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News

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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Delaware’s Dutch heritage, Underground Railroad poetry and Colonial games to be featured at division museums in April 2014
Nineteen free special-programs to be offered during the month.
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Dover’s Old State House launches coffee-hour lecture series
Programs on Delaware history to be held at the end of the working day.
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Harriet Tubman Day in Delaware proclaimed
March 10, 2014 marked the 101st anniversary of the death of the noted Underground Railroad conductor.
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Help Save Delaware History
Lewes Historical Society to present historic-preservation awards on April 11, 2014
Lewes Mayor James L. Ford, III and three others to be honored.
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Call for papers: “The Early Colonial Delaware Valley—An Archaeological and Historical Symposium”
Deadline for submission of abstracts: April 25, 2014.
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Volunteers sought for Archaeology and History Festival at Iron Hill Museum in Newark
Archaeology Month event to take place on Sunday, May 4, 2014.
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Preservation Virginia releases economic impact study
Study confirms that historic preservation provides profound economic benefits to the Old Dominion.
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U.S. House votes to place limits on creation of national monuments
Bill would make it more difficult for units of the National Park Service such as Delaware’s First State National Monument to be established.

Bill to limit national park creation comes up for vote this week
Examiner.com, Denver, CO—March 26, 2014

House votes to limit president on public monuments
The San Diego Union-Tribune, CA—March 26, 2014

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:

The Old State House to offer coffee-hour lecture series
Dover Post, DE—March 24, 2014
Three programs to be held in April 2014.

Tourism key to Delaware’s identity
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—March 22, 2014
Op-ed by Linda Parkowski, director of the Delaware Tourism Office.

John Dickinson, the Opposite of Chickenhawk
The American Prospect, Arlington, VA—March 21, 2014
Article on the “Penman of the Revolution.”

Crossroads: New Seaford Museum gallery focuses on maritime history
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—March 12, 2014
Exhibit includes items loaned by the division.

Volunteers ready to guide visitors looking for First State National Monument
WDDE Radio, Dover, DE—March 7, 2014
Unpaid assistants critical to the operation of Delaware’s only unit of the National Parks Service.

Delaware’s must-see mini museums
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—March 4, 2014
Belmont Hall, John Dickinson Plantation, Johnson Victrola Museum and Old State House among 20 featured sites.
Old brick foundation discovered near Old State House
WDEL Radio, Wilmington, DE, Feb. 25—2014
Artifacts found during search for a water main.

Uncovering Smyrna, stitch by stitch
Smyrna-Clayton Sun-Times, DE—Feb. 25, 2014
Article on Belmont Hall quilt exhibit includes discussion of the Delaware Quilt Documentation Project.

Delaware’s national treasures
Article spotlights the First State National Monument and Delaware’s 13 national landmarks.

Articles on the proclamation of Harriet Tubman Day
Noted Underground Railroad conductor honored in ceremony at Dover’s Old State House.

Delaware commemorates Harriet Tubman Day
Cape Gazette, Lewes, DE, March 14, 2014

Harriet Tubman Day in Delaware proclaimed
Dover Post, DE—March 10, 2014

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