

Carriage Hill Retirement

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Echo's From The Hills

Celebrating April Birthdays

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The Easter Bunny Comes To Carriage Hill !



Page gets a basket from the bunny.



Who is that bunny!

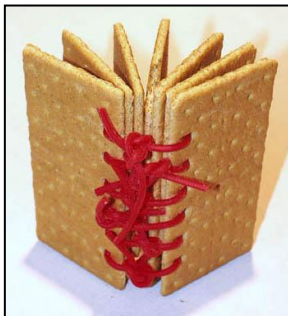


HERE COMES PETER
COTTON TAIL HOPPIN
DOWN THE BUNNY
TRAIL... TO CARRIAGE
HILL. Residents Kathy and
Sally, share some love with
the Peter Cotton tail.



Eat Your Words

It's no April Fools' joke, April 1 is Edible Book Day all throughout the world. Finally, a day when we can actually enjoy having to eat our words.



The one requirement of an edible book is that you can eat it! Over the years, participants have made sandwich books, books with pages made out of seaweed, and cakes frosted to look like book covers. Cooks create

edible versions of popular titles such as John Steinbeck's *Tortilla Flat* or Roald Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Others use puns to rename and reinvent well-known books such as "The Malted Falcon," "S'More and Peace," and "Don Quiche-ote." Many just recreate their favorite book. Whether you are a master chef or a class clown, the goal of the festival is the same: digest some of our most enduring works of art. It is nourishment for both the mind and body.

The Edible Book Festival is the creation of librarian and publisher Judith Hoffberg and artist Beatrice Coron. Hoffberg got the idea to create edible books on Thanksgiving Day in 1999. With the help of Coron, they launched their worldwide holiday in 2000. Twelve years later, their idea is now celebrated in libraries and universities all around the world.

According to Hoffberg, April Fools' Day proves the perfect occasion to eat our words, for it is the birthday of French foodie Jean Anthelme Brillat-Savarin, famous for his book *Physiologie du Gout*, a witty meditation on"

HOSANNA= SAVE US

From Hosanna! Hosanna! To Crucify Him!
Crucify Him!

The last week of Jesus' life was filled with events, but the most amazing was the beginning and the end. In the beginning the crowd screamed Hosanna, Hosanna; which translates to Save us, Save us. What a turn around within one week. From being marveled as a King, to being lower than a thief and murderer. They decided to let Barabbas free instead of Jesus. But think about the irony; they screamed Hosanna: save us, and he did. Not the way they were thinking but the way that God wanted us to be saved; through his Son. Who would have thought that the two phrases; Hosanna and Crucify Him would actually turn out to mean the same- OUR SALVATION!

I hope you had a very Blessed Easter,
Love,
Rebecca Bostic



Employee Of The Month



Ada Bryant

Guitar Month

Country twang. Heavy metal. Classic rock. Smooth jazz. These smooth sounds of the guitar can ring in your ears all April long because April is International Guitar Month.

The word “guitar” comes from the ancient Sanskrit word “tar,” which means “string.” Stringed instruments have existed for over 4,000 years, with guitar-like harps even depicted in Egyptian wall-paintings. Eventually, these harps evolved into lutes, and lutes grew into four-stringed, five-stringed, and then six-stringed guitars.

The electric and acoustic guitars of today bear little resemblance to the harps of ancient times. Popular brand names like Fender and Gibson, have become favorites of the world’s greatest guitar players. The different sounds they produce are a result of their construction. Different types of wood create different tones. Fender is described as “bright and bell-like,” while Gibson is described as “warm, thick, and crunchy.” Then, of course, there are other brands such as Martin and Taylor. The lists go on and on.

What kind of guitar does your favorite guitarist play? Try to match the famous guitarist below to their favorite type of guitar:

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| 1. Paul McCartney | A. Martin Acoustic |
| 2. Emmylou Harris | B. Taylor Acoustic |
| 3. Gene Autry | C. Fender Telecaster |
| 4. Jimi Hendrix | D. Gibson Acoustic |
| 5. Chuck Berry | E. Fender Stratocaster |
| 6. Merle Haggard | F. Gibson Electric |
| 7. Taylor Swift | G. Hofner Bass |



Answers: 1.G.; 2.D.; 3.A.; 4.E.; 5.F.; 6.C.; 7.B.

Blow Me Down

Hold on to your hats! April 12 is Big Wind Day. On this date in 1935, Mount Washington in New Hampshire was rocked by a 231 mph gust of wind, the fastest ever recorded on the Earth’s surface by a human being.

The native name for Mount Washington was Agiocochook, which means “Home of the Great Spirit.” And a powerful spirit this must be, for Mount Washington has long been famous for its erratic weather.

Winds exceeding hurricane force blow there for 110 days out of every year. Some structures on the summit are literally chained to the mountain to keep them from blowing away. Snow storms can fall in any month, and temperatures routinely drop below zero. The mountain boasts “the worst weather in the world,” but tourists continue to bravely climb to its peak. Luckily, today we can do so in the comfort of our heated cars.

April by Design

April is a trendy month indeed. Three famous clothing designers celebrate their birthdays.

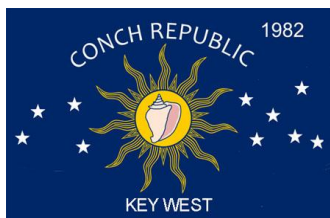
Oleg Cassini was born in Paris on April 11, 1913. He designed clothes for over seven decades and rose to fame when First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy chose him as her official wardrobe designer.

Designer Jean-Paul Gaultier was born on April 24, 1952. He had no formal design training and often shocked the fashion world with his design concepts, such as skirts for men.

American designer Marc Jacobs was born on April 9, 1963. Not only is Jacobs the creative director for Louis Vuitton, but he has been named one of the 100 most influential people in the world by *Time* magazine.



The Conch Republic



In 1982, the United States Border Patrol set up a checkpoint on the only road connecting the Florida Keys to mainland America. Key West, the

southernmost island of the Florida Keys, was outraged. The checkpoint threatened Key West's most important economic industry, tourism. By forcing Keys residents to stop and show identification before entering mainland America, it also treated these U.S. citizens like non-citizens.

After repeated complaints by the Key West City Council were ignored by federal authorities, on April 23, 1982, the mayor of Key West took the measure of last resort: he declared war on America. The mayor proclaimed the newly-formed Conch Republic's independence and broke a loaf of stale bread over the head of a uniformed navy officer in a declaration of war.

The war only lasted one minute. Key West surrendered and applied for one billion dollars in federal aid. Amazingly, the mock secession generated enough media attention that the roadblock was removed. The Conch Republic lived in peace until the invasion of 1995.

On September 20, 1995, the U.S. Army Reserve scheduled a training exercise on Key West that simulated the invasion. Unfortunately, no one informed the Key West City Council of the plan. When the Conch Republic found out, they saw another opportunity for publicity and mobilized their army to defend their nation. Fire boats fired water cannons and city council members broke more stale bread. The U.S. Army Reserve issued a full apology the next day, stating that they "in no way meant to impugn the sovereignty of the Conch Republic." This marked a major victory for the fake, little nation. Today, Key West residents carry Conch Republic passports and visitors often see Conch Republic flags flying on balconies sporting the phrase "We Seceded Where Others Failed." Their Independence Celebration will be held April 20–29.

April Birthdays

If you were born from April 1–19, you are an Aries, the Ram. Rams are adventurous go-getters and leaders, full of enthusiasm and energy. Many Aries have charm and charisma. People born between April 20-30 fall under the sign of Taurus, the Bull. Taurans are practical and determined types who value stability and keep the peace. They are faithful friends and gifted workers who like to use their hands.

Marvin Gaye (singer) – Apr. 2, 1939
Jane Goodall (scientist) – Apr. 3, 1934
Spencer Tracy (actor) – Apr. 5, 1900
Betty Ford (First Lady) – Apr. 8, 1918
Tom Clancy (author) – Apr. 12, 1947
Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (Laker) – Apr. 16, 1947
Paloma Picasso (artist) – Apr. 19, 1949
Charlotte Brontë (author) – Apr. 21, 1816
Max Planck (scientist) – Apr. 23, 1858
Edward R. Murrow (journalist) – Apr. 25, 1908
Jerry Seinfeld (comedian) – Apr. 29, 1954

Pride In Plaid

In Scotland and around the world, April 6 is celebrated as Tartan Day, a holiday commemorating Scottish independence and Scottish pride. This holiday is very old indeed. It was first celebrated on April 6, 1320, with the signing of the Declaration of Arbroath. In it, Scotland declared its independence and proclaimed new ideas about individual freedom. Many believe that the Declaration of Arbroath was a great influence on the American Declaration of Independence.



Outside of Scotland, Tartan Day is a day of Scottish pride. The familiar plaid pattern of Scotland is its symbolic national dress. In olden days, tartan patterns associated their wearers with a region or district of Scotland. They then became associated with families or clans. But you don't have to be Scottish to wear your plaid with pride on April 6.