

With a Little Luck

In many cultures, good fortune can be gained with the help of a lucky charm.

There's a long history of holding on to or displaying certain tokens to encourage health, wealth, love and protection. Coins are a common example in many cultures, whether you find one on the ground, toss them into a fountain or keep one in a pocket or purse. Other objects and shapes that are said to inspire and attract good things are the horseshoe, key, heart and circle.

Nature is full of lucky signs. One of the most visible this time of year, thanks to Irish folklore, is the four-leaf clover. Find one of these rare plants, and luck is yours. In China, the bamboo plant grows your chances of wealth and happiness. Look to the skies, and a rainbow will lead to a pot of gold, while spotting a falling star can grant a wish. Animals can also give you a leg up. Japan's "lucky cat," with its raised paw, signals happiness and prosperity. In Australia, frogs have similar powers; pigs are the pick in Germany; and in India, it's elephants. Members of the insect world, including ladybugs, crickets and dragonflies, symbolize luck in many countries, as do aquatic creatures such as dolphins and goldfish.

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Signature Salads

Do you ever wonder where some foods get their names? Celebrate salad season by learning the answers to a few of those mysteries.

Caesar salad. This mix of romaine lettuce and croutons dressed with Parmesan cheese, lemon juice, olive oil, egg, Worcestershire sauce, garlic and black pepper is the creation of restaurateur Caesar Cardini, an Italian immigrant who operated eateries in Mexico and the United States. Legend goes that the salad was created at the Tijuana location on a busy Fourth of July weekend in 1924 when supplies were low. Cobb salad. The story is that Robert Cobb, owner of the Brown Derby restaurant in Hollywood, put this concoction together as a late-night snack in 1937. The combination of chopped greens, avocado, tomatoes, hard-boiled egg, bacon, cheese and chicken was a big hit. Cobb's companion that evening was friend and Hollywood promoter Sid Grauman, who began asking for "Cobb's salad" whenever he visited the Brown Derby. It was soon put on the menu.

Waldorf salad. Although not a chef, Waldorf Hotel maitre d'hotel Oscar Tschirky often suggested menu ideas, and tradition says he created the Waldorf salad for the hotel's first banquet in 1896. The mix of chopped apples and celery dressed with mayonnaise—walnuts were added to later versions—was an instant success and became a signature dish. "Oscar of the Waldorf" included the recipe in a book he wrote titled simply "The Cook Book." Tschirky worked at the hotel until he retired in 1943.

Go, Fight, Win!

Give a shout for your favorite team—and the squad that supports them—during National Cheerleading Week, the first week of March.





MEMORY CARE

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Homemade Bird Feeder

With spring upon us, flowers begin to bloom and birds begin to tweet. Give those birds a delicious treat with a homemade bird feeder. Simply grab a box of unflavored gelatin and a bag of birdseed at your local grocery store. Mix 1/2 cup hot water and one packet gelatin; once the gelatin is dissolved, pour 1 cup birdseed into the liquid and mix to evenly coat. Next, fill a muffin tin or other fun-shaped molds with the concoction, and allow the mix to harden before "throwing" the snacks to the birds.

March by the Numbers

40. Pounds of dye used to turn the Chicago River green each St. Patrick's Day. 10,000. Approximate number of three-leaf clovers for every four-leaf clover. 50 million. Estimated number of Americans who fill out a bracket for March Madness, the NCAA men's basketball tournament.

"Magic is believing in yourself. If you can do that, you can make anything happen." —Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	11:00 Hayes Barton Baptist Church	6 10:30 Touring the City of Raleigh 1:00 Painting w/Friends 2:00 Air Hockey 3:00 BINGO	7 11:00 Ball Toss 1:00 Reminiscing 2:00 Decorating Ice Cream 3:00 Game Show with Friends	11:00 Master Gardeners 1:00 Spa Day 2:00 Magazine Search 3:00 Music w/John	9 11:00 Music w/ Sue 1:00 Kickball 2:00 Sip and Paint 3:00 Pokeno	Fanny Pack Day 10 11:00 Bowling 1:00 Family Feud 2:00 Happy Hour 4:15 Music w/ Christian	11 1:00 Board Games
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9	11:00 Hayes Barton Baptist Church	11:30 Boston Market outing 1:00 Name that Tune 3:00 BINGO	11:00 Horseshoes 1:00 Matching Game 2:00 Price is Right 3:00 Draw What U See	11:00 Words in the Air 1:00 Spa Day 2:00 Catch the Balloon 3:00 Music w/John	30 11:00 Magazine Search 1:00 Connect 4 2:00 Play to the Beat 3:00 Parachute	31 11:00 Movie Day 2:00 Happy Hour 2:00 March Birthdays Celebration!	Everyday Activities 9:30 Devotion 10:00 Morning Exercise 4:00 Evening Exercise



Prepare for Spring Weather

The arrival of spring means warmer weather is on its way, but there are plenty of cool days left as the seasons change. Be prepared for fluctuating temperatures by dressing in layers, which you can remove if you get warm and put back on if you get chilly. Also be sure to wear secure footwear and to grab an umbrella before leaving on outings.



Filled With Love

"May your home always be too small to hold all your friends." —Irish blessing

March Birthday

Shirley 3/10

March Outings

Touring the City of Raleigh 3/6
Trip to the Ice Cream Shop 3/13
Trip to the Library 3/20
Boston Market 3/27

March Madness

It means office pools.
Heartbreak. Buzzer beaters.
Braggin' rights. "March
Madness" strikes this month
each year. The goal is to crown a
national champion in college
basketball. But did you know
"March Madness" originally was
coined in relation to high school
hoops?

In 1939, Henry V. Porter, an administrator with the Illinois High School Association, referred to "March Madness" in an article he wrote describing the hoopla surrounding the Illinois state tournament. When TV broadcaster Brent Musburger used the phrase "March Madness" during the 1982 NCAA tournament, it ignited an association with what has become a much-anticipated March staple.

Journal Prompt: Self-Love

We often forget to compliment ourselves. Think back on what the most wonderful words ever said to you were. How did they make you feel? How can you keep that positivity flowing? Spend 10 minutes free writing about this topic, letting your mind wander.





