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Have A Happy St. Patrick's Day



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Green is Poppin' Out All Over.... St. Patrick's Day March 17th



By now many people have heard the story of St. Patrick, one of the most popular saints in the world. He was a British citizen taken to Ireland as a slave to herd and tend sheep. During his captivity he turned to God. At the age of twenty he escaped and returned to Britain and his family. He entered the priesthood and eventually returned to Ireland as a Bishop. He is credited with converting all of Ireland, working many miracles and teaching and preaching. He lived in poverty and endured much suffering. He died March 17th, 461 at Saul where he built his first church.

The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place not in Ireland but in the United States. Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City on March 17th, 1762. Along with their music, the parade helped the soldiers to reconnect with their Irish roots, as well as fellow Irishman serving in the English Army. Suddenly, annual St. Patrick's Day parades became a show of strength for Irish Americans, as well as a must attend event for a slew of political candidates. In 1948, President Truman attended New York City's St. Patrick's Day parade, a proud moment for the many Irish whose ancestors had to fight stereotypes and racial prejudice to find acceptance in America.

So, whether you're singing I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover or Oh Danny Boy or one of many Irish songs, have a Happy St. Patrick's Day and don't forget to wear green for good luck.



BON APPETIT!

Rosemary Leg of Lamb

- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 to 2 tablespoons minced fresh rosemary or 1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 1 bone-in leg of lamb (7 to 9 pounds), trimmed
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- ¼ cup beef broth

In a bowl, combine the garlic, rosemary, salt and pepper, rub over meat. Place on a rack in a large roasting pan. Bake uncovered, at 350 degrees for 1 and 1/2 to 2 hours or until the meat reaches desired doneness (for rare-meat thermometer should read 140 degrees, medium-160 degrees, well done, 170 degrees). Let stand for 10 minutes before slicing.

Meanwhile, pour pan drippings into a small saucepan, scraping browned bits. Skim fat. Combine cornstarch and broth until smooth. Whisk into saucepan. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 1 minute or until thickened. Serve with Lamb. Serves 10 to 12.

Strawberry Pretzel Dessert

- 1/3 cup crushed pretzels
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened
- 2 ounces cream cheese, softened
- ¼ cup sugar
- ¾ cup whipped topping
- 2 teaspoons plus 1 and ½ teaspoons strawberry gelatin powder
- ½ cup boiling water
- 1 cup sliced fresh strawberries

In a bowl, combine pretzels and butter. Press onto the bottom of two 10 oz. Greased custard cups. Bake at 375 degrees for 6-8 minutes or until set. Cool on a wire rack.

In a small mixing bowl, combine the cream cheese and sugar. Fold in the whipped topping. Spoon over crust. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a bowl dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Cover and refrigerate for 20 minutes or until slightly thickened. Fold in strawberries. Carefully spoon over filling. Cover and refrigerate for at least 3 hours. Makes 2 servings.

CHUCKLE & GRIN...

You're an Old Detroiter if...

- You took a "moonlight cruise" to Bob-Lo with Captain Bob-Lo or went to Edgewater Park.
- You remember the big stove that was on Jefferson Ave. at the entrance of Belle Isle.
- You shopped at Hughes and Hatcher, Speigel's, Robert Halls, Himelhoch's, Crowley's, Shoppers Fair, E.J. Korvettes or Federals.
- You rode the elevator a J.L. Hudson's, which was "run" by an elevator operator.
- You remember Winkleman's and Sanders stores in your neighborhood.
- You remember the "Big Show", Buffalo Bob, Howdy Doody or Clarabelle.
- You remember Twin Pines Dairy delivered milk and juice to the chute on the side of your house and Milky the Clown performed magic with the magic words "Twin Pines".
- You remember the Olympia Stadium.
- You remember when Vernor's was made on Woodward Ave. and a bearded troll was on the bottle.
- Your Mom got groceries at Great Scott, Food Fair, Wrigley's, Lucky's or Chatham.
- Your Mom saved Holden Red Stamps, S&H Green Stamps or Gold Bell Gift Stamps and you licked them into those little books.
- Kresge's and Woolworth's were "Dime Stores.
- You had an uncle in the furniture business (Joshua Door).
- You know who Bill Kennedy was.
- You remember Black Bart and the Faygo song, "Which Way Did He Go? He Went For Faygo, old fashion root beer."
- You watched Rita Bell's prize movies in the morning.
- You remember Soupy Sales, Johnny Ginger, Poopdeck Paul, Captain Jolly, and Sagebrush Shorty.
- You visited the Wonder Bread Bakery and got to take home a mini loaf of bread.
- You remember a laundry chute, a milk chute and a coal chute.
- You remember going to Detroit Edison with your Mom to exchange burned out light bulbs for new ones.

*If you can laugh at all this,
you can live with it.*

From the Managers...

Loitering

We would like to address the problem of the teens and young adults congregating by the picnic pavilion and clubhouse on the weekends with their friends. We are getting numerous complaints from the other residents about the loud music, drag racing, drinking and smoking and loud profanity being used. The area surrounding the clubhouse is not for this use. The parking lot is for parking only not for loitering. Residents have been advised to call the police when this occurs. We are not going to tolerate this type of behavior in the Community and will seek to evict any and all residents and their children who continue to do so. Please review the rules and regulations with your children and note that this is covered within them. You, the homeowners are responsible for anyone residing in your homes and any guests of theirs while in the Community.



Wired Up

If you have had a satellite disk installed at your home or telephone lines installed at your home, please ensure that these lines are located either behind your vinyl siding or below your home. No wires of any type may be run on the outside walls of the homes. A/C disconnects are permitted on the outside of your home, but the power to them, must be run either below ground or under the home. In addition, all lines from a satellite dish on the roof down, must be run behind one of the corner posts of your home



Pets

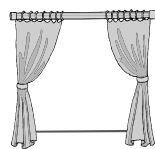
Now that winter is coming to an end and the snow is melting, we have noticed that many residents with pets have not kept up with picking up their dog waste. Please, if you are one of these residents, see to it that you get your yard cleaned up. Because this has become a major problem in the Community we may be forced to call the Health Department and they will be writing fines to the homeowners. If this does not work, we will terminate your pet privileges.



Office Information

Please remember that when you have someone move into your household, you need to let the office know their name and birth date. If you get a new pet or lose a pet you must also notify the office. New residents, please return your emergency forms to us as soon as possible and for all residents, we ask that you keep your emergency forms updated as to phone numbers and contacts in case of emergency. We are required to have phone numbers and occupant counts on hand by the State of Michigan.

Window Treatments



As required by the community, you must have drapes, blinds or shades on all of your windows. Any that are torn must be replaced and no blankets or sheets can be hung for window coverings. We want this community to look attractive and well cared for so all residents can be proud of where they live. To keep up the value of your home, homes must be kept up and it takes everyone that lives here to be a part of ensuring that.

Holiday Lights

Just a reminder, all holiday decorations and lights are to be removed by March 31st. We appreciate your efforts in helping us celebrate the holidays, but all good things must come to an end.

Basketball



All residents that are interested in joining a basketball league, please contact Sean MacCulley at (517)552-8867. The league will start some time in April on Sunday afternoons, and will be held on our basketball court behind the clubhouse.

Condolences

Our deepest condolences go out to the families of Walter (Willie) Moran on the loss of their father, and to the family of Barbara Horrigan on the loss of their mother. They will be missed by all who knew them.

Did You Know...?

- Irving Berlin wrote an average of 5 songs per day for 50 years.
- The night vision of cats is six times better than humans.
- The world’s first traffic signal was in England and was put up in 1868.
- A truffle is actually a type of fungus.
- The largest lizard in the world today is the Komodo Dragon.
- If it has seeds, it is a fruit. This includes cucumbers, tomatoes and squash.
- Professional truck drivers drove over 200 billion miles last year.
- One out of every five people who are bilingual speaks some form of Chinese.
- Only three out of every 100 people are natural redheads.









What is a Leprechaun?

Folklore has it that Leprechauns are small, as befitting their heritage as “Little People”, compared in size to Tom Thumb or Thumbelina. They are known to be both solitary and inhospitable (some even say mean) creatures, and at times to be almost friendly. In that respect, they sound very similar to humans.

Often dressed as shoemakers, they are thought to spend every minute of the day making shoes, because that is the proper work for a Leprechaun. During the night they go about the country into peoples houses and they steal little pieces of their money. So, bit by bit they get a crock of gold together. A Leprechaun has to have a crock of gold so that if he’s captured by men folk he may be able to ransom himself. But that seldom happens, because it’s a great disgrace altogether to be captured by a man, and they’ve practiced so long dodging among the roots, that they can easily get away from people. Of course, now and again one may get caught, but because men are fools, they always escape without having to pay the ransom at all. They wear green clothes because it is the color of the grass and the leaves, and when they sit down under a bush or lie in the grass people just walk by without noticing them. And so the legend goes....

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 RENT DUE	2 Dr. Suess’ Birthday (1904)	3	4	5	6 LATE FEES ASSESSED FOR ALL LATE RENTS Office Closed
7 Monopoly Game Invented (1933) Office Closed	8	9	10	11  <i>Johnny Apple Seed Day</i>	12	13 Office Closed
14 Cotton Gin Invented (1794) Office Closed	15	16	17  <i>St. Patrick’s Day</i>	18	19  Swallows Return To San Juan Capistrano	20  Spring Begins Office Closed
21 Office Closed	22	23  World Meteorological Day	24	25	26	27  Florida Discovered (1512) Office Closed
28 Office Closed	29	30	31			