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News

Carolyn Apple receives a Governor's Outstanding Volunteer Award

Division volunteer honored for her efforts in saving the William D. Willis World War II Photographic Collection.

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Carolyn Apple being congratulated on her award by Gov. Jack Markell.

Division to sponsor 14 free programs during November 2016

18th Century Market Fair, candle making and music of World War I among the events to be presented.

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Holiday party to take place at the John Dickinson Plantation on Dec. 4, 2016

Sponsored by the Friends of the John Dickinson Mansion. Reservations required by Nov. 21, 2016.

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Four division staff members named Department of State Employee of the Second Quarter

Employees helped save the life of one of their co-workers.

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Division staff members lend a hand at the Delaware Veterans Home

Seventeen individuals volunteered their services in September 2016.

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Help Save Delaware History

NPS Report Highlights \$9.4 Billion in Private Investment in Historic Preservation Across America
FY 2015 annual report prepared by Rutgers University Center for Urban Policy Research.

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Volunteer archaeologists dig up long-forgotten history at Forest Landing

Dover Post, Del.—Oct. 20, 2016

Site once served as a port for Colonial Dover.

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Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs hires architectural historian

Sussex Countian, Georgetown, Del.—Sept. 30, 2016

Kara Briggs serves in the State Historic Preservation Office.

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Major renovation on historic county courthouse

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Sept. 28, 2016

Article on Old Sussex County Court House.

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“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 article have recently appeared in the media:

[The Legend of the Delmarva Sea Witch](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Oct. 26, 2016

Video includes interview with Beth Gott, historic-site interpreter at the Zwaanendael Museum.

[November programs set at Zwaanendael Museum in Lewes](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Oct. 19, 2016

Article highlights three upcoming events.

[The Delaware Way Historical and Cultural Arts](#)

The Delaware Way, KJWP TV, Wilmington, Del.—Oct. 17, 2016

Television segment explores the division and its upcoming public programs.

[The "Near-Immortality" of Charles Parks' Symbolic Sculptures](#)

Delaware Today, Wilmington, Del.—October 2016

Article on new book on the noted Delaware artist. Many of Parks' works are in the collections of the state of Delaware.

[You'll Want To Visit These 10 Houses In Delaware For Their Incredible Pasts](#)

OnlyInYourState.com—Sept. 26, 2016

John Dickinson mansion and Hale-Byrnes House among the featured properties.

[Garden Variety: Explore the Brandywine River Valley](#)

Preservation Magazine, Washington, D.C.—Fall, 2016

Article includes information on the First State National Historical Park.

Events

Saturday, Oct. 29

[Mysteries of History](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Who Done It: A Historic Murder Mystery](#) – The Old State House

Wednesday, Nov. 2

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

Saturday, Nov. 5

[18th Century Market Fair](#) – Dover Green

[Some Like Classical](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[Military vehicle display](#) – Pencader Heritage Museum

[Preserving Large Metal Artifacts Outdoors](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Tuesday, Nov. 8

[Election Day](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum, Old State House, John Dickinson Plantation and New Castle Court House Museum open. Zwaanendael Museum closed

[The People's House](#) – The Old State House

[Swing](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

Wednesday, Nov. 9

[1782-1783: Treaty Signed](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

Thursday, Nov. 10

[Return Day](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum, Old State House, John Dickinson Plantation and New Castle Court House Museum open. Zwaanendael Museum open 10 a.m.–Noon only

Friday, Nov. 11

[Veterans Day](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum, Old State House, John Dickinson Plantation, New Castle Court House Museum and Zwaanendael Museum open

[The Victors of World War I: The Power of Music](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[Veteran's Walking Tours](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[Delaware Band of Brothers: A Veterans Day Presentation](#) – The Old State House

Saturday, Nov. 12

[Dutch-American Heritage Day](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

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

[Fatal Sunday: George Washington, the Monmouth Campaign and the Politics of Battle](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

Sunday, Nov. 13

[History of the Stone School in Claymont](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

Saturday, Nov. 19

[Bayberry candle workshops](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

[A Revolutionary Game of Cat and Mouse: Henry Fisher, HMS Roebuck and the Delaware Bay](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

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

Thursday, Nov. 24

[Thanksgiving Day](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware closed

Friday, Nov. 25

[Day After Thanksgiving](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum, Old State House, John Dickinson Plantation, New Castle Court House Museum and Zwaanendael Museum open

Saturday, Nov. 26

[Handmade for the Holidays](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

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

Exhibits and Displays

Thru Jan. 28, 2017

[Wine and Spirits in Delaware: Producing, Preserving, and Presenting](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Thru August 2017

[World War II Through the Lens of William D. Willis](#) – Middletown Historical Society

Ongoing

[Discovering Delaware's Maritime Past](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Emeline Hawkins: Her Journey from Slavery to Freedom on the Underground Railroad](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

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

[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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