

Rehoboth Beach-Dewey Beach Chamber of Commerce

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

From Chamber Legislative Rep. Mark Lally: HB50 – Personal Income Tax......raises the rate to 6.6% for those making over \$66K; HB51 – Eliminates the Sunset on the Estate Tax; HB52 - Removes the Sunset on the Corporate Franchise Tax; HB53 – Reduces by 1% the G.R. Tax which was due to Sunset the entire tax burden July 1, 2013 and reduces the manufacturers tax rate by 30% in 2014. All were released from Committee on 3/20/13 and passed by the House on 3/21/13 - on to the Senate.

Note regarding the above revenue Bills: These Bills are primarily democratic and must still go through the Senate. The Bills will require a 3/5 majority vote to pass through the Senate. The Majority caucus has exactly the 13 votes needed to push it through, meaning if any senator aligns with the GOP, the Bills will stall.

Chamber Legislative Rep. Andy Stayton is attending the hearing on the Affordable Care Act.

DELAWARE RESORTS HOME EXPO - CHAMBER PREVIEW

Building Supply Depot and Andersen Windows & Doors invites Chamber members to a "members only" preview of the Delaware Resorts Home Expo.—Friday, April 5, 2013 from 5:30-7:30PM at Rehoboth Beach Convention Center. Enjoy complimentary catering by Big Fish Grill along with beer/wine/Coke products. Please RSVP to Carrie—carrie@buildingsupplydepot.com or 302-684-8588.

GET DOWN IN TOWN REHOBOTH - FRIDAY, APRIL 5

6:00-9:00 PM - Awesome fun night in Downtown Rehoboth! Purchase a \$10 wristband and enjoy food and drinks in all participating stores provided by your favorite Rehoboth restaurants. For more information call 302-226-9650.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - APRIL 16, 2013

The Chamber will hold a General Membership luncheon meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 – Noon at Kings Creek Country Club, with Tony Pratt of DNREC who will speak on upcoming beach replenishment. The luncheon fee will be \$15.00 – stay tuned for menu – RSVP to Joy at 227-6446 or joy@beach-fun.com.

CHAMBER TELEPHONE SYSTEM BACKGROUND ADVERTISING

The Chamber will be re-recording the telephone system on-hold background advertising in time for spring. Your business can have a 15 second advertisement (approximately 3-4 sentences) on the recording for a cost of \$125.00. For more information, please contact Patty at membership@beach-fun.com or 227-2233, ext. 15.

VISITOR CENTER MEMBER SHOWCASE DAYS – NEW!

The Chamber is proud to offer Members the opportunity to showcase their wares in the Visitors Center! Beginning in May, this pilot program will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays on a first come, first serve basis; one Member per day. Minimal price of \$25.00 to participate. All product with the exception of on site food preparation qualifies. The Chamber will promote your business as well. The Visitors Center welcomes hundreds of people each month. Visitors not only stop by to ask questions about the Resort area, they pick up brochures and coupons. Please drop off your printed product so we can pass it out!

JOB FAIR – PRESENTED BY SENATORS CARPER AND COONS AND REP. CARNEY

Tuesday, April 30, 2013-10:00AM-3:00PM at Rehoboth Beach Convention Center; 229 Rehoboth Ave. If you would like to exhibit at the Job Fair, please contact Latisha Bracy in Senator Coons office – <u>latisha bracy@coons.senate.gov</u>.

APRIL BUSINESS AFTER HOURS - THURSDAY, APRIL 18 - DOS LOCOS ON REHOBOTH AVENUE!

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