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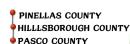


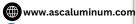


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Diashya Davis, our new community manager indicated that in the next few weeks she will begin quarterly home inspections. If you get a violation notice, don't panic. In most cases you have 30 days to address the issue. If you are having a problem meeting that deadline, email Diashya at DDavis@lakeshoremhc.com to give her an update of when you think the issue will be addressed. That way she knows you aren't ignoring her, you just need a bit more time. If you need a helping hand to complete the task, reach out to me directly at bmoody1218@gmail.com. The RCA has a group of dedicated volunteers that are there to help.

Speaking of volunteers, did you know that all our activities are run by volunteers? Thanks to Jeni Luck, Kristen Perrett, Louisa Rice, Brenda Manfredi and Dan O'Neill for running a multitude of activities over the past few months. You truly enrich our lives and make this a great place to live.

Sincerely, Beverly Moody RCA president



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Crosswinds RCA May Events

Bingo

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May 14 and 28th 6:00 in grassy area by the pool.

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Kentucky Derby Party

May 3 at 4:00pm

\$5 suggested donation plus more for betting

Flaky buttermilk biscuits with a crispy fried chicken filet will be served.

BYOB

Derby hat contest.

We're nacho average community, let's celebrate Cinco de Mayo!

May 5th at 6:00pm

Beef or chicken tacos (do you like them hard or soft?) \$5 suggested donation

Margaritas on the rocks \$3 suggested donation

Mother's Day Brunch

May 11th at 11:00am \$5 suggested donation, Mimosas \$1



Memorial Day Cookout

May 26th 1:00- 3:00pm at the pool

Bring meat to grill and a side to pass. Bring your own silverware, plates and napkins.

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May Holidays



- Cinco de Mayo (May 5): Celebrates Mexican heritage and pride.
- Mother's Day (Second Sunday in May): Honors mothers and motherhood.
- **Memorial Day** (Last Monday in May): Commemorates U.S. military personnel who have died in service.

Notable Observances

- Mental Health Awareness Month: Focuses on mental health education and awareness.
- National Wildflower Week (First full week of May): Celebrates the beauty of wildflowers.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** (First full week of May): Recognizes the contributions of teachers.

Fun and Quirky Days

- Star Wars Day (May 4): "May the Fourth be with you!"
- National Chocolate Chip Day (May 15): A day to enjoy chocolate chip treats.
- National Bike Month: Encourages biking for health and the environment.

Daily Observances

- May 1: May Day, National Mother Goose Day
- May 2: International Harry Potter Day, National Brothers and Sisters Day
- May 3: National Garden Meditation Day, National Paranormal Day
- May 4: Bird Day, International Firefighters Day
- May 5: National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day, National Day of Reason

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On life

Life is like playing a violin in public and learning the instrument as one goes on.

— Samuel Butler

On originality

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On friends

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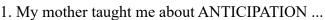
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3. My mother taught me to MEET A CHALLENGE ...

"What were you thinking? Answer me when I talk to you! Don't talk back to me!"

4. My mother taught me LOGIC ...

"If you fall out off that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."

5. My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE ...

"If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to freeze that way."

6. My mother taught me to THINK AHEAD ...

"If you don't pass your spelling test, you'll never get a good job."

7. My mother taught me ESP ...

"Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you're cold?"

8. My mother taught me HUMOR ...

"When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."

9. My mother taught me how to BECOME AN ADULT

... "If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."

10. My mother taught me about SEX ...

"How do you think you got here?"

11. My mother taught me about GENETICS ...

"You're just like your father."

12. My mother taught me about my ROOTS ...

"Do you think you were born in a barn?"

13. My mother taught me about WISDOM OF AGE ...

"When you get to be my age, you will understand."

14. And my all-time favorite ... JUSTICE ...

"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you ...

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— As told on AhaJokes.coms



On philosophy

I have a new philosophy: I'm only going to dread one day at a time.

— Charles Schulz

On giving an insult

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Memorial Day

emorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States, observed on the last Monday of May. It honors and remembers the men and women who have died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it began after the Civil War to commemorate fallen soldiers by decorating their graves with flowers.



Today, Memorial Day is marked by various activities, including parades, ceremonies, and moments of remembrance. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials to pay their respects. It's also considered the unofficial start of summer, with many families enjoying barbecues, picnics, and outdoor activities.

In Englewood, Florida, you can attend the Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony at Gulf Pines Memorial Park, which includes a 21-gun salute and a special guest speaker.

There are also various events and activities throughout Florida, such as concerts, festivals, and fireworks

Source:

https://www.englewoodchamber.com/events-news/events/2022-05-30-memorial-day-ceremony https://www.floridahipster.com/memorial-day-weekend-in-florida/

Here are some traditional favorite Memorial Day foods:

- 1. Burgers and Hot Dogs: Grilled to perfection and served with all the classic toppings.
- 2. Barbecue Ribs: Slow-cooked and smothered in tangy barbecue sauce.
- 3. Grilled Chicken: Marinated and grilled, often with a smoky or spicy rub.
- **4. Potato Salad:** A creamy, tangy side dish made with potatoes, mayonnaise, mustard, and various add-ins like eggs and pickles.
- **5. Coleslaw**: A refreshing salad made from shredded cabbage and carrots, dressed in a tangy or creamy sauce.
- **6.** Corn on the Cob: Grilled or boiled, often served with butter and a sprinkle of salt.
- 7. Baked Beans: Slow-cooked beans in a sweet and savory sauce.
- **8.** Watermelon: A juicy and refreshing fruit that's perfect for hot weather.
- 9. Pasta Salad: A cold salad made with pasta, vegetables, and a tangy dressing.
- **10.** Lemonade and Iced Tea: Classic summer beverages to keep everyone cool and refreshed.



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— Benjamin Disraeli









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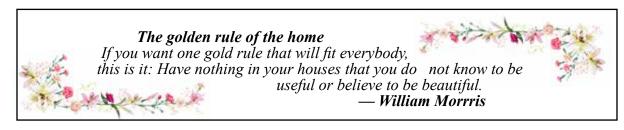
other's Day is a special occasion celebrated to honor and appreciate mothers and mother figures for their love, care, and contributions. It is observed on different dates around the world, but many countries, including the United States, celebrate it on the second Sunday in May.



The modern Mother's Day was first celebrated in the early 20th century, largely due to the efforts of Anna Jarvis, who wanted to honor her own mother and all mothers for their sacrifices. The day is often marked by giving gifts, cards, flowers, and spending quality time with mothers.

Here are some thoughtful gift ideas for Mother's Day:

- 1. Personalized Jewelry: A necklace or bracelet with her initials, name, or a special date engraved.
- **2. Spa Day:** Treat her to a relaxing day at a spa or a gift basket with spa essentials for an at-home experience.
- **3. Custom Photo Book**: Create a photo book filled with cherished memories and family photos.
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- 21. British biscuit
- 22. Off-white
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- 27. "I agree"
- 28. Water removal
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- 8. Juice extraction
- device
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- 13. Alluring

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- 38. Borscht vegetable

- 40. He built the ark
- 41. Perception
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Cinco de Mayo

inco de Mayo, or the Fifth of May, is a celebration held on May 5th each year. It commemorates the Mexican army's victory over the French forces at the Battle of



Puebla on May 5, 1862. This victory was significant because the Mexican forces were vastly outnumbered and less equipped, yet they managed to defeat a powerful European army.

While Cinco de Mayo is a relatively minor holiday in Mexico, primarily celebrated in the state of Puebla, it has become a much larger celebration in the United States. In the U.S., it is often seen as a day to celebrate Mexican culture and heritage, especially in areas with large Mexican-American populations. Festivities typically include parades, music, dancing, traditional foods, and events highlighting Mexican traditions.

Here are some popular dishes for Cinco de Mayo:

- **1. Tacos:** Soft or crispy tortillas filled with meats, beans, cheese, and various toppings.
- **2. Enchiladas:** Tortillas rolled around a filling and covered with a savory sauce.
- **3. Guacamole:** A creamy dip made from avocados, lime, onions, tomatoes, and cilantro.
- **4. Tamales:** Masa (corn dough) filled with meats, cheeses, or chilies, wrapped in corn husks, and steamed.
- **5.** Chiles Rellenos: Poblano peppers stuffed with cheese or meat, then battered and fried.
- **6. Quesadillas:** Tortillas filled with cheese and other ingredients, then grilled or fried.
- 7. **Pozole:** A hearty soup made with hominy, meat (usually pork), and seasoned with chili peppers and other spices.
- **8. Mole Poblano:** A rich, dark sauce made with chocolate, chili peppers, and spices, typically served over chicken.
- 9. Sopes: Thick corn tortillas topped with beans, meat, cheese, lettuce, and salsa.
- 10. Horchata: A sweet, creamy beverage made from rice, milk, vanilla, and cinnamon.



Why did the tortilla chip start dancing?
Because it heard the salsa!

What do you call a day when you eat too many tacos? Taco 'bout a fiesta!





In a small village in England, there was a long-standing tradition of celebrating May Day with a grand festival. Every year, the villagers would gather in the town square, where a tall maypole stood decorated with colorful ribbons. Children and adults alike would dance around the maypole, weaving intricate patterns with the ribbons as they moved.



One year, a young girl named Emily was chosen to be the May Queen. She was thrilled and spent weeks preparing her flower crown and practicing her speech. On the day of the festival, Emily stood proudly at the top of the hill, overlooking the village. As she was crowned with her flower wreath, she felt a sense of pride and joy that she had never experienced before.

The festival was a huge success, with laughter, music, and dancing filling the air. Emily's parents watched with tears of happiness as their daughter led the procession around the maypole. That evening, as the sun set and the bonfires were lit, Emily realized that this May Day would be a memory she would cherish forever.

This story captures the essence of May Day celebrations—community, joy, and the beauty of spring.

Here are some famous May festivals around the world:

- 1. Cannes Film Festival (France): Held from May 13-24, this prestigious film festival showcases new films of all genres and is attended by celebrities and filmmakers from around the globe.
- 2. **Vivid Sydney (Australia):** Running from May 23 to June 14, this festival transforms Sydney with stunning light installations, music performances, and creative discussions.
- 3. **Bergen International Festival (Norway):** From May 21 to June 4, this festival celebrates music, theatre, and dance, making it the largest arts festival in the Nordic countries.
- 4. **Hamamatsu Festival (Japan):** Held from May 3-5, this festival features kite flying and traditional music to celebrate the birth of firstborn sons.
- 5. Cinco de Mayo (Mexico and USA): Celebrated on May 5, this day commemorates the Mexican army's victory at the Battle of Puebla and is marked with parades, music, and traditional foods.
- 6. Florence Nightingale's Birthday (UK): Celebrated on May 12, this day honors the founder of modern nursing with various events and activities.
- 7. **Memorial Day (USA):** Observed on the last Monday of May, this day honors fallen military personnel with parades, ceremonies, and family gatherings.

These festivals offer a glimpse into the diverse cultural celebrations that take place in May.

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