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### **DELMARVA CHICKEN FESTIVAL RETURNS TO QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY**

The Delmarva Chicken Festival will return to Queen Anne's County, Maryland for its 65th annual run on June 20-21, 2014. The festival, a tradition on the Delmarva Peninsula since 1948, will take place at the Queen Anne's County 4-H Park near Centreville, Maryland. The park is conveniently located on Maryland Route 18, a short distance from major highways 301 and 50.

Dr. Faith Elliott Rossing, the Queen Anne's County Director of Economic Development, Tourism, IT, QACTV7, and enterprise funds, will chair the 65th celebration of Delmarva's chicken industry. Dr. Elliott Rossing holds a Doctorate of Business Administration and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Wilmington University and a Bachelor's degree in Textile Technology from Clemson University. Dr. Elliott Rossing has been employed by Queen Anne's County since 1993.

Serving with Dr. Elliott Rossing as festival co-chair is Deborah Birch, office coordinator for the Queen Anne's County Department of Economic Development and Tourism. Together they will lead a committee of volunteers from throughout the county that will coordinate a schedule of family entertainment featuring the festival's trademark 10-foot giant fry pan, other food concessions, an arts and crafts show, business and agricultural expo, live entertainment, and carnival rides and games. There will also be educational poultry-related displays, the popular baby chick exhibit, children's activities, an appealing classic car show, and an exciting Chickin' Pickin' competition sponsored by Mountaire Farms.

In announcing plans for the June festival, Dr. Elliott Rossing commented that "We are excited to have the Delmarva Chicken Festival return to Queen Anne's County. A number of farm families in the county depend upon poultry as a source of income while even more farm families that produce corn and soybeans depend upon the poultry industry as a market for their products. Queen Anne's County is proud of its

agricultural presence and proud to salute an industry that brings quality of life and has widespread economic importance to the State of Maryland and the Delmarva Peninsula.”

The Delmarva Chicken Festival is sponsored by Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. (DPI), the regional association working for the continued well-being of the area’s chicken industry and is being hosted in 2014 by Queen Anne's County.

For more information on the Delmarva Chicken Festival, contact Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. at 800-878-2449 ([dpi@dpichicken.com](mailto:dpi@dpichicken.com)) or the Queen Anne’s County Dept. of Economic Development and Tourism at 410-604-2100 ([dbirch@qac.org](mailto:dbirch@qac.org)). You may also visit [www.dpichicken.org](http://www.dpichicken.org) and click on 2014 Delmarva Chicken Festival in the left menu column.

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