



D-Day Commemoration Planned

Mark your calendars for an event paying homage to the bravery and sacrifice of our veterans on a day that shaped the course of world history. Join Fort Miles Museum and Fort Miles Historical Association to salute D-Day on Saturday, June 8. The ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. at The Overlook Venue outside the North Gun Room overlooking the Atlantic Ocean.

The poignant tribute will be led by a color guard from VFW Mason Dixon Post 7234. The names of 40 Delawareans who made the ultimate sacrifice during the D-Day landings at Normandy will be solemnly read aloud. Each name will be saluted with the tolling of a bell, a heartfelt gesture of gratitude for their World War II service.

After the ceremony, Fort Miles Museum will open to welcome visitors from noon to 4 p.m. Guided tours will be offered at 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. for \$6.

Don't miss this momentous occasion to honor the valor of our D-Day veterans, commemorating a pivotal moment in world history.



Pictures from the 2023 D-Day event provided by Maury Kahn of the DE Coastal Camera Club.

Delaware Defense Day Marked by Painting Donation, Gun Firing

Fort Miles' signature event, Delaware Defense Day, was held April 20, 2024. Attendees saw historic vehicles, enjoyed live music, visited educational exhibits and witnessed a submarine surrender re-enactment. The event also featured a black powder firing of a 3-inch artillery gun, which can be viewed through a [photo montage here](#) by Sam Markman.

In a special moment, Hockessin artist and Vietnam veteran Steve Burke donated his painting "Les Braves" to Fort Miles Historical Association. Burke's artwork is particularly touching because sand from Omaha Beach in Normandy, which he collected on the 75th anniversary of the landings, is embedded in the painting. The occasion underscored the bonds of art and history that unite us. Board member Jim Pierce gratefully accepted the painting on behalf of Fort Miles.



[View Video Montage of the Day](#)

A Run Through History 5K Run/Walk A Success!

The second annual Fort Miles Museum 5K, "A Run Through History," was a resounding success, attracting more than 100 runners and walkers to the course at Cape Henlopen State Park on May 5. After the race, participants gathered at the Museum's event venue, The Overlook, for an after-party. Surf Bagel generously provided sandwiches and soft drinks, while Atlantic Liquors supplied refreshing Modelo beer. Thanks to all who participated, sponsored and supported the event.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our 2024 sponsors who made this event possible.

Fort Miles Museum Run Through History

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Through History.



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New Museum Hours

As we move into summer, Fort Miles Museum will be open five days a week beginning May 28, offering visitors more opportunities to explore its treasures. Summer hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

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FMHA Hosts Wall of Honor Paver Ceremony

On May 5, Fort Miles Historical Association held its annual Wall of Honor Paver Ceremony. By purchasing a paver to honor their loved ones and friends, families have a place to visit throughout the years to remember and honor those who served. After the ceremony, attendees were given a private tour of Battery 519, which houses Fort Miles Museum.



The pavers, their donors and honorees, can be [viewed online](#) or via a kiosk in person at the Museum.

[Visit the Virtual Wall of Honor](#)



Learn more: fortmilesmuseum.org

Fort Miles is located in Cape Henlopen State Park.
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