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MONTH



Natl [Baked Bean Month](#) Natl [Culinary Arts Month](#) Natl [Hot Dog Month](#) Natl [Ice Cream Month](#) Natl [July Belongs to Blueberries Month](#)

7/3 Natl [Chocolate Wafer Day](#) [Eat Beans Day](#) [Build A Scarecrow Day](#) [Disobedience Day](#) [Stay out of the Sun Day](#) **Pete Fountain-81, Dave Barry-64, Montel Williams-55, Tom Cruise-49**

The first cultivated strawberry is displayed by Michael Kent (1806)

7/4 [Independence Day](#) Natl [Barbecued Spareribs Day](#) [Caesar Salad Day](#) Natl [Country Music Day](#) **Calvin Coolidge*139 (1933), 30th U.S. President (1923-1929), Ann Landers*93 (2002), Abigail Van Buren, 93, Geraldo Rivera-68**

After being displayed or over a century, the torch on the Statue of Liberty is removed so it can be replaced. (1984)

7/5 Natl [Apple Turnover Day](#) [Work-a-holics Day](#)

P. T. Barnum* 201 (1891), Huey Lewis-60 *Baseball great Joe DiMaggio hits his first grand slam. (1937), The bikini makes it's debut at a Paris fashion show. (1946)*

7/6 Natl [Fried Chicken Day](#) **Nancy Reagan-88, Merv Griffin* 86 (2007), Della Reese-80, Ned Beatty-74, Burt Ward-66, George W. Bush, 65, 43rd U.S. President**

Sylvester Stallone-65 *First All Star Baseball game, the American League wins 5-2. (1933), In the very first All Star Baseball game, the American League wins 5-2. (1933)*

7/7 Natl [Strawberry Sundae Day](#) [Chocolate Day](#) Natl [Strawberry Sundae Day](#) **Satchel Paige*105 (1982), Pierre Cardin-89, Doc Severinsen-84, Ringo Starr-71, Shelley Duvall-64, Michelle Kwan-31** *United States annexes Hawaii. (1898)*

7/8 Natl [Chocolate with Almonds Day](#) [Video Games Day](#) **Nelson Rockefeller*103 (1979), Anjelica Huston-60, Kevin Bacon-53, Toby Keith-50** *U.S. State Department issues the first passport. (1796)*

7/9 Natl [Sugar Cookie Day](#) [Don't Put All Your Eggs in One Omelette Day](#) **Vince Edwards* 83 (1996), O. J. Simpson-64, Jimmy Smits-56, Tom Hanks-55, Courtney Love-47, Fred Savage-35** *Dick Clark hosts American Bandstand for the very first time. (1956)*

*Deceased

THE REAL MEANING OF

Independence Day

He was born just a few blocks from where I grew up: Jimmy Cagney, the American film legend playing George M. Cohan, the man who owned Broadway. Cohan wrote the American anthems "Yankee Doodle Boy," "Over There" and "You're a Grand Old Flag." And as we celebrate the 235th anniversary of our Declaration of Independence, I'm like a lot of you: I'm proud to be a Yankee Doodle Dandy through and through.



You see, our flag represents the deepest pride of our nation, not our deepest prejudice. Our flag displays our history, not our hysteria. It flies to announce our very best aspirations born of the toil of our very worst days. It flies amidst man-made canyons on this Avenue of Americas in New York City and in canyons carved by time from colored stone in Arizona. And as it whips in the wind, it whispers to us that the American Revolution was only a beginning and not an end. And whether it flies in a lonely military outpost in Afghanistan or from the highest point of the Capitol, it announces the blessings of freedom. Not because we blindly claim freedom, but because we fearlessly practice it.

So this July 4th, let's celebrate our independence in uniquely American ways: At parades where our brave volunteer firefighters hurl fistfuls of candy to our delighted children; as Mummers and returning veterans and Shriners and church ladies and all kinds of neighbors.

First and tenth generation Americans alike march as one people with one shared understanding: We the people who understand that the blessings we enjoy are earned through the burdens we necessarily endure. The same people who live the words of Thomas Paine, "*Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must undergo the fatigue of supporting it.*"

There are some who say "it's easy to wave a flag." Well, it's even easier to make fun of those who do. There are some who will tell you that our flag only serves to divide. The truth is it serves to remind us as the most diverse and inclusive civilization in the history of mankind of what really unites us: To believe, to think, to speak, to act — freely, fearlessly.

If you're at the fireworks this weekend and you see a man quietly move away from the crowd to escape the thunder, there's a good chance he's seen the real bombs bursting in air. Go stand by him because he likely stood watching over us as we safely slept in the hometowns he has kept free. *We are lucky. It is a grand old flag on a happy day in America.*



— Peter Johnson, Jr.



LET FREEDOM RING...

...begins nationally with tapping the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia at 2pm on the 4th of July each year.

Immanuel Episcopal Church on The Green, will host the Annual National Bell Ringing Ceremony for the sixth year.

Children, families, friends and patriots of all ages are cordially invited to celebrate our ancestors' decision, made by 18th century Delawareans right here in historic New Castle, to achieve liberty and independence.

Attend the local opening ceremonies at 1:25 p.m. sharp. Re-enactors, docents, and all who love wearing 18th century garb are invited to come dressed in period attire. At 2pm, bells across New Castle and across the Nation will peal, officially commemorating the birth of American Independence.



New Castle Historical Society

Discover The Past With Us!

Archaeology at the Dutch House

Through Sat. 7-9 The NCHS and John Milner Associates will be conducting an archaeological investigation of the Dutch House property. There are **some limited opportunities** for volunteers to work alongside professional archaeologists on this project.



Potential volunteers should be in their teens or older, and be able to work for extended periods of time in hot weather. Please note that there is no shade where you will be working.

If you are interested, please contact, Mike Connolly, at mconnollynchs@aol.com. Please provide the dates that you are available to volunteer.

A Weekend in historic Fredericksburg, VA

Join the NHS for our most exciting bus trip yet! **A Three-day Weekend 9-23 - 25.**

Learn more at EVENTS at NCHS on the Web or call the NCHS at 302-322-2794 today to reserve your spot for this wonderful weekend!

See what's new at the Penn Farm

On **Friday, July 8** Gov. **Jack Markell**, Agriculture Sec. **Ed Kee**, with others will be attending and speaking at the **Penn Farm** at 2:30. Learn more about the exciting new plan for the Penn Farm. Hear more about the future with the relationship between the Board of Trustees and Delaware Greenways.



Introducing the Penn Farm Tract Six Produce

Attendees will meet at **Tract 6 Produce**. The stand, named for its designation as the sixth tract of land delineated by the Trustees after bequest by William Penn's progeny--has been designed to provide access to healthy, affordable and fresh Delaware grown produce in a setting that facilitates youth leadership in a variety of educational areas. **Tract 6 Produce** will focus on the sale of premium Delaware fresh fruits, vegetables, milk, eggs and other agricultural products. **Monday through Sunday, 10am - 6pm.**

For more information contact: Mark Chura, Executive Director
Delaware Greenways mchura@delawaregreenways.org



"Big Bang" Barbecue July 2-4

at Greater Wilmington's Brandywine Valley Wine Trail



Celebrate the Fourth of July weekend at the "**Big Bang**" Barbecue. Each of the seven wineries on the Brandywine Valley Wine Trail offers a variety of wines, food, picnicking and music to celebrate Independence Weekend.

The eight family owned and operated regional wineries of the Brandywine Valley Wine Trail will be offering a variety of wines, food, picnicking, and music to celebrate Independence Weekend. No Passports or Tickets required to attend.

For Locations [Visit Website](#)



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Sun, 7/3	at Blue Jays	1:07p	PHL 17, MLB.TV
Mon, 7/4	at Marlins	6:10p	CSN, MLB.TV
Tue, 7/5	at Marlins	7:10p	CSN, MLB.TV
Wed, 7/6	at Marlins	7:10p	CSN, MLB.TV
Fri, 7/8	Braves	7:05p	CSN, MLB.TV
Sat, 7/9	Braves	4:10p	FOX, MLB.TV

Our Presidents and July 4th

BORN ON THAT DAY

Calvin Coolidge

1872, Plymouth, Vermont

DIED ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

John Adams

1826, Quincy, Massachusetts

Thomas Jefferson

1826, Monticello, Virginia

and exactly five years later...

James Monroe

1831, Richmond, Virginia



Happy Cobblestone Birthday Wishes

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The Price They Paid

Have you ever wondered what happened to those men who signed the Declaration of Independence?

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army, another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or the hardships of the Revolutionary War.

What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners, men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.

Thomas McKean was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers or both, looted the properties of Ellery, Clymer, Hall, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.



At the Battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis, had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. The owner quietly urged General George Washington to open fire, which was done. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months.

John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his grist mill were laid waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home after the war to find his wife dead, his children vanished. A few weeks

later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart.

Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.

Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. There were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of the Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

The joke's on Roy!



On a recent visit to Christiana for a respiratory analysis, the personable therapist likened your Teditor to JAWS sheriff (he has bullets) Roy Scheider.

When the levity of the moment subsided, the tests continued and I was breathing a lot easier...thank you!

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To date there is no New Castle review and very little on our little State. Any Cobblestones' want to get the ball rolling?



Didjano...

It was in 1791 that the name **Independence Day** was first used, but it wasn't until 1870 that Congress made it a federal holiday. This most patriotic of holidays is actually the only one to honor the United States as a country and has been celebrated in many ways over the years. Today the festivities most closely linked to the holiday is the wearing of the nation's colors and partaking in fireworks displays. Since 1777 a gun salute has also been a part of the 4th of July celebration with shots made for each of the colonies. Today this 'salute to the union' occurs only on Independence Day with a single shot made for each state.

The **Phillies** wear a script white 'B'



on a black background on the left chest of their uniforms this season as a tribute to two longtime members of the club's ownership group. Alexander 'Whip' Buck and J. Mahlon 'Jim' Buck who recently passed away.

Cobblestone Reminders

See the New Castle Weekly for Full Schedules

Wed. 7/6 • Charter Change Committee Meeting • 1pm

Thurs. 7/7 • Charter Change Committee Meeting • 1pm

Mon. 7/11 • Tree Commission Meeting • 5:30pm

Tues. 7/12 • **3 City Council Public Hearings*** • 6pm

Tues. 7/12 • City Council Meeting • 7pm

1) STOP sign 8th & Tremont Sts. 2) No Smoking Ordinance
3) Proposal to change City Code/Housing Plan



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HOT DOGS

As we celebrate **Independence Day**, what better way to celebrate than to serve up one of America's favorite foods, the **HOT DOG!** So **get ready to fire up the grill and cook!**

Quick Cooking Tips Hot dogs can be grilled, steamed, boiled, micro-waved, or baked. If you're grilling your dogs, make sure to control the heat to a medium or medium low heat, charcoal is best. Use tongs to handle the franks as they cook instead of a fork. This way you won't pierce holes in the franks allowing for the delicious juices to remain inside-this is sure to satisfy your guests!

CHICAGO DOGS Yellow mustard, dark green relish, chopped raw onions, tomato slices, celery salt and a poppy seed bun

CAROLINA DOGS Steamed with sauerkraut or coleslaw

KANSAS CITY DOGS Sauerkraut and melted Swiss cheese on a sesame seed bun.

NEW YORK CITY DOGS Boiled with grilled onions and deli mustard

CONEY ISLAND DOGS Boiled and topped with a spicy meat chili.

TEX-MEX DOGS Topped with salsa, Monterey Jack cheese, and chopped jalapenos.

BOSTON DOGS Boiled, then grilled topped with mustard and relish in a potato bun or lobster roll.

AND OF COURSE... Hebrew National franks grilled on a soft whole wheat bun with NY Joe's onions and Gulden's mustard!

Buffalo Blue Sliders

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 lbs ground turkey or [chicken](#)
- Kosher salt and freshly cracked black pepper
- 1 tbsp [canola oil](#)
- 1/4 cup wing sauce
- 1 tbsp honey
- Mini burger buns, sliced and toasted
- [Celery](#) leaves, torn
- 1/2 cup blue cheese crumbles
- Blue Cheese [Dressing](#)
- BLUE CHEESE DRESSING:**
- 2 oz crumbled [blue cheese](#) (about 1/3 cup)
- 2 tbsps [mayonnaise](#)
- 2 tbsps buttermilk
- 2 tbsps sour cream
- 1 tsp [cider vinegar](#)
- 1/4 tsp sugar
- 1/8 tsp garlic powder
- 1/8 tsp onion powder



Heat a grill, [grill pan](#), or cast-iron skillet over high heat, adding the canola oil if applicable. Cook the patties for approximately 3 minutes, then flip and continue cooking for an additional 3 minutes for medium, or continue cooking to your desired doneness.

Meanwhile, in a small [saucepan](#) over medium heat, bring the wing sauce and [honey](#) to a [simmer](#). Remove from the heat and stir. Brush the wing [glaze](#) over both sides of the cooked patties.

Build the burgers by placing each cooked patty on the bun bottoms. Top with celery leaves and crumbled blue cheese. Smear the top buns with the Blue Cheese Dressing and place on top of the other ingredients. Serve immediately.

Using the tongs of a fork, [mash](#) together the [blue cheese](#) and mayonnaise in a small bowl. Stir in the [buttermilk](#), [sour cream](#), vinegar, [sugar](#), [garlic](#) powder and [onion powder](#). Season with salt and pepper. Cover and keep in the refrigerator until ready to use.

Directions

Form the ground [turkey](#) or chicken into 2-oz patties. Sprinkle both sides of each [patty](#) liberally with salt and pepper.

"I must study politics and war that my sons may have liberty to study mathematics and philosophy."

John Adams



Heirloom of the Week Genovese Basil

Ocimum basilicum 'Genovese' is an annual native to India, Africa, and Asia. One of the most popular herbs, it is now cultivated in all temperate climates throughout the world. Of all the basil to grow, and there are about 150 varieties, Genovese basil is one of the best because it yields 7 to 8 cuttings and makes the best [pesto](#).



In Italy, it is considered a sign of love. When a woman puts out a pot of basil, it means she is ready to receive her suitor. In France, it is called *herbe royale*. In India, it is sacred, dedicated to Vishnu and Krishna. In Victorian times, it was sent for best wishes in nosegays called [tussie-mussies](#).

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