

Rehoboth Beach-Dewey Beach Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center

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HEADS UP - COUNTERFEIT CREDIT CARDS - UPGRADE, UPGRADE, UPGRADE

A local business received their first non-chip credit card EMV dispute. They had two counterfeit cards in a successive 1 minute time frame – the amounts were \$48 and \$54. These transactions turned into fraud disputes by the card issuing bank and since they swiped the card and did not insert it as a chip, they automatically lost the chargeback. These type of transactions are only for Retail (card swiped) businesses. If you are keying in your transactions, this will not affect you.

SAVE THE DATES

Thursday, December 10, 2015 – Chamber 75th Anniversary/Holiday Business After Hours – 5:00-7:00 PM at Jake's on Route One – members with key tag – no fee; members without key tag - \$5.00 fee

Thursday, December 17, 2015 – Young Professionals Meeting – details to be announced – for more information contact Kyle Morgan – kmorgan@mpiprocessing.com

Thursday, February 11, 2016 - Chamber Annual Awards Dinner - Atlantic Sands Hotel & Conf. Center - 5:00 PM

SUPERSIZED MERCHANTS' ATTIC-NEW LOCATION/DATE IN 2016-NOW ACCEPTING VENDOR APPLICATIONS

February 14, 2016 – 11:30-3:30 – Become one of 100 vendors at the 2016 Supersized **Merchants' Attic!** The vendor fee will remain the same as in previous years; \$75 for a 10 ft. x 10 ft. space which includes a table and two chairs. Additional tables are available for rental. Vendors will not be accepted on a first come, first serve basis-the Chamber will accept vendors primarily to attain an equal mix of excess business inventory, antiques/ collectibles, and secondhand household vendors. Contact Kate Bell, Event Coordinator at events@beach-fun.com or call (302) 227-2233 x11 to receive an application.

SEA WITCH SHIRTS, ETC. AVAILABLE FOR SALE ONLINE AT ASAPSTUFF.COM

Click on the following link to visit the ASAP Screenprinting site to purchase Sea Witch shirts, hats, etc. http://www.asapstuff.com/index.cfm?ref=12100&ref2=53

<u>1ST ANNUAL DEWEY BEACH HOLIDAY SIP & SHOP – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27 AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28</u> At the Starboard – 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM – for more information, e-mail deweysipandshop@gmail.com.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOANS AVAILABLE IN DELAWARE

The U.S. Small Business Administration announces that federal Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations located in Kent, New Castle/Sussex counties in **Delaware** as a result of excessive heat/drought from July 16-Sept. 29, 2015. The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates of 2.625 % for private nonprofit organizations and 4 % for small businesses, with terms up to 30 years. Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela. Disaster loan information/application forms may also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 or by e-mailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Loan applications can be downloaded from www.sba.gov/disaster. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Admin., Processing/Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76155. Completed loan applications must be returned to SBA no later than July 5, 2016.

FESTIVAL OF TREES - DELAWARE HOSPICE

Friday, December 4th-12:00pm-4:00pm; Saturday, December 5th and Sunday, December 6th -10:00am-4:00pm – free admission except for the following: **Mistletoe & Martinis Reception-***Friday, December 4th* from 6:30pm-9:00pm. Heavy hors d'oeuvres by Nage Catering, complimentary martini bar -tickets are \$50 per person. **Teddy Bear Disco** on *Saturday, December 5th* from 12:00pm-3:00pm. Crafts, clowns, games, raffles, and entertainment - photos with Santa will also be available. Tickets are \$5. For more information/tickets visit www.delawarehospice.org or contact Peggy Dolby at 302-746-4666 or pdolby@delawarehospice.org.

FESTIVAL OF TREES - GROTTO PIZZA - NOVEMBER 23, 2015 - JANUARY 1, 2016

Participating locations include Rehoboth Avenue and Grand Slam Lewes – kick-off party Monday, November 23 - all donations to participating business trees will go to their charity of choice. For more information, please contact Christie DiNatale at (302) 227-3567, or cdinatale@grottopizza.com.

FROM CAPE HENLOPEN SENIOR CENTER

Raffle of two club seat tickets to December 13, 2015 Philadelphia Eagles vs. Buffalo Bills game - drawing to be held December 1, 2015 - \$10/ticket – for information on this and other events click on the following link: http://www.capehenlopenseniorcenter.org/.

For a complete Calendar of Events, visit the Chamber website – www.beach-fun.com. If you have questions, please give Carol a call on the member hotline – 227-6446 or her cell phone at 542-7547.