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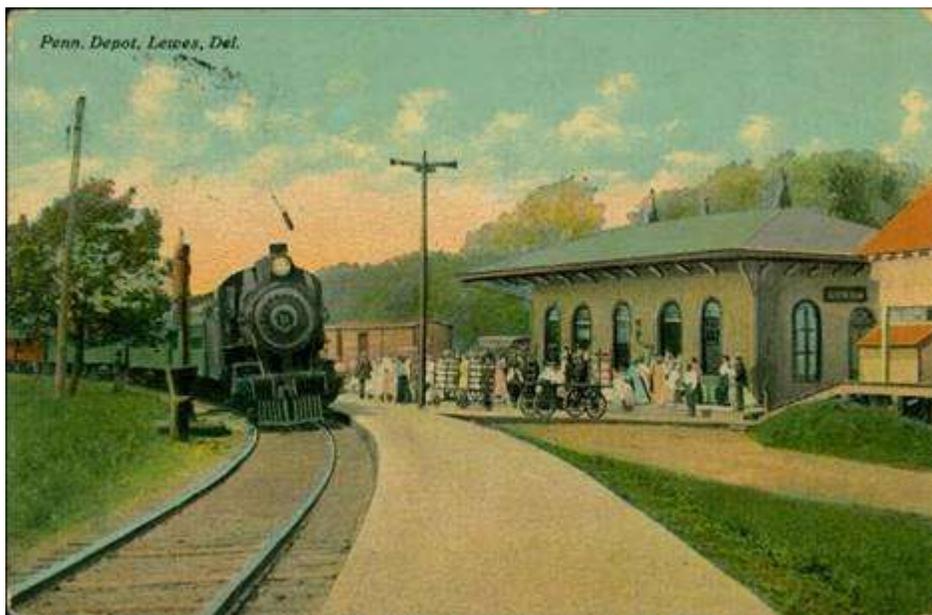
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## News

### **“Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport” exhibit to open at the Zwaanendael Museum on July 7, 2018**

Exhibit explores the history of rail travel and transport in the First State.

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Postcard depicting the Lewes, Del. railroad station.

### **Delaware Senate passes concurrent resolution recognizing the division’s accreditation by the American Alliance of Museums**

Accreditation is the highest recognition afforded to museums in the United States.

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### **Division to sponsor 19 special events during July 2018**

Programs on Independence Day, Alexander Hamilton and a murder mystery to be featured.

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### **Fort Christina offers a historical destination this summer**

Partner site in the First State National Historical Park to offer summer 2018 programming.

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### **Newly published book explores the life and legacy of Delaware statesman John Dickinson**

Publication a joint effort of the Friends of the John Dickinson Mansion, the Delaware Department of State and the Delaware Heritage Commission.

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### **“Lost Off Lewes: The British Warship DeBraak”**

Tours explore the surviving hull section of an 18th-century shipwreck.

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## **Help Save Delaware History**

### **Division mourns the loss of archaeologist Joan Parsons**

Longtime leader in Delaware’s archaeological community passed away on June 3, 2018.

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### **Hopes brimming to revitalize Millstone Theatre**

Former Ball Theatre in Millsboro to re-open as a performing arts center.

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### **Fate of Penn Farm's historic farmhouse remains uncertain**

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.—June 8, 2018

Historic property is owned by the Trustees of the New Castle Common.

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### **Articles on national recognition for division employee**

Carlton Hall makes National Trust for Historic Preservation’s 40-Under-40 list.

[Hall making his mark in Delaware preservation](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—June 9, 2018

[NEWSMAKER: Carlton Hall](#)

Dover Post, Del.—June 6, 2018

### **Articles on proposed development of Groome property near Lewes**

Site contains Native American and historical-period burials.

[Assault on historically significant New Road property](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—June 8, 2018

[State calls Groome property historic and culturally significant](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—June 1, 2018

### **“Preserving Our Past for a Better Future: Delaware’s Historic Preservation Plan, 2013–2017”**

Document provides a roadmap for focusing on the broad goals and needs of Delaware's preservation community.

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## **Media Roundup**

The following Delaware history-related articles have recently appeared in the media:

[Smyrna celebrates 250 years of history](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—June 23, 2018

Article notes Delaware patriot Allen McLane and the division-owned Belmont Hall.

[Get Ready To Get Your Pirate On At The Wilmington Pirate Festival](#)

First State Update, Del.—June 21, 2018

July 7, 2018 event to take place at the Kalmar Nyckel Shipyard and Fort Christina National Historic Landmark.

['Delaware Railroads' exhibit to open July 7 at Zwaanendael Museum](#)

Middletown Transcript, Del.—June 19, 2018

Exhibit focuses on four historical railroads in the First State.

['All Aboard: Delaware and the Railroad' Chautauqua tent show set for September](#)

Milford Beacon, Del.—June 14, 2018

Event produced by the Zwaanendael Museum and the Lewes Historical Society.

[Two new books recognize worthy Delawareans John Dickinson, Ronald Giannone](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—June 14, 2018

Article includes information about "Delaware's John Dickinson: The Constant Watchman of Liberty" published by the Delaware Heritage Commission.

## Events

**Wednesdays, June 27, and July 11, 18 and 25; Saturdays, June 30, and July 7, 14, 21 and 28; and Mondays, July 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30**

[East End Lighthouse Tour](#) – Delaware Breakwater-East End Lighthouse

**Thursdays, June 28, and July 5, 12, 19 and 26; and Saturdays, June 30 and July 28**

[Lost Off Lewes: The British Warship DeBraak](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

**Tuesday–Saturday, July 3–7**

[Quill Pen Week](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

**Wednesday, July 4**

[Independence Day](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware will be open

[Hale-Byrnes Open House](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

[Fourth of July in Historic New Castle](#) – Immanuel Episcopal Church

**Wednesday and Saturday, July 4 and 7**

[Independence Day](#) – The Old State House

[Stars and Stripes](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

**Saturday, July 7**

[Wilmington Pirate Festival](#) – Kalmar Nyckel Shipyard and Fort Christina National Historic Landmark

**Thursday, July 12**

[Hamilton](#) – The Old State House

**Saturday, July 14**

[Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[Blood Diamond: The Murder of Ebe Lynch](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Archaeology and Preservation of Battlefields of the American Revolution](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Sunday, July 15**

[Coffee](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Wednesday, July 18**

[An Immigrant Story: Crossing the Atlantic in a 17th Century Sailing Ship](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

**Saturday, July 21**

[Running of the Mill](#) – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, [go here](#).

## Exhibits and Displays

**Opening July 7, 2018**

[Delaware Railroads: Elegant Travel and Timely Transport](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

**Ongoing**

[Drawing America to Victory: The Persuasive Power of the Arts in World War I](#) – Online

[Five Stories](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[Letters From a Farmer in Pennsylvania](#) – Online

[New Castle: Three Forts, One Community](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[The Old State House: A True Restoration 1976-2016](#) – The Old State House

[Rose Color to Gold to Glowing Red: Orville and Ethel Peets in Paris 1913-1914](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Sculpture by Charles Parks](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Simple Machines](#) – John Dickinson Plantation



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