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Dear Friends,

Welcome to February! The snow has arrived here in Maine as we continue to plug along through these winter months. This month we find ourselves celebrating two holidays- Valentine's Day along with Presidents Day falling right after, and for many a long weekend.

Presidents Day, however, means more than just a three-day weekend and a flurry of retail sales events. Originally created in recognition of President George Washington, the holiday is still officially called "Washington's Birthday" by the federal government – despite no longer being celebrated on Washington's actual birthday, February 22. Our first president played a large leadership role in the ratification of the US Constitution, which was mirrored by many democracies around the world and established the fundamental rights enjoyed by all Americans today.

Whether you are accompanied over Valentine and Presidents Day by a loved one close or afar, family members, or pets; we encourage you to use this holiday weekend to reflect on how far we've come as a nation since Washington was at the helm of the nation. Express to those the love you carry for them in your heart, and don't forget to hunker down for an evening of chocolates!

**P.S.** The Mendall Financial Group has a new employee!

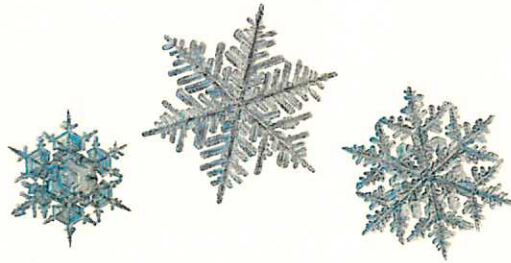
Please welcome Ryan Bean. Ryan is a Client Service Specialist who is currently studying for his Series 7 exam and has an extensive background in restaurant management. He grew up in Sidney and resides there with his girlfriend Cally, their two dogs Moose and Bailey, and their cat Waffles. Ryan enjoys analytics, basketball, powersports, and traveling abroad.

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## Announcements:

- Please note that our offices, along with the financial markets, will be closed Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> for the Presidents Day holiday. Of course, you can access your account(s) using Raymond James Client Access at any time, year-round.
- *Black History Month Fun Fact:* The celebration of Black History Month began as “Negro History Week,” which was created in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, a noted African American historian, scholar, educator and publisher. It became a month-long celebration in 1976. The month of February was chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln.
- It is never too early to discuss income planning! Join us for a virtual event on Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm to discuss tools that can help set you up for a happy retirement. If you are interested please give us a call at 207-621-2626 or send an email to [themendallfinancialgroup@raymondjames.com](mailto:themendallfinancialgroup@raymondjames.com)
- *We'd love to hear your input!* Do you have specific financial topics of interest? If so, please share with us and we will work with our partners to put on a virtual webinar. Please reach out at [themendallfinancialgroup@raymondjames.com](mailto:themendallfinancialgroup@raymondjames.com) to discuss further!



Sincerely,

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