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Vol.3 No.41

Cobblestones Library

December 23, 2012

It's December

**12/23 Festivus. Roots Day Joseph Smith\*207** (1844), founded the Mormon Church, Robert Bly-86, Harry Shearer-69, Susan Lucci-64 Maryland voted to cede a 100-square-mile area for the seat of the national government. About two-thirds of the area became the District of Columbia. 1788, "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement C. Moore was published. 1823, The transistor was invented by U.S. physicists John Bardeen, Walter H. Brittain, and William Shockley. 1947, Dan Blocker made his acting debut on television in the "Restless Gun." 1957

**12/24 Natl. Chocolate Day Natl. Egg Nog Day Kit Carson\*203** (1868), Howard Hughes\*107 (1976), I. F. Stone\*105 (1989), Ava Gardner\*90 (1990), Mary Higgins Clark-81, Ricky Martin-41, Ryan Seacrest-38 The War of 1812 between the U.S. and Britain was ended with the signing of the Treaty of Ghent. 1814, Franz

Joseph Gruber composed "Silent Night". 1818, A fire devastated the Library of Congress, destroying about 35,000 volumes. 1851, Reginald A. Fessenden became the first person to broadcast a music program over radio, from Brant Rock, MA. 1906, For the first time ever, a midnight Mass, from St. Patrick's Cathedral, NY was broadcast on television. 1948

**12/25 Christmas Day Natl. Pumpkin Pie Day Sir Isaac Newton\*370** (1727), Clara Barton\*191 (1912), Humphrey Bogart\*113 (1957), Cab Calloway\*105 (1994), Anwar Sadat\*94 (1981), Rod Serling\*88 (1975), Jimmy Buffett-66, Larry Csonka-66, Barbara Mandrell-65, Sissy Spacek-63, Norm McDonald-50

Jesus Christ is born in a little town in Bethlehem O, William the Conqueror is crowned the King of England. 1066, St. Francis of Assisi assembled one of the first Nativity scenes, in Greccio, Italy. 1223, Gen. George Washington and his troops crossed the Delaware River for a surprise attack against Hessian forces. 1776, W.C. Fields died at the age of 66. 1946

**12/26 Boxing Day Richard Widmark\*98** (2008), Steve Allen\*91 (2000), Susan

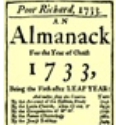


**Butcher-58, Jared Leto-41** The British suffered a major defeat in the Battle of Trenton. 1776, James Mason invents the coffee percolator. 1865, Winston Churchill became the first British prime minister to address a joint meeting of Congress. 1941, The Soviet Union's parliament formally voted the country out of existence. 1991



**12/27 Make Cut Out Snowflakes Day Natl. Fruitcake Day Johannes Kepler\*441** (1630), Louis Pasteur\*190 (1895), Cokie Roberts-69 Charles Darwin set out on a voyage to the Pacific aboard the HMS Beagle. 1831, Carrie Nation staged her first raid on a saloon at the Carey Hotel in Wichita. 1900, Radio City Music Hall in New York City opens. 1932, "Howdy Doody," hosted by Bob Smith, made its debut on NBC. 1947, a Crosley automobile, with a steering wheel on the right side, became the first vehicle of its kind to be placed in service for mail delivery. 1951

**12/28 Card Playing Day John Molson\*249** (1836), founded the Molson brewery, Woodrow Wilson\*156 (1924), 28th U.S. President, Maggie Smith-78, Denzel Washington-58, Malcolm Gets-48 "The Pennsylvania Gazette," owned by Benjamin Franklin, ran an ad for the first issue of "Poor Richard's Almanack." 1732, William F. Semple patented chewing gum. 1869, The first professional indoor football game was played at Madison Square Garden in New York City. Syracuse defeated the Phila. Nationals 6-0. 1902, R.O. Sullivan crossed the Atlantic Ocean for the 100th time. 1942, filming of the movie "Dr. Zhivago" began on location near Madrid. The movies total running time is 197 minutes. 1964



**12/29 Pepper Pot Day Andrew Johnson\*204** (1875), 17th U.S. President, Mary Tyler Moore-76, Jon Voight-74, Ted Danson-65 The USS Constitution won a battle with the British ship HMS Java about 30 miles off the coast of Brazil. Before Commodore William Bainbridge ordered the sinking of the Java he had her wheel removed to replace the one the Constitution had lost during the battle. 1812, U.S. President James Polk turned on the first gas light at the White House. 1848, Sheb Wooley recorded the first commercial record made in Nashville. 1945, Jean Stapleton debuted in her first Broadway play, "In the Summer House", 1953.

at home with

## Cobble Trees



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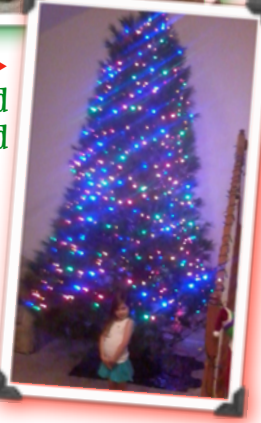
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### HOLD THE MAYANAISE



**WHAT DAY WAS JESUS BORN?** Sounds obvious right? Wrong! Jesus was not born on December 25th. Nothing in the Bible supports the idea of December 25th as Jesus' birthday. Medieval scholars thought he was born on March 25th. December 25th is a birthday borrowed from another beloved religious figure from ancient Rome-Mithras, the sun god.



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	10	3	29	206

**WEEK 16**

**Saturday 12/22**  
Atlanta @ Detroit 8:30PM **ESPN**

**Sunday 12/23**  
Tennessee @ Green Bay 1PM  
Oakland @ Carolina 1PM  
Buffalo @ Miami 1PM  
Cincinnati @ Pittsburgh 1PM  
New England @ Jacksonville 1PM  
Indianapolis @ Kansas City 1PM  
New Orleans @ Dallas 1PM  
Washington @ Philadelphia 1PM **FOX**  
St. Louis @ Tampa Bay 1PM  
NY Giants @ Baltimore 1PM **FOX**  
Minnesota @ Houston 1PM  
Cleveland @ Denver 4:05PM **CBS**  
Chicago @ Arizona 4:25PM  
San Francisco @ Seattle 4:25PM  
San Diego @ NY Jets 8:20PM **NBC**

**USA TODAY** → NFL 2012 Schedule

**WEEK 17**

**Sunday 12/30**  
NY Jets @ Buffalo 1PM  
Miami @ New England 1PM  
Baltimore @ Cincinnati 1PM  
Cleveland @ Pittsburgh 1PM  
Houston @ Indianapolis 1PM  
Jacksonville @ Tennessee 1PM  
Philadelphia @ NY Giants 1PM  
Dallas @ Washington 1PM  
Chicago @ Detroit 1PM  
Green Bay @ Minnesota 1PM  
Tampa Bay @ Atlanta 1PM  
Carolina @ New Orleans 1PM  
Kansas City @ Denver 4:25PM  
Oakland @ San Diego 4:25PM  
Arizona @ San Francisco 4:25PM  
St. Louis @ Seattle 4:25PM

**Happy Cobblestone Birthday**



Mon. 12/24 **Jim B.** Tues. 12/25 **Kerry L.**  
Wed. 12/26 14th Anniversary **Matt & Esther L.**  
Sat. 12/29 **Jack K.** Sun. 12/30 **Will K. - Mike S. - Matt A.**

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 Wed 12/26 9:30 Thurs. 12/27 12:30 Shop Rite Fri. 12/28 12:30 St. Francis Life PACE Presentation

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
8:30 Park Walk 9-3Billiards 9Pool Exercise 9:30 Wii Bowling 10Crafty Seniors 12Lunch 1Chair Yoga	9-3Billiards 9:30 Shanghai 10Bingo 12Lunch 12:45 Bingo 1Strength Building/Exercise	9-3Billiards 9Pinochle 11Line Dancing 12Lunch 1:30 Tai Chi with	9-7Billiards 9Pinochle 9:30 Wii Bowling 9:30 Shanghai 9:30 Bridge 12Lunch 12:20 Super Market: <b>1Zumba Gold</b> 2Qi Gong/Tai Chi 5:30 Yoga	9-3Billiards 9:30 Knit/ Crochet 9:30 Wii Bowling 10Bingo <b>10:30 Beginner's Exercise Class</b> 12Lunch

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→ [www.nccdlib.org/newcastle](http://www.nccdlib.org/newcastle)



- 12/24-25 **CLOSED CHRISTMAS**
- 12/26 **HAPPY KWANZA**
- 12/27 Knit 1/Crochet Too 7PM  
KIDS' MOVIE TIME!  
**"Arthur Christmas"**  
3 PM/registration requested
- 12/28 **TEEN DROP IN PROGRAM**  
De-stress during winter break  
10AM -4PM
- 12/29 **TEENS: SNACK N YAK 1 PM**

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Mon. Trash Collected **Wed., 12/26**

Tues. Trash Collected **Thurs., 12/27**

**NO Recycling Pickup Thurs 12/27**

**City-Wide Recycling Pickup Fri., 12/28**

**City Offices Closed & No Trash Pickup**

**Tuesday, January 1**

Tues. Trash Collected **Wed., Jan. 2**



# SLOPPY JOES

This tasty recipe features all the great flavors of your favorite Sloppy Joes, topped with a tender biscuit crust. It's like we turned it upside down. Ready in just 30 minutes, this dish is a great solution to the weeknight dinner rush.

## gather...

- 1 lb ground beef
- 1 can (10.75-ounces) Campbell's Condensed Tomato Soup
- 1/4 c. water
- 1 tspn Worcestershire sauce
- 1/8 tspn ground black pepper
- 1 package of refrigerated biscuits (10 biscuits)
- 1/2 c. Cheddar cheese, shredded

## do it...

Preheat the oven to 400° F.  
Cook the beef in a 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat until it's well browned, stirring often to separate meat. Pour off any fat.  
Stir the soup, water, Worcestershire and black pepper in the skillet and heat to a boil. Spoon the beef mixture into a 1 1/2-quart casserole. Arrange the biscuits around the edge of the beef mixture.  
Bake for 15 minutes or until the biscuits are golden brown. Sprinkle the cheese over the beef mixture.



# CELERY ROOT & CARROTS

## INGREDIENTS

- 3 pounds celery root, peeled and cut into 1-inch chunks
- 6 tbsps extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 tbsps chopped fresh thyme
- 1 tsp hot paprika
- Kosher salt
- 3 pounds carrots, peeled and cut into 1-inch chunks
- 2 tbsps chopped fresh parsley

## DIRECTIONS

Place a rimmed baking sheet on the bottom oven rack and preheat to 425° F.

Toss the celery root with 4 tbsps olive oil, 1 tsp thyme, 1/2 tsp paprika, and salt to taste in a bowl. Pile onto a double layer of heavy-duty foil; bring the ends together and crimp closed to seal. Put the packet on another baking sheet and roast in the middle of the oven until almost tender, about 25 minutes.

Meanwhile, toss the carrots with the remaining 2 tbsps olive oil, 1 tsp thyme and 1/2 tsp paprika in a bowl; season with salt. Spread on the preheated baking sheet and roast until tender, about 35 minutes.

After the celery root has roasted for 25 minutes, open the foil and spread on the baking sheet; roast 15 more minutes. Toss with the carrots and parsley.

# Christmas COCKTAILS EGGNOG

## ingredients

- 4 egg yolks  $\neq$  1/3 c. sugar, plus 1
- tbsp  $\neq$  1 pint whole milk
- $\neq$  1c. heavy cream  $\neq$  3 oz bourbon
- $\neq$  1 tsp freshly grated nutmeg
- $\neq$  4 egg whites



## directions

In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat the egg yolks until they lighten in color. Gradually add the 1/3 c. sugar and continue to beat until it is completely dissolved. Add the milk, cream, bourbon and nutmeg and stir to combine.

Place the egg whites in the bowl of a stand mixer and beat to soft peaks. With the mixer still running gradually add the 1 tbsp of sugar and beat until stiff peaks form.

Whisk the egg whites into the mixture. Chill and serve.

Cook's Note: For cooked eggnog, follow procedure below.

In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat the egg yolks until they lighten in color. Gradually add the 1/3 c. sugar and continue to beat until it is completely dissolved. Set aside.

In a medium saucepan, over high heat, combine the milk, heavy cream and nutmeg and bring just to a boil, stirring occasionally. Remove from the heat and gradually temper the hot mixture into the egg and sugar mixture. Then return everything to the pot and cook until the mixture reaches 160 degrees F. Remove from the heat, stir in the bourbon, pour into a medium mixing bowl, and set in the refrigerator to chill.

In a medium mixing bowl, beat the egg whites to soft peaks. With the mixer running gradually add the 1 tbsp of sugar and beat until stiff peaks form. Whisk the egg whites into the chilled mixture. [Alton Brown's Eggnog](#)

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# CANDY CANES

**Candy canes** have been around since the 17<sup>th</sup> century, but not in the form we know them now. They used to be white, straight sticks that mothers gave to their babies as pacifiers. The story of how they got their crook goes something like this:

In 1670, there was a choirmaster at the cathedral in Cologne who helped put on the live nativity scene every year. It was a lengthy show and children in the pews often got restless. Tired of the disturbance, the choirmaster had sugar canes made in the shape of a Shepards' Crook to pass out to all the children who attended the ceremony. His plan? The kids would be so involved in their crooks they wouldn't make noise. Sure enough, the children were so busy with their new candy canes that they.

At the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, candy canes began to be striped red and white, as well as flavored with peppermint and wintergreen. It is unknown who began this practice, but evidence of the change is apparent in Christmas cards produced after 1900. All Christmas cards from before 1900 still feature the pure white sticks or crooks.

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# Bull Hill



## NOT the scenic river view we like to see

The City has had issues with the contractor they planned to help us with the debris cleanup. We had wanted them to start this work two weeks ago and due to scheduling they were not available. The City was not immediately informed that would be the case.

Then an equipment failure and the contractor could not do the job. Another contractor has been contacted who had previously bid on the work. The City is seeing how quickly they may be able to get here to do the job.

**Hopefully by the time you're reading this, progress is moving forward. - TJ**

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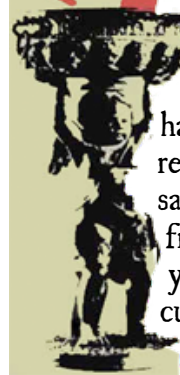
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The Blue Hens were within one possession of the lead midway through the second half of it non-league women's basketball clash with No. 9



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**Fri., 12/21** *Won 83-60*

**Men's Basketball** 7pm vs.

Pennsylvania

**Sat., 12/22**

**Women's Basketball** 3pm at

Monmouth

**Sat., 12/29**

**Women's Basketball** 5pm vs.

Villanova (Dartmouth Tournament)

**Sun., 12/30**

**Women's Basketball** vs. Dartmouth/

Duquesne (Dartmouth Tournament)

**Mon., 12/31**

**Men's Basketball** 2pm vs. Rider

**Home Game**

“One of the good things about these catalogs is they give me a lot of ideas for things I don't want for Christmas”  
Andy Rooney



**Cobblestone Reminders**  
**See the New Castle Weekly for Full Schedules**  
Wed. 12/26 **SPECIAL** Council Mtg. 4pm  
Mon. 1/7 Tree Commission Mtg. 5:30pm  
→ <http://newcastlecity.delaware.gov/>

		TIDES & CURRENTS			
		Reedy Point Tides			
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23		01:33 AM		0.1	3
		07:34 AM		5.7	174
	Su	02:13 PM		0.3	9
		07:54 PM		5.3	162
24		02:21 AM		0.1	3
		08:23 AM		5.8	177
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		08:43 PM		5.3	162
25		03:08 AM		0.1	3
		09:08 AM		5.9	180
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		09:30 PM		5.3	162
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		10:13 PM		5.2	158
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		10:31 AM		5.9	180
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		11:42 AM		5.9	180
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25	☀	7:21am	☾	4:43pm
26	☀	7:22am	☾	4:44pm
27	☀	7:22am	☾	4:45pm
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the **kakes** Christmas

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