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**AMC MUSEUM WILL BE HONORED AS ATTRACTION OF THE YEAR  
AT 19TH ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF TOURISM NOVEMBER 5**

DOVER, DE -- Kent County Tourism invites the public to the 19th Annual Celebration of Tourism, set for Friday, November 5, 6-10 p.m. at the Air Mobility Command Museum in Dover. The AMC Museum will be recognized as the tourism attraction of the year for Kent County.

"We are very pleased to recognize the AMC Museum, its staff and volunteers as our tourism attraction of the year in Kent County," said Cindy Small, Executive Director of Kent County Tourism. "The AMC recorded its largest number of visitors in history for a non-air show year in 2009, plus they are truly one of our most popular attractions in Kent County." Past winners have included Delaware State Fair and Delaware International Speedway.

This year's Celebration of Tourism will feature a 1940's military style affair. Costumes are suggested, but not required. The Smooth Sounds Jazz Band from Milford will provide live music for dancing, and the First State Harmonettes will provide 40's-style tunes. Heavy appetizers will be provided, and additional tourism awards will be presented that evening.

New this year is the table centerpiece design competition. As of publication time, 13 individuals, businesses and community organizations have volunteered to create centerpieces. Designers are encouraged to get creative with a 1940s or military theme. They include AmericInns Northstar Management, Delaware Tourism Office, *Delaware State News*, *Delaware Today*, Residence Inn, Fantini Research, Delaware Made General Store, Friends of Old Dover, Biggs Museum of American Art, Mainstay Suites, Residence Inn, Minorbird and Downtown Milford Incorporated. An additional seven designers are encouraged to get creative with a 1940s or military theme.

Prizes will be awarded to the top winners, and centerpieces will be raffled off to raise funds for tourism projects in Kent County. Prizes will be awarded to the top winners, and centerpieces will be raffled off to raise funds for tourism projects in Kent County.

A live and silent auction featuring the best in Kent County will be a highlight of the event, just in time for holiday gift purchasing. Some of the unique items include an airplane ride and Monster Racing experience, along with jewelry and accessories, for which the Kent County Tourism silent auction has become well known.

For more information, call Kent County Tourism at 302-734-4888.

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