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News

Division unveils updated geographic information system for Delaware’s historic properties
Web-based system is now available for public use.
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National Register locations in Delaware from the updated version of CHRIS.

Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs seeks horticultural manager
Position will be responsible for the care of several state-owned natural resources.
Deadline: March 4, 2015.
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National Women’s History Month events among 13 special programs sponsored by the division during March 2015
Programs on Dr. Ruth Mitchell Laws and Louise du Pont Crowninshield among the month’s highlights.
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Help Save Delaware History
Delaware State Historic Preservation Office recent accomplishments
Office’s programs help to preserve Delaware’s historic places and unique cultural identity.
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National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week in Washington, D.C., March 2 to 4, 2015
Annual gathering promotes sound federal preservation policy and programs.
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Call for papers: “The Early Colonial Delaware Valley—An Archaeological and Historical Symposium”
Deadline for submission of abstracts: April 24, 2015.
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2015 Annual Conference to the Harbor Defenses of the Delaware River
Conference sponsored by the Coast Defense Study Group to take place from April 29 to May 3, 2015 in Middletown and then Rehoboth Beach, Del.
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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:

Slavery: Not as Black and White as History Reports
Christian Broadcasting Network, Virginia Beach, Va.—Feb. 24, 2015
Article and video on the Underground Railroad in Delaware.

Delaware History: 7 Events That Shaped the State
Newsmax, West Palm Beach, Fla.—Feb. 23, 2015
Article on significant points in First State history.

First State Heritage Park’s First Saturday Commemorates Women’s History Month
WBOC TV, Salisbury, Md.—Feb. 23, 2015
Several programs to take place on March 7, 2015.

No snow delay of Dickinson tribute
News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Feb. 23, 2015
Article on ceremony marking the 207th anniversary of the death of John Dickinson.

Dover, Delaware: Kid-friendly getaway
Article on activities in the First State’s capital city.

Lighthouses tell Delaware’s maritime history
Daily Times, Salisbury, Md.—Feb. 19, 2015
Article on the First State’s historic beacons.

Revolutionary change
UDaily, University of Delaware, Newark, Del.—Jan. 30, 2015
Article on the removal of historic dam from White Clay Creek.
Events
Saturday, March 7
The Battle of Iwo Jima – Delaware Public Archives
War of the Roses: The Suffragist Movement in Delaware – The Old State House
The Minstrel Boy – Schwartz Center for the Arts

Saturdays, March 7, 21 and 28
A Woman’s World – John Dickinson Plantation

Wednesday, March 11
Louise du Pont Crowninshield—Historic Preservation Pioneer – New Castle Court House Museum

Saturday, March 14
Pi(e) Day at the Plantation – John Dickinson Plantation
Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild – John Dickinson Plantation
ILC Dover, space travel and space suits – Zwaanendael Museum

Thursday, March 19
Concert by Celtic Harvest – The Old State House

Saturday, March 21
Running of the Mill – Abbott’s Mill Nature Center

Wednesday, March 25

Thursday, March 26
A Mother’s Legacy and a Daughter’s Contributions to Community – The Old State House

Saturday, March 28
The Revolution's Last Men: The Soldiers Behind the Photographs – Hale-Byrnes House

Sunday March 29
Eggciting Easter Event – Belmont Hall

Exhibits and Displays
Opening March 4, 2015
World War II Through the Lens of William D. Willis – Legislative Hall

Thru April 14, 2015
Simple Pleasures: Play and Dance – Zwaanendael Museum

Thru April 19, 2015
Simple Pleasures: Play and Dance – The Old State House

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

Middletown Goes To War – Middletown Historical Society
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