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Delaware Greenways Spring E-Newsletter

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For years, one of the most

Greenways Gala & Silent Auction

May 6th, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Blue Ball Barn

Come join the fun and support Delaware Greenways at our annual fundraiser. Help us to raise important operating funds while reconnecting with community leaders, greenway supporters and special friends. Here are some of the highlights:

Silent Auction (over 100 items)

- wine baskets
- Phillies tickets
- great beach weekend and vacation getaways
- sports memorabilia (signed autographed photos of Hall of Famer baseball and football "Greats")
- recreational equipment
- artwork
- nice restaurants
- garden/patio items
- fitness packages

Live Auction

- Lunch for four with U.S. Senator Thomas Carper at the Senate Dining Room in Washington, DC.
- Lunch for four with Delaware Governor Jack Markell at Woodburn, the Governor's House.

Raffle Prizes - Apple iPod Touch - 32 GB and Dinner Party for Six

Hors d'oeuvres - Open bar - Dessert

Catering by Toscana's

Music by DJ Craig and Company

RSVP by May 3 [Click here to register](#)

Admission: \$35 - Individual \$60 - Couple



commonly heard suggestions for improvement of the Northern Delaware Greenway Trail has been the need for clear and consistent way-finding signage that not only provides branding, but also provides mileage so that folks are encouraged to use the trail for fitness and weight-loss.

Delaware Greenways and Delaware State Parks are collaborating once again to make this dream a reality. By June, the first way-finding signs and mileage markers (phase one of a two-part process) will be installed on the main trunk of the trail. Phase 2 of the project will be the addition of signage to identify amenities within the parks and direct folks onto the trail.



New Way-finding Sign

The Delaware Greenway Patch Goes State Wide!

Don't miss the Delaware Greenway Patch Day to be held on the Junction and Breakwater Trail, Wolfe Neck Road entrance, Saturday, May 15, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay Council, Inc. and Delaware Greenways are pleased to announce a second Delaware Greenway Patch based on the Junction and Breakwater Trail that connects Rehoboth Beach to Lewes, Delaware. Girls,

State Route Nine Coastal Heritage Byway Corridor Management Plan

On March 31, Delaware Greenways conducted its first community meeting to discuss the Corridor Management Plan for the Byway. Senators Bruce Ennis and Dori Connor, Legislative Assistant Drew Slater for Senators Cook and Bushweller, and 45 interested residents, property holders, business persons and stakeholders were in attendance.

The Delaware City Library's community meeting room was standing room only, and a spirited exchange of thoughts and information produced a lot of good facts and opinions with which to move forward. For more information on this meeting, read the article reported in middletowntranscript.com.

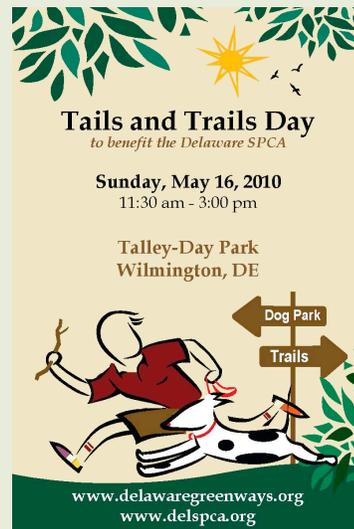
The next meeting of this group will be held Thursday May 20, from 5:00-8:00 pm at the Leipsic Fire Hall. All interested persons are welcome to attend. For more information call Helen S. Waite at 302 236-2437 or Delaware Greenways at 302 655-7275. For more information on the Route 9 Byway, please visit our website.

Tails & Trails Day May 16

It will be an afternoon of dog-gone good fun for individuals, families and (leashed) canines at Talley-Day Park (1300 Foulk Road, Wilmington) on Sunday, May 16, the first "Tails & Trails Day." Two natural partners, Delaware Greenways and Delaware SPCA, come together to host the fun; those who work to build a legacy of open space in Delaware and a very special group of trail users. The event will benefit the Delaware SPCA and fund its work with and care of abused, neglected and homeless animals and efforts to reduce pet overpopulations through spay/neuter programs.

Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the one- and two-mile fun walks will begin at 12:30 p.m., led by a parade of shelter dogs. An afternoon of programs, including pet contests, canine demonstrations, a microchip clinic (\$25 per animal), pet photo sessions (\$30), face painting (for humans) and refreshments at the Canine & Companions Café are planned.

Early bird registration is \$15 for adults (before May 1) and \$20 after May 1st through the day of the event. Children ages 6-16, accompanied by an adult, are \$5. Children ages 5 and under are free. Walkers can pre-register online at www.delspca.org.



Northern Delaware Greenway Trail End-to-End



Sunday, June 6 · 9:00-12:00 am

both scouts and non-scouts, are invited to help launch the program.

The event provides girls the opportunity to earn the patch while celebrating the creation of the Junction Breakwater Trail. The fee for this afternoon of hands-on activities is \$4.00, which includes the cost of the patch and all materials. Please [RSVP](#) to attend.

Volunteer to be a Northern Delaware Greenway Trail Steward!

[Visit our Website for more information.](#)

[Trail Maintenance Days](#)

Celebrate National Trail Day with a walk or bicycle ride! Start at one of four sites and meet at Blue Ball Barn in Alapocas Run State Park at 10:30 am for refreshments. Family Friendly Walk includes a Kid's Scavenger Hunt and Prizes. Stay to picnic or return.

Four events in one!

Family Friendly Walk; 2.5 miles
9:30 am Wilmington Friends School Upper School

Intermediate Walk; 5 miles 9:00 am
Brandywine Zoo parking lot

Family Friendly Bicycle; 5.5 miles
9:00 am Rockwood Park's lower parking lot

Intermediate Bicycle; 18 miles
8:45 am Bellevue State Park Figure Eight Barn lot



For information and registration
www.delawaregreenways.org
Phone 655-7275

Bike to Build!

2010 Ride for Habitat

The 2010 Bike to Build! will be held Saturday, June 12th, with a start and finish at Tubman-Garrett Riverfront Park. Rider registration is only \$25! Choose one of three different ride lengths -- 14, 25 or 50 miles -- with staggered start times. The heart of the course is the same for all three routes, and travels the beautiful and scenic Northern Delaware Greenways trails. The 50 mile ride extends out Rt. 52 into the Brandywine Valley. Visit www.biketobuildde.org to register.

The 2010 Bike to Build! Ride Honoring Chad Miller boasts a number of historic and scenic landmarks of New Castle County. The course takes advantage of our Northern Delaware Greenway, a path linking neighborhoods and byways to the recreational, historic and cultural resources of the county. A truly great way to serve the community while keeping fit and enjoying your favorite trails & parks.

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