

## Three Strikes From The Baseball Diamond

With baseball season in full swing, these three true stories from the ballpark should bring a smile to any fan's face.

**Dizzy Dean:** St. Louis manager Frankie Frisch once told his pitchers before a game not to throw a fastball to Tony Cuccinello of Brooklyn. Dizzy Dean disagreed, telling Frisch, "He can't hit my fastball."

During the game, Dean kept asking his managers to let him try his fastball. Finally, when St. Louis was well ahead, Frisch agreed.

Dean pitched, and Cuccinello knocked a home run out of the park.

When Dean returned to the bench, he told the manager, "By gosh, Frankie, you were right for once."

**Casey Stengel:** Giants catcher Phil Masi was catching in a game with pitcher Al Javery on the mound. The first three batters all got hits off of Javery's first pitch. Disgusted, manager Casey Stengel called a conference on the mound. Masi joined Stengel and Javery. "What kind of pitches has he been throwing?" Stengel asked the catcher.

"I don't know," Masi answered. "I haven't caught one yet."

**Yogi Berra:** A reporter was interviewing Yogi Berra about last night's game and asked about Berra's two hits. Berra immediately pointed out that he'd actually gotten three hits.

The reporter said, "I checked the box score, and it said you had two hits. But that must have been a typographical error, right?"

"Hell, no," Berra replied. "It was a clean single to left."

## Wise Words To Share On Mother's Day

Looking for something profound to put on your Mother's Day card? Try some of these pithy sayings:

- ◆ **Dorothy C. Fisher:** "A mother is not a person to lean on but a person to make leaning unnecessary."
- ◆ **Mark Twain:** "My mother had a great deal of trouble with me, but I think she enjoyed it."
- ◆ **Anna Quindlen:** "The world is full of women blindsided by the unceasing demands of motherhood, still flabbergasted by how a job can be terrific and torturous."
- ◆ **Marilyn French:** "To nourish children and raise them against odds is any time, any place, more valuable than to fix bolts in cars or design nuclear weapons."
- ◆ **Joan Rivers:** "My mother could make anybody feel guilty, she used to get letters of apology from people she didn't even know."
- ◆ **Dorothy Parker:** "The best way to keep children home is to make the home atmosphere pleasant, and let the air out of the tires."
- ◆ **Diana, Princess of Wales:** "A mother's arms are more comforting than anyone else's."

"The only thing that stands between you and your dream is the will to try and the belief that it is actually possible."

- Joel Brown

### May Events

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| May 5th  | Cinco de Mayo            |
| May 10th | Mother's Day             |
| May 12th | International Nurses Day |
| May 16th | Armed Forces Day         |
| May 25th | Memorial Day             |



### Spring Showers Bring May Flowers and Wet Driving Conditions

On rainy days, try to slow down and increase your following distance. Allowing more time to stop quickly will help keep you out of harms way. Be aware on misty days too. Even a small amount of water can mix with oil and grease causing slippery road conditions.



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## **Adults Should Make Time To Play**

Play isn't just for children. You may not be picking sides for dodge ball or jumping rope at recess, but as an adult, you need some playtime to relieve stress, keep your mind sharp, and stay physically fit. Try these simple ideas for putting play into your life:

- ◆ **Play games.** Host a regular night or weekend with family and friends.
- ◆ **Go out with co-workers.** Join in after-work activities with others in your organization.
- ◆ **Get a pet.** Playing with a dog or cat can be relaxing and fun.
- ◆ **Find playful friends.** Expand your network to include some positive-minded people who like to try new things.
- ◆ **Take up a hobby.** Get involved in something that will exercise your mind and body. You'll meet new people while you put more play into your life.

## **The Value of Reciting Nursery Rhymes**

Nursery rhymes have delighted parents and children for decades, and it turns out they are educational as well as fun. According to the Canadian Language and Literacy Research Network, reciting nursery rhymes to children teaches them the rhythm of speech and helps them become aware of the syllables and sounds that form words. It draws attention to the grammatical structure of language and helps children learn to pronounce consonants clearly.



## **Keep Kids Active At Camp This Summer**

Summer is near. If you don't want your children to spend their whole vacation watching TV and playing video games, sending them to camp can keep them active and engaged in learning. You can find camps for almost everything from math and science to horseback riding and football, as well as those specializing in kids with disabilities.

Start by involving your children in the decision. Ask them to suggest what they would like to do best and present as many options as possible. Negotiate on what will make the best camp experience.

Keep the different types of camps in mind:

- ▶ **Resident camp.** Kids stay for periods of time, from five days to eight weeks. They sleep overnight and participate in a variety of supervised activities.
- ▶ **Day camp.** Kids are transported to a facility each morning and return home in late afternoon.
- ▶ **Travel and trip camp.** It's an outdoor experience where kids move to sites by hiking, horseback, canoeing, or other means.

Finally, look for a camp accredited by the American Camping Association.



## **Giving Flowers?**

Whether you're buying flowers for Mother's Day or a prom date, remember that flowers have special meanings. Here are a few to keep in mind:

- \* Carnation: constancy, joy
- \* Chrysanthemum: optimism, hope, happiness
- \* Daisy: purity, loyalty, innocence
- \* Freesia: trust
- \* Gladiola: remembrance
- \* Iris: faith, wisdom, promise
- \* Larkspur: appreciation
- \* Lily: devotion
- \* Orchid: love, beauty
- \* Rose (pink): sweetness
- \* Rose (red): true love, desire
- \* Rose (white): true love, purity
- \* Rose (yellow): friendship
- \* Snapdragon: virtue
- \* Tulip: love at first sight



# **May Is Mom's Month**

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**Always be willing to look at both sides of the argument. Understanding the other side is the best way to strengthen your own.**



### *Good Ideas & Small Packages*

Benjamin and Betty Eisenstadt ran a cafeteria across the street from the Brooklyn Navy Yard during World War II. There were enough workers to keep them serving 24 hours a day. But then the war ended and business nearly ground to a halt.

One day Betty started thinking about how messy sugar bowls could be. What if, she thought, each serving of sugar came in its own tidy little bag?

So Benjamin and Betty got out a machine they had for making tea bags and started bagging sugar. They pitched their idea to a local sugar manufacturer. Unfortunately, they did such a good job of selling the concept that the manufacturer started bagging the sugar himself.

But the Eisenstadts didn't let another setback get them down. They started bagging soy sauce and ketchup until someone suggested using their packets to market a sugar substitute, and Sweet'N Low was born.

### *Thanks For The Kind Words*

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*-Kevin*

### *Get Caught Reading Month*

A nationwide campaign to remind people of all ages how much fun reading can be. The Get Caught Reading organization encourages readers young and old to enjoy books and magazines and to share that pleasure with everyone, especially children.



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## **May Is Armed Forces Month**

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