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News

Fifteenth annual Delaware Day competition winners announced

Program encourages students to study the U.S. Constitution and Delaware's role in its creation.

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Display created by North Laurel Elementary School for the Delaware Day Fourth Grade Competition.

Division to sponsor seven free programs during January 2017

Highlights include Prohibition in Delaware, patriotic music during World War I and culinary traditions of Sussex County.

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Sussex Gardeners deck the halls of the Zwaanendael Museum

Holiday display featured preserved flowers, fruit, evergreen branches and other plant material.

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Johnson Victrola Museum parking lot closed

Lot to be closed at least through Jan. 31, 2017. Museum will remain open.

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Division honors staff and volunteers at all-staff event

Dec. 12, 2016 event recognized 2016 achievements.

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Division welcomes new staff members

Recent hires help the division in its efforts to save Delaware history.

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Help Save Delaware History

St. Paul AME Church in Harrington added to the National Register of Historic Places

Church has served the town's black community since 1895.

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Hurricane Hermine unearths war relics in Cape Henlopen

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Nov. 27, 2016

World War II-era artifacts found.

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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 article have recently appeared in the media:

[Did a Delawarean give us the Electoral College?](#)

The News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Dec 2, 2016

Article on the contributions of John Dickinson to the founding of the United States.

Events

Saturday, Dec. 24

[Christmas Eve](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware closed

Sunday, Dec. 25

[Christmas Day](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware closed

Monday, Dec. 26

[Christmas Day Observed](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum and The Old State House open. John Dickinson Plantation, New Castle Court House Museum and Zwaanendael Museum closed

Sunday, Jan. 1

[New Year's Day](#) – All museums of the State of Delaware closed

Monday, Jan. 2

[New Year's Day Observed](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum and The Old State House open. John Dickinson Plantation, New Castle Court House Museum and Zwaanendael Museum closed

Saturday, Jan. 7

[Prohibition in Delaware: No Toast for the Boys off to Fight in World War I](#) – The Old State House

[The Victors of World War I: The Power of Music](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

[Patriots and Loyalists: Life in Lewes—A Town Torn During the Revolution](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Sunday, Jan. 8

[Olde Christmas Musical Celebration](#) – Prince George's Chapel

Friday, Jan. 13

[Concert by Charlie Zahm](#) – The Old State House

Saturday, Jan. 14

[Preserving the Culinary Traditions of Southern Delaware](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Monday, Jan. 16

[Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum and The Old State House open. John Dickinson Plantation, New Castle Court House Museum and Zwaanendael Museum closed

[Courage and Freedom](#) – The Old State House

[The Struggle](#) – Johnson Victrola Museum

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, [go here](#).

Exhibits and Displays

Thru Jan. 28, 2017

[Wine and Spirits in Delaware: Producing, Preserving, and Presenting](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Thru August 2017

[World War II Through the Lens of William D. Willis](#) – Middletown Historical Society

Ongoing

[Discovering Delaware's Maritime Past](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Emeline Hawkins: Her Journey from Slavery to Freedom on the Underground Railroad](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[The Old State House: A True Restoration 1976-2016](#) – The Old State House

[Sculpture by Charles Parks](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

[A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

[Simple Machines](#) – John Dickinson Plantation



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