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**TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR INAUGURAL DELAWARE WINE & BEER FESTIVAL
SET FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 AT PIZZADILI WINERY**

DOVER, DE – Kent County Tourism announces advanced ticket sales for the Inaugural Delaware Wine and Beer Festival. Tickets can be purchased online at www.visitdover.com. Click on the Wine and Beer Festival on the homepage to begin your purchase. Tickets can also be purchased by calling 800-233-5368, and Mastercard and Visa are accepted.

General admission to the festival is \$5. To sample beer and wine, attendees must be 21 years of age and purchase a sampling package at \$20 per person, which includes general admission and five tasting tickets.

"The first 100 people to purchase tickets will receive a free one-year subscription to *Draft Magazine*, a national publication that celebrates beer and beer culture," said Linda Kurtz, festival chairman. Additional tokens for full pours will be sold onsite at \$4 for a glass of wine and \$3 for a glass of beer. Attendees may purchase a commemorative wine glass or beer mug for \$5 each, which also comes with one full-pour beverage token. Barbecue and pizza, along with non-alcoholic beverages, will be available for purchase. The event will be held rain or shine under a covered pavilion, and there will be no refunds.

The Delaware Wine and Beer Festival will be held from 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, October 17 at Pizzadili Vineyard and Winery located at 1683 Peach Basket Road near Felton, just minutes south of Dover off Route 13. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

Attendees will have an opportunity to meet Delaware's vintners and brewers, and sample more than 30 Delaware-made wines and craft beers. Featured wineries and breweries include:

- 16 Mile Brewing Company, Georgetown
- Fordham/Old Dominion Brewing Company, Dover
- Dogfish Head Craft Brewery, Milton
- Evolution Craft Brewing, Delmar
- Fenwick Wine Cellars, Selbyville
- Pizzadili Vineyard & Winery, Felton
- Stewarts Brewing Company, Bear
- Twin Lakes Brewery, Greenville

Festival-goers will also have an opportunity to take tours of the winery throughout the day, and the retail shop will be open. Fun activities will include horseshoes, volleyball, and there will even be a "grape stomp" and "keg tossing" contest. Live music for the event will be provided by Celtic Harvest's Woodyword Trio.

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In addition, a select number of Delaware artisans will be participating, including Linda Chatfield, wine and vineyard-related prints; Dolores Michel, photographer; Joan Simon and Jean Forlano, hand-painted wine glasses; Stephanie Seeman, fused glass and wine bottle stoppers; Gavin Standish, decorative painter; Deborah Johnson, porcelain and terracotta, cheese boards and hand-painted note cards; Jan Miller, sea glass jewelry designer; Cindy Lupinetti, wine glass holder necklaces; and Linda Fitzgerald, hand-painted glassware, slate, crocks and wooden items; Sue Lemmons, sea glass jewelry and themed necklaces.

The Delaware Wine and Ale Trail, Delaware Today Magazine and the Cape May-Lewes Ferry are proud sponsors of the Delaware Wine and Beer Festival. For more information, check out "Delaware Wine & Beer Festival" on Facebook, visit online at www.visitdover.com, or call Kent County Tourism, 302-734-4888 or 800-233-5368.

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