

Administrator's Article - March Chaverim

I've always been a big fan of turning the calendar page from February to March. Winter is just not for me. March means longer, warmer days and the promise of springtime. It recharges me and puts me in a festive mood. So, I started doing some research about the month of March and what occasions there may be to celebrate. And I certainly found a few, some more "special" than others.

If you're a food-lover, March is sure to be a great month for you. Not only is it Frozen Foods Month, it's also National Noodle Month and Exotic Winter Fruit and Leeks and Green Onions Month. Think of the possibilities. Various foods are celebrated on specific days in March as well, including chocolate chip cookies, peanut butter, pound cake, banana cream pie, meatballs, artichoke hearts, popcorn, cheese doodles, tamales, spinach, and, of course, oatmeal nut waffles.

If you prefer to focus on mental acuity, you're in luck. March brings us American Crossword Puzzles Week, Jewish Book Week, National Science and Engineering Week, and Shakespeare Week.

Some March observances left me rather concerned. March 9th is apparently National Panic Day. Oy. Let's not spread the word about that one.

Those feeling unmotivated in March can look forward to National Procrastination Week, also known as International Goof Off Week. Hopefully, inspiration can be found on Simplify Your Life Day and National I Am in Control Day.

I hope the rabbi will understand that I won't be answering emails on March 8th, National Be Nasty Day, and that I'll be taking a personal day on March 10th, International Day of Awesomeness. But the rabbi can rest assured that I will NOT be going to Texas on March 11th and 12th for the World's Largest Rattlesnake Roundup. Nope, not me.

What, you may wonder, are the strangest observances in March? My vote goes to: If Pets Had Thumbs Day, Sock Monkey Day, National Potty Dance Day, False Teeth Day, Extraterrestrial Abductions Day, International Talk Like William Shatner Day, and Something on a Stick Day. Yes, there is much to ponder there.

You know what? I think I'll just stick to celebrating Purim this month. After all, Purim has community, costumes, cocktails, singing, hamentaschen, and groggers. Now, that sounds like a good time! I really hope you'll come out and join me, even if you are simultaneously celebrating Day of the Dude. It's Purim. We'll make it work.

PURIM Festivities

Saturday, March 4, 7:00 pm

Mamma Mia Adult Purim Spiel

Sunday, March 5, 10:30 am

Purim Carnival

Monday, March 6, 6:00 pm

Purim Extravaganza- Megillah Reading and Israeli Dinner (RSVP for this one, please)