

Shaped by History & Anchored in Nature



As Fort DuPont preserves our past and reshapes our history, we invite you to join our community. This newsletter will share events and updates about programs and projects to bring Delaware City closer together and help Fort DuPont's neighbors appreciate our location's natural and historical heritage.

Old Battery Lane Project Continues



As many of you have undoubtedly noticed, two restored historical duplexes (four housing units) now stand ready on Old Battery Lane.

The next phase of the ongoing construction project involves installing new water and sewer lines to all four units. This process is scheduled to begin next week with the installation of

environmental controls for the site. We don't anticipate any road closures or major disruptions during this phase of the project, but please be on the lookout for increased activity in that area.

Unfortunately, trees will need to be removed during this phase. Our policy is to plant two new trees for every one that needs to be taken down and to only plant native species.

This remains a vital part of our ongoing commitment to the environment at beautiful Fort DuPont State Park.

Fort DuPont Joins the League of American Historic Theaters



We're excited to announce that Fort DuPont has joined the League of American Historic Theaters, a professional network dedicated to sustaining America's historic theaters for the benefit of present communities and future generations.

We will share more on this in the coming months.

Foxy Residents at Fort DuPont



Fort DuPont resident Linda Butler ran into some of the neighborhood's cutest and most playful residents while out for a stroll recently.

With so many great places to explore at the fort, you never know who — or what — you're going to run in to. If you haven't explored Fort DuPont recently, what are you waiting for?

A Birder's Paradise at Fort DuPont



Fort DuPont has become a popular place over the years for those interested in following the many feathered friends that visit the park annually on their migratory routes.

While Fort DuPont has many great places for migratory birds to visit, rest and nest, much of the popularity of the park, at least among birders, is thanks to neighboring Fort Delaware.

Resting on Pea Patch Island in the middle of the Delaware River, Fort Delaware boasts one of the largest heronries in the United States. These gems of nature are habitats not only for herons but also egrets, osprey, bald eagles and more.

With Fort DuPont being so close to Fort Delaware, these annual visitors grace both forts for several months each year.

Be on the lookout for the many large birds on your next visit to Fort DuPont. And don't forget to bring along your binoculars so you don't miss any of the action.

Board Member Highlight: Doug Eriksen



What do you love most about Fort DuPont, and why?

I would have to say my favorite thing about the fort overall is just the history in general and the fact that it housed German POWs during World War II.

If I had to pick a specific building, I would say the theater. The fact that it was a center of activity for both the fort and the town and for what it could be. I love the fact that it is one of seven identical theaters built by the army during that time period.

Monthly Board Meeting Tomorrow

The monthly Fort DuPont Redevelopment and Preservation Corporation Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, at 9:30 a.m. at the Delaware City Fire Hall. We invite you to join us as we strive to serve our community and preserve our history.

[Meeting Information](#)



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