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."

December Special Events

December 2nd.....Holiday Lunch

December 13th.....Happy Hanukkah!

December 14th.....Happy Hour

December 21st .....Sweater Party

December 25th.....Merry Christmas

December 29th.....Birthday Bash

December 31st.....NYE Bash

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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.

'Gone with The Wind': A Southern Success

Over 300,000 people took to the streets in Atlanta, Georgia, as they made their way to Lowe's Grand Theater one exceptionally frigid night in 1939 for a motion picture debut of epic proportions. Spotlights filled the sky on December 15th as the premiere of the historical romance 'Gone with the Wind' broke more than just a few box office records, as the film garnered nine Oscars, as well as countless other awards. Several of the film's stars were at the Atlanta premiere, including Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh, as well as the author of the Pulitzer Prize winning novel from which the film was adapted, Margaret Mitchell. The film has long been criticized for its portrayal of slavery. However, it has also been instrumental in changing the way African-Americans were depicted on screen.

'Gone with the Wind' remains the most successful film in box office history to this day, and a digitally remastered version of 'Gone with the Wind' was re-released in 1998.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 9:30 Laughter Yoga **10:00 Lone Star Christmas at the Gaylord** 1:30 Rose Parks Biography 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Remember When... **4:00 Friday Night Happy Hour** 6:00 History in the News 7:00 Late Night Jazz	2 9:00 Sit N Stretch 10:00 HarborChase Book Club 10:30 Sorry! Saturday **11:30 Young at Heart Holiday Luncheon** 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:30 Karaoke Kraze 4:00 Afternoon Live Stream Service 7:30 Buzztime Playback
3 9:30 Morning Worship 10:00 Table Topics 11:15 LiveStream Church Service 1:30 Pictionary! 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 HarborChase Holiday Choir 4:00 Family Feud 7:00 Sunday Night Football	4 **9:00 Nine O'clock NewsCurrents** 9:30 A Matter of Balance 10:30 Virtual Vacation: Scotland 11:30 Gemstone Collections 1:30 Games Galore 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Intro to Tole Painting **4:00 Neil Diamond Happy Hour** 6:00 Card Sharks: Canasta	5 9:30 Fitness Circuits 10:00 How It's Made 11:00 The Art of Relaxation 11:30 Wii Bowling League 1:00 Scrapbookers Club 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts **4:00 Dragon Lounge Happy Hour** **6:00 Buzztime Texas Hold'em** **6:30 Holiday Lights Cruise**	6 9:30 Laugh It Out 10:00 Wednesday Morning Worship 11:00 Let's Move! w/ Texas Home Health 1:00 Trivial Pursuit! 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 History in the News **4:00 Wine Down Wednesday** 6:00 Monopoly Showdown	7 **Pearl Harbor Day** 9:30 Morning Mindfulness 10:00 Culinary Creations 11:00 Remembering Pearl Harbor 1:00 Super Scrabble 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:30 Bus Decor 4:00 Billiard's Tournament **6:00 Grapevine Parade of Lights**	8 **9:30 Holiday Shopping Express** 10:30 Puzzler's Club 11:00 Therapeutic Jenga **1:00 Lounge Tunes Live!** 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Remember When... 3:30 Target Golf **4:00 Buzztime Jackpot** 6:30 Movie Madness	9 10:00 HarborChase Book Club **11:00 Buzztime Lunch Break** 1:00 Waves of Watercolor 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 2:00 Army vs. Navy 3:00 Gingerbread Man Decorating Contest 4:00 Afternoon Live Stream Service 6:00 Check Mate
10 9:30 Laughter Yoga 10:00 Super Scrabble 11:15 LiveStream Church Service 1:00 How It's Made 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 HarborChase Holiday Choir 3:25 Cowboys @ Giants 4:00 Nobel Prize Fast Facts 6:30 Evening Worship	11 **9:00 Nine O'clock NewsCurrents** 10:00 Table Topics 10:30 Take Time for Tai Chi 11:30 Crossword Conundrum 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 NeedlePoint Group **4:00 Happy Hour Karaoke** 6:00 Card Sharks: Solitaire **6:30 Holiday Lights Cruise**	12 9:30 Cardio Drumming 10:00 Around the World in 90 Minutes 11:30 Jukebox Jam Along 1:00 History in the News 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:30 Picture This 4:30 Real Deal Rummikub **6:00 White Christmas at the Palace Theater** **7:00 Buzztime Showdown**	13 **Happy Hanukkah!** 9:30 Learn About Hanukkah 10:00 Wednesday Morning Worship 11:00 Let's Move! w/ Texas Home Health 1:00 Left, Right, Center Live! 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts **3:00 Honoring Hanukkah** **4:00 Wine Down Wednesday** 6:00 Sensory Unwind	14 9:30 Puzzling Put Together 10:00 Culinary Creations 11:00 Scrapbookers Club 1:00 Afternoon Sing Along 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Crayola Cooldown **4:00 Holiday Happy Hour with Zazzle!** 6:30 Film Fanatics	15 9:30 Fitness Circuits **10:30 Errand Run** 11:30 iN2L Trivia 1:30 Family Feud 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Remember When... 3:30 Wii Bowling League **4:00 Buzztime Arcade** 6:00 Connect Four Fun	16 9:30 Morning Mindfulness 10:00 HarborChase Book Club 11:00 Walk About 1:00 Would You Rather? 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Giant Jenga 4:00 Afternoon LiveStream Service **7:30 Buzztime Playback**
17 9:30 Chair Chi 10:30 Hymn Song Sing Along 11:15 LiveStream Church Service 1:30 Wright Brother Biography 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 HarborChase Holiday Choir 4:30 Maple Syrup Tasting 6:30 Holiday Movie Madness 7:30 Cowboys @ Raiders	18 **9:00 Nine O'clock NewsCurrents** 10:00 Manicure Monday **11:00 Buzztime Lunch Break** 1:00 History in the News 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts **3:00 Doctor Sue's Chocolate Christmas** 4:00 Awesome Automobiles 6:00 Card Sharks: Bridge **6:30 Festival of Trees Judging**	19 9:30 Morning Mindfulness 10:30 DIY: No Sew Blankets 11:30 Wii Fit Fanatics 1:00 Scrapbookers Club 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Pup Paw-Looza **4:00 Monopoly Mixology** **6:30 Holiday Lights Cruise**	20 9:30 Laugh It Out 10:00 Wednesday Morning Worship 11:00 Let's Move! w/ Texas Home Health 1:00 Mega Checkers 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Domino Throwdown **4:00 Wine Down Wednesday** **7:30 Buzztime Six**	21 **First Day of Winter** 9:00 Morning Cocoa 9:30 Conductorcise 10:00 Culinary Creations 11:00 Virtual Vacation: Colorado 1:00 Faux Snow 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Crossword Solvers 3:30 The Art of Relaxation **5:00 Festival of Trees Ugly Sweater Party**	22 9:30 Musical Chair Exercise **10:00 Christmas at the Galleria** 10:30 PiggyBankers 11:00 iN2L Trivia 1:00 Toss n Talk 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Remember When... **4:00 Buzztime Sports Trivia** 6:30 Evening Stroll	23 9:30 Chair Yoga 10:00 HarborChase Book Club 11:00 History in the News 1:00 Puzzler's Club 2:00 25 Days of Holiday Crafts 3:00 Our Daily Bread 3:30 Board Game Jamboree 4:00 Afternoon LiveStream Service 6:00 Wii Bowling League
24 **Christmas Eve** 9:30 Coffee Talk 10:30 Elf Around 11:15 LiveStream Christmas Eve Service 2:00 Egg Noggers 3:00 HarborChase Holiday Choir 3:25 Cowboys vs. Seahawks 6:00 Pajama Party 6:30 'Twas the Night Before Christmas	25 **Merry Christmas!** **9:00 Nine O'clock NewsCurrents** 10:00 Christmas Around the World 11:00 Carol Through the Halls 1:00 White Elephant 2:00 What's in Santa's Bag? 3:00 Holiday Movie Marathon 4:00 Silver Bells 5:00 Christmas Dinner 6:00 Card Sharks: Poker	26 **Kwanzaa Begins** 9:30 Laughter Yoga 10:00 Kwanzaa Roots 11:00 DIY: Thank You Cards 1:30 Therapeutic Drumming 2:00 Puzzle Put Together 3:00 History in the News **4:00 Candy Canes and Cocktails** **7:00 Buzztime Showdown**	27 9:30 Just Breathe 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 Let's Move! w/ Texas Home Health 1:30 Sing With Me! 2:30 Waves of Watercolor 3:00 We Play Wii Play! **3:30 Resident Council** **4:00 Wine Down Wednesday** **6:30 Holiday Light Show Spectacular**	28 9:30 Morning Mindfulness 10:00 Culinary Creations 11:00 Scrapbookers Club 1:30 Crazy for Chocolate 2:00 The Art Collection of HarborChase 3:00 How It's Made **4:00 Chocolate Fondue Happy Hour** **6:30 Buzztime Arcade**	29 9:30 Shall We Dance? 10:30 Flower Arranging For Beginners **11:30 Lunch Bunch Trip** 1:30 Virtual Vacation: Hawaii 2:30 Afternoon Aromatherapy **3:00 December Birthday Bash** **4:00 Lounge Tune Live!** 6:00 Now Showing: The Notebook	30 9:30 Take Time for Tai Chi 10:00 HarborChase Book Club 11:00 DIY: Wire Jewelry 1:30 Musical Memories 2:30 Color Me Crazy 3:00 Remember When... 3:30 Family Feud 4:00 Afternoon LiveStream Service **7:30 Buzztime Playback**
31 **New Year's Eve** 9:00 A Year in Review 10:00 Wacky New Year Traditions 11:15 LiveStream Church Service 12:00 Cowboys @ Eagles 1:00 How It's Made 2:00 Fitness Circuits 3:00 HarborChase Holiday Choir **4:00 New Year's Eve Bash**						

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"The Greatest Benefit to Mankind"

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."