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Pennsylvania Foods

Pennsylvania's state table presents an interesting array of eclectic foods. Significant markers include English, German, French, West Indian, Italian, Polish, and Pennsylvania Dutch foodways. Our forefathers sustained themselves with some of the finest foods Philadelphia had to offer during the late 18th century.

"Pennsylvania developed many culinary specialties, one of the earliest being peach pies and tarts baked by the first Quaker housewives in Philadelphia. Apparently the peach trees left by the Spanish in Florida in the 1500s had been carried north by the Indians, as the Quakers found peach trees in Pennsylvania when they arrived.



Soups and stews provided hearty meals for the early colonists. One of the most famous was Philadelphia Snapper Soup, made from the snapping turtle found in the Delaware River. Sticky buns are another Philadelphia specialty. They were probably descendants of German Schnecken, which are similar to cinnamon rolls. The recipe for Schnecken ("snails") was brought by the Germans who settled Germantown...in the early 1680s...Scrapple can be traced to German immigrants... Pennsylvania Dutch cooking was remained almost unaltered for 200 years." ---*Taste of the States: A Food History of America*, Hilde Gabriel Lee [Howell Press: Charlottesville VA] 1992 (p. 60-1)

"Official" state foods are introduced by legislators and enacted by law. Pennsylvania's edible state symbols are: milk, brook trout, white tailed deer and ruffed grouse.

Although these are not official "state foods," they represent the history and people living in the state. Some popular examples here:

Lebanon bologna
Philly Cheese Steaks (Italian immigrants in Philly)
Sticky buns (aka cinnamon rolls)
Philadelphia style ice cream
Philadelphia Pepper Pot (Colonial era soup)
AP cookies (Philadelphia)
Hershey's chocolate (Hershey PA)
City Chicken (Pittsburgh)
Italian wedding soup (Pittsburgh)
Cookie tables (Pittsburgh)
Heinz 57 products (Pittsburgh)

---[http://www.foodtimeline.org/
statefoods.html#pennsylvania](http://www.foodtimeline.org/statefoods.html#pennsylvania)



What happened This Day in History for the month of February

www.thepeoplehistory.com

February 1st

1920 Royal Canadian Mounted Police Established
1969 John DeLorean becomes general manager of Chevrolet
1978 Roman Polanski skips bail and flees to France
1979 Ayatollah Khomeini returns to Iran after 14 years in exile
2004 Janet Jackson's breast is briefly exposed by Justin Timberlake during the Super Bowl half time show.
2004 Hajj Pilgrimage Stampede

February 2nd

1916 German zeppelins drop close to 400 bombs over the West Midlands
1925 Sears, Roebuck Opens It's First Store
1949 First 45 RPM vinyl record released
1964 GI Joe Launched

February 3rd

1931 Major Earthquake Napier in New Zealand
1931 Banks Go Bust by the thousands following losses during the Wall Street Crash
1959 Rock 'n' Roll singers Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. Richardson (The Big Bopper) died in a plane crash

February 4th

1938 Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs Released
1948 Ceylon now Sri Lanka gains independence from British rule
1959 Barbie Doll Invented By Ruth Handler
1974 Newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst is kidnapped in Berkeley, California
1976 In Guatemala and Honduras a 7.5 magnitude earthquake centered about 160 km northeast of Guatemala City kills more than 22,000.
2004 Facebook, a mainstream online social network is founded by Mark Zuckerberg.

February 5th

1917 Congress passes the Immigration Act which required a literacy test
1922 Readers Digest First Published
1953 Sweet rationing ends in Great Britain
1974 Patty Hearst is Kidnapped by The Symbionese Liberation Army
1983 Klaus Barbie indicted for "crimes against humanity."
2002 John Walker Lindh Indicted
2008 C.I.A. admits to 'waterboarding' terror suspects

February 6th

1926 First Doughnut Making Machine
1938 Bondi Beach Freak Waves "Black Sunday" in Aus-

tralia

1943 Frank Sinatra makes his singing debut on the popular radio show "Your Hit Parade."

1952 King George VI Dies

1954 Mercedes introduced the 300SL coupe

1958 Manchester United Football Club Disaster

1971 Alan Shepard became the first man to hit a golf ball on the Moon

February 7th

1962 A U.S. embargo ordered by President Kennedy will go into effect on all imports from Cuba including tobacco, seafood, fruits and vegetables
1964 The Beatles arrive on their first visit to the United States
1992 The Maastricht Treaty Signed
2008 Congress has approved the \$168 billion economic stimulus program
2009 Black Saturday Bushfires Australia
2010 Super Bowl XLIV breaks viewing records

February 8th

1910 The Boy Scouts of America, was incorporated
1922 President Warren G. Harding has a radio installed in the White House
1943 Japanese troops evacuate Guadalcanal
1952 Queen Elizabeth the Second Becomes Queen
1983 Shergar is stolen from a stud farm owned by the Aga Khan in County Kildare, Ireland

February 9th

1961 President Kennedy asked Congress to approve a health insurance program (The Medicare Program)

February 10th

1964 Dylan Releases " The Times They Are A Chang-ing"
1992 Mike Tyson, found guilty of raping Desiree Washington
1996 IRA Bomb Docklands In London

February 11th

1916 Emma Goldman Jailed for Advocating Birth Control
1929 Vatican City Gains independent sovereignty
1945 President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin sign the Yalta Agreement
1979 Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini took control of Iran
1990 Nelson Mandela is released from prison after 27 years.
2006 Vice President Dick Cheney accidentally shot and wounded Harry Whittington
2010 The United States has tested an airborne laser

weapon

February 12th

1912 Hsian-T'ung, the last emperor of China Forced To Abdicate

1921 South Africa Independence

1924 Calvin Coolidge Gives First Presidential Radio Address

1958 The first Trans Atlantic passenger jetliner service

2007 Trolley Square Mall Shooting

February 13th

1935 Bruno Hauptmann convicted of the Lindbergh baby murder

1960 France becomes the worlds fourth atomic power

1975 British Coal Miners get 35% Pay Rise

February 14th

1912 Arizona becomes the 48th state of the union

1929 Sir Alexander Fleming discovers Penicillin

1929 St. Valentine's Day Massacre

1948 NASCAR holds its first race for modified stock cars on a 3.2 mile-course at Daytona Beach

1962 First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy gives a tour of the White House shown on Television

1974 Russian author Alexander Solzhenitsyn Charged with treason

2008 Shooting At Northern Illinois University

February 15th

1942 World War II Singapore Surrenders To Japanese

1965 Canada adopts Maple Leaf For Canadian Flag

1971 England D Day introduces Decimal Currency

1982 The world's largest oil rig (The Ocean Ranger) Sinks In North Atlantic

February 16th

1923 The burial chamber of King Tutankhamen Opened

1939 Wallace H. Carothers, a research chemist for Du Pont, received a patent for nylon

1959 Fidel Castro sworn in as prime minister of Cuba.

1965 Beeching Report on British Railways Closes 25%

1968 First 911 emergency telephone system in Haleyville, Ala

2005 The Kyoto accord Comes Into Force

February 17th

1911 The First Electric Self Start was installed in a Cadillac

1925 The New Yorker is published for the first time

1992 Jeffrey Dahmer, sentenced to 15 consecutive life sentences

2008 Kosovo Declares independence

February 18th

1932 Sonja Henie won her 6th straight World Women's figure skating title in Montreal

1937 Dust storms hit five states-in Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico

2001 Dale Earnhardt died in a crash during the Daytona 500

2005 Fox hunting with dogs becomes illegal in England and Wales

February 19th

1942 President Roosevelt signs Executive Order 9066

2004 Former Enron Corp. chief executive Jeffrey Skilling is charged

2008 Fidel Castro retires as President of Cuba

February 20th

1933 Repeal of the 18th Amendment

1986 The Soviet Union launches the world's biggest space station, Mir

February 21st

1947 Land Camera Demonstrated (1st Polaroid)

1965 Malcolm X Assassinated

1995 Steve Fossett becomes the first person to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean in a balloon

February 22nd

1879 1st Woolworth 5 Cents Store Opened

1967 The Tet offensive By North Vietnam Ends

1997 Scottish scientists announce Cloned Sheep (Dolly)

February 23rd

1945 US Marines Land On Iwo Jimaa and Take Control

1954 Polio Vaccines Start in United States

1991 Allied ground offensive against Iraqi forces begins

2009 Shares are their lowest for twelve years Dow

Jones closes at 7,114.8

February 24th

1942 Voice of America goes on the air for the first time

1972 President Nixon visits the Great Wall of China

February 25th

1913 The Sixteenth Amendment, which paved the way for the United States adoption of income tax, was ratified

2010 2/3 of the worlds population using mobile phones

February 26th

1919 Congress established Grand Canyon National Park

1972 Buffalo Creek Valley Flooding

1995 Barings PLC, Britain's oldest investment banking firm, collapses

February 27th

1922 Nineteenth Amendment To The Constitution passed

1938 Los Angeles Flood Begins

1951 22nd amendment to the Constitution is ratified

February 28th

1954 DNA Double Helix Discovered

1975 Moorgate Underground Crash

1986 Olof Palme, the Swedish Prime Minister is shot dead

1991 Gulf War Ends



FISHING ON THE YOUGH RIVER

This feature, *Wish You Were Here!*, originally appeared in *Pennsylvania Heritage Magazine* Volume XXXVIII, Number 2 - Spring 2012

The Youghiogheny (pronounced yock-ah-gay-nee) River - known to locals, anglers, and kayakers as "The Yough" - is a 134-mile long tributary of the Monongahela River which rises in northern West Virginia, flows through Maryland, and enters southwestern Pennsylvania on the border between Fayette and Somerset Counties. It joins the Monongahela from the southeast at McKeesport, below Pittsburgh. The river was first recorded on a map, drawn in 1737 by William Mayo, as "Spring heads of Yok-yo-gane river a branch of the Monongahela." Tim Palmer, author of *Youghiogheny, Appalachian River* (1984), contends Native Americans, known as the Monongahela People, "lived in the river basin between A.D. 900 and 1600, and after their disappearance, Shawnee, Seneca, Delaware, and Erie Indians all camped and hunted here from time to time." (Of the 1,255 square miles of the basin in Pennsylvania, Fayette County claims 350.) Palmer asserts that after the Monongahela People disappeared, the "Youghiogheny became a fringe territory for tribes in surrounding areas," noting that "archaeologists have uncovered village sites near the headwaters, at Confluence, Connellsville [in Fayette County], and other places, but little of the native heritage remains." For centuries, inhabitants fished The Yough and farmers tilled the rich soils it watered. A postcard depicting a scene entitled "Fishing on the Yough River, near Connellsville, PA," sent on July 23, 1908, to Merle Boyd at Camp Frazer, Oldtown, Maryland, by Aunt Myrtle contains a brief question: "Is this the way you fish?" Fishing the Youghiogheny - as well as the many other rivers and streams in the Keystone State - has provided sustenance to generations of Pennsylvanians. The Commonwealth's waterways and lakes are home to bass, perch, shad, catfish, trout, and muskellunge, among others. <https://pafoodways.omeka.net/exhibits/show/farm/articles/fishing-on-the-yough-river>



USACE Youghiogheny Lake Dam
http://www.wikiwand.com/en/Youghiogheny_River





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- 1 Cup Chicken, sliced or chopped

Pour cold water in bowl and sprinkle gelatine on top of water. Add to hot stock and stir until dissolved. Add salt and cool. Rinse a ring mold in cold water and pour in a thin layer of aspic jelly. (A design of vegetables may be arranged here, if desired.) Cool and when almost congealed, add the remaining jelly, which has started to congeal, and to which the chicken has been added. Chill and when ready to serve unmold on crisp lettuce and fill center with vegetable salad.

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2017 Programs

April 17th: ***"It's A Hockey Night in Pittsburgh! : 1893 to Today"***

Tracing Pittsburgh's hockey history from its beginnings in Oakland to the Consol Energy Center, by the Senator John Heinz History Center Ambassador Program Outreach.



May 15th: ***"Irene Toby Koontz Presents..."***

June 19th: ***"A Splendid Little War" The Spanish-American War 1898***, Program by Eric Greisinger

July 30th: **Picnic**

Trinity Lutheran Church Parish Hall, Confluence (time to be announced)

August 21st: ***"Pittsburgh's Impact on the World"***

A look at innovations that have touched the world that sprouted from the curious minds of Pittsburghers, by the Senator John Heinz History Center Ambassador Program Outreach.



October 16th: ***"H. J. Heinz: A Recipe for Success"***

A history of the founding of the H.J. Heinz Company, by the Senator John Heinz History Center Ambassador Program Outreach.

November 4th: **Bus Trip to Pittsburgh Heinz History Center**

Please contact Josh Sechler or Lisa Hall if you are interested. We are working on all the details, costs, etc. It would be helpful to know as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

All meetings and programs start at 6pm at H. C. Harned Center unless otherwise noted.



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My little sweet

I wrote you from
Garnett after receiving your
letter and am again writing that
sweet little allegany girl

now don't fuss with me
puss. I hope to see you very soon
and I hope you cold will leave
you. I would not mind your having
a cold if I were here to minister
to you and nurse you back to
health. You know I could and
would be only too pleased to take
advantage of the opportunity don't
you.

I believe I am getting soft.

what do you think about it
but you can't blame me do
you think.

Write me, here and tell me
everything about that fellow who
sent you home from the party.
How did it feel about going
that feather-weight as you call
him.

I am trying to get this off
so you will get it in the
morning

Yours
"Daisy"

Why don't you like Jim?

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The Society's membership year is from July 1 through June 30. **A sincere Thank You for your support.** We look forward to growing our membership numbers, so please renew and tell your family, friends, and neighbors about us.

Stop by the historical building to renew your membership or look for a postcard coming soon in the mail.

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