# **Historical and Cultural Affairs**

The historic preservation and museums newsletter of the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs.

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### **News** Division honored with prestigious History in Progress Award

Only four projects in the entire nation were honored with the award in 2014. Read more ...



Presentation of the History in Progress Award for the exhibit "Forging Faith, Building Freedom: African American Faith Experiences in Delaware, 1800-1980." From left are Bob Beatty, interim president and chief executive officer of the American Association for State and Local History; Constance J. Cooper, chief curator of the Delaware Historical Society; Marian Carpenter, Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs curator of collections management; and Lynne Ireland, deputy director of the Nebraska State Historical Society and immediate-past chairperson of the American Association for State and Local History.

#### Division to offer 19 free programs during November 2014

"The People's House," candle-making workshops and Dutch-American Heritage Day to be featured. Read more ...

#### Meet the staff of the Buena Vista Conference Center

Employees help to make the site "the perfect wedding location." Read more ....

#### Zwaanendael Museum to close at noon on Nov. 6, 2014

Museum closed for the Return Day holiday. Read more ...

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### **Help Save Delaware History**

#### Two additional Delaware properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places

St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church in Harrington and the Union Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church Complex in Clarksville are the most recent listings. <u>Read more...</u>

Division seeks next-of-kin for unmarked human remains found near Hawks Nest Circle in Lewes, Sussex County Deadline: Dec. 3, 2014. Read more...

"Preserving Coastal Heritage" summary report issued by National Park Service Report explores threats to cultural resources posed by climate change. Read more ...

"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. <u>Read more ...</u>

### Media Roundup

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

#### Camden has a rich history worth a second listen

Courier-Post, Cherry Hill, N.J.—Oct. 26, 2014 Exhibit contains Victor Talking Machine Company items loaned from the collections of the state of Delaware.

Old State House tours Nov. 4 start month of programs at Delaware museums Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Oct. 26, 2014 Article on programming at the state's museums.

#### 'Forged Faith' earns historical society, state national history award

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Oct. 22, 2014 Honored exhibit explored the faith experiences of Delaware's black community.

Articles on the Burton-Blackstone-Carey Store in Millsboro Building was added to the National Register of Historic Places in September 2014.

> <u>Millsboro building earns National Register listing</u> Daily Times, Salisbury, Md.—Oct. 24, 2014

Downtown Millsboro building recognized as historical site Sussex Countian, Georgetown, Del.—Oct. 13, 2014

#### Articles on Delaware patriot Allen McLane

Smyrna, Del. hero of the American Revolution was also speaker of the state House of Representatives and delegate at Delaware's Constitution Ratification Convention.

Meet Allen McLane: Soldier, patriot ... and spy Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Oct. 25, 2014

<u>Delaware spymaster gets day in sun</u> News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Oct. 16, 2014

McLane Delaware's unknown patriot Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Oct. 4, 2014

### **Events**

Nov. 1 Man's Best Friend – Johnson Victrola Museum <u>Open House</u> – Cooch-Dayett Mills 18th Century Market Fair – Dover Green

Nov. 1, 4 and 11 An Illegal Activity – First State Heritage Park Welcome Center and Galleries

Nov. 2 The Story of the First Delaware Regiment – Hale-Byrnes House

Nov. 3 Taming Your Treasures: Collections Management for Beginners – Hale-Byrnes House

**Nov. 4** Swing – Johnson Victrola Museum

Nov. 4 and 11 The People's House – The Old State House

Nov. 6, 13 and 20 John Dickinson's Birthday Month – John Dickinson Plantation

#### Nov. 8

Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild – John Dickinson Plantation Delaware's Decades—the 1970s: Coastal Zone Act of 1971 – Zwaanendael Museum

Nov. 11 The Victors of World War I: The Power of Music – Johnson Victrola Museum

**Nov. 15** Dutch-American Heritage Day – Zwaanendael Museum Candle-Making Workshops – John Dickinson Plantation Running of the Mill – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

Nov. 19 and 30 Two Civil War Soldiers – New Castle Arsenal

Nov. 29 Handmade for the Holidays – John Dickinson Plantation

# **Exhibits and Displays**

Thru Dec. 7, 2014 An Illegal Activity: The Underground Railroad in Delaware – First State Heritage Park Welcome Center and Galleries

Thru spring 2015 Middletown Goes To War – Middletown Historical Society

Ongoing Delaware and the War of 1812 – Zwaanendael Museum Emeline Hawkins: Her Journey from Slavery to Freedom on the Underground Railroad – New Castle Court House Museum

Items From the Permanent Collections - Laurel Heritage Museum

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Simple Machines – John Dickinson Plantation

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