

PERSPECTIVES OF THE DAY

CHANGING PERSPECTIVES

NATIONAL DAY

National Bubble Wrap Day

January 26th is National Bubble Wrap Day! This day is small air bubbles that spattered the plastic. At first, the

WHAT DO YOU CALL CHEESE THAT
ISN'T YOURS?
NACHO CHEESE!

a national day for the protective packaging material that comes with its own built in airbags. Bubble wrap has been around since 1956 when Marc Chavannes and Alfred Fielding sealed two shower curtains together in Hawthorne, New Jersey. This technique created

inventors thought that this would be perfect for wallpaper, but the sales for the product never generated. They then sold bubble wrap as greenhouse insulation, where this became moderately successful. This was called Air Cap and was produced by the Sealed Air



TODAY IN HISTORY

- IN 1905, THE LARGEST DIAMOND IN THE WORLD, THE 3106 CARAT CULLINAN, IS FOUND IN SOUTH AFRICA.
- IN 1918, PRESIDENT HOOVER CALLS FOR MEATLESS AND WHEATLESS DAYS TO HELP THE WAR EFFORT.
- IN 1924, THE FIRST WINTER OLYMPIC GOLD MEDAL IS AWARDED TO AMERICAN SPEED SKATER CHARLES JEWTRAW.
- IN 1926, JOHN LOGIE BAIRD GIVES THE FIRST PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION OF TELEVISION IN HIS LONDON LAB.
- IN 1961, JANET G. TRAVELL IS THE FIRST FEMALE PHYSICIAN TO BE NAMED AS A PRESIDENTIAL PHYSICIAN.

Corporation, founded in 1960. In 1961, the bubble wrap we know and love today when it was wrapped around IBM's 1401 computer when it had started shipping. After this, Sealed Air Corporation trademarked Bubble Wrap and the rest is history. Over time, different sized bubble wrap has been created based on the shipping needs, ranging from 3/8 inch to 1 1/4 inch bubbles. Just like wallpaper, Play-Doh was created as a product to

accomplish a different task than what it ended up being used for. Play-Doh was created to actually clean wallpaper, which it actually did a good job, but was repurposed to be a children's toy based on its fun textures and endless creativity. This is another way Play-Doh and Bubble Wrap have similarities, Bubble Wrap also has an entertainment side to the product. Popping Bubble Wrap has shown to lower stress, anxiety,

and a good way to re-center oneself when having stressful times. In 2001, a radio broadcaster by the name of Jim Webster of Spirit 95 WVNI radio in Bloomington, Indiana declared the last Monday in January to be National Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day.

Observe today by taking your own time to relax and pop a whole sheet of Bubble Wrap!

Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him.

-John 13:16

TODAY'S INTERESTING FACT

Interesting Fact

Today is also the premier of Jimmy Kimmel Live! on ABC. On January 26th 2003, Jimmy Kimmel Live! premiered as part of ABC's lead out programming for Superbowl XXXVII as an hour long replacement for Politically Incorrect. In the beginning, it was aired after Nightline, not starting until after midnight. It started as a traditional late night talk show in attempts to revive the 1980s Dick Cavette Show, but ratings started out slow and Jimmy Kimmel Live! trailed behind other late night talk show ratings. It wasn't until a year later when it started climbing up the ratings ladder and after the retiring of Jay Leno, David Letterman, Jon Stewart, and the ending of the Conan O'Brien show, Jimmy Kimmel became the longest tenured late night talk show host in 2021 and the third longest late night talk show host in American history. While the show does host celebrities and is essentially a late night talk show, the band The Cletones keeps the live band tradition in late night shows alive. At the beginning, the show would have co-hosts and sketches that would include guests and guest announcers. Security guard Guillermo Rodriguez became the sidekick of the show as co-host and Andy Milonakis became the official announcer for the show for a short time.

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Trivia

When was Play-Doh first produced?

A: 1930s

B: 1940s

C: 1950s

D: 1960s