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Family Vacation a Pain in the Gas?

GAS CARDS, FREE APPETIZERS, DISCOUNTED LODGING AND FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION MAKE DELAWARE'S CAPITAL REGION A STEAL!

DOVER, DE – Has the cost of increasing food prices and gas given you a pain in the gas? Then stretch your vacation dollars with free gas cards, free food offers and discounted lodging in Delaware's Capital Region this summer and fall.

"Now more than ever, Americans are in need of a work respite, yet many are putting their vacation plans on hold due to economic hardships," said Cynthia S. Small, Executive Director of the Kent County Delaware Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"Our hospitality industry in the Greater Dover area recognizes this and has put out the welcome mat," she said. "Many of our hotels are offering discounted lodging coupons and free gas cards, plus you can't argue the fact that more than two dozen museums in the Capital Region do not charge admission."

Ms. Small pointed to several museums and attractions, including the Air Mobility Command Museum, the Biggs Museum of American Art, the John Dickinson Plantation, Delaware Archeology Museum, John Victrola Museum and Delaware State Police Museum that are free of charge. In addition free guided walking tours of Dover's historic area are available almost daily. Other attractions, such as the Water Park at Killen's Pond State Park and the Delaware Agricultural Museum and Village, have modest admission fees and are family friendly.

Delaware's Capital Region is within close proximity to major metropolitan areas such as Baltimore and Washington, D.C. (two hours) and Philadelphia (one hour). Delaware's beaches are only a 45-minute drive; therefore, staying in the Dover area makes it very affordable way to take a summer beach vacation.

Another money-saving advantage that Delaware has over most other states is its tax-free shopping status. Ms. Small noted that families faced with back-to-school shopping can save money by purchasing clothing, school supplies and sports equipment while visiting Delaware's Capital Region.

"When you add it up, you can save on lodging, get a free gas card, shop and dine tax free, making it affordable to get away from the rat race," Ms. Small added. For a free visitors guide and discount travel coupons, visit www.visitdover.com or call toll-free, 800-233-5368.

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