

# DID YOU KNOW?

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## **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

4/03	Rep. Renee Kosel	Illinois House of Representatives
4/06	Rep. JoAnn Osmond	Illinois House of Representatives
4/06	Rep. Ed Sullivan, Jr.	Illinois House of Representatives
4/07	Mike Gillson	Ameren
4/09	Rodney Eveans	EVCO National, Inc.
4/09	Gary Osborne	William M. BeDell ARC
4/11	Jay Rankin	WRB Refining LLC
4/14	Rep. Harry Osterman	Illinois House of Representatives
4/15	Rep. Dennis Reboletti	Illinois House of Representatives
4/15	Rep. Ronald Wait	Illinois House of Representatives
4/19	Speaker Michael Madigan	Illinois House of Representatives
4/10	John Wories	ASF – Keystone, Inc.
4/21	Dr. Fred Golden	William M. BeDell ARC
4/22	Dave McKinney	Shell Chemical LP
4/24	Rep. Maria Antonia Berrios	Illinois House of Representatives
4/28	Rep. Annazette Collins	Illinois House of Representatives
4/30	Rep. Al Riley	Illinois House of Representatives

## **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

5/03	Rep. Barbara Flynn Currie	Illinois House of Representatives
5/05	Marilyn Tischhauser	Senator McCarter Staff
5/06	Lou Pattan	Olin Corporation
5/06	Sen. Louis Viverito	Illinois State Senate
5/08	Rep. Roger Eddy	Illinois House of Representatives
5/08	Sen. Heather Steans	Illinois State Senate
5/10	Rep. John Bradley	Illinois House of Representatives
5/10	Sen. Kimberly Lightford	Illinois State Senate
5/12	Rep. Jack McGuire	Illinois House of Representatives
5/14	Ron Payton	Gateway Regional Medical Center
5/14	Sen. Arthur Wilhelmi	Illinois State Senate
5/15	Sen. Bill Brady	Illinois State Senate
5/17	Cheryl Thorp	Olin Corporation
5/20	Sen. Toi Hutchinson	Illinois State Senate
5/20	Rep. Angelo Saviano	Illinois House of Representatives
5/22	Sen. Edward Maloney	Illinois State Senate
5/23	Rep. Michael Smith	Illinois House of Representatives
5/26	Sen. Dan Rutherford	Illinois State Senate

## **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

6/01	Sen. Kirk Dillard	Illinois State Senate
6/01	Sen. Mattie Hunter	Illinois State Senate
6/05	Rep. Greg Harris	Illinois House of Representatives
6/06	Donna Bailey	William M. BeDell ARC
6/06	Larry Bomke	Illinois State Senate
6/08	Julie McVey	SIEA
6/11	Rep. Sandra Pihos	Illinois House of Representatives
6/12	Rep. John D'Amico	Illinois House of Representatives
6/13	Rep. Luis Arroyo	Illinois House of Representatives
6/13	Rep. Franco Coladipietro	Illinois House of Representatives
6/15	Gary Ayres	Lewis & Clark Community College
6/18	Rep. Gerald Mitchell	Illinois House of Representatives
6/20	Rocky Eveans	EVCO National, Inc.
6/24	Pat Heitzig	Cornerstone Bank & Trust
6/24	Rep. Joseph Lyons	Illinois House of Representatives
6/25	Sen. Michael Jacobs	Illinois State Senate
6/29	Sen. Dave Syverson	Illinois State Senate
6/30	Tom Walters	Caterpillar, Inc.
6/30	Rep. David Winters	Illinois House of Representatives

# HEADLINES FROM THE YEAR 2029

Ozone created by electric cars now killing millions in the seventh largest country in the world, Mexifornia, formerly know as California.

Spotted Owl plague threatens northwestern United States crops and livestock.

Iran still closed off; physicists estimate it will take at least 10 more years before radioactivity decreases to safe levels.

Castro finally dies at age 112; Cuban cigars can now be imported legally, but President Chelsea Clinton has banned all smoking.

George Z Bush says he will run for President in 2036.

Postal Service raises price on first class stamp to \$17.89 and reduces mail delivery to Wednesdays only.

85-year \$75.8 billion study: Diet and exercise is the key to weight loss.

Average weight of Americans drops to 250 lbs.

Global cooling blamed for citrus crop failure for third consecutive year in Mexifornia and Floruba.

Senate still blocking drilling in ANWAR even though gas is selling for 4,532 Pesos per liter and gas stations are only open on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Average height of NBA players is now nine feet, seven inches.

Supreme Court rules punishment of criminals violates their civil rights.

New federal law requires that all nail clippers, screwdrivers, fly swatters and rolled-up newspapers must be registered by January 2030.

Floruba voters still having trouble with voting machines.

## Discipline fueled his hobby...

James A. Brewer, a hospital worker by trade, nurtured a lifelong passion for inspirational writing. His routine for more than 41 years was to rise at 4:30 a.m. four days a week and write 200 one-liners. Brewer started this routine at age 16, and over the years his work has been published in numerous small town newspapers and national publications. Here's some motivational wisdom from this discipline and optimistic writer:

**Remember: Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it.**

**Autograph your work with excellence**

**Every moment is the right one to be kind.**

**A smile increases your face value.**

**Footprints in the sand of time were not made by folks who stood still.**

# FAILURES. . . BUT NOT QUITE

He was a wealthy Swiss banker and at the age of 30, he was sent by the Swiss government to negotiate a business deal with Napoleon that would benefit both the French and the Swiss.

He had to travel to the plain of Solferino where Napoleon was about to do battle with the Austrians.

He tried to reach the scene before the battle began but he was too late. His carriage came to a halt on top of the hill that overlooked the battlefield

He could hear the screams of injured and the dying, and sat in a trance at the horror below him.

He returned to Switzerland and become a fanatic on the subject of peace and mercy.

His business suffered and he was soon broke. But he persisted. He died in 1910, almost forgotten by the world.

He needed no monument to mark his grave. As a symbol of the organization he had fathered, he had taken the Swiss flag a white cross on a red background and reversed it: a red cross on a white background. The organization which became Henri Dumant's everlasting monument is the Red Cross.

# WHY WE LOVE CHILDREN!!!!!!

A kindergarten pupil told his teacher he'd found a cat, but it was dead. "How do you know that the cat was dead?" she asked him. "Because I pissed in its ear and it didn't move," answered the child innocently. "You did WHAT?!!!" the teacher exclaimed in surprise. "You know," explained the boy. "I leaned over and went 'Pssst!' and it didn't move."

It was that time, during the Sunday morning service, for the children's sermon. All the children were invited to come forward. One little girl was wearing a particular pretty dress and, as she sat down the pastor leaned over and said. "That is a very pretty dress. Is it your Easter Dress?" The little girl replied, directly into the pastor's clip-on microphone, "Yes and my Mom says it's a bitch to iron."

When I was six months pregnant with my third child, my three year-old came into the room as I was preparing to get into the shower. She said, "Mommy, you are getting fat!" I replied, "Yes, honey, remember Mommy has a baby growing in her tummy." "I know," she replied, "but what's growing in you butt?"

## Water Displacement #40

The product began from a search for a rust preventative solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts. WD-40 was created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company. Its name comes from the project that was to find a 'water displacement' compound. Ken East (one of the original founders) says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you. . . 'It is made from fish oil.'

### DID YOU KNOW

- Protects silver from tarnishing.
- Removes road tar and grime from cars.
- Cleans and lubricates guitar strings.
- Gives floors that 'just-waxed' sheen without making it slippery.
- Keeps flies off cows!
- Restores and cleans chalkboards.
- Removes lipstick stains
- Loosens stubborn zippers.
- Untangles jewelry chains.
- Removes stains from stainless steel sinks.
- Removes dirt and grime from the barbecue grill.
- Keeps ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing.
- Removes tomato stains from clothing
- Keeps glass shower doors free of water spots.
- Camouflages scratches in ceramic and marble floors.
- Removes splattered grease on stove.
- Keeps bathroom mirror from fogging.
- Lubricates prosthetic limbs.
- Keeps pigeons off the balcony. (they hate the smell)
- Removes all traces of duct tape.
- Attracts fish. Spray a little on live bait or lures and you will be catching the big one in no time.

# Quotes. ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

It's every man's obligation to put back into the world at least the equivalent of what he takes out of it. **Albert Einstein**

We must deal with the world as it is and not as it might have been. **John Fitzgerald Kennedy**

A government big enough to give you everything you want, is strong enough to take everything you have.

**Thomas Jefferson**

A nickel ain't worth a dime anymore.

**Yogi Berra**

Alimony is like buying hay for a dead horse.

**Groucho Marx**

It took me seventeen years to get three thousand hits I did it in one afternoon on the golf course. **Hank Aaron**

Dying is one of the few things that can be done as easily laying down.

**Woody Allen**

A true friend never gets in your way unless you happen to be going down.

**Arnold H. Glasow**

Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first. **Mark Twain**

**SIEA'S CAPITOL CHILI DAY –**  
we estimated we served over 400 bowls of chili to Legislators, Secretaries and staff members. Big thank you to Senate Republican Leader Christine Radogno for allowing SIEA take over her office. On behalf of all of the SIEA members, we thank you for your hospitality and generosity.

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