism to thrive in this world. Even more importantly, awareness leads to the acceptance of people with autism and their differences. Given that one in 68 children is now being diagnosed with autism, just imagine how many community members have children, family members, or close friends who are affected!

Our Delaware “Light It Up Blue” committee is successful in lighting up schools, University of Delaware, Legislative Hall, Nanticoke Memorial Hospital, City of Seaford, Seaford School District, Gallery 107, St. John’s Church; Soroptimist Club’s Your Sister’s Closet, Nanticoke Automotive, Penco’s Elegant Designs, Hertrich Family of Dealerships, Sweet Serenity, and other local businesses.

**We hope other local businesses will support our awareness efforts and join us in lighting their facilities and windows blue during the month of April.**

Thanks for helping us shine a light on Autism. For more information, visit [autismspeaks.org/LIUB](http://autismspeaks.org/LIUB), Autism Delaware or contact Carlyle and Marcia Windley, [cw20@comcast.net](mailto:cw20@comcast.net) or [mlwindley@comcast.net](mailto:mlwindley@comcast.net)



## Seaford Community Swim Center

### Normal Summer Hours

Monday - Friday

11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday

10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

The pool will open on Saturday, May 27.

Membership and swim team forms are available on the City of Seaford SCSC Web site:

[www.seafordde.com/scsc/](http://www.seafordde.com/scsc/)

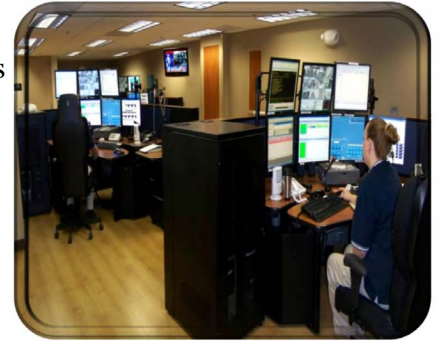
Remember: Swim lessons will be given throughout the swim season at the Seaford Community Swim Center; lessons are open to ALL regardless of membership.



# National Telecommunications Week

National Telecommunications Week will be held from April 10-16.

Our nation honors those who answer 911 calls, dispatch first responders, and handle other emergency communications tasks. The week offers dispatchers the opportunity to take credit for the critical work they perform and for communities to recognize the specialized skills that dispatchers provide. Seaford's 911 Communications Center handles thousands of calls each year.



**Thank you to our dispatchers for their service and the job they do for our community!**

## Senior Citizen Tax Exemption

Are you a senior citizen, 65 years or older before July 1, 2015 who owns property in our City? Have you owned the property for at least 10 years? Is this your place of residence? Is your income, other than Social Security, less than \$13,000 as a married couple or less than \$9,000 as a single person? Then you may be eligible for a senior citizen exemption on your property taxes.

Those who qualify are required to re-apply each year. The 10-year residency requirement is waived for those who qualified for the exemption prior to 2008.

Applications will be sent out in April to the seniors who are currently noted in our records as exempt and will be available at [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com) and at City Hall after April 4.

Recreation Dept.  
Upcoming  
Programs

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Flag Football  
sign-up will begin  
in May with the  
season starting in  
early September.  
The cost is \$40.00

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Youth tennis  
clinic/camp will  
start in June for  
ages 8-12

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Contact the  
Recreation Office  
at 302-629-6809,  
and check us out  
on Facebook for  
more information.

In an effort to promote the local economy and better familiarize our community with its businesses, the City wants to recognize newly established businesses and highlight significant accomplishments and accolades of its existing businesses.

Has your business been recognized in some way or is it expanding? Then we would like to put it in the "spotlight!"

Information can be sent to the City's Economic Development Manager Trisha Newcomer at: [tbooth@seafordde.com](mailto:tbooth@seafordde.com).





## YOU have OPTIONS to pay your City Bill!

Did you know the City accepts the following forms of payment?

- Cash
- Check or Money Order
- Automated Bank Draft – will be processed on the 1<sup>st</sup> business day of the month. Forms to arrange for this option are available at the City Hall office.
- Online Payments via the City’s Web site – Credit/Debit Card or Electronic Check. A convenience fee applies. Payments scheduled by 11:59 p.m. on that day will be processed as of the next business day. Visit our Web site at [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com).
- Online Payments (Customer’s Bank) – A customer may set up payments through his/her bank’s online payment system. Even though the customer is not physically writing a check, the bank is writing and mailing a check to the City of Seaford. **This form of payment requires additional processing time because it is NOT automatic or “electronic.”** If the customer schedules the payment as of the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month, the City may not receive it for several days after that date because it is being sent via the U.S. mail service.

### E-Bills Available

Would you like to have your utility bill information available at your fingertips with a click of a button? Sign up for E-Bills today! Call City Hall at 302.629.9173 or email your request to [jsapp@seafordde.com](mailto:jsapp@seafordde.com).

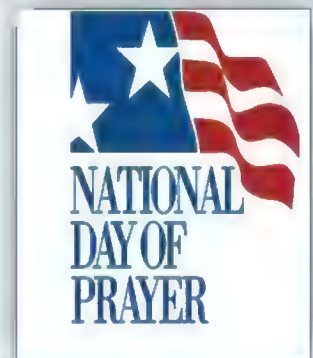
For more information about our billing or payment options, please contact Customer Service at 302.629.9173.



## National Day Of Prayer

Join us on  
Thursday, May 5  
from 12:20 to  
12:40 p.m. to  
celebrate  
“National Day of  
Prayer.”

The program will  
take place on the  
steps of City Hall,  
414 High Street.  
We hope to see  
you there!



FREE TO THE PUBLIC!

Friday - May 6, 2016

5:00 to 8:30 PM  
Downtown Seaford

3rd Annual  
**LIVE for  
CHOCOLATE**

A Night of Fun, Laughter and Support -  
Promoting Women's Health in Sussex County

Nanticoke is again partnering with the Greater Seaford Chamber of Commerce and the City of Seaford to promote women's health awareness through Live for Chocolate, a night of fun, laughter and support. The event will be held in downtown Seaford and will include food, wine tasting, games, education, shopping, music and more. The evening will feature a scavenger hunt with chocolate treats at every stop!

More than 15 downtown businesses along with many of your favorite vendors from last year will be partnering for a great night. Games, prizes and fun activities will be located throughout downtown shops and just across the bridge in Blades.

Mark your calendar! Tell your friends!

For more information go to [www.nanticoke.org/liveforchocolate](http://www.nanticoke.org/liveforchocolate) or call 302-536-5386.

Co-Hosted By:



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# Prepare For Clean Up Week

## May 9-13

Annually, the City of Seaford schedules a clean-up week in order to improve the appearance of the City. During this week, Public Works will haul away unwanted materials at no charge for **CITY RESIDENTS ONLY!!**

A City Resident is defined as anyone who receives utility services from the City of Seaford.  
(i.e., Electric, Water or Sewer)

**HEAVY MATERIALS:** Stoves, furniture, cement pipe, etc. will be collected separately as special equipment may be needed.

**WEIGHT LIMITS:** When filled, bags and containers shall not weigh more than 50 lbs.

**CONTAINERS:** Please use disposable containers as they will not be returned.

**PLACEMENT:** All materials to be picked up must be placed on the curb line no later than 8:30 a.m. on the day scheduled for your area's pick up. Our employees are not permitted to go on private property. Once a street has been cleared, the trucks **WILL NOT RETURN.**

**PRIVATE CONTRACT WORK:** Debris from any work done by a private contractor (cutting trees, construction, etc.) is the responsibility of the contractor. Do not place on curb line for the City to remove.



- Do not place leaves, limbs, twigs or grass clippings on the curb line during clean-up week. Normal pickup of these items will resume the week after Clean-Up Week.
- No household garbage, paints or hazardous chemicals will be picked up. Call Delaware Solid Waste Authority for proper disposal of household hazardous waste: 800-904-7080
- No freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners or other appliances which contain, or may have contained, Freon will be picked up.

### Pick-Up Schedule

<b>Monday, May 9:</b>	East of Front Street, Mearfield
<b>Tuesday, May 10:</b>	Front St., to the RR track, Including Virginia Commons, Wilmar Village & Hurley Heights
<b>Wednesday, May 11:</b>	RR tracks to Nylon Blvd.
<b>Thursday, May 12:</b>	Martin Farms, Westview and Parsons Village
<b>Friday, May 13:</b>	Woodside Manor, Belle Ayre, Governor's Grant

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### What To Do:



**Please Remember Clean-Up Week is Only for Residents Within the Corporate Limits of Seaford!**

# The City of Seaford Celebrates 2016 Earth Day with a Tree Raffle

The City of Seaford proudly announces the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Earth Day Tree Raffle.

Earth Day was founded in 1970 to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Demonstrate your support by entering to win a free, energy saving, shade tree for your home or business. Shade trees naturally provide a welcoming spot to cool down during hot summer days. When shade trees are properly located and planted they can reduce home and business energy costs by reducing the need for summer air conditioning. The savings associated with trees doesn't stop with summer. In the winter, trees lose their leaves which allows the sun to warm up homes and business, reducing heating needs and lowering heating costs.

The 2016 Earth Day Tree Raffle is part of the City of Seaford's Earth Day Education campaign to teach its citizens more about energy efficiency and conservation. Seaford has provided a display at its City Hall office for the public to learn more about this year's overall message: **Think Locally, Act Locally, and Buy Locally** to benefit health and quality of life while saving money.

**Thinking Locally** – Means asking ourselves to think about:

- The uniqueness of our community
- How we sometimes waste our limited resources
- How to use resources more sustainably to retain the natural beauty of the local environment

**Acting Locally** – Means taking action to help ourselves and our community:

- Save money on electricity costs through simple low and no cost energy efficiency measures
- Better understand how energy efficiency and conservation help reduce local carbon emissions
- Take direct personal action by entering a raffle to win a tree that not only absorbs carbon but also reduces summer cooling costs through free shading

**Buying Locally** – Means we should seek local resources first because:

- Imported food typically travels farther and requires more fuel to get from field to plate
- Local trips can sometimes be handled on foot or bike which reduces vehicle miles traveled and saves energy
- Reducing the amount of congestion on the roads can improve local air quality

To learn more about how to save energy, visit the Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC) website [www.demecinc.net](http://www.demecinc.net)

Water,  
Sewer or  
Electric  
Problems  
After Hours?  
Now What?

Did you know that the City of Seaford has an after-hours emergency number for all water, sewer and electric issues?

This after-hours emergency line is monitored by our communications center when the City's offices are not open. You won't be greeted by a recorded message; a live call taker will answer and have someone from the appropriate department call you direct or respond to the location of the issue.

**For after-hours concerns, please call 302-629-4550.**



## Meet the Administration Department

The City of Seaford's Administration department consists of several different divisions including customer service, property tax and utility billing, collections, human resources, accounting, and administrative duties. The department is currently serviced by six cross-trained, full-time employees, and managed by the Director of Finance and Human Resources. Four employees hold a bachelor's degree or higher in a business-related field of study.

Our Customer Service Representatives receive payments on customer's accounts, prepare daily deposits, assist customers with account inquiries, prepare Council Meeting minutes, and are currently helping to prepare for the upcoming Annual Municipal Elections. They are able to address customer inquiries in English and fluent Spanish and routinely come in during emergencies and inclement weather events to cover the phone calls that provide our residents with crucial information during outages.

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Our Credit Representative processes monthly disconnects for non-payment of services, prepares and maintains financial good standing reports, processes monthly miscellaneous accounts receivable invoices, and performs collection duties.

Our Executive Secretary provides overall administrative and clerical support to the Mayor and City Council and maintains the City's filing system. She currently holds the vice president seat's of the Delaware Municipal Clerks Association and will become president of the association in June 2016. She also processes the annual and quarterly City Real Estate Tax bills, updates property tax records, assists the tax assessor with tax appeals & processes Realty Tax transfer records.

Our Accounting Assistant works with the Director of Finance to maintain all accounting records in accordance with current accounting standards. She reviews all purchase requisitions and distributes purchase orders; prepares invoices for payment and processes accounts payable checks through print and mail. She also maintains records for proper distribution of expenditures and reviews costs for accuracy and in accordance with City bids.

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# 2016 Golf Pass

## Monthly or Full Year

April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017



SEAFORD, DE

302 629-2890 [www.Hooperslanding.com](http://www.Hooperslanding.com)

- ◊ Unlimited Greens Fees - walk anytime or Cart Fees at \$15 per person (18 holes) or buy in Bulk
  - ◊ Discount Range Balls or Range programs available
  - ◊ 20% Off Clothing at retail price and Golf Pass Only tournaments

## Single Golf Pass

- ◊ \$125 a Month for April thru October
- ◊ \$75 a Month for November thru March
- ◊ Pay only 1 month with no commitment
- ◊ Pay 7 Monthly Payments & get the rest free\*
- ◊ Or Pay for full year by April 10th at \$825.

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The Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC) congratulates the City of Seaford for its outstanding participation in the 2015/2016 Demand Response Program Year. The city received an incentive for reducing its energy consumption during high energy use hours last summer. This year is also special because it marks five years of participation in DEMEC's program during which the City of Seaford has earned approximately \$70,000.

Participants in the DEMEC/CPower Demand Response Program contribute to the reliability and stability of the regional electric grid. They help by reducing their individual electric usage during high energy usage times (peak hours). Typically, peak hours occur on especially hot, late afternoon days during the summer. During these hours the regional grid can become constrained which can impact reliability and can quickly cause prices for electricity to spike. By reducing load, individual consumers save the whole community money by limiting the necessity of purchasing more expensive sources of electricity.

Implementing a demand response program has become an effective tool for utilities to combat reliability and high electricity cost issues. In return for their help, enrolled participants are provided an incentive for supporting the whole community and the regional grid.

To learn how your company can earn incentives for participating in the DEMEC/Comverge Demand Response Program, contact Scott Lynch, Energy Services Manager for DEMEC at (302) 653-2733 or by email at [slynch@demecinc.net](mailto:slynch@demecinc.net) For more information regarding this program, please contact our Electric Department at (302) 629-9841.



Front Row Left to Right: Scott Lynch, Energy Services Manager DEMEC, Dolores Slatcher, Seaford City Manager; Seaford Mayor David Genshaw; Back Row Left to Right: Charles Anderson, Seaford Asst. City Manager; Bill Bennett, Seaford Electric Superintendent; Rick Garner, Seaford Electrical Engineer

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## Boot Scootin on the Nanticoke

The Nanticoke Riverfest will celebrate its 22nd anniversary this year. The annual event will take place in downtown Seaford on Friday, July 8 and Saturday, July 9. There is no admission fee to the festivities which will have something for everyone in the family!

On Friday, July 8, be sure to make your way down to the Riverwalk around 8:30 p.m. for the boat parade. Our signature float-in will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 9.

The outstanding entertainment lineup that you are sure to enjoy featuring nightly headliners “Mike Hines” & “Under The Covers”. Riverfest also includes the car show, Mayor’s Challenge, children’s play area, the youth fishing tournament, the Nanticoke Health Services tent, wide variety of delicious food, craft vendors, and much, much more! Join us for fun times! For more detailed event information, visit the Web site: [www.nanticokefestival.com](http://www.nanticokefestival.com).



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- Solar Speed Limit Signs



A message from the desk of Mayor David Genshaw .....

The City recently passed its budget; once again, we will hold the line, and there will be no tax or fee increase. The City Council understands that our economy is tight and with a lot of work done by your City employees, there will be no increases to our residents or businesses. I want to thank both our Council and our employees for all their efforts to make this happen.

Expect to see continued change in our Seaford downtown. In addition to development on the riverfront, plan to see new things occurring in the very near future. The Seaford Tomorrow organization continues to work with the local downtown businesses to grow, promote and improve the looks of our downtown. "First Saturday" is building momentum - if you have not attended, come and enjoy the music, food and vendors. Bring some friends ... relax, eat and shop!

I also want to share how proud I am of our Seaford Police Department. The Chief and his team are making an immediate impact on cleaning up our town. If you have a chance, please express your thanks to our local police officers. They are doing great things to make and keep our community safe.

My hope is that you have a chance to enjoy the beautiful outdoors here in Seaford. Whether it's the fishing or water skiing on the Nanticoke River, playing golf at Hooper's Landing, enjoying a stroll on one of our walking paths, or shopping downtown, Seaford is a great place to live and play! Hope to see you at Riverfest on July 8-9.

*David Genshaw*

## Mayor's "Right Choice" Winner Announced

Mayor Genshaw presented Jacob Prettyman with the 2016 Mayor's Right Choice Award. This award is given annually to a graduating senior who resides within the Seaford School District, makes the right choices and serves as a role model for others.

We commend Jacob and wish him the best as he attends college this fall at the University of Delaware.

All of this year's applicants were fantastic and Seaford is fortunate to have such outstanding young citizens in its community!



## Municipal Election Results

The City of Seaford Annual Municipal Election was held on Saturday, April 16, 2016. The results are as follows:

Total Number of Ballots Cast— 315 (including 31 Absentee Ballots)

Frank Daniel Cannon Jr.— 87

Leanne Phillips-Lowe— 228

Mayor Genshaw was unopposed.)



The Oath of Office was conducted by Judge Scott Bradley at the May 10 council meeting. Congratulations to Mayor Genshaw and Councilwoman Phillips-Lowe, and thank you for your dedication to the community.



Electric Dept. wins 1<sup>st</sup> place!  
Winner for Seven Years

Superintendent of Electric Bill Bennett presented to the Mayor and Council APPA Safety Award earned by the Electric Department.

The American Power Association has recognized the City of Seaford with first place in Category B of its annual Safety Award of Excellence program. This award is given based on any reportable injury or illness arising out of and in the course of employment which results in death, days away from work, restricted work activity or medical treatment.

The categories are based on the number of work hours during a calendar year. In 2015, the department worked 19,139 hours with no reportable injuries. The department has attained this award since it began reporting in 2010.



## Friendly Reminders

- No more than three (3) dogs over the age of six months are permitted in a dwelling unit.
- Trash bags should be stored inside durable metal or plastic containers and have tight-fitting lids.
- You need to obtain a permit from the City if you have any type of swimming pool, including an inflatable pool, that holds more than 300 gallons of water.
- The Weeds and Vegetation Ordinance requires that all grass, weeds and uncontrolled vegetation should be no taller than 10 inches.
- Basketball nets should not be placed at the curb to avoid playing basketball in the street.



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The City of Seaford summer hours are now in effect until September 30. City offices will be open from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. Payments can be made online or placed in the drop box if the office is not open.

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# Parks and Recreation Happenings

## **Plaaay Ball!**

### **Seaford Night at the Shorebirds**

Join us on Friday, July 22 at 6:30 p.m. (first pitch at 7:05 p.m.) to watch the Shorebirds host the Hickory Crawdads! Tickets are \$10 each which includes a seat in the reserved box seats and a parking voucher. Transportation will not be provided (unless under certain circumstances.) Please call the Seaford Recreation office at 302-629-6809 to reserve your tickets or for any questions.



### **Orioles vs. Rays**

Mark your calendars in advance for Friday, September 16 to attend an Orioles game at Camden Yards! Tickets are \$70 per person or \$65 per person for a group of four or more people. Transportation will be provided by a coach bus, leaving the Parks & Rec building at 3:30 p.m. The giveaway for that night is tall O's socks for the 20,000 fans to enter the park, ages 15 and up! Call 302-629-6809 to reserve your tickets or for any questions.



### **Flag Football**

The season is quickly approaching, so time to get your kids signed up ages 6-8, 9-11, and 12-14! The fee is \$40 and a copy of the birth certificate will be needed along with the registration form. You can pick up/fill out the registration at our office, 320 Virginia Ave (open 7am-4pm, Mon-Fri) or go online to [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com) to the recreation department and fill out your registration there. For any questions call (302) 629-6809.



### **Movie Night at Mt. Olivet UMC**

The City of Seaford and Mt. Olivet UMC are teaming up for a FREE movie night on July 15 at 8:00 p.m. A G-Rated movie, will be shown; all family members are welcome to attend. It will be held on the Mt. Olivet parking lot; please bring lawn chairs with you. Light refreshments will be served and the movie will begin at 8:30p.m. For any questions call Seaford Parks Dept. (302) 629-6809. See you there!



## Meet Katie Hickey Supertindent of Parks and Recreation

Katie has always been active in the Seaford community, from participating in Parks & Rec basketball to making lemonade with her church family to sell during the Riverfest event.

After graduating from Seaford High School in 2010, she chose to stay at home and earn her Associate Degree in Production Agriculture at Delaware Tech. That decision led her to know exactly what she wanted to study after her acceptance into the University of Delaware. Katie received her bachelor's degree in Food and Agribusiness Marketing & Management and also Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Although she graduated in December 2014, Katie's time at the University of Delaware was not over. Since there was no winter commencement, she chose to study abroad through the university and went to South Africa! Following that trip, she was fortunate enough to hold three different positions with the University of Delaware as a program coordinator. While there, Katie sharpened her skills in finance, logistics, management, and organization. She enjoyed her time as a student and faculty member at the university but found that no matter where she may travel, Seaford will always be home.

Katie considers it an honor to have a new job as Superintendent of Parks and Recreation and hopes Seaford continues its progress in the future. Her goal is to help bring our community together through events such as Riverfest, Movies in the Park, and community outings/days (shows or sporting events.) She wants to interact with the public, understand what the community wants for Seaford, and then be proactive in trying to make it happen.

Seaford is beginning a new chapter with its revitalization, and so is Katie in her new position.



### Credit Cards Now Accepted for Payments

The City of Seaford is now accepting debit/credit cards in the office. There are fees associated with paying your bill using this method. The fee for debit/credit card payments will be approximately 2.95% of your total bill.





## AFRAM Festival set for August 13

AFRAM will celebrate 21 years on Saturday, August 13 at the Seaford Sports Complex. Event organizers say it will enrich your body, mind and soul with a selection of cultural foods, fascinating exhibits, and free live music ... Reggae, Jazz, Gospel, Blues/Soul, Calypso ... what could be better? Remember to bring your lawn chairs for great seating.

Stroll among AFRAM's cultural vendors for some of the best foods and exotic imports: African textiles, printed fashions, incense, jewelry and accessories, natural beauty products, and fine arts/crafts and books from across the Diaspora.

There will be free information and networking opportunities about wellness, education, family care, entrepreneurship, employment; government agencies and services available among AFRAM's Community Resource/Non-Profit vendors.

Come explore and enjoy exhibits, such as the traditional drummers and dancers, gospel music by Tony Smith, Mascot Mania and the Self Expressions car show. Come on out and bring the family for a great time!



## Meet the Parks and Recreation Department

**Parks** – Over the last few months we have been focused on cleaning up all City grass cutting areas, making sure all work orders are completed in a timely manner, and moving forward with having two of our parks (Jays Nest and Soroptimist) re-mulched.

We are working on a project with the City electric department by moving irrigation lines in Kiwanis Park so they are able to put in a new light system, and other amenities. The goal is to modernize the fountain electric service and irrigation service as they are well over 25 years old and starting to be unreliable.

Riverfest is in full swing for our department as they work on cutting, trimming, and spraying around City Hall and High Street areas for the upcoming event on July 8-9. We will also clear out a path for the annual Float-In launch site so floaters are easily able to get their float on!

**Recreation** – Throughout the last two months we have been working on setting up community trips and events. We have scheduled a trip to see the Delmarva Shorebirds for July 22<sup>nd</sup> and a trip to see the Baltimore Orioles on September 16<sup>th</sup> (tickets are available for both games). Encounter Praise & Worship, along with Mt. Olivet UMC has teamed up with the City of Seaford to bring movie night back into the community! There will be a free [showing on July 15<sup>th</sup>](#) in the Mt. Olivet parking lot starting at 8:00 p.m. where all family members and friends are welcome to attend. We are hoping to have two more nights during the month of August before school starts back up. Stay tuned for more information.

Not only have we been focused on community trips and gatherings, but our sports programs too! Our youth and adult flag football programs will be in full swing during the month of August. Youth flag football sign-ups are still available, ages 6-14. Though our department does not affiliate with the local Pop Warner tackle football, we still support their program by donating equipment to the organization.

We hope to keep moving forward by making sure our parks are in great condition for the community to enjoy while also keeping the community involved in all of our current and future programs and events. On behalf of the City of Seaford Parks and Recreation Department and our employees come out and enjoy all that our beautiful parks and facilities have to offer.





## New flags to fly downtown

New spring and summer flags will soon be flying on Market St, Pennsylvania Ave. and Nylon Blvd... compliments of the Downtown Seaford Association.

The flag committee, chaired by Bev Blades, along with Sara Lee Thomas and Sue Wile, presented the new flags to Mayor Genshaw on Tuesday, June 14.

The old flags were purchased in 2011 and had begun to show wear and tear. Downtown Seaford Association member Jane Webb, was able to mend them to get one more year of use for last year; however they are no longer in a good enough condition to fly.

The new flags will go up after July 4th. The City is grateful for the donation and thanks the Downtown Seaford Association for its continued support and commitment to our community.

## Search feature now available on city website

The City of Seaford Web site ([www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com)) now contains a new search feature. The search bar is located at the top right of the web pages. This feature will make it easier for users to search all text (as well as in Word and PDF documents that have been uploaded) located on our web pages, when they are looking for something specific. *DISCLAIMER – PDFs not created from original format (i.e. scanned documents, etc.) or JPEGs will not be searched.*



## SEAFORD's SOLAR ARRAY PROJECT: What you should know!

The City of Seaford will start construction of a 688 kW +/- Alternating Current Solar Array project to be located at the City Utility Building complex at 8000 Herring Run Road. This project will allow the Seaford Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) to generate a portion of its electricity using a renewable resource - the sun. This will result in a significant reduction in the greenhouse gas effects and allow the facility to be less dependent upon fossil fuel. In response to the volatile energy market and a desire to be environmentally efficient, the City has decided to undertake a project which would result in the installation of a renewable energy system. The overarching goals for this undertaking are: to move away from resource intensive energy sources, reduce the facility's impact on the environment, create a hedge against rising utility rates and provide a community solar facility to benefit its residents and business community.

Due to the space constraints at the existing WWTP located on Nanticoke Avenue, the City determined in its initial planning that the installation of a ground mounted solar array at the Public Utilities complex was the best option for the project location. The solar array will occupy approximately 2 acres of the existing site. In addition, this site was chosen based on the fact that currently a City electrical transmission facility and substation (Ross Substation) are in close proximity. This will make the connection of the solar generation facility to the power grid more cost effective and reduce its complexity.

The electricity generated by the solar array will be introduced into the grid and used to offset the energy demand of the WWTP. This will help manage electrical costs as electrical consumption of the facility is one of the largest expenses of operation. This effort will have a positive effect in controlling overall costs.

The goal of the City Council and the staff of the City is to take advantage of any opportunity to improve operational efficiencies and look for cost-saving opportunities whenever possible. We are also happy to take advantage of the environmental benefits of this project and be good stewards of our resources for the next generation of Seafordians.

Berley Mears  
Director of Public Works

Bill Bennett  
Superintendent of Electric

### **City of Seaford Sponsors 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Emergency Preparedness Raffle**

Preparing for an emergency means you also stay informed! To help you do that, the City is sponsoring an Emergency Preparedness Raffle from until August 30. Visit City Hall (414 High Street) and enter to win a free weather radio for your home, which includes an LED flashlight, uses batteries and can be powered by a USB port. This handheld, portable unit has an ALERT system that turns the unit on when a dangerous weather or civil emergencies arises.

To be eligible to win the radio, you must: complete a raffle entry form and place it in the raffle box at City Hall (limit 1 per household); be a City of Seaford customer; and give permission to have your name and picture in a media publication.

The winner will be notified after the drawing on August 31 to come to City Hall to receive the emergency radio and have a picture taken.

Do your part to be ready in an emergency!



## New Chief of Police Selected

Acting Chief/Captain Gary Flood, a 41-year department veteran, was promoted to the position of Chief of the City of Seaford Police Department (SPD). He will lead a department of 27 sworn officers, nine dispatchers and two administrative personnel.

Chief Gary W. Flood was hired by the City as a patrolman, in October 1974.. He has served as captain of the department since September 2003. During his tenure with the SPD, Gary served four years as a K-9 Officer, 15 years as the lead officer of the STAR (Specialized Tactics and Response) Team; for the past 16 years he has overseen the day-to-day operations of the 9-1-1 Communications Center and its dispatchers. When asked about his new position, Gary stated, "I am honored and humbled by this promotion. I will certainly strive to do what is best for our citizens and our community."

Gary is a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving from 1968-1972. He is also a lifetime member of the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department. Gary resides in Laurel, Delaware with his wife of 33 years, Debby. They have a son Steven, a daughter Heather, enjoy spending time with their five grandchildren. The Floods share an avid love for bluegrass music; Gary has even been known to occasionally play a little banjo.

Mayor David Genshaw stated he is confident that "Gary is clear on our direction and I look forward to the impact he will make. He has my full support Councilwoman Leanne Phillips-Lowe has been able to work closely with Gary Flood during the past several years, while serving as the Police Commissioner. When asked about Gary's promotion she stated, "Gary Flood is a man of integrity, intellect, and good moral character who has performed with distinction. Dedicated and conscientious, he continually has demonstrated high standards during his career in law enforcement. I am confident that as Chief of Police, he will be an exemplary leader for the men and women of the Seaford Police Department and the 911 Center and will serve the City of Seaford and its residents with honor."

Chief Gary Flood has the intimate community knowledge to be able to start fast and bring about those changes expressed by our citizens and businesses to curtail illicit activities. Dolores Slatcher, City Manager, stated, "I have had the privilege of working with him for almost four decades; the City would be hard pressed to find another candidate, who cares as deeply as Gary does about the men and women in the Police and 911 Center departments and for the overall City. He has my complete backing as the City Manager." The City of Seaford looks forward to working with Chief Gary Flood in his new capacity.



## Have you Seen the New Solar Speed Limit Signs?

The solar speed limit signs were funded by Rep. Danny Short in an effort to increase safety around the schools located on Stein Highway and Sussex Avenue. The signs were installed by the City of Seaford, which now maintain them to keep them functional.

The Solar speed limit signs monitor vehicles as they approach and alert drivers by displaying their actual speed.

The purpose of the signs in these two locations is to prevent excessive/high speed in the vicinity of the schools where youth are walking and parents are picking up children.



## AMP Lineman Training Program

Two members from the electric department recently traveled to Ohio to undergo training in the AMP Lineman program. Congratulations to Taylor Budke and Joe McCabe who both successfully completed the program and earned the Basic 1 Lineworker Training. They will both return in September to take the Basic 2 Lineworker Training. Congratulations on a job well done!





# Seaford Announces the Winner of its 2016 Earth Day Tree Raffle

Congratulations to James King for winning the City's 2016 Earth Day Tree raffle! Mr. King was very excited to win the tree and has already picked out the perfect spot to plant the tree.

The City of Seaford raffles shade trees because they naturally provide a welcoming spot to cool down during hot summer days. When shade trees are properly located and planted they can reduce home and business energy costs by reducing the need for summer air conditioning. The energy savings associated with trees doesn't stop with summer. In the winter, trees lose their leaves which allows the sun to warm up homes and business, reducing heating needs and lowering heating costs.

The 2016 Earth Day Tree Raffle is part of the City of Seaford's Earth Day Education campaign to teach its citizens more about energy efficiency and conservation. There was a display at the city hall for the public to learn more about this year's overall message: **Think Locally, Act Locally, and Buy Locally** to benefit health and quality of life while saving money.

**Thinking Locally** – means asking ourselves to think about:

- \* The uniqueness of our community,
- \* How we sometimes waste our limited resources, and
- \* How to use resources more sustainably to retain the natural beauty of the local environment

**Acting Locally** – means taking action to help ourselves and our community:

- \* Save money on electricity costs through simple low and no cost energy efficiency measures,
- \* Better understand how energy efficiency and conservation help reduce local carbon emissions, and
- \* Take direct personal action by entering a raffle to win a tree that not only absorbs carbon but also reduces summer cooling costs through free shading

**Buying Locally** – means we should seek local resources first because:

- \* Imported food typically travels farther and requires more fuel to get from field to plate,
- \* Local trips can sometimes be handled on foot or bike which reduces vehicle miles traveled and saves energy, and
- \* Reducing the amount of congestion on the roads can improve local air quality

To learn more about how to save energy, visit the Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC) website [www.demecinc.net](http://www.demecinc.net)

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DEMEC was formed in 1979 as a public corporation constituted as a Joint Action Agency and a wholesale electric utility. DEMEC represents and serves the nine municipal electric distribution utilities located in the State of Delaware.

Members of DEMEC are the cities and towns of Clayton, Dover, Seaford, Middletown, Milford, New Castle, Newark, Seaford and Smyrna. Collectively, they serve over 129,000 residents and businesses in their respective communities. In total DEMEC's Members have a peak load over 450 Megawatts. DEMEC is a generation owner and the PJM Load Serving Entity ("LSE") for eight of these municipal utilities (except Dover) and provides 100% of their wholesale power supply requirements.



Left to Right: Seaford Electrical Engineer Rick Garner; Vice-Mayor Dan Henderson; Earth Day Tree winners Mrs. and Mr. James King; Seaford City Manager Dolores Slatcher; and Seaford Superintendent of Electric Bill Bennett

**CITY OF SEAFORD  
BUDGET/REVENUE ANALYSIS  
ADOPTED BUDGET 06 14 2016 (No Rate Increase)**

	FY 2016	FY 2017	% CHANGE	\$ INCR/ DECR
<b><u>REVENUE</u></b>				
General Fund	5,879,043	5,295,744	-9.92%	(583,299)
Transfer from Electric Fund	2,731,660	3,257,142	19.24%	525,482
Transfer from Sewer Fund	100,000	230,500	130.50%	130,500
Transfer from Water Fund	177,644	65,800	-62.96%	(111,844)
Municipal Golf Fund	0	22,019	0.00%	22,019
Transfer from General Fund	454,204	448,068	-1.35%	(6,136)
Transfer from Electric Fund	0	0	0.00%	0
Water Fund	1,317,418	1,200,771	-8.85%	(116,647)
Transfer from Electric	0	0	0.00%	0
Sewer Fund	2,551,785	4,360,085	70.86%	1,808,300
Transfer from Electric	0	0	0.00%	0
Electric Fund	15,365,040	16,012,679	4.22%	647,639
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>28,576,794</b>	<b>30,892,808</b>	<b>8.10%</b>	<b>2,316,014</b>
<b>REVENUE W/O INTERNAL TRANSFER</b>	<b>25,113,286</b>	<b>26,891,298</b>	<b>7.08%</b>	<b>1,778,012</b>

**EXPENDITURES**

Executive	115,921	96,214	-17.00%	(19,707)
Capital	0	2,275		
Administration	1,741,932	1,753,731	0.68%	11,799
Capital	17,500	59,975	242.71%	42,475
Transfer to Golf Fund	454,204	448,068	-1.35%	(6,136)
Economic Development	127,578	113,893	-10.73%	(13,685)
Capital	6,500	44,900	590.77%	38,400
Information Technology	0	79,369	0.00%	79,369
Capital	0	1,700	0.00%	1,700



Code	321,163	362,997	13.03%	41,834
Capital	29,500	1,400	-95.25%	(28,100)
Fire	273,707	269,126	-1.67%	(4,581)
Capital	0	0	0.00%	0
Police	3,681,980	3,474,088	-5.65%	(207,892)
Capital	72,000	79,900	10.97%	7,900
Dispatchers	630,808	604,180	-4.22%	(26,628)
Capital	0	6,900	0.00%	6,900
Recreation	214,611	213,567	-0.49%	(1,044)
Capital	1,400	0	-100.00%	(1,400)
Parks	496,105	491,733	-0.88%	(4,372)
Capital	0	24,270	0.00%	24,270
Pools	25,630	31,784	24.01%	6,154
Capital	0	0	0.00%	0
Streets	477,808	495,922	3.79%	18,114
Capital	200,000	193,194	-3.40%	(6,806)
<b>EXPENDITURES - SUBTOTAL PAGE 1</b>	<b>8,888,347</b>	<b>8,849,186</b>	<b>-0.44%</b>	<b>(39,161)</b>
Municipal Golf	454,204	470,087	3.50%	15,883
Capital	0	0	0.00%	0
Water	1,011,016	1,018,684	0.76%	7,668
Capital	128,758	116,287	-9.69%	(12,471)
Transfer to General Fund	177,644	65,800	-62.96%	(111,844)
Sewer Collector System	437,494	436,572	-0.21%	(922)
Capital	0	14,900	0.00%	14,900
Sewer Plant	1,772,676	1,707,698	-3.67%	(64,978)
Capital	10,100	1,692,700	16659.41%	1,682,600
Transfer to General Fund	100,000	230,500	130.50%	130,500
Compost	213,515	277,715	30.07%	64,200
Capital	18,000	0	-100.00%	(18,000)

Electric Distribution	12,421,980	12,618,931	1.59%	196,951
Capital	211,400	136,606	-35.38%	(74,794)
Transfer to General Fund	2,731,660	3,257,142	19.24%	525,482
Transfer to Golf Course Fund	0	0	0.00%	0
Transfer to Water Fund	0	0	0.00%	0
Transfer to Sewer Fund	0	0	0.00%	0
Power House	0	0	0.00%	0
Capital	0	0	0.00%	0
<b>EXPENDITURES - SUBTOTAL PAGE 2</b>	<b>19,688,447</b>	<b>22,043,622</b>	<b>11.96%</b>	<b>2,355,175</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>28,576,794</b>	<b>30,892,808</b>	<b>8.10%</b>	<b>2,316,014</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES W/O INTERNAL TRANSFER</b>	<b>25,113,286</b>	<b>26,891,298</b>	<b>7.08%</b>	<b>1,778,012</b>
Total Revenues without Internal Transfers	25,113,286	26,891,298	7.08%	1,778,012
Total Expenditures without Internal Transfers	25,113,286	26,891,298	7.08%	1,778,012
Surplus (Deficit)	0	0	0.00%	0
Note: Purchased Power Electric Distribution	10,063,085	9,903,124	-1.59%	(159,961)
Note: Electric Distribution without Purchased Power	2,358,895	2,715,807	15.13%	356,912



# City of Seaford News



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## City & Hospital are making strides against cancer by “Going Pink!”

On Monday, October 3, 2016 at 7:15 pm the community is invited to join Nanticoke Cancer Care Services and the City of Seaford for the annual Pink Ribbon Breast Cancer Awareness Walk to “Turn Sussex Pink” and kick off Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

The walk brings community members together to honor breast cancer survivors and remember those who lost their battle with this disease. Participants are encouraged to wear pink, and survivors will be given sashes sponsored by Spicer Bros. Construction, Inc. All participants will be given a pink light to carry throughout the three-block walk along a lighted path from the Nanticoke Cancer Care Center to Gateway Park, which will be decorated with pink lights and ribbons.

The walk will end with a ceremony at Gateway Park that will include opening remarks, a proclamation, a presentation from a featured speaker, and an inspirational performance by a soloist. For more information about the walk or help with scheduling a mammogram, call Fredeline Menard, Cancer Nurse Navigator, at 302-629-6611, ext. 3765.

During the month of October, Nanticoke Health Services will host several activities to promote breast cancer awareness including a Pink Ribbon Survivor's Tea on Friday, October 14, a bake sale on October 20, and the annual Bling the Bra contest. For a full calendar of events visit <http://goo.gl/eiyvuu>.

Nanticoke Cancer Center Services and the Mammography Team at Nanticoke would like to remind you that the first sign of breast cancer usually shows up on a woman's mammogram before it can be felt or any symptoms are present. Nanticoke now offers 3D mammograms which provide increased accuracy and lead to fewer callbacks. Please remember to schedule your mammogram, and remind all women in your life to get their mammogram!

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A message from the



Mayor David Genshaw

In my last message I said to be on the look out for changes to our Riverfront and downtown. Well, it is here! The Residences at Riverplace are going up with hope of residents moving in by the end of February. Nanticoke Health Services is completing its work on what most of us know as the old Miller Furniture building, and it looks great. Linda Vista Real Estate just celebrated its 1 year anniversary and are very happy to be downtown. I am thankful that other small businesses have lead the way. Please continue to support them. With this increased activity, interest in business opportunities downtown continues to grow. We are all on board to help make this happen.

The Seaford Police Dept. has made an impact in our community by building relationships and making its presence known. Today more than ever, the community needs strong law enforcement, and our officers need the support of its community. I'd like to ask a favor. I know you appreciate having a local police department but if you could share your appreciation with them, it would mean more than you know. Sending a card or making a phone call to say thank you really means a a lot to these men and women in blue.

A big thank you to our faith-based community for the positive impact it is making in Seaford. Shift Destiny is going out to the people in need and making a difference. Gethsemane UMC chose to stay local this year with their mission team and have spent weekends cleaning up Soroptimist Park and painting underneath the Stein Highway railroad bridge. And there is Teen Challenge through its 12-month program there is an 86% success rate of removing men from their addiction. They are making an impact with those who want help. We owe all of you a great thanks.

The City Council meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. I encourage you to come to the meetings and learn what is going on in Seaford.

Enjoy this beautiful fall season.

*David Genshaw*





## Downtown Seaford Association to host Halloween parade & party

Dress up, come have fun! The

Downtown Seaford Association will sponsor its annual Halloween Parade and Party on Wednesday, October 26.

Line up for the parade will begin at 6:15 p.m. at Cedar Ave & High Street; the parade will step-off at 7 p.m. and end at the Seaford Fire Hall. Individuals must be in costume to participate; ages newborn to adult may enter. There will be a costume contest and goodies at the party, with trophies being awarded to costume winners.

Although the parade will be canceled if it rains, the party and costume contest will still take place at the Seaford Fire Hall at 7 p.m.

## Trick or Treat on October 31

“Trick or Treat” will be held on Monday, October 31, 6 to 8 p.m. (The City of Seaford always holds Trick or Treat on October 31, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls.) Children ages 12 and under are welcome to participate. To keep your little ones safe and make the event enjoyable for everyone, here are a few helpful tips:

- Children should be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Adults should plan a route in advance.
- Be sure a child's mask allows full visibility and breathing.
- Only “Trick or Treat” at homes that are well lit; walk in well-lit areas.
- Costumes should be flame-retardant and allow children to walk freely without tripping.
- Extra care should be taken on streets and at crossings, especially at dusk and after dark.
- An adult should always examine Halloween treats before children eat them.

*Be safe... Have fun!*



## Friendly Reminders

- If an electric outage occurs, please call 629-4550.
- Snow & ice should be removed from the sidewalks/ curbing in front of or adjacent to your property within 24 hours after the snow has stopped falling.
- In addition to the usual City Building Permits, permits are also required for sheds, sidewalks & curbing, fencing and swimming pools. Sussex County may also require a permit. To confirm if you need a permit from Sussex County, call the County Permit Office at 302-855-7720.
- The accumulation of trash is a health and life safety hazard. Every property should have durable metal or plastic containers with tight-fitting lids to hold trash bags. The containers should, at a minimum, be emptied weekly.

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## 23RD ANNUAL CAROLING IN THE PARK – NOVEMBER 28

Upcoming

Sign-Ups for

Winter Sports

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Co-Ed Basketball

Ages 6-13,

Cost \$40; Sign-ups

begin in October

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Wrestling

Ages 6-12 (boys

and girls); Monday

nights at Seaford

Middle School;

6:30—8:00 p.m.

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A copy of child's  
birth certificate is  
needed to register.

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Contact the  
Recreation Office  
at 302-629-6809  
for more  
information.

The Gateway Park Committee and the City of Seaford will be hosting the 23rd Annual Caroling in the Park Celebration on Monday, November 28 at 7 p.m. in Gateway Park (rain date Friday, December 2.)

This long standing event is a great way for you and your family to bring in the holiday season! Rumor has it there may even be a visit from Santa himself!

The Gateway Park Committee has been dedicated to ensuring a festive holiday season for Seaford residents by decorating the park for more than two decades. The Community Christmas Tree will be erected and decorated on November 17 but will not be lit until November 28. For individuals who would like to support the event, a "silver bell" ornament in honor or in memory of loved ones may be purchased. Those bells are available for \$5, \$10 and \$15, depending on size. Again this year, with the purchase of a bell, you will receive a set of Holiday Specs, while supplies last. They are 3D glasses that magically change the lights on the tree. Ornament sponsors are encouraged to place their bell on the tree during the lighting ceremony or may elect to have it placed on the tree in advance.



## Mayor Genshaw supports Community Food Drive

Mayor David Genshaw, in partnership with the Community Food Closet located at St. John's United Methodist Church and Seaford-Blades Associated Charities, Inc., is pleased to announce a community food drive to serve local families in need this holiday season. He is asking our community to support this worthy cause.

Beginning Monday, October 3 through Friday, December 9, collection boxes will be in City Hall for the collection of non-perishable, non-expired food items. The donated items will be given to the agencies above for distribution to those in need in the Seaford area.

Collection boxes will also be available at this year's Caroling in the Park event on Monday, November 28. As you come out for an evening of festive cheer, please remember those less fortunate; bring a food item and help make someone's holiday season a little brighter.





## Downtown Seaford Christmas Parade set for December 3

“*A Candy Cane Christmas*” is the theme of Seaford’s 2016 Christmas Parade, scheduled for Saturday, December 3; caroling will begin at 6 p.m. at City Hall steps & the Seaford Museum.

The parade begins at 7 p.m. at the corner of Nylon Boulevard and Pennsylvania Avenue, marches east up High Street past the judge’s stand at the Mt. Olivet parking lot, turns north (left) onto Market Street and ends at Seaford Middle School.

Recognized as the largest Christmas parade on Delmarva, we are sure you won’t be disappointed! Bring a chair or a blanket (or both!) and your friends for a cheery, enchanting evening! *Rain date: Sunday, December 4, 7 p.m.* To sign up as an entry in the Christmas parade, go to [www.mychristmasparade.com](http://www.mychristmasparade.com).

## 2016 HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

Mayor David Genshaw has announced the 2016 Holiday Decorating Contest for the City of Seaford. All residents within the corporate limits of the City are encouraged to put out their best or favorite decorations and compete for cash prizes.

The prizes are \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place, and \$50 for third place. Let’s light up our community and make this a joyous occasion for all our residents.

There is no fee or registration to participate. All residents who decorate the exterior of their homes are eligible to win. The Holiday Decorating Committee will tour the City of Seaford during the evenings of December 12 through December 16 and will select three participants to win.

Those residents will be notified by the Mayor, and the awards will be presented at the Regular City Council Meeting of January 10, 2017.





## Leaf Machine Information

The City of Seaford Public Works Department will operate the leaf machine from October 1 - December 31. At that time, leaves may be raked into the street and do not need to be bagged. The leaf machine will go around weekly to pick up the leaves beginning on the west side of the City and work east. Please help clean out catch basins, if possible.

Please separate your limbs and larger debris as the leaf machine will be unable to pick up these items. After the December 31 deadline, all leaves must be bagged and placed at the curb in 15-gallon or smaller trash bags.



## Change of Hours

Starting on October 3, 2016, City offices will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. If there is a utility emergency, please call 302-629-4550. Payments can be placed in the drop box by the drive-thru window or on our Website, [www.seafordde.com](http://www.seafordde.com).

**PLEASE!!  
NOTE**

## Seaford School District

### Homecoming and Blue Jay Pride Day

The annual Homecoming Parade will be held on Friday, October 7 with step-off at 6:00 p.m. at Pennsylvania Ave and Nylon Blvd. Bring the family out to view the class floats and cheer for the football team.

The second annual Blue Jay Pride Day will be held on Saturday, October 8 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Seaford High School cafeteria. Bring the entire family to learn about and celebrate our community and schools! There will be food, demonstrations, musical performances and fun! For more information, please contact the Seaford School District at 302-629-4587.



# The City of Seaford announces the winner of its Storm Preparation Ambient Radio Raffle

The City of Seaford congratulates Dr. Roberto Villasenor for winning the City's 2016 Storm Preparation Ambient Radio Raffle.

The 2016 Ambient Radio Raffle is part of the City of Seaford's Storm Preparation Education campaign to teach its citizens about how to prepare and stay safe during electric storms, tornadoes, and hurricanes. The city provided an informational display at City Hall for the public to learn more about this important message because preparation through education is less costly than learning through tragedy. Preparing for an emergency includes customers staying informed, and the city cautions that all storms should be taken seriously. The public should take appropriate action for each type of storm.

While power outages may not always be unavoidable, your Seaford electric utility crew is preparing year round to keep the lights on, especially during storm season. Seaford proactively works to mitigate outages versus reacting to them by focusing on system improvements which positions the community to be prepared for inclement weather and storms. System improvements are identified by performing regular inspections of the grid and equipment, testing of systems and substations and prudent tree trimming to prevent outages due to downed tree limbs. Your public power utility recognizes that stewardship of utility assets is essential in ensuring system reliability and performance not only during storm season but for the long term.

To learn more about preparing for storm season, visit the Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC) website [www.demecinc.net](http://www.demecinc.net)

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DEMEC was formed in 1979 as a public corporation constituted as a Joint Action Agency and a wholesale electric utility. DEMEC represents and serves the nine municipal electric distribution utilities located in the State of Delaware.

Members of DEMEC are the cities and towns of Clayton, Dover, Lewes, Middletown, Milford, New Castle, Newark, Seaford and Smyrna. Collectively, they serve over 100,000 residents and businesses in their respective communities. In total DEMEC's Members have a peak load over 450 Megawatts. DEMEC is a generation owner and the PJM Load Serving Entity ("LSE") for eight of these municipal utilities (except Dover) and provides 100% of their wholesale power supply requirements.



Pictured Left from Right: David Genshaw, Seaford Mayor; Rick Garner, Electric Engineer; Bill Bennett, Superintendent of Electric; Dr. Roberto Villasenor, Seaford Raffle Winner; Dolores Slatcher, Seaford City Manager



**Public Power:  
The Power of Community.  
Powered by you. For you.**

# Solar Array Project Underway

Work has started on the City of Seaford Solar Array. The array is a 643 KW AC system that will offset the energy used at the City of Seaford Wastewater facility. The Solar Array field is located at 8000 Herring Run Road next to the City of Seaford utility building. The system should be completed this fall and begin to produce electric.



## Did You Know?



If you have an emergency after hours dealing with infrastructure, flooding or any other related issue, please call our after hours number at 302-629-4550 for assistance.

## Spade and Trowel Garden Club

The Spade and Trowel Garden Club recently presented Mayor Genshaw with a recognition sign in appreciation of the City's continued support and participation in the plantings on two bridges and numerous business pots in Seaford.

Thank you to this dedicated group of individuals who continue to lend their "green hands" to keep our City beautiful!





## Do you need a Priority Electric Reconnection?

The City of Seaford offers a service to any individual(s) who require a priority reconnection of electric in their residence when the city experiences a power outage. Forms to request and verify this need can be obtained at the city's main office at 414 High Street. **The form needs to be filled out completely, including the signature from a physician, and returned to the City office or mailed to the address on the form.**

The residence will then be included on the city's priority reconnection list for any future outages. In the case of a power outage, the city first restores power to the circuits which serve medical facilities and then restores power to the circuits which serve customers on the priority reconnection list.

If an individual's phone number changes or if one moves to another residence, please contact the city office so files can be updated.

Please call 302-629-9173 if you have any questions regarding this information.



### *Congratulations Joseph Bowen—Retirement!*

Sgt. Joseph W. Bowen was hired by the Seaford Police Department in July of 1993 and attended the City of Dover Police Department Training Academy.

He served with the Seaford Police Department for 20 years in many different positions. Hired as a patrolman, he came up through the ranks serving as a K9 officer, a bike officer, and was head of the Special Tactical and Response Team for many years executing high-level search warrants. He was promoted to Sgt. in 2002 and was the Sector Supervisor of C Shift until his retirement in June 2016.

During his career, Sgt. Bowen received many awards for his service with the department, including the esteemed Chief's Award in 2014 and again in 2016.

Prior to his service with the City, he served in the US Army at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, as a Specialist E-4.

Thank you, Joe, for your dedication and commitment to the City; your work to keep Seaford's residents safe is greatly appreciated.



## ***Congratulations Richard Jamison—Retirement!***

Lt. Richard J. Jamison began his police career at Selbyville Police Department and was hired by the Seaford Police Department in 1997 as a patrolman.

He advanced through the ranks and he spent most of his career working in Criminal Investigation Division (CID). In July 2004 he was promoted to Sergeant in charge of that unit.

After Lt. Jamison's promotion to Lieutenant, he had responsibility overseeing the CID and other administrative duties until his retirement in September 2016.

Lt. Jamison received many awards for outstanding duty during his career, including the Employee of the Year Award in 2005 and the highly esteemed Chief's Award in 2006.

Thank you, Richard, for your dedication and commitment to the City and for providing a safe environment for the citizens of our community.



## ***Congratulations Tommy Lee - Retirement !***

Sgt. Thomas E. Lee began his career with the City of Seaford Police Department in September 1990, at which time he went to the Delaware State Police Training Academy. Upon graduation, he began working as a Patrol Officer.

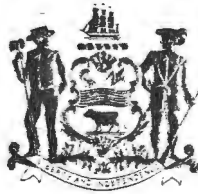
During the ensuing years, Sgt. Lee advanced in the departmental ranks and was promoted to Sergeant, Squad Supervisor in July 2000. In July of 2007, he was moved to supervisor of the Criminal Investigations Division (CID), the role in which he continued to serve until his retirement in July 2016.

While working in the CID, Sgt. Lee was responsible for the closure of many high profile cases.

Thank you, Tommy, for your dedication and commitment for the City and helping to ensure the well-being of our community.



# STATE OF DELAWARE



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### STATEMENT IN OBSERVANCE OF SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL DAY

**Whereas,** Soroptimist International was chartered on October 3, 1921, to "foster the ideal of service;" and

**Whereas,** Soroptimist International is the world's largest classified service organization for executive and professional women, and for seventy-five years, Soroptimist members have made positive contributions to their communities; and

**Whereas,** Soroptimist International of the Americas is the largest of the four federations that comprise Soroptimist International; and

**Whereas,** Soroptimist International makes a difference for women by identifying the special needs of each community and establishing projects that best address those needs; and

**Whereas,** Soroptimist International of Seaford projects include operating the Curiosity Shop, implementing the Vial of Life Program, providing breast cancer testing and awareness, supporting domestic violence awareness, sponsoring workshops and youth programs, and providing financial support to the Rotary House, Hospice, Kent/Sussex Industries, Habitat for Humanity, and many other local agencies and projects dictated by community need; and

**Whereas,** Educational scholarships and citizenship awards are bestowed to deserving high school seniors and to women who need additional skills or education in order to return to the workplace; and

**Whereas,** Soroptimist International of the Americas has been "Making a Difference for Women" throughout the world, and Soroptimist efforts have dramatically improved the quality of life in our state,

**Now, Therefore, We, Thomas R. Carper, Governor, and Ruth Ann Minner, Lieutenant Governor,** of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare October 3, 1996,

### SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL DAY

in the State of Delaware, and urge all Delawareans to join in the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Soroptimist International and recognize their achievements in improving the quality of life and health in the First State.



*Thomas R. Carper*  
Thomas R. Carper, Governor

*Ruth Ann Minner*  
Ruth Ann Minner, Lieutenant Governor