

# Historical and Cultural Affairs

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## News

### Fort Christina National Historic Landmark re-opens for the summer of 2016

Partnership between division, First State National Historical Park and Kalmar Nyckel Foundation made re-opening possible.

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Swedish Tercentenary Monument at the Fort Christina National Historic Landmark. The monument depicts the Swedish colonial vessel, the Kalmar Nyckel.

### Johnson Victrola Museum closed from June 6 to 30, 2016

Museum will re-open on July 1, 2016 after completion of construction activities.

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

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

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### Division to sponsor 24 special programs during June 2016

DeBraak tours, the 18th Annual Chautauqua and an evening of readings by Delaware poets and authors among the events to be presented.

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# Help Save Delaware History

## **“Making the First State Shine: 50 Years of Historic Preservation in Delaware”**

18th annual Chautauqua to take place in Lewes, Del. from June 19 to 23, 2016.

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## **Alice Guerrant receives award from the Archaeological Society of Delaware**

Division archaeologist honored for outstanding contributions to the society.

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## **Grants for historic preservation**

National Park Service now accepting applications for National Maritime Heritage Grants and Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Underrepresented Communities.

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## **Bethany council approves relocation plan for cottage**

Coastal Point, Ocean View, Del.—June 3, 2016

Historic home to be used as a museum.

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## **The Wright way to renovation**

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—May 22, 2016

Historic Smyrna mansion to be repaired.

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## **Historic homes get makeover in Lewes**

Daily Times, Salisbury, Md.—May 18, 2016

The division's Joan Larrivee interviewed about preservation of historic homes.

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## **Marathon Helps Raise Money to "Restore the Tower"**

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—April 25, 2016

Article notes efforts to preserve World War II-era observation tower in Dewey Beach.

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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:

## [Historical and cultural programs in Lewes begin June 8](#)

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

Article on Zwaanendael Museum programs in June 2016.

## [10 ways to entertain yourself at Delaware's beaches](#)

The News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—May 25, 2016

Article includes information on the Zwaanendael Museum.

## [Wilmington monument opens after more than a decade](#)

Newsworks, WHYY TV, Philadelphia, Pa.—May 24, 2016

Article on re-opening of Fort Christina National Historic Landmark.

[Listen Up! helps kids learn Delaware history](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—May 17, 2016

Division program uses spoken-word poetry to teach Delaware history.

[National Park Getaway: First State National Historical Park](#)

National Park Service website, Washington, D.C.—May 3, 2016

Article includes information on Fort Christina, John Dickinson Plantation and New Castle Court House Museum.

### **Articles on Abbott's Mill**

Historic grist mill is owned by the division.

['Zen of Milford': Abbott's Mill Nature Center](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—June 2, 2016

[Paddle Fest at Abbott's Mill Nature Center set June 11](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—May 31, 2016

### **Articles on tours of the surviving hull section of His Majesty's Sloop DeBraak**

British warship sank off Lewes in 1798.

[Tours of His Majesty's Sloop DeBraak to be offered](#)

Sussex Countian, Georgetown, Del.—June 1, 2016

[Tours to explore DeBraak shipwreck hull will start in Lewes June 8](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—May 31, 2016

## **Events**

### **Wednesday, June 1**

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

### **Fridays, June 3, 10, 17 and 24**

[Fit Fridays](#) – John Dickinson Plantation

### **Saturday, June 4**

[Celebration of Music and Dance](#) – The Old State House and the Johnson Victrola Museum

### **Tuesday, June 7**

[35th Birthday!](#) – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

### **Wednesday, June 8**

[1775—Tensions Boil Over](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

### **Wednesdays and Thursdays, June 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29 and 30**

[Lost Off Lewes: Tours of the British Warship DeBraak](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

### **Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11**

[Separation Day](#) – Downtown New Castle

### **Saturday, June 11**

[Second Saturday Stamp Tour](#) – Downtown Georgetown

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

[Lighthouse Sunset Cruise](#) – Lewes Harbor

[General Howe's September 8th Headquarters](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Sunday, June 12, 2016**

[Read House and Gardens](#) – Hale-Byrnes House

**Friday, June 17**

[Currents Reading](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

**Saturday, June 18**

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

**Sunday–Thursday, June 19–23**

[Chautauqua—Making the First State Shine: 50 Years of Historic Preservation in Delaware](#) – Downtown Lewes

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

## Exhibits and Displays

**Thru June 30, 2016**

[Called to Service: Women's Roles During World War II](#) – Legislative Hall

[Middletown Goes To War](#) – Middletown Historical Society

**Thru Jan. 28, 2017**

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

**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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