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News

Delaware's 22nd annual Chautauqua: "Women's Work: Campaigning for Social Change" on Sept. 10, 11, 19 and 20, 2020

All activities to be presented free via Zoom; registration required.

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Kim Hanley will portray suffragist Elizabeth Cady Stanton on Sept. 10, 2020.

"19 Days of Suffrage"

Series of posts on the New Castle Court House Museum Facebook page about the women's suffrage movement in Delaware and the nation.

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History at the beach—the Women's Christian Temperance Union Fountain

Rehoboth Beach landmark was built in 1929.

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Division receives \$22,000 grant for preservation of Weldin House

Funding from the Eastern Brandywine Hundred Coordinating Council will be used to help rehabilitate the historic property north of Wilmington.

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New Castle Court House Museum featured in "Before They Were States" podcast

Podcast explores the history of the American states before they joined the union.

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Sunshine Plein Air Artists paint Buena Vista

Artwork created on July 28, 2020 depicts a variety of outdoor scenes at the historic property.

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Division seeks physical plant maintenance/trades mechanic

Casual/seasonal position responsible for completing basic repairs in several trade fields and performing routine preventative maintenance and repair work.

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Phase II museum reopening information

Division's museums now open with self-guided tours that allow visitors to experience the history of the First State while continuing to take all recommended steps to safeguard public health.

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Help Save Delaware History

Frankford seeks historic designation for former Town Hall

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Aug. 6, 2020

Division consulted about nominating the site to the National Register of Historic Places.

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Coverage of efforts to preserve the former Hockessin Colored School No. 107

Articles explore New Castle County's efforts to preserve the building that served as a school for Black students prior to desegregation.

[A new chapter in the history of the Hockessin Colored School](#)

WDEL radio, Wilmington, Del.—Aug. 10, 2020

[Historic Hockessin Colored School to become center for diversity and inclusion under new agreement](#)

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.— Aug. 10, 2020

[Delaware county to help tell story of historic Black school](#)

Washington Post, D.C.—Aug. 2, 2020

“Partners in Preservation: Planning for the Future—Delaware’s Historic Preservation Plan, 2018–2022”

Document outlines six broad goals for preserving Delaware’s heritage for the future.

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Media Roundup

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

[Suffragette March marks 100 years of women’s right to vote](#)

Delaware State News, Dover—Aug. 26, 2020

Women’s suffrage movement honored with historical marker next to The Old State House.

[9 Unsung Heroes of the Underground Railroad](#)

Mental Floss, online—Aug. 10, 2020

Article includes a vignette on Delaware’s Samuel Burris.

[22nd annual Chautauqua tent shows in virtual format will spotlight suffragists](#)

Delaware State News, Dover—Aug. 6, 2020

Virtual event will take place in September 2020.

[Historic lighthouses get fresh coats of paint](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Aug. 2, 2020

Article notes work at Delaware Breakwater East End Lighthouse and Harbor of Refuge Lighthouse.

[Lewes, Del., offers a step back in time](#)

Indiana Gazette, Pa.—Aug. 2, 2020

Article on town where the first European settlement in Delaware was located.

[Delaware Division Of Historical And Cultural Affairs Adds New Operating Hours](#)

First State Update, online, Del.—July 29, 2020

Thursdays added to days that museums are open.

[Signs mark Seaford schools' place in history](#)

Delaware State News, Dover—July 29, 2020

Funding for buildings provided in the 1920s by industrialist Pierre S. du Pont.

[Delaware Breakwater East End Lighthouse being repainted](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.— July 19, 2020

Project expected to be completed in September 2020.

Events, exhibits and displays

In keeping with Gov. Carney's [Phase II guidance](#) for reopening the state in wake of the coronavirus pandemic, the five museums administered by the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs are open for self-guided tours via reservation only. Go to the following for [information](#).

To explore Delaware history online, go to the [Delaware Digital History Museum](#).



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Historical and Cultural Affairs is designed to stimulate public interest in the division's museums, programs and services, and to increase awareness of the value that history and historic preservation bring to the lives of Delaware's citizens and visitors. The newsletter is distributed during the last week of each month, via e-mail, to division staff members, Delaware's historical- and preservation-related communities and friends. Please submit relevant articles, news items and suggestions to Jim Yurasek, newsletter editor, at jim.yurasek@delaware.gov.

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