

THE EDGERTON EAGLE

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NEWSLETTER



Cinco de Mayo—or the fifth of May—is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War (1861-1867), a relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with large Mexican-American populations.

MAY

It is the third and last month of the season of spring. The birthstone of May, the emerald, symbolizes success and love. May in the Northern Hemisphere is similar to November in the Southern Hemisphere. May was once considered a bad luck month to get married. There is a poem that says "Marry in May and you'll rue the day". In Old English May is called the "month of three milkings" referring to a time when the cows could be milked three times a day. The Indianapolis 500 car race is held each year during this month. The Kentucky Derby, the world's most famous horse race, is also held on the second Saturday of this month. The month of May is devoted to the Virgin Mary in the Catholic Church. The United Kingdom celebrates May as the National Smile Month. The last week of May is Library and Information Week.



"At last came the golden month of the wild folk-- honey-sweet May, when the birds come back, and the flowers come out, and the air is full of the sunrise scents and songs of the dawning year." ? Samuel Scoville Jr.



Friendly Reminder's:

Please do not hang laundry, rugs or towels over the balcony. Please make sure when barbecuing that you are 15 feet from the building. Not only is it dangerous if you are under someone else's balcony the smoke goes up and right into their apartment. Bicycles should be kept outside in the racks provided. Please keep inside hallways clear and clutter free. Clutter and items in the hallway can be a very dangerous hazard during an emergency and trying to leave the building quickly or during a power outage

LOVAGE - The most versatile herb you've never heard of and easy to grow on patio, balcony or window. Use in pureed soups, omelets, or turkey burgers. You can even infuse a simple syrup with it for cocktails with mysterious notes. **LOVAGE OIL** bunch of fresh young lovage leaves and 2 cups sunflower oil. Crush leaves with a mortar and pestle, add a little oil and crush them again. Continue until half the oil is used, then transfer the mix to a bottle. Add the remaining oil and shake. No mortar and pestle use a food processor, blend very briefly. (for the count of 5). Leave the bottle in a sunny window and shake from time to time. After 2 weeks strain through muslin, pour into fresh bottle and add a fresh sprig of Lovage for decoration.



Early Bird Contest

Every month every one paying their rent before the 1st of the month. Their name will be placed in a hat. We will draw one name and that person will receive \$25.00 off their next months RENT! The Winner for May is N-3 Take \$25.00 off June's rent!!!

HISTORY OF THE MAY POLE

Maypole dancing is a form of folk dance from Germany, England, and Sweden. There are two forms. The first and most popular consists of dancers that perform circle dances around a tall, garland-festooned pole. In the second, dancers move in a circle, each holding a colored ribbon attached to a much smaller pole. As they move around the pole, the dancers intertwine their ribbons either in a web around the pole or to plait it to the pole, itself. To unravel the ribbons, the dancers retrace their steps. Historians believe the first maypole dance originated as part of Germanic pagan fertility rituals. Originally, the dancers danced around a living tree. While dancers usually perform this dance in the spring on May 1 or May Day, those in Sweden perform it during their midsummer celebrations. The second kind of maypole dance, with origins in the 18th Century, began as a traditional or artistic dance popular in Italy and France. Eventually, traveling dancing troupes performed it in London theaters, thus bringing this traditional dance to larger audiences. An English teacher training school adopted the maypole dance and soon it had spread across most of central and southern England. The dance became part of the repertoire of physical education for girls and remained popular in elementary schools in both England and the United States well into the 1950.



Interesting Mother's Day Gift Ideas We might have our own individualistic approach in paying tribute to these amazing people in our lives, our Mothers. Some such ideas are discussed here. Cookbook and Dinner Table Gift Set would be trendy tableware and one or more cookbooks to go with them. It is important to choose the present as per her style of cooking and serving. Her Favourite DVD/Music Collection A Mother's Day gift that last longer and can be treasured as a thoughtful gift for a long long time. This is also one gift that the whole family can enjoy and bond over on family time. Home Gardens gift idea. Indoor plants, small herbs in pots, flowering shrubs that grow in shade placed artistically on customisable stands would not only add to the beauty of her home but would also bring in a freshness to her home surroundings. Kitchen and Bedroom Decor In keeping with the flow of her house settings, you can choose a number of home decorative pieces as Mothers Day presents. If feeling unsure of finding the right kind of decoratives, it is not a bad idea to take your mother gift shopping and take her to lunch. She would be pleased with your considerate approach towards finding her the perfect gift on Mothers Day.

