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Saving Delaware History



History was made here: The Dover Green

Laid out in 1717 according to William Penn's specifications, The Green is the historic heart of Delaware's capital city and a featured component of both the First State National Historical Park and the First State Heritage Park.

Explore



Dickinson/Zwaanendael museums add Tuesday hours

Both museums now open Tuesday through Saturday.

[Come on down](#)

2021 Zwaanendael photo contest winners announced

"Museum Madness" contest sought photos of the historic Lewes site.

[And the winners are](#)

Highlighted Event

"Victorian Picnic on The Green," a historically-inspired picnic lunch including a 9-piece brass band and popular Victorian lawn games. Sat., June 12, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., on the Dover Green. Reservations required by June 5. Reserve now!

News & Updates

Division mourns loss of former site interpreters

Lib Lynch and Carol Cutbill served at the Zwaanendael Museum for many years.

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Recyclables help Zwaanendael purchase bench

Museum collected more than 200 pounds of refuse to offset the cost of a new recycled-plastic piece of outdoor furniture. [Read more](#)

Help us plan our future

Online surveys and virtual town halls to be conducted as part of the process of developing the division's Strategic Plan for FY 2022 – 2026. [Read more](#)

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Preservation

Alice Guerrant honored with award

Former division archaeologist named Delaware Department of State Employee of the Fourth Quarter. [Dig deeper](#)

NCC to protect historic properties it buys

Measure requires New Castle County to rezone, with a historic overlay, any eligible properties it purchases. [Dig deeper](#)

Delaware's Historic Preservation Plan 2018-2022

"Partners in Preservation: Planning for the Future" outlines six broad goals for preserving Delaware's heritage. [Dig deeper](#)

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Media Roundup

Archeologist honored for Cooch's Bridge research

Wade Catts receives History Award Medal from the Cooch's Bridge Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. [See more](#)

Video on free and enslaved Black life in Delaware

Segment explores 18th century anti-slavery activity and the passage of repressive legislation targeting free Blacks in the 19th century. [See more](#)

Bayshore Byway gains national designation

Historic New Castle and John Dickinson Plantation are stops along the way.

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Activities & Exhibits

Saturday, June 12, 2021

Court Martial of Major General Charles Lee

Virtual program from Hale-Byrnes House on the Revolutionary War officer and nemesis of George Washington.

Saturday, June 19, 2021

Running of the Mill

Explore the historic 19th century Abbott's Mill and discover the power of water as it drives machines that grind grain into flour.

Ongoing

New Castle: Three Forts, One Community

Exhibit at the New Castle Court House Museum examines the 17th-century struggle for control of New Castle by the Dutch, Swedes and English.

[Go to the full calendar of activities](#)

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Saving Delaware History is designed to stimulate public interest in the division's museums, programs and services, and to increase awareness of the value that history and historic preservation bring to the lives of Delaware's citizens and visitors. The newsletter is distributed during the last week of each month, via e-mail, to division staff members, Delaware's historical- and preservation-related communities and friends.

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