

MONDAY 6/12

Happy **National Peanut Butter Cookie Day**! Although peanut butter had already been available in stores for over a decade, in 1932, "The Schenectady Gazette" published the first recipe for peanut butter cookies with fork decorations on top, making it the beloved treat we enjoy today.

TUESDAY 6/13

Did you know today is **National Sewing Machine Day**? In 1846, Elias Howe secured a patent for his functional sewing machine, unveiling a remarkable design incorporating a lockstitch mechanism. This breakthrough invention revolutionized the garment industry, injecting a surge of efficiency and accessibility into sewing.

WEDNESDAY 6/14

The first **Flag Day**, which took place on June 14, 1877 coincided with the centennial anniversary of the Stars and Stripes' adoption. Congress later designated June 14 as the official Flag Day in 1949.

THURSDAY 6/15

Charles Goodyear, today in 1844, patented the process of rubber vulcanization, revolutionizing the rubber industry. Today, we owe the durability and versatility of rubber products in various industries to Goodyear's vibrant spirit of invention.

FRIDAY 6/16

The Switchback Railway, America's first roller coaster, debuted today in 1884 at Coney Island. Designed by LaMarcus Adna Thompson, reaching speeds of 6 mph. This pioneering attraction paved the way for the rise of amusement parks and the enduring love for roller coasters in America.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The average European eats less than **1 tbsp** of peanut butter a year.
- The first sewing machines were **hand-powered**, but in 1858, the first electric sewing machine was invented.
- What do the colors of the American flag mean? **Red symbolizes hardiness and valor, white symbolizes purity and innocence, and blue represents vigilance, perseverance and justice.**
- The military used **Goodyear blimps** for observation during World Wars I and II. After World War II, Goodyear bought five of its blimps back from the armed forces, painted them, and began using them for promotional purposes.
- The **Switchback Railway**, spanned 600 feet and traveled just six miles per hour. Unlike today's coasters, the Switchback did not make a round trip loop, and passengers exited at the end of the track.

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"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace."

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

