



Calendar of Events 2010

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January

Start the New Year With Hot Cocoa Hayrides

Saturday, January 2 -- 4 p.m., a winter hayride will uncover the beauty of the park's forests and fields. Private hayrides may also be arranged. Hot cocoa will be available after each hayride. Hayrides start at Killens Pond State Park Nature Center, 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton. Fee, reservations may be made and private hayrides can be scheduled by calling 302-284-4299.

First Saturday: Tour Governor's House

Saturday, January 2 -- From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., tour Woodburn, the home of the Delaware Governor and Hall House, the Governor's guest house, located on Kings Highway in Dover. Free admission, for more information, call First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: A Day With Bedford and McLane

Saturday, January 2 -- At the Old State House on The Green in Dover, meet Constitutional Convention delegate Gunning Bedford, Jr. and Revolutionary War hero Col. Allen McLane in a presentation followed by Q&A with the public at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., free admission, for more information, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: Revolutionary Heroes Walking Tour

Saturday, January 2 -- Meet at 2 p.m. at Christ Church on the corner of South State and Water Streets in Dover. From the monuments of Christ Church to those of the Old Presbyterian Churchyard, visit the graves of Dover's Revolutionary War heroes and see the sites where they once lived on The Green. Free, for more information, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: Melty the Snowman at the Biggs

Saturday, January 2 -- The Biggs Museum of American Art, kids activity -- our snowmen have spent a little too much time in the sun and have started to melt -- let's see if we can save them! 2 p.m., free, for information, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: Free Tours of Legislative Hall

Saturday, January 2 -- Free guided tours of Legislative Hall from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Last tour leaves at 4 p.m., touring the House and Senate Chambers as you learn about the legislature and Delaware History. Photo ID required for all adults. For information, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

'No Bones About It...' at Victrola Museum

Saturday, January 2 -- Johnson Victrola Museum's newest acquisition of Nipper collectibles will be on exhibit. Hear the story of how this once stray dog became one of America's oldest trademarks. A make-

and-take activity will be available for kids from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the museum will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., free of charge. For information, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

Birders, Prowl for Owls at Night

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Healthy Living Hike Sundays in January

January 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 -- 1 p.m., this healthy hike through the park will help participants stick with their New Year's resolutions. This free program starts at Killens Pond State Park Nature Center, 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton, reservations may be made by calling (302) 284-4299.

April Verch Band at Smyrna Opera House

Thursday, January 7 -- Featuring Maryland's Too Far North as opening act! April Verch delivers richly textured phrasing on traditional roots tunes, bluegrass and newgrass melodies, jazz-influenced compositions, and country music. 7:30 p.m., for tickets, call 302-653-4236.

First Look pARTy!: Arts ConnectED

Saturday, January 8 -- The Biggs Museum at 406 Federal Street in Dover will feature the art of Campus Community School from 3-6 p.m., free. For information, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

Family Concert Einstein's Mozart 'Two Geniuses'

Saturday, January 9 -- Music School of Delaware in Milford presents a family concert at 3 p.m. featuring Serafin String Quartet and poet Kate Light. Fee, for tickets, call 302-762-1131.

'Bright Star' at Schwartz Movie Night

January 13 and 17 -- Bright Star will be shown at 7 p.m. at the Schwartz Center for the Arts in Dover, fee, for info, www.schwartzcenter.com.

Waiting Around: The New Orleans Restaurant Musical

January 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 29 and 30 -- Kent County Theater Guild invites you to attend their First comedy of the year at the Patchwork Playhouse, 140 Roosevelt Avenue in Dover. Fee, for more information, call 302-674-3568 or www.kctg.org.

Knitting Workshop at the Biggs Museum

Saturday, January 16 -- The Biggs Museum, 406 Federal Street in Dover, will host a knitting workshop with Ann Gravatt from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, fee, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

Friends of Folk Present Wesley Coffee House

Saturday, January 16 -- Delaware Friends of Folk present a Coffee House concert at Wesley College in Dover, 7:30 p.m., fee, 1-877-DEL-FOLK.

Ecarte Winter Concert at Delaware State University

Saturday, January 16 -- Ecarte dance Theatre will perform at Delaware State University's Educational and Humanities Theater in Dover, fee, 302-674-4689 for tickets.

Crazy Kids Crafts at Killens Pond SP

Saturday, January 16 -- 10 a.m.-1 p.m., kids are invited to the Killens Pond State Park Nature Center, 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton, to explore the center, taking part in a variety of crafts and experiments and finishing up with a hayride. Fee, reservations may be made by calling 302-284-4299.

'Red Versus The Wolf' at Riverfront Theater

January 16 & 17 -- Second Street Players will perform this hilarious story at the Riverfront Theatre in Milford at 1 p.m., fee, for tickets, 302-422-0220.

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Sunday, January 17 -- Bright Star will be shown at 7 p.m. at the Schwartz Center for the Arts in Dover, fee, for info, www.schwartzcenter.com.

'Best Dressed Astronaut' at AMC Muscum

Sunday, January 17 -- The Air Mobility Command Museum will host Bill Ayrey of ILC Dover to present "The Best Dressed Astronaut" at the Museum at 2 p.m., free, for info 302-677-5940.

Walking Tour of Dover's Historic Green

Monday, January 18 -- Meet at First State Heritage Park Welcome Center at Delaware Public Archives in Dover for a 2 p.m. walking tour to learn about 300 years of history on Dover's Green. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

Historic Sites Open on MLK Day

Monday, January 18 -- First State Heritage Park of Dover invites you to explore the Welcome Center and Galleries, Legislative Hall, the Biggs Museum and the Old State House on Martin Luther King Day from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., free. For more information, call 302-739-9194.

Survivor Day Camp for Kids at Killens

Monday, January 18 -- 8:30-4 p.m., kids will learn how the Inuit survived the harsh winter weather and will do a little surviving of their own in this action-packed camp at Killens Pond State Park Nature Center, 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton. Fee, reservations may be made by calling 302-284-4299.

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Family Matinee: Magical Illusions of Kyle & Kelly

Saturday, January 23 -- Kyle and Kelly have been doing their remarkable brand of family-style magic for 22-years and are one of the few husband and wife magic teams performing in the world today. Consisting of magic, music, illusion, and fun, Magical Illusions will leave viewers delighted, amazed and most of all entertained. The audience is kept on their toes as one magical feat after another is performed in front of their eyes! Smyrna Opera House, 1 p.m. , fee, for tickets, 302-653-4236.

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'Coco Before Chanel' at Schwartz Center

January 27 & 31 -- The movie Coco Before Chanel will be shown at the Schwartz Center for the Arts in Dover for Movie Night at 7 p.m., fee. For information, www.schwartzcenter.com.

Winter Fest at Killens Pond SP

Saturday, January 30 -- 2 p.m. – 4 p.m., the winter is in full swing and the park's festivities have just begun. Park naturalists will lead a fun day of winter activities, including winter crafts, a hayride and a hike. The program starts at the new Nature Center, 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton; fee, reservations may be made by calling 302-284-4299.

Battleship U.S.S. Delaware Silver Exhibition

Saturday, January 30 -- First State Heritage Park Welcome Center and Exhibit Galleries will present a new exhibit showcasing the silver service presented to the commissioned Battleship U.S.S. Delaware in 1910. The beautiful pieces of this impressive collection highlight commemorative epochs in Delaware history and denote the source of Delaware's wealth as a state as seen in the artist's choice of motif, "The Colonial." Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

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February

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Classical Pianist In Concert in Dover

Friday, February 5 -- Dover Public Library will host David Pasbrig, classical pianist, through its In Harmony Concert Series at Delaware Public Archives. For more information, call 302-736-7077.

First Look pARTy!: Arts ConnectED

Friday, February 5 -- The Biggs Museum, 406 Federal Street in Dover, will host artwork from Ursuline Academy from 5-8 p.m. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

Tribute to Johnny Cash at the Schwartz

January 5 & 6 -- The Schwartz Center for the Arts on State Street in Dover will host "The Man in Black: A Tribute to Johnny Cash. For more information, call 302-6789-5152 or www.schwartzcenter.com.

First Saturday: Tours of Woodburn

Saturday, February 6 -- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., enjoy guided tours of Woodburn, the official residence of Delaware's Governor since 1965 and Hall House, the Governor's guest house. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: End Slavery! Stop the War!

Saturday, February 6 -- at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Old State House on Dover's historic Green, President Abraham Lincoln initiates a strategy to end both slavery and the Civil War. Delaware played a key role in the proposal -- hear two members of the Delaware General Assembly, one a Lincoln

Republican and the other a Copperhead Democrat, debate Lincoln's proposed legislative in the Old State House, the scene of the original debate. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: Life and Times of Judy Johnson

Saturday, February 6 -- 10:30 a.m., Delaware Public Archives Ellen Rendel, Author of Judy Johnson: Delaware's Invisible Hero, speaks about the life and times of Judy Johnson, the first Delawarean elected to the national Baseball Hall of Fame in 1975. Considered the best third baseman in the Negro Leagues, Johnson was the first athlete ever inducted into the Delaware Sports Museum and Hall of Fame. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: Passage to Freedom

Saturday, February 6 -- Meet at the Old State House to hear the forgotten stories of the journey to freedom of Dover's African-Americans from colonial beginnings to the Civil War. The complicated position of Delaware as a border state during the Civil War is also explored. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

Free Historic Dover Walking Tours

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First Saturday: HEARTfelt Valentines at The Biggs

Saturday, February 6 -- The Biggs Museum of American Art will host Create a HEARTfelt Valentine for kids to share with a loved one at 2 p.m. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

First Saturday: A Vintage Valentine at Victrola

Saturday, February 6 -- From 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Johnson Victrola Museum in Dover, listen to romantic music, hear stories of the heart and learn about the history of Valentine's Day. Kids will enjoy making fanciful valentine cards from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free, call the First State Heritage Park of Dover at 302-739-9194.

'Miracle Worker' Set for Riverfront State

February 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 & 21 -- Second Street Players will perform William Gibson's classic play at the Riverfront Theater in Milford. Call for tickets and times, 302-422-0220.

Something Sweet at Killens Pond SP

Saturday, February 13 -- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Celebrate Valentine's Day! Find great ways to enjoy the holiday, including candle making, chocolate tasting and crafts. Bring a blanket to snuggle up with a loved one during the winter hayride. Warm up back at the Nature Center with some hot cocoa afterward. \$5 per participant. 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton; fee, reservations may be made by calling 302-284-4299.

Mardi Gras Ball at Smyrna Opera House

Saturday, February 13 -- Smyrna Opera House will host the 6th Annual Arts Cotillion: A Mardi Gras Ball, a black tie optional event featuring the Funsters from 6 p.m. until midnight. Fee, for tickets, call 302-653-4236.

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Wild About Animals Day Camp for Kids

Monday, February 15 -- 8:30- 4 p.m., kids will learn about the animals of the park and how naturalists do

their jobs, and will help take care of the Nature Center's reptile and amphibian collection. Killens Pond State Park Nature Center, 5025 Killens Pond Road near Felton; fee, reservations may be made by calling 302-284-4299.

Tomie DePaola's Stega Nona at The Schwartz

Thursday, February 18 -- The Schwartz Center for the Arts invites you to this performance, fee, for more info, www.schwartzcenter.com or 302-678-5152.

Happy Feet to be Shown at Smyrna Opera House

Friday, February 19 -- Winner of the 2006 Academy Award for Best Animated Feature with its message of "being true to yourself you can make all the difference in the world," Happy Feet is a movie for the entire family to enjoy. Watch Mumble and his special talent (dancing) on the big screen at the Opera House! 7 p.m. – free, but reservations are required (donations encouraged). 302-653-4236.

Free Historic Dover Walking Tours

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Sitar Player Entertains at Wesley Coffee House

Saturday, February 20 -- Delaware Friends of Folk present sitar player Shafaat Kahn at the Wesley College Coffee House in Dover at 7:30 p.m., fee, for tickets, 1-877-DEL-FOLK.

The HildaMan Chorale at Smyrna Opera House

Saturday, February 27 -- Celebrate Black History Month with a special performance by the HildaMan Chorale – a talented, volunteer vocal ensemble whose primary objective is to perform and preserve the spiritual. This concert will feature spirituals to standard oratorio and classical literature, madrigals, jazz, and show tunes. 7:30 p.m., fee, for information, 302-653-4236.

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Ships & Seas Exhibition at Biggs Museum

Through June 20 -- The Biggs Museum of American Art, 406 Federal Street in Dover, will host Ships & Seas: American Society of Marine Artists. Free admission, for information, call 302-674-2111 or www.biggsmuseum.org.

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Phoenix Players' 'The Mousetrap' at SOP

March 5-7 -- Smyrna Opera House will host a dessert theatre featuring Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," performed by the Phoenix Players. Known for its twist ending, this is a performance that will leave you on the edge of your seats! Enjoy mingling with the actors and director afterwards while enjoying dessert provided by the Opera House Guild. 7:30 p.m., for tickets call 302-653-4236.

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Music Masters Concert Series in Milford

Wednesday, March 10 -- The Music School of Delaware will present performances by the Milford branch. Fee, for tickets, 302-422-2043.

Southern Comfort Performs at The Schwartz

Friday, March 12 -- Southern Comfort performs at the Schwartz, 226 S. State Street in Dover, fee, for info, 302-678-5152 or www.schwartzcenter.com.

On Golden Pond On Tap for Dover

March 12, 13, 19, 20, 21, 26 and 27 -- The Kent County Theatre Guild will perform On Golden Pond at the Patchwork Playhouse, 140 Roosevelt Avenue in Dover. Fee, for info and times, call 302-67403568 or www.kctg.org.

St. Patrick's Day Parade Turns Dover Green

Saturday, March 13 -- 2 p.m. on Loockerman Street, join the Downtown Dover Partnership for the area's largest St. Patrick's Day parade and celebration. For info, call 302-678-2940.

Free Historic Dover Walking Tours

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Smyrna's Got Voice II at the Opera House

Saturday, March 13; April 10 & May 8 -- After the success of last year's premiere competition, it was an easy decision to bring back *Smyrna's Got Voice* this season. Enjoy firsthand talented local and regional singers participating in a vocal talent show. (All participants have been juried.) Cheer on your favorite singer and cast your vote to see who moves on to the next round! Winners will be declared on May 8 -- don't miss out! 7:30 p.m. , fee, 302-653-4236.

Delaware Symphony Presents Fit as a Fiddle

Saturday, March 13 -- The Delaware Symphony Orchestra will present Fit as a Fiddle with Andy Stein of Prairie Home Companion, swing, ballads and more. For tickets, call 302-678-5152.

Barrage Fiddle Fest Set for Schwartz Center

Thursday, March 18 -- The Schwartz Center will host this high-octane fiddle fest at 7 p.m. Fee, for tickets, 302-678-5152.

The Knights to Perform at Coffee House

Saturday, March 20 -- The Coffee House at Wesley College will host Delaware Friends of Folk concert featuring The Knights at 7:30 p.m. Fee, for info, call 1-877-DEL-FOLK.

Free Historic Dover Walking Tours

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Delaware Boat and RV Expo at Fairgrounds

March 20 & 21 -- Landmark Event Management will host the Delaware Boat and RV Expo at Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington. For info, 570-972-0904 or www.delawarestatefair.com.

Dover Symphony to Present Classical Concert

Sunday, March 21 -- Dover Symphony Orchestra will present its Spring Classical Concert at the Schwartz Center for the Arts, S. State Street in Dover. For more information, call 302-270-1903 or www.doversymphony.org.

Fiddler on the Roof at The Schwartz

March 26 & 27 -- Clear Space Productions will present Fiddler on the Roof at the Schwartz Center for the Arts on S. State Street in Dover. For tickets, 302-678-5152 or www.schwartzcenter.com.

Free Historic Dover Walking Tours

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Classical Guitarist Concert Set for Dover

Friday, April 2 -- The Dover Public Library will present classical guitarist Peter Fletcher at the Dover Public Archives for the In Harmony Concert Series. For information, call 302-736-7077.

Opera House Hosts Easter Egg-travaganza!

Saturday, April 3 -- Enjoy making a homemade terrarium. Participate in an Easter egg hunt within the historic confines of the Opera House theatre. Listen to riveting Easter tales while enjoying a free snack. Easter fun is all here at the Smyrna Opera House, 10 a.m. Fee for children; adults, free (recommended for children ages 4-9). For information, call 302-653-4236.

Delaware Symphony to Perform String Serenade

Thursday, April 8 -- Delaware Symphony Orchestra will perform String Serenade at the Schwartz Center for the Arts on S. State Street in Dover with Tchaikovsky and Crieg compositions. For tickets, call 302-678-5152.

The Wind of the North at the Schwartz Center

Friday, April 9 -- Le Vent du Nord (The Wind of the North) will be presented at the Schwartz Center for the Arts in Dover. For tickets, call 302-678-5152 or www.schwartzcenter.com.

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Matt Davis and Aerial Photograph in Concert

Thursday, April 15 -- Wesley College presents this 12-piece ensemble from Philadelphia at 7:30 p.m. in the Schwartz Center in Dover, free, for information call 302-736-2446.

Rock 'n' Roll Midsummer Night's Dream

April 16-17 -- Schwartz Center for the Arts will host this comedy of mistaken identities in this adaptation of Shakespeare's play. 7 p.m., fee, for tickets, www.schwartzcenter.com or 302-678-5152.

Delmarva Birding Weekend Flies In

April 22, 23 & 24 -- Birders will enjoy workshops and field trips throughout Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, sponsored by Delmarva Low Impact Tourism Experiences. For info, call 443-944-8097 or www.delmarvalite.org.

Meshuggah-Nuns! at Riverfront Theatre

April 23, 24, 25 & 30, May 1 & 2 -- Second Street Players will present this fifth edition of the Nonsense series at the Riverfront Theatre in Milford. Fee, for times and tickets call 302-422-0220.

Bug and Bud Festival Set for Milford

Saturday, April 24 -- The annual Bug and Bud Festival will be held in Milford, sponsored by Downtown Milford, Inc., 302-839-1180.

Philadanco Dances Into Dover

Saturday, April 24 -- The Dance group Philadanco will perform at the Schwartz Center for the Arts in Dover. For tickets, call 302-678-5152 or www.schwartzcenter.com.

In the Moment: Women Composers of the 21st Century

Saturday, April 24 -- Oni Buchanan, In the Moment: Women Composers of the 21st Century will be held at the Smyrna Opera House at 7:30 p.m., fee, for information, call 302-653-4236.

Duke Ellington Celebration at The Schwartz

Thursday, April 29 -- Rutgers University Big Band will perform the Duke Ellington Celebration at the Schwartz Center for the Arts. For tickets, call 302-678-5152 or www.schwartzcenter.com.

77th Anniversary Dover Days Festival

Friday, April 30, Saturday, May and Sunday, May 2 -- Three days of festival fun including concerts, crafts and food vendors, parade, pet parade, car show, Amish quilt auction, maypole dancing and historic house tour, free festival admission, Legislative Mall, The Green and Downtown Dover, free parking. For more info, Kent County Tourism, 800-233-5368 or www.visitdover.com.

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Smyrna Opera House Glee Club Show: Don't Stop Believin'

Saturday, May 1 -- Please join us for the first ever Smyrna Opera House Glee Club performance. Enjoy an evening of fun listening to the sounds of pop/rock, show tunes and other musical genres under the skillful direction of Irv Rothenberg while featuring the vocal chops and talents of local high school students. 7:30 p.m., fee, 302-653-4236.

77th Anniversary Dover Days Festival

Saturday, May 1 -- Festival fun including concerts, crafts and food vendors, parade, pet parade, car show, Amish quilt auction, maypole dancing and historic house tour, free festival admission, Legislative Mall, The Green and Downtown Dover, free parking. For more info, Kent County Tourism, 800-233-5368 or www.visitdover.com.

'Anne of Green Gables' at Wesley

May 1-2 -- The Children's Theatre of Dover and Kent County will present Anne of Green Gables in Slaybaugh Hall. For times, call 302-670-1966 or www.thechildrenstheatre.org.

Dover Days 'Houses of Kent' Tour

Sunday, May 2 -- Houses of Kent Dover Days House Tour will be held throughout Kent County with 40 historic homes and sites available for touring. For tickets, call Kent County Tourism, 302-734-4888.

Dover Days Pops Concert at The Schwartz

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Smyrna Opera House Hosts Brandywiners Chorale

Friday, May 14 -- The Brandywiners Chorale continues to provide a spirit of joyful song to diverse audiences since its founding in 1988. This spring, enjoy a medley of songs from the classic musical *Guys and Dolls* as well as a number of other well-known selections at the Smyrna Opera House, 7:30 p.m., for tickets, call 302-653-4236.

NASCAR Weekend Spring Set for Dover

May 14, 15 & 16 -- Speed into Dover's NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Dover International Speedway this spring for three days of action-packed racing. For Tickets, 800-441-RACE.

Theatre Guild to Present Marvin's Room

May 14, 15, 21, 22, 23, 28 and 29 -- The Kent County Theatre Guild will present Marvin's Room at the Patchwork Playhouse, 140 Roosevelt Avenue in Dover. For tickets and times, call 302-674-3568 or www.kctg.org.

Annual Mennonite Auction Will Be Held

Saturday, May 15 -- The Annual Mennonite Auction will be held at Central Christian School, 220 W. Denney's Road in Dover. For info, call 410-928-3376 or www.centralmennonite.com.

Biggs Sets An Affair With the Arts

Saturday, May 15 -- The Biggs Museum will host its annual gala fundraiser and silent auction from 6-11 p.m. For information, 302-674-2111 or www.biggsmuseum.org.

Princess and the Pea at Riverfront Theatre

May 15 & 16 -- Second Street Players will perform this delightful children's story at 1 p.m. at the Riverfront Theater in Milford. Fee, for tickets, call 302-422-0220.

Mystery Dinner Theatre: Cashinbanca

Saturday, May 22 -- Foot Light Productions will be performing its parody/murder mystery of one of America's most beloved film classics, Casablanca. Set in 1942 Morocco, desperate refugees from war-torn Europe seek passage to America via Portugal. The one hitch in leaving Casablanca is that a person needs a letter of transit signed by the treacherous Vichy, Capt. Peugeot. Nazis, music, love, intrigue and of course murder abound at "Dick's American Café". 6 p.m., fee, for tickets call 302-653-4236.

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Concerts on The Green in Dover

June 3, 10, 17 & 14 -- Concerts on The Green in Dover, free admission.

Miss Delaware to be Crowned

June 11-12 -- The Miss Delaware 2010 Pageant will be held at Dover Downs Hotel & Casino at 7:30 p.m. For information, www.missde.org.

AMC Museum Sponsors Broadening the Arts in Dover

Saturday, June 12 -- The Air Mobility Command Museum in Dover is sponsoring this one day event at the DAFB Arts and Crafts Center filled with all aspects of art, from visual to literary to performing. We are looking for artisans, dancers, literary writers, musicians, food vendors, sponsors and more. There will be published writers and artists at the event, along with professional musicians and dancers. Storytellers will be set up inside of the vintage airplanes, mesmerizing their audiences. We will have educators and professionals available to provide emerging artists the chance to succeed through their knowledge. Fee, for info call 302-677-3246.

Ecarte Spring Concert at Delaware State University

Saturday, June 12 -- Delaware State University's Education and Humanities Theater will host the Ecarte Dance Theater at 7 p.m.; fee, for tickets, 302-674-4689.

Moonlight and Magnolias at Riverfront Theatre

June 18, 19, 20, 25, 26 & 27 -- Second Street Players will present Moonlight and Magnolias at the Riverfront Theatre in Milford. Fee, for tickets, 302-422-0220.

Ships & Seas Exhibition at Biggs Museum

Through June 20 -- The Biggs Museum of American Art, 406 Federal Street in Dover, will host Ships & Seas: American Society of Marine Artists. Free admission, for information, call 302-674-2111 or www.biggsmuseum.org.

Celebrate Cultures at African American Festival

Saturday, June 26 -- Enjoy live entertainment, vendors, information and more at this annual festival on Legislative Mall in Dover. For info, 302-736-0101.

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Concert Series on The Green

July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 -- Concerts on Dover's historic Green will be held at 7 p.m., free admission.

Arts Award Winners at the Biggs

Friday, July 2 -- The Biggs Museum of American Art will host the Award Winners -- talent of the current Individual Artist Fellows of the Delaware Division of the Arts, through October 21. Free admission, for info, 302-674-2111.

Romford Drum & Trumpet Corps at SOH

Friday, July 2 -- The Corps is a youth military style band, based in the London Borough of Havering. As one of the oldest independent youth marching bands in the country, it has a proud history, with performances throughout the U.K., France, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Gibraltar and the U.S. It has also had the honor of performing in the presence of every member of the Royal Family including a performance at Buckingham Palace. This concert will feature a mixture of marches, film music, original compositions and popular music. 7:30 p.m., fee, for information call 302-653-4236.

Get Patriotic for the July Fourth Celebration

Sunday, July 4 -- Parade, children's activities, outdoor concert and fireworks extravaganza. For information, call 302- 674-7579.

Delaware State Fair Invites You To Attend

July 22-July 31 -- Delaware's 91st annual State Fair gets underway with shows, carnival rides and plenty of entertainment. Fee, for info, 302-398-3269 or www.delawarestatefair.com.

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August 5, 12, 19 & 26 -- Concert series on Dover's historic Green at 7 p.m., free admission.

Get Peachy at the Wyoming Peach Festival

Wyoming, August 7 -- Everything comes up peaches at the annual Peach Festival. Fresh peaches, peach pie, peach ice cream, crafts vendors and more, 302-697-3587.

Harrington Heritage Days is Old Fashioned Fun

Saturday, August 28 -- Enjoy a day of old fashioned fun as Harrington celebrates its heritage. For more information, call 302-398-3530.

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Riverwalk Festival is a Weekend of Fun

September 9-12 -- Enjoy this outdoor festival featuring kids activities, live music, vendors and plenty of good food, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Milford, 302-422-3344.

24th Annual Amish Country Bike Tour and Race

Saturday, September 11 -- All ages and abilities are invited to participate in 15, 25, 50, 62 and 100 mile loops through flatland Amish countryside. Famous pie stop and after tour catered picnic with live music. Fee, 800-233-5368 or www.visitdover.com.

NASCAR Weekend Spring Set for Dover

September 24, 25 & 26 -- Speed into Dover's NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Dover International Speedway this fall for three days of action-packed racing. For Tickets, 800-441-RACE.

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Delmarva Folk Festival to Fill the Air with Music

October 1-2 -- Farm fresh folk tunes will fill the air in Hartly near Dover. For more information, call 1-877-DEL-FOLK.

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Yum, Yum! Diamond State BBQ Championship

Saturday, October 16 -- Visit Dover Downs Hotel & Casino to see grillers compete for titles and enjoy the Big Boys Toy Show at the same time. For information, www.doverdowns.com.

Autumn in Duck Creek a Fun Day Out

Saturday, October 16 -- Visit historic Smyrna for a fun day of activities, vendors and more. For more information, call 302-659-5081 or 302-653-8232.

Hansel and Gretel at Riverfront Theatre

October 23 & 24 -- The Second Street Players will perform Hansel and Gretel at the Riverfront Theatre in Milford at 1 p.m.; fee, for tickets, call 302-422-0220.

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Annual Wine and Music Festival

November 11-12, Dover Downs Hotel and Casino invites you to attend their annual wine and music festival, fee, for info, www.doverdowns.com.

15th Annual Smyrna Opera House Art Show

Through December 13 -- The Smyrna Opera House will host the 15th Annual Art Show, free, for information call 302-653-4236.

Annual Chocolate Festival

November 26-28 -- Dover Downs Hotel and Casino invites you to attend their annual Chocolate Festival just in time for the holidays, fee, for more info, www.doverdowns.com.

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Home for the Holidays in Downtown Dover

December 3-4 -- The Downtown Dover Partnership invites you to enjoy old fashioned fun with live entertainment, parade, theater and more. For more information, call 302-678-2940.

First Night Dover Rings in the New Year

Friday, December 31 -- Enjoy this jam-packed day of entertainment throughout the City of Dover with two fireworks displays. For more information, 302-741-8228 or www.firstnightdover.com.