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The Great Historical Sale

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Rodney papers auctioned

After finding this 1919 ad for the auction of Rodney family papers had me wondering where they might be today. After sending queries, **Edward Richi**, Curator of Printed Materials and Research at the **Delaware Historical Society** wrote:

We have many of the Rodney papers referenced in the advertisement, but not all. We do not have any of the Peale paintings or ivory miniatures. Our online catalog [Ask Caesar](http://www.dehistory.org/) is an excellent way to explore our Rodney family papers and letters. We also have many photostats of Rodney family documents which are not owned by our organization. The collection is called the Non-HSD Photostat collection. All our documents are free to examine and easily accessible with a visit. They are not accessible online. A visit is required.
<http://www.dehistory.org/>

I also contacted the Director of Archives and Collections at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania and the Director of the Collection and Exhibitions at the Philadelphia History Museum and both said they don't have and of the listed artifacts.

3 Facts You Didn't Know About Presidents' Day

Tomorrow, we'll enjoy the annual celebration of **Presidents' Day**, a vague commemoration of all things presidential, one might think.

Here are three things you might not have known about Presidents' Day:

Technically, it's still "Washington's Birthday"

According to section 6103(a) of title 5 of the U.S. Code, this Monday commemorates "Washington's Birthday," not "Presidents' Day."

The name change coincided with a Congressional initiative to attach federal holidays to the weekend, thereby creating an uninterrupted, three-day stretch of leisure time.

Presidents' Day is a brilliant stroke of branding

The ever-shifting holiday also happened to dance around Abraham Lincoln's birthday, which several states marked as a separate holiday on February 12. Retailers, eager to promote discounts on both days, seized on the name "Presidents' Day" to lure in shoppers regardless of which president they might happen to be celebrating. Gradually the catch-all term fell into common use.

It's also not quite a holiday

Calling it a "holiday" doesn't make it so. **Yesware**, an email analytics firm, crunched the numbers on 23 million emails circulating through corporate inboxes over the course of one year. Their finding: Open and reply rates on Presidents' Day exceeded other federal holidays, and even a typical workday.



this week in HISTORY

14 The *Stars and Stripes* was carried to a foreign port, in France, for the first time. It was aboard the American ship *Ranger*. 1778, **Horace Smith** and **Daniel Wesson** patented a firearm. 1854, Congress approved **voting machines** for use in federal elections. 1899, The *Saint Valentine's Day Massacre* occurred. Mobsters of the South Side Italian gang, led by **Al Capone** dressed as policemen, gunned down seven members of a Bugs the North Side Gang, plus collaborators. 1929, **Jimmy Buffett's** *Margaritaville* was released. 1977

15 *Mustard* was advertised for the first time in America. 1758, The *Post Office* uses adhesive postage stamps for the first time. 1842, **Morris and Rose Michtom**, introduced the first *teddy bear* in America. 1903, First *Dracula* movie released. 1931, **George Burns** and **Gracie Allen** debuted as regulars on *The Guy Lombardo Show* 1932

16 The National *Deaf Mute College* was incorporated in Washington. 1857, *The Jolly Corks* organization, changed it name to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks *BPOE*. 1868, **Wallace H. Carothers** received a patent for nylon. 1932, *NBC TV* begins it's first nightly newscast *The Camel Newsreel Theatre*. 1948

17 The House of Representatives broke an electoral tie between **Thomas Jefferson** and **Aaron Burr**. Jefferson was elected president and Burr became VP. 1801, The first *gaslit streetlights* appeared on the streets of Baltimore. 1817, **Chester Stone** patented a washing machine. 1827, **Julius Wolff** was credited with being the first to can sardines. 1876, **Johnny Cash** and **Bob Dylan** had a recording session in Nashville. *Girl from the North Country* was the only duet released from the session. 1969, World chess champion **Garry Kasparov** beat IBM supercomputer *Deep Blue*, 1996

18 **Michelangelo** died in Rome. 1564, Mark Twain's *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is published. 1885, A ninth planet is discovered and is named **Pluto**. The discover is **Clyde Tombaugh**, 1930, **Lucille Ball** and **Desi Arnaz** signed a contract worth \$8,000,000 to continue the *I Love Lucy* TV show through 1955. 1953

19 The tintype camera was patented by Professor **Hamilton L. Smith**. 1856, **W K Kellogg** & **Charles D Bolin** incorporate *Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Company*. 1906, At a dinner party, **Diamond Jim Brady** amazed his guests by eating five helpings of roast beef, gallons of stewed fruit, 84 oysters -- and three gallons of orange juice to wash it all down. 1910, A prize is inserted into a *Crackerjacks* box for the first time 1913, **Ed Wynn** became the first big-name, vaudeville talent to sign on as a radio talent. 1922, *The Miracles* released their first single *Got A Job*. 1958

20 President Washington signed the *Postal Service Act* thereby creating the US Post Office. 1792, **Luther Crowell** received a patent for a machine that manufactured paper bags. 1872 and the same year that **Silas Noble** and **J.P. Cooley** patented the toothpick manufacturing machine. *Batman & Robin* comic strip premieres in newspapers. 1944, **John Glenn** become the first U.S astronaut to orbit the earth. 1962, *The Beach Boys* recorded *Don't Worry Baby*. 1964

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Sun, 2/21	@ Dallas	7p
Tue, 2/23	vs Orlando	7p
Wed, 2/24	@ Detroit	7:30 PM
Fri, 2/26	vs Washington	7p



Home Ice
24-20

Sun 2/14	Flyers at Rangers	7:30p
Tue 2/16	Flyers at Devils	7p
Fri 2/19	Flyers at Canadiens	7:30p
Sat 2/20	Flyers at Maple Leafs	7p
Tue 2/23	Flyers at Hurricanes	7p



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Just when you thought the football season was over

Rant Sports offers redesigned NFL Logos



See what they came up with [HERE](#)

NASCAR

► **NASCAR Sprint C.**

2/18 Can-Am Duel At Daytona 1	7p
2/18 Can-Am Duel At Daytona 2	8:30p
2/21 Daytona 500	FOX 1p
2/28 Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500 Atlanta	FOX 1p



Happy Cobblestone Birthday

Sun 2-14 **David** Atherton

Mon 2-15 **Judy & Bill** Hentkowski - Anniversary

Tues 2-16 **Rich** Henion

Wed 2-17 **Margret** Alexander - **Marsha** Andrews
Doug Edwards Fri 2-19 **Diane** Keen

Sai 2-20 **Sara** Hutchinson Sun 2-21 **Tara** Walsh



Birthday or Anniversary approaching?

Tell The Teditor flytedb13@comcast.net

Notable this week 14th Ferris Wheel Day - Stolen Pets Day - Nat'l Organ Donor Day Jack Benny*122 (1974), Jimmy Hoffa*103 (1971), Hugh Downs-95, Vic Morrow*84 (1982), Florence Henderson-82 15th Presidents' Day - Nat'l Gum Drop Day Harvey Korman*89 (2008), Jane Seymour-65, Chris Farley*52 (1997) 16th Nat'l Almond Day Sonny Bono*81 (1998), Margaux Hemingway*62 (1996), Ice-T-58, John McEnroe-57 17th Champion Crab Races Day - My Way Day Hal Holbrook-91, Rene Russo-62, Lou Diamond Phillips-54, Larry the Cable Guy-53 18th Nat'l Drink Wine Day - Nat'l Hate Florida Day Jack Palance*97 (2006), Yoko Ono-83, Cybill Shepherd-66, John Travolta-62, Vanna White-59, 19th Chocolate Mint Day - Nat'l Lashes Day Eddie Arcaro*100 (1997), Lee Marvin*92 (1987), Smokey Robinson-76, Jeff Daniels-61 20th Love Your Pet Day Sidney Poitier-89, Sandy Duncan-70, Avana Trump-67, Patty Hearst-62, Cindy Crawford-50



Anthony DellAversano received his Masters in Management from Wilmington University at graduation ceremonies last Sunday at the Chase Riverfront Center. Happy Grad with niece **Kayla Marie Gant** and son **John**.

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February at Our Senior Center

Mon 2/15 CLOSED PRESIDENTS' DAY **Tue 2/16 9-12 AARP Tax Aide**

Wed 2/17 10 Nutrition Ed: Shopping/Cooking for One or Two 10 Blood work 11 Lunch out-Red Lobster

Thurs 2/18 9 Bank & PO 10 Blood Pressure Screenings 12:30 Food Lion 5:45 Yoga (new starting time) Fri 2/19 12:15 Dollar Store

MON

9-3 Billiards
9 Pool Exercise
9:30 Park Walk
10 Crafty Seniors
12 Lunch
12:30 Mah Jongg
1 Chair Yoga

TUES

9-3 Billiards
9:30 Shanghai
10 Bingo
12 Lunch
1 Strength Building/
Exercise

WED

9-3 Billiards
9:30 Park Walk
11 Line Dancing
12 Lunch
12:30 YMCA
Diabetes Prevention
1 Pilates

THUR

9-3 Billiards
9:30 Shanghai
9:30 Bridge
10 Games w/Tom
12 Lunch
12:30 Super Market
1 Zumba Gold
2 Qi Gong/Tai Chi
5:30 Yoga
5:30 Bible Study

FRI

9-3 Billiards
9:30 Park Walk
9:30 Knit/Crochet
10 Bingo
10 Mah Jongg
10:30 Beginner's/
Arthritis Exercise
12 Lunch

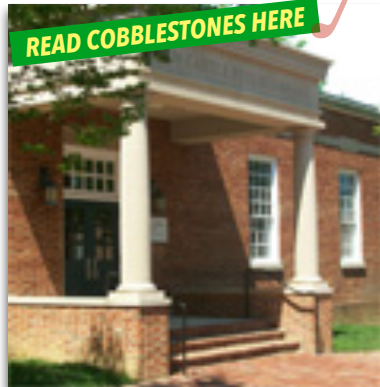
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2/15 CLOSED

Washington's Birthday *Observed*

2/16 R&R Story Time 10-11:30a
Sew Happy Group 10:30a-3p
GED in Spanish* 6:30p

2/17 TAIJI-QUAN* 1-2p
Tech Knowledge-Y Lab 2:30-4:30p

2/18 Usual Suspects 5:30p
"Monster of Florence"
GED in Span* 6:30p
Knit1/Crochet2 7p
The Amazing Hannah Penn 7p

2/19 Adult Coloring 11a
Taiji-Quan* 1-2p
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Mon 10-9 Tues 10-9 Wed 2-9 Thurs 2-9 Fri 10-5 Sat 10-5 Sun Closed

IMPORTANT CITY NOTICE

To: All New Castle Residents and Property Owners
Removal of Snow or Ice from Sidewalks and Trails

In the aftermath of the recent January 23, 2016, snow event, many of our Citizens complied with the City Code and cleaned/cleared the sidewalks adjacent to their properties, and for that we thank you. However there were also a large proportion of properties that failed to comply, and consequently, contributed to the hazardous conditions that still exist on 2/1.

It is unfair, illegal and wrong to deprive pedestrians of a clean, clear and safe right-of way to traverse. Children, elderly and physically disabled individuals are especially vulnerable to the hazardous conditions presented when property owners or tenants do not follow these rules.

Review Code ► [HERE](#)

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WINTER WEDNESDAYS

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lecture series at

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The Wintery Wednesday Lecture Series

continues through February with two more lectures:

February 17

Pass The Rum: The Rise & Fall of Prohibition with Mike Dixon

February 24

Pets in America: A History with Dr. Kasey Grier

For more information about the Wintery Wednesdays Lecture

Series and other programs offered by the New Castle

Historical Society please visit www.newcastlehistory.org.



BRRR...while most were shoveling,

Ray Peden of New Castle and several members of the Delaware Masters Swimming

Association met at the Hockessin Athletic Club last Sunday to swim 3.1 miles to benefit the Navy Seals Foundation. The swim was conducted outside (29 degree air temperature) in a heated pool.

All proceeds went to families of the Navy Seals killed or wounded in the line of duty.



Presidents' Day

**NO TRASH PICKUP
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ON MONDAY, FEB 15th

Reg Mon 2/15 Revised Tues 2/16

Reg Tues 2/16 Revised Wed 2/17

No Yard Waste Pick up on Wed., Feb. 17th

roasted oysters



with
tomato
butter

ingredients

- ½ cup whole peeled tomatoes (about 4), juices drained and saved for soup
- Rock salt
- 12 small to medium oysters
- ¼ cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 2 tbsp finely chopped shallot or red onion

preparation

- Heat the broiler to high. In a small roasting dish or toaster pan, roast the tomatoes for 10 to 12 minutes on the highest rack, until they're blackened in places.
- Spread enough rock salt onto a baking sheet to make a layer into which oysters will firmly sit. While the tomatoes are roasting, shuck the oysters. (Even better, [watch our video](#) on how to shuck.) As each is done, secure it in a little well in the rock salt, so that it retains its oyster liquor.
- Leaving the broiler on high, combine the roasted tomatoes with the butter in a blender or food processor or with an immersion blender or with a lot of elbow grease. The resulting mixture will be mottled and ugly but will melt to glossy perfection.
- Stir in the shallot.
- Place a 1/2 teaspoon dollop of tomato butter into each oyster. Place the tray into the oven, and broil until the tomato butter is melted and the oyster is beginning to darken and curl around its edges, around 8 to 12 minutes. Serve very hot, immediately.

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**SAVE
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2-20
NCHS Bootlegger's Bash

2-27
Trustees Election
3-5
atTACK addition 5K

3-5
St. Patricks Dance
Senior Center

3-9
NC SrCtr
Phila. Flower Show Trip

3-13
SRING FORWARD YOUR CLOCKS!

3-27
Easter Parade on the Green

5-5 & 6
May Market

6-5
St. Anthony's Day

5-21
Day in Old New Castle

6-10 & 11
Separation Day Weekend

6-11
Historic New Castle
BBQ Competition

TIDES & CURRENTS

Reedy Point Tides

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14	Su	03:49 AM		5.4	165
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		04:22 PM		5.2	158
		11:23 PM		-0.3	-9
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		12:05 PM		-0.2	-6
		05:25 PM		5.0	152
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		04:52 PM		-0.4	-12
		10:14 PM		5.2	158



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18	☀️	6:52am	🌙	5:40pm
19	☀️	6:51am	🌙	5:42pm
20	☀️	6:49am	🌙	5:43pm



Here's a chance to **VOTE** for your favorite New Castle Business/Venue. Browse the Happening List for Fresh Faces by Erica, Jessop's, Court House Museum, Read House, the Dutch House and Bootless Stageworkss are some of the locals I found.

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