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CRAFTS, FOOD AND INFO VENDORS SOUGHT FOR DOVER DAYS 2011

DOVER, DE -- Are you an artisan who makes and sells jewelry, pottery or another form of art? Do you own a business and seek new customers? Are you a food vendor? Are you a community organization interested in being a part of Dover's largest parade? Do you want to show off your pet in Dover's pet parade? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, then the Dover Days Committee would like to hear from you!

Dover Days Festival applications are now available for exhibitors (food, information, craft or home and trade show), as well as registration forms for the parade, pet parade and car show, which can be accessed online at www.visitdover.com, or by calling Kent County Tourism at 302-734-1736 or 302-734-7511. The three-day event will take place May 6-8, 2011.

"We're getting an early start on vendor and activity registrations this year," said Linda Kurtz, Director of Public Relations and Special Events, and Chairwoman of the Dover Days Festival. "We already have a number of food and craft vendor applications," she said. "Many of our vendors set up their schedules at the end of the current year for all of their shows coming in the next year, and for many, Dover Days is one of their largest festivals."

Ms. Kurtz went on to say that many of the food and crafts vendors have participated in Dover Days for years. "Last year we bumped the attendance from 15,000 to nearly 25,000 people, making it Dover's signature event," she said.

The festival committee is also interested in hearing from community entertainment groups that are interested in performing during the festival.

Dover Days began in 1933. It originally focused on house and garden tours. Over the years, it has grown to include not only a festival that celebrates First State history, but also a family-centric event offering more than 75 activities throughout the weekend.

"We begin on Friday evening with a free outdoor concert and a classic car show," Ms. Kurtz said. "This year we have the ever-popular Honeycombs lined up as our concert band, and we'll be giving 25 trophies out for the car show winners," she said. "We'll also be giving out 150 commemorative Dover Days dash plaques," she added.

For more information, call Linda Kurtz at 302-734-7511 or visit www.visitdover.com.

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