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What Happens Between The Cobblestones...

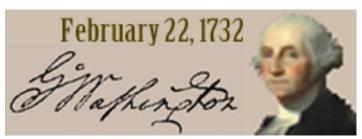
IS ON EVERYONE'S LIPS

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This Month is: Berry Fresh Month Canned Food Month Celebration of Chocolate Month Great American Pies Month Natl Cherry Month Natl Fiber Focus Month Natl Hot Breakfast Month Natl Grapefruit Month Natl Snack Food Month Potato Lover's Month Sweet Potato Month BIRTHDAYS

Feb 20 Natl Margarita Day Hoodie Hoo Day
Love Your Pet Day Sidney Poitier 87 Sandy

Duncan 65 Cindy Crawford 24

Feb 21 President's Day Natl Sticky Bun Day

Feb 22 George Washington's Birthday

Natl Cherry Pie Day Drew Barrymore 36

Feb 23 Natl Banana Bread Day Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day Tennis Day

Feb 24 Natl Tortilla Chip Day Steven Jobs 56

Feb 25 Natl Clam Chowder Day Natl Chocolate-

Covered Nuts Day George Harrsion 68

Feb 26 Natl Pistachio Day Natl Chili Day Carnival Day

Feb 27 Natl Strawberry Day Natl Kahlua Day Polar
Bear Day Elizabeth Taylor 79 Josh Groban 30
Feb 28 Natl Chocolate Souffle Day Floral Design Day
Public Sleeping Day Fats Domino 83

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More George

Monday has been designated as "Presidents' Day." In 1968, legislation was passed changing the official Washington's Birthday holiday to the third Monday in February so that federal employees would get *another* threeday weekend. This went into effect in 1971. We used to celebrate Abraham Lincoln and Washington's birthdays on the day of their births. However, Tuesday is, and will remain Washington's Birthday.

Washington often traveled through our town, and was a guest at a wedding of Ann Van Dyke to Kensey Johns, Sr. on April 30, 1784 at the Amstel House.

What would George Washington say if he knew that Presidents' Day is celebrated with a mattress sale? Through the years, the significance of Presidents' Day has been lost in a sea of sale stickers and discount tags.

Here are some George Washington trivia:

- Washington was the only Founding Father to free his slaves.
- He was the only president who did not live in Washington D.C.
- The nation's capital, along with 1 state, 31 counties and 17 cities (Maybe 18 counting the town of "George," in central Washington State) are named in his honor.
- As a farmer, Washington grew marijuana on his farm and promoted its growth. (In the 1790s, the crop was grown mainly for its industrial value as hemp and for soil stabilization. It was many years later that the recreational and illegal use of marijuana became popular.)
- As a farmer, he is credited with introducing the mule to America.
- He was the first Mason to serve as president.
- He was the only president to win an unanimous vote of the Electoral College.
- Washington's <u>2nd inaugural address</u> was the shortest ever delivered 135 words.

As General, he thought his troops would sail up the Delaware River. But on August 22, 1777, he learned that British ships sailed into the Chesapeake Bay and landed near Elkton, Maryland. Their objective: capture the new capital of Philadelphia and end the Rebellion. To counter this threat,

Washington marched his troops to Newport, Delaware, and dispatched a troop of soldiers to harass the English, at what would later be called the "Battle of Cooch's Bridge."

British Commander Lord Howe continued to surprise Washington. British troops did not march toward Wilmington, but toward Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. Washington scrambled and finally the two armies met on September 11, 1777, for the Battle of the Brandywine.

During this period, Washington made his headquarters in Wilmington, from where he wrote a letter on August 31, 1777, that detailed his strategy for monitoring and harassing the British army.

See that letter here in the next Sept. 4th issue of <u>Cobblestones.</u> Meanwhile, click here for some <u>Presidential</u>

Fun Facts (excuse the commercial at the beginning)-Ed.



Date Home Vi Sun 2/20 Flyers R: Tue 2/22 Coyotes Fl Thu 2/24 Islanders Fl Sat 2/26 Flyers Sc

Visitor Time
Rangers.....12:30 PM NBC
Flyers.......7PM CSN
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Senators....7PM CBC, CSN



Wed 2/23 vs Washington
Fri 2/25 vs Detroit
Sun 2/27 @ Cleveland

7pm CSN 7pm CSN 5pm CSN









2cups water • 4cups sugar
1cup instant coffee granules
2cups vodka... See More
6ounces real vanilla extract, more if desired

NOW Bring water and sugar to a rolling boil in large pot. Stir and boil 2 minutes. Add coffee granules. Remove from heat, stir until well dissolved. Let cool completely. Add vodka and vanilla, stirring well. Bottle in dark bottles, and store tightly capped for 2 weeks before using. Use as you would the commercial variety. ENJOY it this way: add 1 jigger Kahlua and 1 jigger half-n-half to a mug and fill with hot coffee. Heavenly!



13th Annual Beef & Beer Fundraiser

A night of dancing, food and fun!!

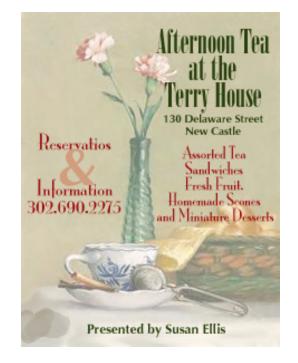
Gift Baskets and Sports Collectibles for auction

Sat., March 5th • 7pm - midnight

Minquas Fire Hall, Newport, DE

\$30 a person/\$60.00 a couple

For tickets contact Megan: flash7775@yahoo.com
Benefits the DE Sabres Baseball and Softball Programs





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Wednesday, March 2, 2011 6 pm - 8 pm

Foursomes Compete in Scrabble For GRAND PRIZE \$25 PER PERSON TO PLAY

Proceeds Benefits **New Start** Adult Literacy Make Checks out to: **New Start**

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Cobblestone Reminders

See the **New Castle Weekly** for Full Schedules

Tues. 2/22 • Public Hearing/Spec. Workshop Mtg. 6pm 2/28 Planning Comm. Mtg. POSTPONED until Mon. 3/7 6:30pm Thurs. 3/3 • Board of Adjustment • 7pm

Honeysuckle

While the 2010 color of the year, PANTONE 15-5519 Turquoise, served as an escape for many, Honeysuckle emboldens us to face

everyday troubles with verve and vigor. A dynamic reddish pink, Honeysuckle is encouraging and uplifting. It elevates our psyche beyond escape, instilling the confidence, courage and spirit to meet the exhaustive challenges that have become part of everyday life.



Color of the Year







New Location

Desserts*b*⊿Dana

302.721.5798 ~ 122 Delaware Street just above Historic Quilt Village



Spring is right around the corner, and a perfect time to fix up that room. For a guest room or a child-cave, look at this decorating idea.

A characteristic touch is that every corner and angle is outlined with a thin, hand-drawn, black line – whether on the ceiling, on the bed, or around a plug. The result is a dollhouse-like, comic book room with papaya green walls, a sunny yellow rug, a lilac bed and a pink cupboard. Graphics and decorations complete the design.

The Historic New Castle Alliance held

their Annual Business Meeting last Tuesday and approved



their new Board Members and Chairs for the vear.

Jim Whisman, Doug Lovett, Chair of Design; Marty Wright, Treasurer; Valerie Ziminsky, Chair of Organization; Mike Connolly - Secretary; Michael Hemphill, Vice President; Beverly Ross, Bernadette Ruf. Chair of Economic Restructuring: Esther Lovlie, President; Cindy Snyder, Chair of Promotion and Janet Wertzel, Alternate

Of interest during the meeting was a report that a national magazine's ranking of the Top 10 Historic Cities in America that placed New Castle at #5. Good Show!

A revised HNCA website is awaiting proposals from vendors. The finished site will be a more user friendly with interactive links for residents, visitors and area businesses.

Permits are being obtained to explore a Concept Plan for a day boat docking facility.

Historic New Castle Days sold 900+ tickets, and the Mingling hosted by Michael Christopher Hemphill& Matthew Tseronis at Waterhill last summer resulted in 90 new HNCA members. Add to all that, 16 new business licenses were issued for the City. (Not all at 206 Delaware Street.)

More news to follow on the Annual Yard Sale, updated Shopping & Dining Guide and the Arsenal on the Green lease.



Matt serves the first beer for Steven Pepe and his friend Lauren at Traders Cove. Don't miss their new menu and enjoy and beer or wine!



ENJOY COCKTAILS HORS D'OEUVRES PLAY BLACKJACK, ROULETTE AND MORE! WIN PRIZES!

7:00 p.m. • The River Room at the New Castle Senior Center South Street, New Castle, Delaware \$65 per person • \$120 per couple New Castle Historical Society 322~2794

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