

# MoNdAy FuNnIeS

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The MoNdAy FuNnIeS were started on the 22nd of Sept 1997.  
This is our 11th year of trying to help you smile every Monday Morning.

Now that is a lot of smiles!

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## Wisdom For The Week :

(contributed by Carlton Schultz.... Thanks Carlton)

"Never use up too much of your yesterday, today."

Will Rogers

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What do you get when you cross a kangaroo with a calendar?

A leap year!

A surprising fact is that a man's fifth birthday is the day he turns twenty. How is this possible?

He was born on Feb 29 Its a leap year that only comes every 4 years....so after he is born he technically turn 1 after 4 years...and then after 8 years he turns 2 and so on....

### February 29th in English Law

According to English law, February 29th was ignored and had no legal status. Folks assumed that traditions would also have no status on that day. It was also reasoned that since the leap year day existed to fix a problem in the calendar, it could also be used to fix an old and unjust custom that only let men propose marriage.

The first documentation of this practice dates back to 1288, when Scotland passed a law that allowed women to propose marriage to the man of their choice in that year. They also made it law that any man who declined a proposal in a leap year must pay a fine. The fine could range from a kiss to payment for a silk dress or a pair of gloves

### Sadie Hawkins Day

In the United States, some people have referred to this date, February 29th, as Sadie Hawkins Day with women being given the right to run after unmarried men to propose.

Sadie Hawkins was a female character in the Al Capp cartoon strip Li'l Abner. Many communities prefer to celebrate Sadie Hawkins Day in November which is when Al Capp first mentioned Sadie Hawkins Day. However Al Capp referred to Sadie Hawkins Day as the Saturday after November 9th.

Now you know and can prepare.....

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## Consumer TipS

(Contributed by Craig Hughs..... thanks Craig)

We talked before about putting your car keys by your bed at night so if you hear someone outside your home that should not be there, you can press the panic button and it will start the car horn honking and scare them away. Here is an interesting variation of that for older folks.

If you carry you car keys with you, then if you fall down or get hurt outside and you family doesn't hear you, you can press the panic button and the car horn will start honking and bring them outside or cause them to start looking for you. This will also work if you have a remote for your house alarm.

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Make it a wonderful and happy week!!!!  
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