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STATE CHAMBER “PARTNERSHIP TOUR” – OCTOBER 15 – BELLMOOR INN

The DSCC is taking to the road to reintroduce Delawareans to the state's oldest and most influential business organization, and to emphasize the partnership of the state and local chambers. Join them to discuss the goals and priorities of the entire state business community, as they move forward to create an even stronger voice of business to revitalize Delaware's economy - **October 15, 2013** Bellmoor Inn & Spa, Rehoboth Beach, 9:00 AM - free and open to the public – lunch will be provided. To register call 302-655-7221 or click on the following link:

<https://delawaredecoc.wliinc18.com/external/wcpages/wcevents/eventregistration.aspx?eventID=2R5M5R5C>

STATEWIDE BUSINESS 2 BUSINESS EXPO – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2014

Dover Downs Hotel & Casino from 3:00-8:00 PM – Join your fellow Chamber members Delmarva VOIP, TDS Brochure Distributors/Toth Distribution Services, Inc., Atlantic Sands and Progressive Specialties and take advantage of early savings at the same time. Contact Patty with any questions – 227-2233, ext. 15 or register online at www.cdcc.net.

OCTOBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Chamber has scheduled a General Membership Luncheon/Meeting for **Wednesday, October 16, 2013** at 12:00 PM with Greg Simeone and Jen Wilson of Delaware Employee Benefits Exchange. They will be speaking about their agency, their advisor partnership with the Chamber, and health care reform. Delaware Employee Benefits Exchange offers a private exchange platform with standard & customized benefits plans for both full time and part time employees. They focus solely on employee benefits and offer unique solutions to employee benefits on the private exchange platform. The luncheon will be held at Atlantic Sand Hotel & Conference Center -- cost is \$15 per person-- buffet to include vegetarian soup du jour, Sands House Salad, chicken stir fry, London broil with wild mushroom demi-glace & frizzled leeks, wild rice pilaf, and a dessert assortment. Seating at the meeting is limited, so reserve your spot now by contacting Joy at 302-227-2233 ext 14 or joy@beach-fun.com.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMPENSATION – SIGNED INTO LAW BY GOVERNOR MARKELL **TITLE 19 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION AND COUNSELING, TRAINING AND PLACEMENT ACTIVITIES.**

Section 1 establishes a one-week waiting period as a condition of eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits for claims establishing a benefit year beginning January 1, 2014 and thereafter. **Section 2** sunsets the one-week waiting period as a condition of eligibility for unemployment insurance for claims establishing a benefit year beginning January 1, 2017 and thereafter. **Section 3** defines “waiting period”. The one-week waiting period is the first week after a claim for unemployment insurance benefits is filed. No unemployment insurance benefits are paid for the one-week waiting period. **Section 4** sunsets the definition of “waiting period” for unemployment insurance for claims establishing a benefit year beginning January 1, 2017 and thereafter. **Section 5** increases the taxable wage base from its current level of \$10,500 effective calendar year 2014. The taxable wage base will be based on a “trigger”; specifically the balance of the UI Trust Fund as of September 30 of the preceding calendar year. The higher the fund balance, the lower the taxable wage base. If the UI Trust Fund balance is \$125.0 million or less, the taxable wage base will be \$18,500; if the UI Trust Fund balance is greater than \$125.0 million, but less than \$175.0 million, the taxable wage base will be \$16,500; if the UI Trust Fund balance is at least \$175.0 million, but no greater than \$225.0 million, the taxable wage base will be \$14,500; if the UI Trust Fund balance is greater than \$225.0 million, but less than \$275.0 million, the taxable wage base will be \$12,500 and if the UI Trust Fund balance is \$275.0 million or greater, the taxable wage base will be \$10,500. **Section 6** provides that any loan of State funds to repay loans from the federal government to the UI Trust Fund shall be repaid from unemployment insurance tax receipts. **Section 7** decreases the “special assessment” (the “training tax”), as established in § 3401, Title 19, DE Code, when the taxable wage base increases. The assessment rate will be .085% when the taxable wage base is \$18,500, .095% when the taxable wage base is \$16,500, .11% when the taxable wage base is \$14,500, .126% when the taxable wage base is \$12,500 and .15% when the taxable wage base is \$10,500.

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.