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Dear Friend of Delaware Greenways,

To our Members and Friends: August has been a very active month for Delaware Greenways. We covered two events for See You Outside, conducted two volunteer days at Historic Penn Farm funded by the DuPont Corporation under their Clear into the Future Program, achieved our fundraising goal for the Highmark Walk that takes place this Saturday and landed a grant from the US Department of Agriculture to continue our program to clean invasive plant growth at Historic Penn Farm.

Last week, we held our second public meeting for the Greenville Village Study. More than 60 residents as well as community and business leaders attended. New Castle County Department of Land Use General Manager Eileen Fogarty and Planner Stuart Sirota led the attendees through a visual preference survey. Delaware Greenways Board Members Debbie Horak, Lynne Keilhorn, Cathy Williams, Jamie McConnell and Steve Borleske assisted at the meeting along with Kennett Pike Association's John Danzeisen and Gretchen Mercer.

Board Members Gail Van Gilder and Dave Ennis have been active in the Lewes area generating support for the Lewes Historic Byway. On August 9th, over 100 citizens attended a Byway meeting, providing input into how to develop context sensitive solutions for two of the Byway roadways, Gills Neck Road and Kings Highway. As a result of that meeting, a partnership is developing between the developers working on projects along those roadways and the citizens of Lewes.

I am proud of the work of our Board Members and staff as they implement our programs and activities and look forward to seeing everyone at our 25th Anniversary Celebration set for Friday, October 17 at Historic Penn Farm.

See you outside!

Jeff Greene
Interim Managing Director
Delaware Greenways

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Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community is TOMORROW



The Highmark Walk is almost here! Help support Delaware Greenways by donating or walking in the event TOMORROW, Saturday September 13th at the Bellevue State Park in Wilmington. The walk supports 17 non-profits organizations in the area to support their individual missions of creating better communities and promoting healthy lifestyles. With your help, we know we will reach our fundraising goal! You have until October 3rd to donate for the event. We hope that you join us this Saturday at 9 am for the walk and for a day of fun activities. Register as a walker online until Friday at midnight, or register in person at 7:15am on Saturday in the Figure-8 Barn.

To donate or participate in the event, see our fundraising [page](#).

Celebrate With Us As Delaware Greenways turns 25!



**Delaware Greenways is growing..... up!
And we're having a party!**

Friday, October 17th at 6:00 PM
at Historic Penn Farm in New Castle
807 Frenchtown Road (Rt. 273)
New Castle, DE 19720

Help us celebrate 25 years of accomplishments

- * Many more greenways, trails and bike paths
- * Preservation of our scenic and historic byways
- * Restoration of Historic Penn Farm

And hear about what's coming next for promoting outdoor connections for healthy, vibrant communities!

Please join us, along with our many partners, to celebrate our birthday with a casual, fun-filled evening.

- * Enjoy great food prepared by culinary students from William Penn High School
- * Relax with beer, wine, music and an inspiring photo display
- * Learn the winner of our 2014 See You Outside Challenge
- * Bid on 25 fantastic auction items

Tickets are \$50 per person. **Space is limited** so RSVP now at [registration page](#)

See You Outside End of Summer Events

Don't be sad that summer is almost over, See You Outside had plenty of fun outdoor events during the fall months to keep you outside and active! Coming up this Saturday is the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community in the Bellevue State Park in Wilmington. Register to walk or donate to support Delaware Greenways [here](#). Also this month is the Community Resource Fair on Saturday September 20th at the Christiana Park in Wilmington. Learn about all the amazing resources available to Delaware residents and visit



the See You Outside table for games and prizes.

As you enjoy the autumn leaves on one of the Delaware Greenways trails, or any other outdoor fall activity, don't forget to send your pictures to info@syodelaware.org to enter in the See You Outside Challenge. You can also submit entries by posting your pictures to Twitter and Facebook with use the hashtag #syochallenge. You have until October 15th to submit your entries and we will announce our winner at the Delaware Greenways 25th Anniversary Celebration. Even after the See You Outside Challenge is over, be sure to continue to visit our website at

www.syodelaware.org for all the latest information about Delaware outdoor fun!

Historic Penn Farm thanks W.L. Gore & Associates!

Last month, W.L. Gore & Associates conducted two successful volunteer work days at Historic Penn Farm. Gore brought a total of 16 volunteers who worked for several hours each of the work days. As part of the Clear into the Future grant that Penn Farm was awarded earlier in the year the focus of the work days was to clear out invasive plant species in one of the farms hedgerows which include wild grape, mile a minute weed and multi flora rose.



The volunteers worked closely with farm manager Becca Manning using chainsaws, hedge clippers, and their own hands to remove the brush. The volunteers also worked with the William Penn High School students tilling the ground and laying agricultural plastic for the fall crops.

The amount of work that Gore accomplished in the two work days was very impressive and completed the first phase of our first year hedgerow rehabilitation plan. ***Many thanks to all of the volunteers! Come back to see us anytime!***



Planning For Healthy And Sustainable Places Conference Scheduled



This two-day conference, October 28th & 29th in Newark, Delaware will feature exemplary planning efforts in Delaware, Maryland and beyond which seek to create healthier and

more sustainable neighborhoods, towns, cities and regions. Planners and public health professionals have come to better recognize the interaction between the natural and built environment and population health. Community design, for example, is one important tool which could help reduce our rates of obesity and overweight by providing opportunities for physical activity right where people live. Likewise, strong community engagement can help professionals understand the avenues - and the barriers - to tackling asthma and other chronic conditions.

Both Delaware and Maryland have long stretches of low-lying coastlines that are vulnerable to rising seas. Incorporating adaptation strategies into today's plans for cities and habitats may help stave off the worst of climate change tomorrow.

Register at <http://www.DelawareAPA.org>

Second Greenville Study Public Meeting a Success!

Many thanks to all who came out to the second Greenville Study Public Meeting last Thursday, September 4! We learned a lot from your feedback, comments, and conversations, and enjoyed hearing about your visions for Greenville's future. Over sixty people were in attendance, a huge increase in presence and feedback from our first public meeting.

The highlight of the evening was a visual preference survey exercise, which

captures and quantifies public opinion on development and planning efforts. The survey provides planners at DGI and New Castle County with data and information that will inform future work on Greenville's built and scenic landscape. Stay tuned for more information on the Greenville Study, as well as our next public meeting!



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