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News

Museums of the state of Delaware to offer 10 special programs in December 2013

Six of the programs to feature winter-holiday-themed activities.

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On Dec. 5, the Zwaanendael Museum will present Bill Ayrey, lab manager and company historian from ILC Dover, who will demonstrate the space suit that the company manufactures for NASA.

Division seeks applicants for housekeeper and curator positions

Application closing dates are Nov. 29 and Dec. 2, 2013, respectively.

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DeBraak tours attendance increased by 38% in 2013; new tours scheduled for 2014

Public interest continues for British warship that sank the Delaware coast on May 25, 1798.

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History was made here: Belmont Hall

A spotlight on the historic Smyrna home of Delaware patriot Thomas Collins.

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Larry Williams joins division staff as physical-plant maintenance mechanic

Responsibilities will include maintaining, repairing and preserving the nearly 90 structures administered by the division.

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Help Save Delaware History

Small grants available from Delaware Preservation Fund

Program supports preservation activities at historic properties and districts. Deadline: Dec. 13, 2013.

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“Honoring Our Nation’s Veterans: Saving Their Places of Health Care and Healing”

New National Trust for Historic Preservation report examines threats to historic properties administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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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 articles have recently appeared in the media:

Governor John Dickinson’s legacy of giving included Merion Friends Meeting

Main Line Suburban Life, Ardmore, PA—Nov. 18, 2013

Article on the life of the “Penman of the Revolution.”

Nanticoke Heritage Byway would offer a journey through Sussex County history

News Journal, Wilmington, DE—Nov. 11, 2013

Delaware’s fifth byway would explore historic sites around Seaford and Laurel.

Zwaanendael Museum to host Starry Hospitality Night Dec. 5

Cape Gazette, Lewes, DE—Nov. 9, 2013

Article on the museum’s December 2013 programs.

History Matters: Delaware’s role in African American churches

WDDE Radio, Dover, DE—Nov. 8, 2013

Division’s CARE Team designed, fabricated and installed the exhibit at the Delaware History Museum in Wilmington.

Travels With Charlie: Beloved Del. Artist Remembered

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, MD.—Nov. 8, 2013

Television segment on the artist Jack Lewis and the paintings he created while working with the Civilian Conservation Corps in Delaware in the 1930s.

Dover set to unveil WW II memorial on Saturday

Delaware State News, Dover, DE—Nov. 7, 2013

Article explores the war’s impact in Delaware.

The historic importance of salt

News Journal, Wilmington, DE—Nov. 5, 2013

Article on the importance of salt and how it was historically processed in Delaware.

Swat! Smack! Spray!

News Journal, Wilmington, DE—Oct. 23, 2013

Article on mosquitos and Delaware’s historical attempts to control them.

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