



### **Construction Underway at Lewes Canalfront Park**

The construction of the first two phases of a new waterfront Park for the City of Lewes has finally begun.

George & Lynch, Inc. is the contractor for the initial components of the project that will include a 22-slip marina, fishing pier, waterfront promenade, canal plantings and all of the underground utility construction required for the Park.

According to Pres Lee, project manager, there should be public access to the first phase of the Park by August of this year.

Shown above is Lee, pointing out specifics of the construction plan to Mayor James L. Ford, III , state Senator Gary Simpson and Representative Joe Booth, who have led efforts to generate some \$470,000 to-date in state funding in support of Park construction costs.

The overall \$3.5 million “Campaign for the Park” has another \$850,000 to be raised by the end of the year, according to campaign manager Mike Rawl. Several fund raising events will take place, including the upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Taste of Lewes on June 4, and

a golf tournament and art auction in the fall. An appropriation request has also been submitted for the Park by Sen. Thomas Carper, who with Rep. Castle and Sen. Biden was able to secure \$200,000 for the project in 2005.

“We will be asking all of the residents and businesses of the Greater Lewes Region to help us generate a portion of the remaining funds,” Rawl said. “We want to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to participate in this important project.”

For more information about how to support and volunteer for the Canalfront Park project, call Lanora Bayer at 645-2795.