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Fun things to do on rainy days at Delaware beaches

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DNREC launches new \$30 million testing lab



At the new Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's environmental lab in Smyrna on June 18, lab manager and molecular biologist Christopher Main holds a vial of algae collected from Killens Pond near Felton for testing PHOTOS BY BEN MACE/DELAWARE NEWS JOURNAL

Environmental facility expands scientific capabilities

Ben Mace
Delaware News Journal | USA TODAY NETWORK

The Delaware agency that tests water, air and soil to try to protect people and animals has opened a state-of-art laboratory to improve the quality and quantity of those tests.

On June 18, the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control celebrated the opening of its environmental lab on Sunnyside Road in Smyrna just west of Route 13, near the Delaware Hospital for the Chronically Ill and the Division of Public Health Laboratory.

DNREC Secretary Greg Patterson was joined at the ribbon cutting by representatives of the state's

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The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's new environmental lab on Sunnyside Road in Smyrna, pictured before the ribbon-cutting ceremony on June 18.

Wilmington Hospital staff now screened for weapons

Security widened after employee faces charges in fatal shooting

Sophia Voight
Delaware News Journal | USA TODAY NETWORK

ChristianaCare said it has begun screening for weapons at Wilmington Hospital employee entrances following the arrest of a 23-year-old information technology employee in the shooting of two other hospital employees on June 16.

Hospital visitors already were going through metal detectors and security screenings when entering through the hospital's main entrance and emergency room.

Now security measures have been extended to hospital staff.

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Voting machine study remains unpublished

Democrats warn of potential for midterm interference

Erin Banco, Phil Stewart and Jonathan Landay
REUTERS

WASHINGTON – White House officials have for months delayed the release of a government report that outlines what it describes as significant vulnerabilities in the nation's voting machines ahead of the November midterms, according to three sources familiar with the matter.

The report, produced by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, concludes that voting machines could be further safeguarded by, for example, updating their software, the sources said. It does not

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