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House now sports an official National Park Service sign that reaffirms the promise of a park visitor center and headquarters in the building in the future.



February

New Castle's Dennis Young has recently been admitted to the Maryland Pastel Society by their Executive Board. Two of bis pastels; Charleston Courtyard and Scott Street Sunday Morning are listed in their website in the artist member directory. Dennis says he's glad...well we're proud! And Stockbridge, Massachusetts thought they had it all!

Maryland Pastel Soc.

1893, Charlie Chaplin debuts "The Tramp" in "Kid Auto Races at Venice" 1914, DeWitt and Lila Acheson Wallace offered 5,000 copies of "*Reader's Digest*" magazine for the first time. 1922, "Don't Let the Stars Get in Your Eyes" by Perry Como a chart topper in 1953, six years later "*Smoke Gets In Your Eyes*" by The Platters took the top spot. The Beatles come to the U.S. for the fist time. 1964

2/8 Boy Scout Day Kite Flying Day Opera Day Jules Verne*186 (1905), Lana Turner*93 (1995), Jack Lemmon*89 (2001), James Dean*83 (1955), Ted Koppel-74 Mary, Queen of Scots beheaded. 1587, The Confederate States of America was formed. 1861, The Boy Scouts were founded. 1910, "The Stars and Stripes" newspaper first published. 1918, "At the Hop" by Danny and the Juniors was #1. 1958, The last issue of the "Saturday Evening Post" was published. 1969



Volunteer Training Announced Training will consist of two sessions of approx. two hours each, from 7pm to 9pm in the weeks of 2/16 and 2/23. The first session will presented twice in the first week (2/18 & 2/20) and the second session will be presented twice in the second week (2/25 & 2/27). Week 1 "The Big Picture: Your Role in the NPS & Park Mission' Week 2 "Stories & Stewardship: Sharing Your Town & Being Great Hosts"

We have to limit the sessions to 25

participants a night or 50 participants overall. Not everyone will be a "VA." We'll be inviting some of our colleagues. Please click the link below to sign up. All that is involved is typing your name in and selecting a session in the first week and a session in the second week. http://doodle.com/svm9eg3cp9g7e3ki



The Shepheardes Calendar. An old shepherd, Thenot, speaks to a shepherd boy called Cuddie. We see the zodiac symbols for Pisces in the sky.

2/2 Ground Hog Day Candlemas Tommy Smothers-77, Farrah Fawcett*67 (2009), Christie

Brinkley-60 British sailor Alexander Selkirk is rescued after being marooned on a desert island. His story is the inspiration for Daniel Defoe's "Robinson Crusoe" 1709, The Mexican War was ended with the signing of the **Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo** while the first shipload of **Chinese emigrants** arrived in San Francisco. 1848, The beginning of Groundhog Day in Punxsutawney. 1887, **William Painter** patented the bottle cap. 1892, A poll conducted by "People", readers selected Katharine Hepburn and Cary Grant as their favorite, all-time acting greats. 1987

2/3 The Day the Mušič Died Norman Rockwell*120

(1978), Joey Bishop*96 (2007), Morgan Fairchild-64 The world's first commercial cheese factory was established in Switzerland. 1815, Edwin Booth opened his new theatre in New York City. The first production was *"Romeo and Juliet"*. 1869, Rock singers Buddy Holly-22, Richie

Valens-17 and the Big Bopper (J.P. Richardson)-28 died in a plane crash. 1959, Lynn Anderson received a gold record for the single, "Rose Garden". 1971, The first Winter Olympics in Asia were held at Sapporo, Japan. 1972

2/4 Facebook's Birthday Create a Vacuum Day Thank a Mailman Day Charles Lindbergh*112 (1974), Clyde Tombaugh*109 (1997), discovered planet Pluto, Alice Cooper-66, Clint Black-52 Britain declared a formal cessation of hostilities with its former colonies. 1783, the first U.S. Telegraph Company was established. 1847, Louis Perlman of NYC received a patent for his famous demountable tire-carrying rims. We call them wheels. 1913, The first Winter Olympics were held in the US at Lake Placid. 1932, The USO founded. 1941, Comic strip "Hagar The Horrible" debuts. 1973

2/5 Natl Weatherman's Day Natl Weatherperson's Day Western Monarch Day John Jeffries*270 (1819), America's first Weatherman, Red Buttons*95 (2006), Hank America's first Weatherman, Red Buttons*95 (2006), Hank Aaron-80 First US gas company incorporated, Baltimore. 1817, Kinematoscope patented by Coleman Sellers, 1861, Enrico Caruso recorded "O Solo Mio" 1916, The BBC time signals, or "pips", from Greenwich Observatory were heard for the first time. 1924, Disney's film "Peter Pan" opened in NYC, 1953, Apollo 14 - 3rd manned expedition to moon lands. 1971 2/6 Lame Duck Day Canadian Maple Syrup Day George Herman "Babe" Ruth*119 (1948), Ronald Reagan*103 (2004). 40th L/S. President. 7sa 7sa Reagan*103 (2004), 40th U.S. President, Zsa Zsa Gabor-95, Tom Brokaw-74, Fabian Forte-71 New Jersey issued the first American railroad charter to John Stevens. 1815, The first minstrel show in America, the "Original Virginia Minstrels", opened at the Bowery Amphitheater in NYC. 1843, First great train robbery by Dalton Gang (Southern Pacific #17).

1891, **Dog sled racing** happened for the first time in Olympic competition. 1932, The board game

Monopoly first went on sale.1935, Alan Shepard hits three golf balls on the moon. 1971 2/7 Wave All you Fingers at Your Neighbor Day Send a Card to a Friend Day Winter Olympics Charles Dickens*202 (1870), Garth Brooks-52, Chris Rock-48 The first Guernsey Cattle Club was organized. Mocoo. 1877, Elisha Gray patented a machine called the telautograph.



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- chopped •1 onion, finely chopped
- 1 tsp crushed red pepper flakes, 1/3 palmful Salt and pepper 1 tsp dried oregano, lightly crushed in palm
- 1 c. beef or veal stock

2 28- to 32-ounce cans Italian tomatoes

•3 to 4 c.s passata, tomato purée *or* tomato sauce •A few leaves of basil, torn •1 lb ziti rigate or any short cut pasta with lines •2 c.s fresh ricotta cheese

•1 c. freshly grated Parmigiano-Reggiano,

the fixn' part

If making your own sausage, combine meat with wine and seasonings and chill several hours or overnight before using for flavors to combine.

We're not...been to market!

For the zit heat olive oil, 2 turns of the pan, in a large Dutch oven or pot over medium-high heat. Add sausage, begin to brown and crumble, then add ground meat and brown and crumble. Add garlic and onions, red pepper, salt, pepper and oregano, and cook to soften onions, 5-6 minutes. Add stock, tomatoes and passata or purée; break up tomatoes and bring to a bubble. Reduce heat to a low simmer, add a few leaves of basil and simmer 30 minutes.

Bring a pot of water to a boil, add salt and undercook pasta about 5-6 minutes, just shy of al dente. Reserve 1/2 c. of starchy cooking liquid.

Preheat oven to 375°F.

Combine ricotta with half a c. of grated *Parmigiano-Reggiano* and season with nutmeg. Add egg and combine. Add pasta, starchy cooking liquid and half the sauce; stir. Transfer pasta to large casserole and top with remaining sauce. Cover the casserole with mozzarella and remaining Parmigiano cheese. Top with parsley and bake 25-30 minutes until brown and bubbly on top. <u>Rachael Rays Baked Ziti</u>



cocktail was named in the late 1800s after the French 75mm field gun, which had a mighty kick. So does the drink, so don't let those innocent bubbles fool you! The Bocuse Restaurant at the CIA makes this classic with gin, simple syrup, lemon juice, and Champagne. You can use cognac (which makes the drink a little sweeter) and other sparkling wines. Enjoy it at home snuggled up with someone you love.

1 ounce gin 1/2 ounce lemon juice 1/2 ounce simple syrup 3 ounces Champagne Lemon twist

Combine the gin with the lemon juice, simple syrup and ice in a martini shaker. Shake until cold. Strain into a Collins glass or wine glass filled with fresh ice. Top with Champagne. Garnish with lemon twist.



Calling all Swedes!

We were contacted by a casting company working for a new Swedish reality series about people of Swedish descent exploring their roots and culture in Sweden. So if you've ever wanted to go to Sweden and be a reality TV star (at least in Sweden), then you'll want to check this out: Great Swedish Adventure

Sat., March 1st, 7 pm <u>New Castle Historical Society Annual Fundraiser</u>

* A Night At Scully's Irish Pub *

Support local history and have a great time doing it at our Irishthemed fundraiser at historic Buena Vista mansion in New Castle! We're hosting a pub night event with delicious food, beverages and authentic music inspired by the magic of Ireland! Tickets \$60 per person. Dress is upscale casual. 302-322-2794.

NCHS Museum Guide Positions Available



New Castle Historical Society is seeking new applicants for PAID part-time Museum Guides. If you have a love for history and want to share that interest with others, we invite you to apply to become a Museum Guide with NCHS!

Job Description: Museum guides provide tours to adult tour groups, student tour groups, and drop-in tourists to our historic museums, The Amstel House and The Dutch House, in Historic New Castle, Delaware. Guides work 4-8 assignments per month, for shifts which may vary from 2-6 hours each assignment. Training begins in February, and active guiding will begin in March-April.

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The Lost Galleons



Discovering the Secrets of Florida's Oldest Shipwrecks Dr. Roger C. Smith, Chief of Underwater Archaeology, Florida's Division of Historical Resources

During a marine archaeological survey of Pensacola Bay, a small, mysterious pile of ballast stones led to the discovery of one of the ships of Tristán de Luna, who commanded the first attempt by the Spanish Crown to colonize Florida in 1559. Here to tell us about this fabulous story is Dr. Roger C. Smith, one of America's leading modern-day explorers.

Luna had two galleons. The San Juan was in Cuba when the hurricane struck, and the Andonguin was sunk.

Sun., Feb. 23rd • Reception 4pm to 5pm • Lecture 5pm to 6:30pm Chase Center on the Riverfront, Dravo Auditorium 815 Justison Street, Wilmington Tickets are \$12 in advance (\$8 for Kalmar Nyckel members) or \$15 at the door.

For more info visit www.http://kalmarnyckel.org/



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Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 7 pm **"The History** of Delaware

Happening at the *Court* House

Breweries" presented by John Medkeff, author of the book, "Diamond State Brewery, Inc.," a history of the Wilmington brewery founded by



Joseph Stoeckle in the mid-19th century. Admission for the lecture is \$5 with free admission for members of the New Castle Historical Society. For additional information, call 302-323-4453.

State of Delaware Museums

Thurs, Feb. 6, 13, 20 & 27, "Thirsty on Thursdays."

Learn how to make hot 18thcentury drinks such as syllabub, hot cider, coffee and tea. John Dickinson Plantation, 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover. Program 11 am-2:30 pm Museum open 10 am-3:30 pm **302-739-3277**.

Sat, Feb. 8th

"A World Apart." African American History Month

tours. Learn about Dinah and her family from enslavement to freedom. John Dickinson

Plantation, 340 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover. 10 am-3:30 pm 302-739-3277.

Sat, Feb. 8th

Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild.

Program explores spinning, weaving, knitting and other fabric arts. John Dickinson Plantation, 340 Kitts Hummock

Road, Dover. Program 1-3 pm Museum open 10 am–3:30 pm **302-739-3277**.

Sat, Feb. 8th

"From Africa to the Americas Via Music, Song, **Dance and Stories.**"

Program by Mr. Kamau Ngom highlights the similarities between traditional African culture and African-influenced culture in the Americas. Audience participation is a must in this village-oriented presentation.. The Old State House, 25 The Green, Dover.

Program at 1 pm Museum open 9 am-4:30 pm **302-744-5055**.





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