HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December Birthdays

Murray P.....Dec. 4th

Peggy E.....Dec. 25th

Ruth P. .....Dec. 28th

This Month in History - December

1 In Montgomery, Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to give up her seat in the front section of a bus. (1955)

2 Barney B. Clark receives the world's first artificial heart transplant. (1982)

5 The 21st Amendment repeals Prohibition. (1933)

7 Pearl Harbor was bombed in a surprise Japanese attack. It marked the U.S. entry into WWII.(1941)

8 John Lennon was assassinated in New York City. (1980)

15 Gone With the Wind premiered in Atlanta. (1939)

17 The Wright Brothers made their first airplane flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C. (1903)

28 William F. Semple patented chewing gum. (1869)

30 Edwin Hubble announces the existence of other galactic systems. (1924) Yes, the Hubble telescope was later named after him.

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Fun Holiday Facts

- Candy canes began as straight white sticks of sugar candy used to decorate the Christmas trees. A choirmaster at Cologne Cathedral decide to have the ends bent to depict a shepherd's crook and he would pass them out to the children to keep them quiet during the services. It wasn't until about the 20th century that candy canes acquired their red stripes.
- The modern Christmas custom of displaying a "wreath" on the front door of one's house, is borrowed from ancient Rome's New Year's celebrations. Romans wished each other "good health" by exchanging branches of evergreens. They called these gifts Strenae after Strenia, the goddess of health. It became the custom to bend these branches into a ring and display them on doorways.
- Christmas caroling began as an old English custom called Wassailing - toasting neighbors to a long and healthy life. The earliest collection of carols was published in 1521.

The Comedy Corner

Visiting Santa

A grandmother took her grandson to the shopping mall in December to see Santa Claus. The young boy was very excited to sit on Santa's lap. "Now, little boy," Santa said, "tell Santa what you want for Christmas."

In a very loud voice, the boy said, "I want a NINTENDO, and a NEW BIKE, and some BOOKS, and—"

"You don't have to shout," Santa chuckled. "Santa isn't hard of hearing."

The boy leaned forward and whispered, "No, but my grandma is."

Gift Exchange

My friend reviewed her young son's fill-in-the-blank homework. One line: "At Christmas, we exchange gifts with _____." His response: "Receipts."

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 10:00 Cookies, Hot Chocolate and Christmas Trees 11:00 Tai Chi Stress Busters 1:00 Cupcake Cuties! 2:00 Card Sharks - War 3:00 Musical Melodies with Matt Andrews 4:00 Christmas Karaoke 6:00 Piggy Bankers	2 9:30 Breakfast with Santa, Orchestra & Caroling in Main Dining Room 1:00 Craft Club - 2:00 Bingo BLITZ 3:00 Chair Yoga Yogi's 4:00 Happy Hour - Karaoke 6:00 Game On - Jenga
3 9:00 Bible Study 10:00 Sunday Funnies 11:00 Rosary - Ascension 2:00 Popcorn Stringers! 3:00 Ahhh...Spa Day 4:00 Happy Hour - War 6:05 Wild, Wild West	4 10:00 Todays News 11:00 Hangman Challenge 1:00 Chef Club - National Cookie Day 2:00 Word Game Guru's 3:00 Cinnamon Ornaments and Hot Chocolate 4:00 Happy Hour - Silly Sing-Along 6:00 Trivia Time!	5 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Coffee and Conversation in the Garden 1:00 Popcorn Stringers 2:00 Bible Verses 3:00 Tis the Season Music with Lauren 4:00 Happy Hour Trivia 6:00 Palm Beach Music Institute	6 10:00 Todays News 11:00 Rosary - Descent of the Holy Spirit 1:00 Game On - Jenga 2:00 Artists Studio - Coloring Creations 3:00 Let's Dish - Recipes 4:00 Happy Hour - Spritzers and Scrabble 6:00 Brain Aerobics	7 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Puppy Love with Rascal 1:00 Chair Yoga Yogi's 2:00 Ahhh...Spa Day 3:00 Sing Along with Susie Q 4:00 Happy Hour - Remembering Pearl Harbor 6:00 Relax in the Garden	8 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Funny Seniors 1:00 National Brownie Day Celebration 2:00 Card Sharks - War 3:00 Silly Seniors 4:00 Happy Hour with Al Maeyans Christmas Show 6:00 Movie Madness -	9 10:00 Coffee and Conversation 11:00 Follow Simon's Colors 1:00 The Price is Right 2:00 Bingo Blitz 3:00 Silly Sentences 4:00 Happy Hour 6:00 Walk & Talk in the Garden
10 9:00 Bible Study 10:00 Sunday Funnies 11:30 Jupiter-Tequesta Holiday Parade! 2:00 Rosary - The Assumption 4:00 Happy Hour - Cheese and Crackers 6:00 Funny Seniors 11:00 Let's take a stroll in the Garden	11 9:00 Coffee and Conversation 10:00 Bend and Stretch 11:00 Silly Seniors 1:00 'Remember the Night' Fred MacMurray and Barbara Stanwyck 2:00 Tree Trimming Party 4:00 Happy Hour - Holiday Magic with Nanci 6:00 Christmas Tree Lighting	12 Happy Hanukkah! 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Tea Party Tuesday 2:00 National Gingerbread House Day - Let's decorate! 3:00 Dreidle, Dreidel! 4:00 Happy Hour - Hanukkah! 5:30 Menorrah Lighting 6:00 Palm Beach Music Institute	13 10:00 Rosary - Coronation of Mary 11:00 Mall Madness and Lunch 1:00 'Christmas in Connecticut' Barbara Stanwyck 2:00 Sing Along with Susie Q 3:00 Bend and Stretch 4:00 Happy Hour - Horse Races 6:00 Spontaneous Music Board Game	14 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Puppy Love with Rascal 1:00 Artist Studio - Colorful Creations 2:00 Book Nook 3:00 Chef Club - Dreidle Cookies 5:15 Hoffman's Chocolates Winter Wonderland with Santa and the Mrs. 6:00 Baseball Trivia	15 9:00 Green Thumb Club 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Creating Christmas Cards 1:00 Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest 2:00 Card Sharks 3:00 Christmas Spectacular with Carl 4:00 Happy Hour Trivia 6:00 Movie Night	16 10:00 Breakfast with Santa, Entertainment and Elves! 1:00 Game On - Headbandz 2:00 What Did it Cost? 3:00 Manicure Madness 4:00 Happy Hour - The Price is Right 6:00 Bingo Blitz!
17 9:00 Bible Study 10:00 Sunday Funnies 11:00 Funny Seniors 2:00 Ahhh...Spa Day 3:00 Car Trivia 4:00 Happy Hour - When I was a child.... 6:00 'Muppets Christmas Carol'	18 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Brain Aerobics 1:00 Puzzlers Challenge 2:00 Hip Shakin' Hula Hoopin 3:00 Music with Mike 4:00 Happy Hour - Card Games Galore 6:00 Family Fun Night	19 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Chair Yoga Yogi's 1:00 Crossword Crazies! 2:00 Crochet Class 3:00 'Babes in Toyland' Annette Funicello 4:00 Dreidle, Dreidle! 6:00 Palm Beach Music Institute	20 Last Day of Hanukkah 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Tai Chi Stress Busters 1:00 Pineapple Smoothies and Puzzles 2:00 Kinetic Sand Sculpture 3:15 Magical Memories Birthday Celebration 4:00 Happy Hour - Family Feud Board Game 6:00 Visiting Jerusalem	21 10:00 'Miracle on 34th Street' Maureen O'Hara 11:00 Bend and Stretch 1:00 Piggy Bank 2:00 Holiday Festivities Music with John Lobasco 3:00 Crazy Crosswords 4:00 Holiday Happy Hour 6:00 Christmas Carols	22 10:00 Coffee and Conversation 11:00 Connect Four 1:00 Mall Madness - Christmas Carols 2:00 'A Christmas Carol' 3:00 Follow Simon's Colors 4:00 Green Thumb Club 6:00 Cocoa, Cookies and Looking at Christmas Lights	23 10:00 Adult Coloring Corner 11:00 Chair Yoga Yogi's 1:00 Ahhh...Spa Life 2:00 Bingo BLITZ 3:00 What did it cost? 4:00 Happy Hour - Cheese, Crackers and Christmas 6:00 'The Shop Around the Corner' Jimmy Stewart
24 Christmas Eve! 10:00 Sunday Funnies 11:00 Bible Study 1:00 Piggy Bankers 2:00 Spontaneous Music Game 3:00 'White Christmas' Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire 4:00 Happy Hour - Christmas Carol Karaoke 6:00 O Holy Night Church Service	25 Merry Christmas! 10:00 Coffee and Conversation 1:00 'It's a Wonderful Life' Jimmy Stewart 2:00 Walk and Talk in The Garden 4:00 Happy Hour - Christmas Memories 6:00 Christmas Carol Karaoke	26 Kwanzaa Begins! 10:00 Chef Club - Cookie Monsters 11:00 Word Game Challenge 2:00 Family Feud 3:00 Connect Four Fun 4:00 Happy Hour - Cheese Fondue 6:00 Palm Beach Music Institute	27 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Tai Chi Stress Busters 1:00 Peach Smoothies and Puzzles 2:00 Kinetic Sand Sculpture 3:00 Memory Magic December Birthday Celebration w/Jacky 4:00 Happy Hour - Family Feud Board Game	28 10:00 Today's News 11:00 Puppy Love with Rascal 1:00 Chef Club - Celebrate National Chocolate Day with Fondue 2:00 National Card Playing Day! War 3:00 Music with Phil 4:00 Happy Hour - The Price is Right 6:00 Outdoor Bowling	29 10:00 Coffee and Conversation 11:00 Connect Four 1:00 Garden Stroll 2:00 Card Sharks 3:00 Book Nook with Popular Mechanic 4:00 Happy Hour with Relaxation Techniques 6:00 Hanging Around playing Hangman	30 10:00 Adult Coloring Corner 11:00 Chair Yoga Yogi's 1:00 Ahhh...Spa Life 2:00 Bingo BLITZ 3:00 What did it cost? 4:00 Happy Hour - Old Time Radio Shows 6:00 Gunsmoke
31 New Years Eve! 9:00 Bible Study 10:00 Sunday Funnies 11:00 Rosary - Ascension 2:00 Word Game Guru's 3:00 Ahhh...Spa Day 4:00 Happy Hour - Remembering 2017 7:00 Welcoming 2018 with Al Maeyans Music						

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Chemistry. Peace. Medicine. Physics. Literature. These five areas of study became a bit more prominent on Dec. 10, 1901. On the fifth anniversary of esteemed Swedish inventor Alfred Nobel's death, the first Nobel Prizes were awarded. Nobel set up the awards prior to his death, leaving $9 million in his will for their creation. The prizes would be awarded to those who "…shall have conferred the greatest benefit to mankind."

The original ceremonies were a little different than they are today, however: The Laureates' names were kept hidden from the masses! So when the scholars arrived in their award destination of Stockholm, Sweden, talk immediately began to emerge about the special visitors in the country who would be receiving their awards at the old Royal Swedish Academy of Music. Hosting international guests was a rare occurrence in those days. The first Nobel Prize recipients included Sully Prudhomme, Frédéric Passy, Jean Henry Dunant, Wilhelm Conrad Rontgen, Jacobus Henricus van't Hoff and Emil Adolf von Behring. To date, 579 Nobel Prizes have been awarded.

NEON LIGHTS

The stage was set, both literally and figuratively, for the evolutionary culture of Broadway on Dec. 3, 1947. "A Streetcar Named Desire," which ran until Dec. 17, 1949, opened at the Ethel Barrymore Theatre and concluded its run on the road with 855 total performances. Written by Tennessee Williams, this two-act play won Williams the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1948, inspiring a number of revivals and adaptation.

The likes of such a play had never before been seen on Broadway, with the enigmatic brutality and sexuality shown through the lead characters played by Marlon Brando and Jessica Tandy. Tandy's role led to a Tony Award for best Leading Actress in a Play and a lifetime career in acting. Brando's role and his epic enunciation of "Stella!" led him to star in the film adaptation of "A Streetcar Named Desire." This ultimately catapulted Brando's career and life of stardom. The original "Streetcar Named Desire" managed to impact the entertainment industry in new and unforeseen ways for years to come.

Rudolph: The Story Behind the Story

To most of us, the character of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, immortalized in song and a popular holiday television special, has always been an essential part of our Christmas folklore, but it's actually a mid-twentieth century invention whose creation can be traced to a specific time and person. The Rudolph story and character were developed for commercial purposes by a copywriter at the request of his employer.

Rudolph came to life in 1939 when the Chicago-based Montgomery Ward company asked one of their copywriters, Robert L. May, to come up with a Christmas story they could give away in booklet form to shoppers as a promotional item – the stores had been buying and distributing coloring books to customers at Christmas time every year, and the company decided that creating a giveaway booklet of their own would save money. Robert May, who had a penchant for writing children's stories and poems, was asked to create the booklet.

Montgomery Ward distributed 2.4 million copies of the Rudolph booklet in 1939, and although wartime paper shortages curtailed printing for the next several years, a total of 6 million copies had been distributed by the end of 1946. "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" was reprinted commercially beginning in 1947 and shown in theaters as a nine-minute cartoon the following year.

As Ronald Lankford noted in his cultural history of American Christmas songs, Rudolph's story was a classic reflection of American values during the 1940s and beyond, "Rudolph's story is a children's story about overcoming adversity and earning, by personal effort, respect in the adult world."