

The Story Behind the Plate

On April 25, 1901, New York became the first state to require license plates on vehicles. At that time, the state didn't provide the plates. Rather, individuals created their own license plates out of leather, brass, or whatever was available. When people began to create unlawful plates, state governments stepped in and began making their own.



In 1903, Massachusetts became the first state to issue plates. The very first license plate was number 1, issued to a man named Frederick Tudor. Amazingly, his family still maintains an active registration, which gives them the right to use the number 1 on a modern plate.

The first plates were made of iron covered in porcelain enamel. The background was a dark blue with the numbers in white. There were no standard sizes back in the early days of license plates. The more numbers on the plate, the larger the plate got. Motorcycles, too, needed license plates. The first looked identical to car plates, but started with the letter Z.

As if letters and numbers weren't enough, many plates have had slogans touting a state's fame or history. In our quiz below, try to connect each state with one of its license plate slogans.

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| 1. Idaho | A. Sunshine State |
| 2. Missouri | B. Vacationland |
| 3. New Hampshire | C. Land of Lincoln |
| 4. Washington | D. Garden State |
| 5. Illinois | E. Stars Fell On |
| 6. New Jersey | F. America's Dairyland |
| 7. Pennsylvania | G. Live Free or Die |
| 8. Wisconsin | H. Show-Me State |
| 9. Florida | I. Keystone State |
| 10. Alabama | J. First in Flight |
| 11. Maine | K. Evergreen State |
| 12. North Carolina | L. Famous Potatoes |

Having trouble? Perhaps a road trip is in order....

Answers: 1. L; 2. H; 3. G; 4. K; 5. C; 6. D; 7. I; 8. F; 9. A; 10. E; 11. B; 12. J

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

In astrology, those born between April 1–20 are Aries, the Ram. Rams are adventurous go-getters and full of enthusiasm, charm, and energy. They make dynamic pioneers and adventurers—undeterred when the going gets rough. Those born from April 20–30 have the star sign of the Bull of Taurus. Bulls show steady, dogged persistence in achieving their goals. Once goals are reached, they enjoy being rewarded, especially with beauty and peace at home.

**MICKEY DINGLE* ~ APRIL 6TH*

- Marlon Brando (Actor) – April 3, 1924
- Spencer Tracy (Actor) – April 5, 1900
- Jackie Chan (Actor, Stuntman) – April 7, 1954
- Paloma Picasso (Designer) – April 19, 1949
- Shirley Temple (Actress) – April 23, 1928
- Carol Burnett (Comedian) – April 26, 1933

A Tradition Takes Root

The last Friday in April is celebrated as Arbor Day in the United States, but the tradition of planting trees first evolved in Spain. In the village Villanueva de la Sierra, a priest named Ramón Vacas Roxo was convinced that trees were not only beautiful and important to the environment but also



improved health and hygiene. In 1805, he began a tradition of planting trees during a three-day festival. He even wrote a manifesto explaining the importance of trees and delivered it to neighboring villages, encouraging residents to plant their own. It wasn't until April 10, 1872, that J. Sterling Morton—a newspaper editor turned politician—founded Arbor Day as an official holiday in Nebraska. In 1883, educator Birdsey Northrop of Connecticut traveled to Japan, where he spread the idea of an Arbor Day holiday. That message, and the countless millions of trees planted since, lives on this April 25, 2025.

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DEAR RESIDENTS & FAMILIES:

A REPRESENTATIVE FROM TRUSTBRIDGE WILL BE GIVING A SEMINAR ON APRIL 4TH AT 2:00 PM REGARDING “LEARNING ABOUT COMFORT CARE”.

ALSO, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM “CAPTEL CAPTIONED PHONES” IS HAVING A SEMINAR IN THE ACTIVITIES ROOM ON APRIL 11TH AT 2:00 PM. THIS IS THE ULTIMATE PHONE FOR PEOPLE WITH HEARING LOSS, AND IT IS FREE! PLEASE SIGN-UP IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM FOR BOTH SEMINARS IF INTERESTED. THANK YOU.

ADVENT SQUARE'S 3RD GRADE CHOIR WILL BE PERFORMING EASTER SONGS FOR YOU ON TWO CONSECUTIVE TUESDAYS, APRIL 8TH & 15TH AT NOON, WHILE YOU ARE HAVING LUNCH IN THE DINING ROOM. THANK YOU FOR WELCOMING THEIR HOSPITALITY!

UPCOMING APRIL 2025 ACTIVITIES:

APRIL 8TH @ 2:00 PM ~ WE WILL BE TAKING A TRIP TO THE LOCAL ICE CREAM PARLOR. KINDLY SIGN-UP IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND.

APRIL 9TH @ 2:00 PM ~ NEW RESIDENTS, PLEASE JOIN THE HONEYBEE'S LADIES GROUP HOSTED EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH. THIS IS A DELIGHTFUL THEMED PARTY WITH FOOD AND LAUGHTER!

APRIL 15TH @ 2:00 PM ~ WE WILL BE MAKING CHOCOLATE DIPPED STRAWBERRIES ON A STICK & WRAPPING THEM IN CELLOPHANE WITH A BOW! PLEASE JOIN US IN THE DINING ROOM FOR A SWEET TREAT.

APRIL 16TH @ 2:00 PM ~ “APRIL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS” IN THE DINING ROOM WITH LIVE ENTERTAINMENT. WE HAVE A NEW SAXOPHONE PLAYER FOR YOU TO ENJOY.

APRIL 17TH @ 12:00 PM ~ GENTLEMEN, PLEASE JOIN PASTOR ANDY IN THE DINING ROOM FOR YOUR MONTHLY “MEN'S LUNCHEON” & SOME MALE BONDING.

APRIL 19TH @ 3:00 PM ~ EASTER CELEBRATION DURING HAPPY HOUR WITH FRANI & BOBBY OF HEART & SOUL. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

APRIL 23RD @ 1:30 PM ~ TRIP TO PUBLIX ~ A SHOPPING WE WILL GO! PLEASE SIGN-UP IN THE ACTIVITIES ROOM IF INTERESTED IN THIS TRIP.

APRIL 25TH @ 3:00 PM ~ TRAVEL TIME WITH KIM & RAMONA TO “MOROCCO”. ENJOY A VIRTUAL TOUR AND SAMPLE FOODS FROM MOROCCO. ALL WELCOME!

APRIL 29TH @ 2:00 PM ~ THE LADIES OF THE BOCA RATON GARDEN CLUB ARE HOSTING ANOTHER FLOWER ARRANGING CLASS FOR ADVENT SQUARE BY GRANT. PLEASE JOIN US IN THE DINING ROOM FOR THIS LOVELY EVENT. PLEASE SIGN-UP IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM SO WE MAY GET AN ACCURATE HEAD COUNT FOR SUPPLIES. THANK YOU.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALENDARS DAILY FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED ACTIVITIES

*Wishing Everyone a Happy & Blessed Easter with
Family, Friends & Good Food!
Warm Regards, Donna*

LAUGH IT OFF!

You may be laughing until it hurts, but that laughter is doing some powerful healing. Pull up a chair next to the class clown or the office cutup because April is Humor Month.



Humor may be one of the oldest and most effective methods of social bonding. No matter what your culture or background, all laughter sounds the same. Better yet, studies show that the more you laugh, the more attractive you become to the opposite sex... or perhaps that's just a joke?

Most laughter doesn't come from listening to jokes. Most laughter comes from spending time with friends and family. Furthermore, people tend to laugh more when they're in groups. Laughter truly is contagious. In fact, laughter strengthens immune systems by increasing infection-fighting antibodies.

Doctors have become wise to the positive health effects of laughter. Laughter has been shown to decrease blood pressure, improve the function of blood vessels, increase blood flow, and decrease hormones associated with stress. Laughter even reduces pain by stimulating the release of endorphins. One doctor believes laughing is such good exercise that he calls it "internal jogging." One minute of laughing, he says, is equal to 10 minutes on a rowing machine.

Laughter is not just good for the body; it's also good for the mind. Humor stimulates creativity, improves problem-solving abilities, enhances memory, and teaches resilience. All April long, make sure to take "laughter breaks" every day. Avoid the news and instead watch a sitcom or funny movie, read the daily comics, perform a sight gag, tell a joke, play games, spend time with children, and most importantly, do these things with friends. Hoot and holler with reckless abandon, and your body will thank you.

The Metric Divide

Feet, inches, pounds, miles, teaspoons, and degrees Fahrenheit. What do all these types of measurements have in common? They are part of the U.S. customary measurement system, closely akin to the British imperial units—a standard many say has outlived its usefulness. After all, only three countries in the world—the United States, Myanmar, and Liberia—use this system. The rest of the world has adopted the metric system of measurement. If you're ready to join the rest of the world, then take a stand on April 7, Metric System Day.

The metric system was developed in France during the French Revolution and was officially adopted on April 7, 1795. Nearly every nation in the world has adopted it since. Yet the United States still clings to its own system. Americans still bake using cups, measure height using inches, and fill up gas tanks by the gallon. This persistence is largely due to the time and cost associated with changing the country's infrastructure, as well as pushback from big businesses and citizens reluctant to undergo such a significant transition.

"Louie Louie" Lives On

Some call "Louie Louie" the most popular party song of all time. Others call it the most incomprehensible. Try your best to decipher the lyrics on April 11, International Louie Louie Day, in honor of composer Richard Berry's birthdate in 1935. It was the music group the Kingsmen who made "Louie Louie" a hit in 1963. A year later, the FBI opened an investigation into the song's mysterious lyrics. One concerned listener believed the song contained obscene language. After months of analysis, the FBI concluded the song was unintelligible. Today we know that it is a simple song about a seafaring man pining for his love.



RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT "GARY BENSON"



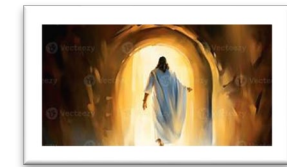
Gary Benson was born in Boston, Massachusetts on May 3, 1965. Gary's Father Alan, was in the Airforce and his Mother Mariko, was a Nurse. Gary has an older Brother Steve, & an older Sister Lisa. Gary is the youngest of his siblings.

After graduating high school Gary went into the Army for two years. Gary then worked for a landscaping company for seven years saving money so he could move to Hawaii and surf Hawaii's amazing waves. Gary stated that he surfed all day ~ every day!

Gary then started his own business with a partner who had truckloads of designer blue jeans. They sold them to different stores and shopping malls traveling back and forth to Maui, Guam, Singapore & Indonesia. Gary states he made tons on money in this 50/50 partnership that lasted for nine years.

Gary then worked for the famous Wyland Art Gallery as a salesman in Hawaii, for the next seven years. Gary was offered the position to run a new Wyland Gallery opening in Orlando, FL. Gary is a good friend of Richard Wyland, the owner. Thereafter, Gary helped open every new Wyland Gallery in Florida.

Unfortunately, Gary suffered a stroke and heart attack and was hospitalized for eight months. Gary is semi-paralyzed on one side of his body but makes the best of his situation. Gary enjoys the lifestyle here at Advent Square and the friends he has made.



On Easter we decorate our church with flowers, most of which are white (the Easter lily). White is the color of joy and celebration. It is also the color of purity or holiness. Because Jesus died and rose again, all our sins are forgiven and, through faith in Him, we are cleansed & purified of all sin. Easter is also the symbol of new life from the dead. As believers in Jesus, we have a new life. It is the life we live by faith in him who loved us and gave himself for us. Each day of our lives, we want to live for him to show our love and gratitude for all that he has done for us. May our Easter celebration again this year bring renewed joy, celebration and life through our risen and glorified Savior - JESUS CHRIST!

Dig Into Deep-Dish



It's a pizza that stands apart from all the rest, with three-inch-high walls of buttery crust holding in a simmering stew of sauce, cheese, sausage, pepperoni, peppers, onions, and whatever else your stomach desires. The Chicago-style deep-dish pizza has become such a culinary icon that it bears its own holiday, Deep Dish Pizza Day, on April 5. The deep-dish pizza debuted in 1943 at Chicago's Pizzeria Uno restaurant, but locals debate its true roots. Was it the Malnati family, working at the first Pizzeria Uno, who invented the deep dish? Did the Malnati family matriarch develop the dough recipe for another restaurant entirely? The best way to settle the debate is to take one of Chicago's Deep Dish Pizza Tours and eat until you're as stuffed as a Chicago-style pizza pie.