



Our Community Newsletter

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Timeless Treasures

Old-fashioned toys have a timeless charm that still brings joy during the holiday season. These classic playthings remind us that fun doesn't need to be high-tech to be memorable. Take a Slinky, for example. Invented in the 1940s by a mechanical engineer, this simple metal spring became an instant hit. Kids marveled as it walked down stairs. Over 300 million Slinkys have been sold since. Then there's the yo-yo, which dates back to ancient Greece. The modern version we know today gained popularity in the 1920s. Yo-yos were the must-have for the kids learning tricks like "Walk the Dog" and "Around the World." They remain a nostalgic favorite and are often found in Christmas stockings.

Another beloved toy is the Etch A Sketch, introduced in the 1960.

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Reflection

As the year ends, it's time to pause and take some time to embrace the wisdom that the holiday season brings. December is a time for reflection, celebration, and embracing the winter season. reflect on the year: December is the last month of the year, which can make people think about what's to come. It can be a time to reflect on what you've achieved and how you've grown. Celebrate the season: December is a festive time with winter holidays like Christmas, Kwanza, and Chanukah. It can be a time to celebrate with family and friends. Practice gratitude: December can a time to give thanks and show charity and peace. Find stillness: December can be a time to find stillness and rest, and to switch off from the everyday hustle and bustle of life.

Quotes and Wishes

"December is a simple wish that brings spectacular moments"
Unknown.

May the holiday season be wrapped in happiness and tied with love.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life

In Memoriam

We would like to extend sympathy to our friends that passed away
Wendell Shoberg and **Betty Rear**



Todd Morrisette B7
Sandra Hurst MC 7

Dorothy Johnson MC 4

December Birthdays

If you were born between December 1-21, you are Sagittarius, the Archer. Archers are optimistic, energetic, generous, and honest. They enjoy exploration and keep an open mind during new encounters. Those born between December 22-31 are Capicorns, the Goat. Capicorns are the most stable and serious signs of the zodiac. Reliable, resourceful, and determined, they make excellent leaders and managers.

Lou Rawls (singer) - December 1, 1933

Louis Prima (singer) - December 7, 1910

Judi Dench (actress) - December 9, 1934

Connie Francis (singer) - December 12, 1938

J. Paul Getty (tycoon) - December 15, 1892

William Parry (explorer) - December 19, 1790

Ava Gardner (actress) - December 24, 1922

Ted Danson (actor) - December 29, 1947

Tiger Woods (golfer) - December 30, 1975

Our Birthdays here are

Joni O'Neil 12/3

Judy K 12/19

Sharon Foss 12/13

Luella Evans 12/21

**The monthly birthday party will be December 3 in
Memory Care at 1:30 and December 5th 3pm in Assisted
Living**

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This magical drawing board uses knobs to create pictures with aluminum powder. It sold over 600,000 units during its first Christmas season. The Etch A Sketch became a staple under the Christmas tree, offering endless creativity without the need for batteries. No list of classic toys would be complete without the beloved jack-in-the-box. Originating in the 16th century, this whimsical toy has delighted children for centuries. The thrill of turning the crank and waiting for the cheerful pop of a clown or other character never gets old.-- a perfect reminder that sometimes the most delightful toys are the ones that make us smile with anticipation.

And who could forget Lincoln Logs? These wooden building sets were created in 1916 by John Lloyd Wright, the son of renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright. This open-ended toy allowed children to build miniature log cabins and other structures. The sets are still cherished for their simplicity and the way they spark the imagination. These toys remind us that sometimes the simplest playthings bring the most joy. Consider adding a few of these timeless classics to your holiday traditions. Perhaps you even have some stored away in the attic. They're sure to bring smiles, just as they have for generations.

