News

“With Malice Toward None…Delaware Life During the Civil War”: 16th annual Chautauqua tent show in Lewes, June 15 to 19, 2014
Programs to bring Clara Barton, Abraham Lincoln, Harriet Tubman and Walt Whitman back to life.
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Bob Gleason will portray President Abraham Lincoln in the Chautauqua tent show on June 18.

Division to offer 21 special events during June 2014
Program highlights include Delaware’s Second Constitutional Convention, Founding Father Benjamin Rush and Separation Day.
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Tickets still available for lecture/tours of the DeBraak hull
British warship was capsized and lost off the Delaware coast on May 25, 1798.
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State of Delaware’s museums again say thanks to America’s military personnel
Six facilities to participate in Blue Star Museums program.
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First State Heritage Park seeks applicants for position of historical educator/interpreter
Application closing date: June 16, 2014
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Delaware Division of Libraries creates LibGuide on Delaware patriot Allen McLane
Guide provides a wide variety of information about the Smyrna, Del. hero of the American Revolution.
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“George Washington: Man and Myth”
Symposium to be held at the New Castle Court House Museum on June 7, 2014.
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First State National Monument: A look into how Delaware was last into the National Park System
Video by University of Delaware student Kelsy Frank.
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Help Save Delaware History
Older, Smaller, Better: Measuring how the character of buildings and blocks influences urban vitality
New report by the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s Preservation Green Lab.
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Crossroads: A war against time
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—May 15, 2014
Fort Delaware Society mounting a campaign to preserve historical paintings, photos and documents.
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How to Save Ugly Buildings
Huffington Post, New York, NY—May 1, 2014
Sometimes a style, even though it might be unpopular, represents a daring innovation or new technique in the field of architecture that should be preserved.
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Gov. Markell to sign legislation creating downtown development districts
Historic preservation tax credits among tools to be utilized.

Downtown Development District Plan Moves To Governor’s Desk
WMDT TV-47, Salisbury, MD—May 18, 2014

Downtown development districts bill passes House
Delaware State News, Dover, DE—May 16, 2014

Lawmakers OK Markell’s urban rebuilding program
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—May 15, 2014

Delaware Is Building a Strategy to Lift Some Cities’ Economies
New York Times, NY—April 22, 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:

Who isn't charmed by a lighthouse?
Cape Gazette, Lewes, DE—May 19, 2014
Article on Lewes' two lighthouses.

Forts, shipwrecks and centuries-old architecture
DelmarvaNow, Salisbury, MD, May 11, 2014
Delmarva Peninsula tourism article notes the division’s Zwaanendael Museum and Old Sussex County Court House.

LEWES: Delaware's first town features best of past and present
Daily Times, Salisbury, MD—May 11, 2014
Article includes info on the Zwaanendael Museum.

Dover Liberty Bell cradle restoration project on tap
Delaware State News, Dover, DE—May 10, 2014
One of 53 full-scale reproductions of the original Liberty Bell in Philadelphia.

Thousands bask in the glories of Old Dover
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—May 3, 2014
Article on the 2014 Dover Days Festival.

Articles on tours of the DeBraak
British warship sank of the coast of Delaware in 1798

Lecture/tours of the hull of the DeBraak return to Lewes starting June 2
Cape Gazette, Lewes, DE—May 7, 2014

Did you know?: Delaware’s rediscovered treasure
News Journal, Wilmington, DE—May 6, 2014
Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs wins national award

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