

For the week of:

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## Week at a Glance

### MONDAY 12/13

The second Monday of December is known as *Green Monday* and refers to one of the retail industry's busiest shopping days. Take advantage of the holiday deals before it's too late!

### TUESDAY 12/14

"Chestnuts roasting on an open fire . . .". The tradition of roasting chestnuts is marked by the season of good cheer. Why not roast up a batch for yourself on *Roast Chestnuts Day*?

### WEDNESDAY 12/15

*Bill of Rights Day* commemorates the ratification of the first 10 amendments to the U.S Constitution. Today marks 230 years since the event that now protects and confirms our most basic rights.

### THURSDAY 12/16

On this day in 1773, *American colonists dumped 342 chests of tea into the Boston Harbor* to protest the taxation on tea from England. Drink a cup of tea (or maybe pour one out) to mark the anniversary!

### FRIDAY 12/17

Today is the one day to wear something ugly and have it actually be considered "cool." Trade in your casual outfits for the ugliest and most festive sweater you can find on *National Ugly Sweater Day*!

## DID YOU KNOW?

- In the 1930s, a proposal for the 49th state (at the time) combined 23 Oklahoma counties and 46 Texan counties into **Texlahoma**, with the capital in Amarillo. Residents believed that having their own statehood and legislature would give them better access to improved infrastructure and services. The idea even earned the support of then-Vice President John Nance Garner, but the plan was dropped.
- The cupcake was originally known as the **1-2-3-4 cake** because the recipe called for 1 cup of butter, 2 cups of sugar, 3 cups of flour, 4 eggs, and also 1 cup of milk, and 1 spoonful of baking soda.
- In 2013, the Guinness World Records awarded a club in Texas for having the **world's largest gingerbread house**. This house amounted to 35,823,400 calories and it was big enough to comfortably house a family of five.
- **Bing Crosby's** version of "White Christmas" is the highest-selling single of all time.

## IN OTHER WORDS...

## Weekly Verse

## ONE LAST REMINDER

"History is not an endless succession of meaningless circles but a directed movement toward a great event. God has a timeline. And because of Bethlehem, we have an idea where we stand on it."

—Max Lucado

For more from Max, air his new special, *This is Your Moment* (26:00).

"He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Isaiah 40:29-31 (NIV)

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