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# Saving Delaware History



## Cooch's Bridge Historic Site undergoing another revolution

Major renovations to the granary and carriage house at the Cooch's Bridge Historic Site are nearing an end as the public is invited to inform next steps in the site's latest revolution during an Aug. 28 virtual public meeting.

Inform the change



## Labor Day: A chance to appreciate local history

Delaware's historic structures reflect the craftsmanship of past laborers and the work of modern historians and craftsmen who strive to keep them protected.

[Reflect on history](#)

## Division mourns the loss of Brian Cannon

The division celebrates the life and legacy of former New Castle Court House Museum lead interpreter Brian Cannon, who passed away this July.

[Learn more](#)

## Highlighted Event

Visit Lewes every Friday and Saturday in September for a new look at southern Delaware's maritime history, thanks to a series of programming presented by the Zwaanendael Museum and Lewes Public Library. A 'History Revival'

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## News & Updates

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### **New display to debut at The Old State House**

A new display opening soon at The Old State House in Dover delves into the past and present legislative process in the State of Delaware. [Check it out](#)

### **New Castle History Camp explores native roots**

The second New Castle History Summer Camp inspired youngsters to explore northern Delaware's early history as archaeologists and historians. [Relive the event](#)

### **Division-sponsored events in September 2023**

Join the division for dozens of events statewide this September. [Make history with us](#)

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## Preservation

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### **Then & Now: Hockessin Colored School**

"Then & Now: Black History Highlights of Delaware" explores the historical significance of a one-room school for African American children. [Know your history.](#)

### **National Trust Preservation Funds available**

Apply for grants ranging up to \$5,000 that support preservation planning and educational projects. The next deadline is October 1. [Apply now](#)

### **NPS Civil Rights preservation grant**

The National Parks Service is offering up to \$750,000 in grant funding for preservation projects related to African American Civil Rights. [Apply by Oct. 10](#)

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## Media Roundup

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### **Nanticoke Indian Tribe to hold Powwow Sept. 9-10**

The Cape Gazette reports that the Nanticoke Indian Tribe will hold its 45th annual Powwow Sept. 9 and 10. [Read the story](#)

### **DNA study of remains at Del. site finds kinship**

A new study published this summer outlines some findings from the Avery's Rest site, as reported here by UConn Today. [Read the story](#)

### **Funds granted for oyster schooner restoration**

The state has stepped in to support the preservation efforts of the century-old Maggie S Myers oyster schooner. [Read the story](#)

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## Activities & Exhibits

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**Saturday, Sept. 2, 2023**

**Masters of the mountain: Battle of Cooch's Bridge**

Join historical interpreters for a brief walking tour to learn more about the only Revolutionary War land battle to take place in Delaware.

### **Saturday, Sept. 17, 2023**

#### **Happy birthday, Lafayette: A historical potluck**

Join the president of the American Friends of Lafayette for "Lafayette's Farewell Tour: A Primer" and dinner at the Hale-Byrnes House.

### **Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023**

#### **Prince George's Chapel open house**

Tour this historic Episcopal chapel and learn of its unique history and its importance to church-goers of neighboring states in the 1700s.

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

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## **Saving Delaware History**

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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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