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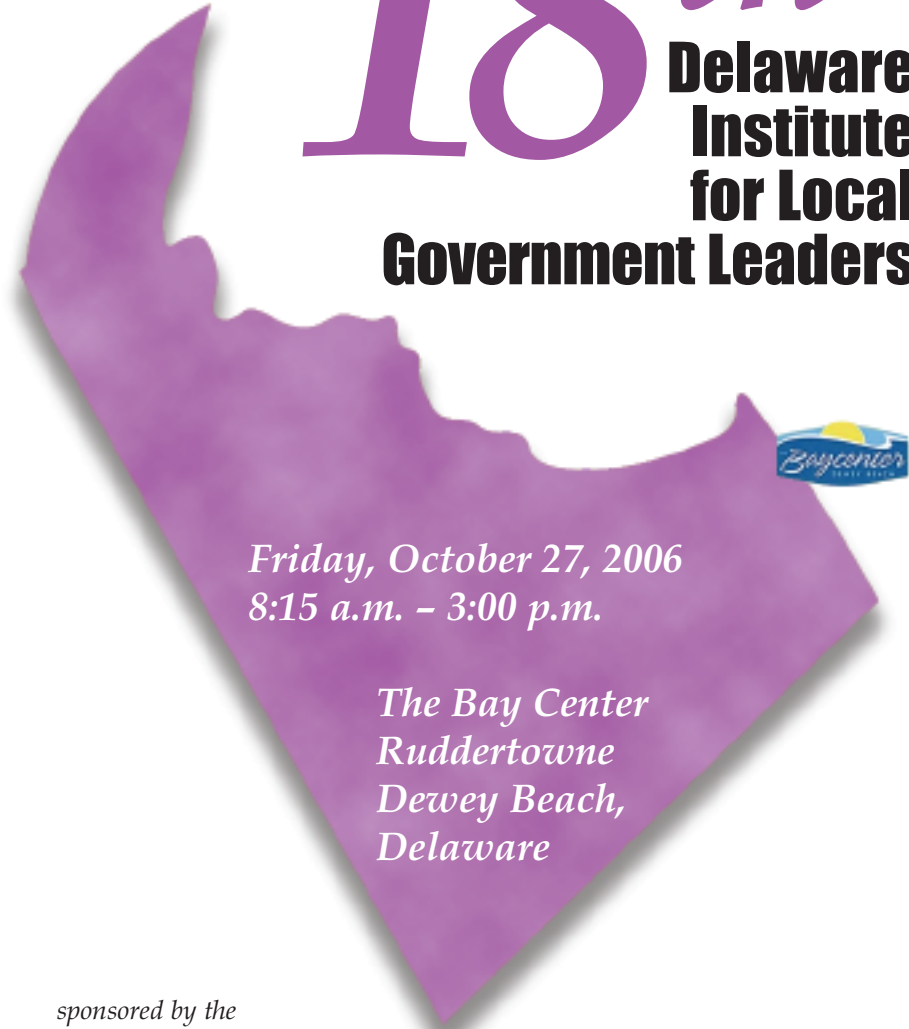
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18th Delaware Institute for Local Government Leaders



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8:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.*

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Dewey Beach,
Delaware*

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Agenda

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8:15 – 9:00

Registration/Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 9:15

Welcome and Introduction

Jerome Lewis – Director, Institute for Public Administration (IPA), College of Human Services, Education & Public Policy (CHEP), University of Delaware (UD)

George Wright – Executive Director, Delaware League of Local Governments (DLLG)

9:15 – 10:00

**USDA's Rural Development Program:
Grant Opportunities for Municipalities**

Marlene Elliot – USDA

10:00 – 10:15

Break

10:15 – 11:15

**Complying with Delaware's New
Municipal Election Law**

Max Walton, Esq. – Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz LLP

11:15 – 11:35

**New Professional Group Addresses
Municipal E-Government Best Practices**

Mark Deshon – IPA, CHEP, UD

11:35 – 11:50

**Healthy Communities: Promoting
Walkability and an Active Lifestyle**

Avron Abraham – Dept. of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences, UD

B. J. DeCoursey – IPA, CHEP, UD

11:50 – 1:30

Lunch and Speaker

**The National Telecommunications Act: The
View from the National League of Cities**

Alex Ponder – Senior Legislative Counsel for Federal Relations, National League of Cities

1:30 – 2:45

**Downtown Revitalization: Defining an
Economic Development Process for Your
Downtown**

Diane Laird & Rick Ferrell – Delaware Economic Development Office

2:45 – 3:00

Wrap-up

Jerome Lewis – IPA, CHEP, UD

George Wright – DLLG