



....keeping you informed

January 2025

Hello everyone and Welcome January 2025. Weren't we just celebrating New Year 2024? January 1st is the start of the New Year and an opening to new beginnings. A day of making resolutions about changing your life, health, getting those chores done. Creating a bucket list. Maybe a new hobby.

I hope you had a very merry Christmas. And the New Year brings all sorts of unexpected joys and much happiness.



January was named for the Roman god Janus, known as the protector of gates and doorways, who symbolize beginnings and endings. Janus is depicted with two faces, one looking into the past, the other with the ability to see into the future. A fitting symbol for this first day of the year; this month is our door into the new year.

National Hobby Month, starting on January 1 thru January 31! This month-long celebration is the perfect opportunity to explore new interests and hobbies or get back into an old one that you haven't thought about in a while.



Hobbies can range from collecting stamps, painting, knitting, gardening, And they provide countless benefits such as reducing stress, improving mental health, and connecting with others who share similar interest.

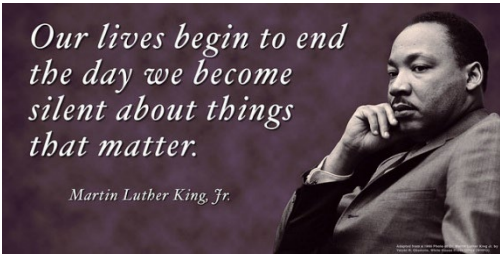
[NATIONAL HOBBY MONTH | January - National Day Calendar](#)

January's Moon is called the Wolf Moon. The Saxon word for the month was *Wulf-month* or "wolf month."

This year, the full Moon reaches peak illumination on **Monday, January 13, at 5:27 P.M. EST**. It can be seen rising from the horizon around sunset that evening.



The Quadrantid meteors appear in the early January sky, producing up to 25 meteors per hour at their peak. They'll be at their best on the night of January 4 into January 5. For the best chance at spotting them, venture out between midnight and dawn (if you can stand the cold). See our [Meteor Shower Calendar](#) to learn more about the year's meteor showers. Farmer's almanac



Martin Luther King, Jr - a civil rights activist in the 1950's and 1960-- birthday is celebrated on January 16th, the third Monday of the month. Dedicated to nonviolence, King was the youngest person to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. There are over 730 streets in the U.S. named after Martin Luther King, Jr. The city of Maricopa included.



THE SENIOR INFO/EXPO returns to the Maricopa Library and Cultural Center located at 18160 N Maya Angelou Dr. Maricopa, AZ 85138 on Saturday, January 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

This event includes information from 35 + vendors covering health and wellness, active living, legal services, medical care, leisure and travel, technology, and more.

More information go to: [Special Events Calendar | Maricopa, AZ](#)

COPA FARMERS MARKET is officially open January 5th at Central Arizona College-Maricopa Campus from 10am to 2pm. (Market is reoccurring - Held every other Sunday)

Interested in being a vendor?? Email copafarmersmarket@gmail.com for info!

Soft opening: Sunday, January 5th, 2025 10am-2pm

Grand opening: Sunday, January 19th, 2025 10am-2pm
Scheduled for every other Sunday after that.



Repeat of a not so crazy suggestion posted a few years back—but it might work.

Get a box of 100 envelopes number them 1-100 mix them up put them back in the box pick an envelope every week fill it with the dollar amount on the envelope at the end of the year you will have \$5050. For 2 envelopes twice a week it will take 25 weeks to save \$5050so if you have a 3 year plan you could have a little over 30,000.



I'd be interested to know if any of you will be trying this or have done this when first posted. Tks.

An old, tired-looking dog wandered into a man's yard. He could tell from his collar and well-fed belly that he had a home and was well taken care of. The dog calmly came over to the man, who gave him a few pats on his head.

The dog then followed the man into his house, slowly walked down the hall, curled up in the corner, and fell asleep.

An hour later, he went to the door, and the man let him out. The next day, the dog was back. He greeted the man in his yard, walked inside, and resumed his spot in the hall, again sleeping for about an hour. This continued on and off for several weeks.

Curious one day, the man [pinned a note](#) to the dog's collar, "I would like to find out who the owner of this wonderful, sweet dog is and ask if you are aware that almost every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap."

The next day, the dog arrived for his nap, with a different note pinned to his collar, "He lives in a home with six children, two under the age of three; he's trying to catch up on his sleep. Can I come with him tomorrow?"



A young man was walking through a supermarket to pick up a few things when he noticed an old lady following him around. Thinking nothing of it, he ignored her and continued on.

Finally he went to the checkout line, but she got in front of him. "Pardon me," she said, "I'm sorry if my staring at you has made you feel uncomfortable. It's just that you look just like my son, who just died recently." "I'm very sorry," replied the young man, "is there anything I can do for you?" "Yes," she said, "As I'm leaving, can you say 'Good bye, Mother'? It would make me feel so much better." "Sure," answered the young man.

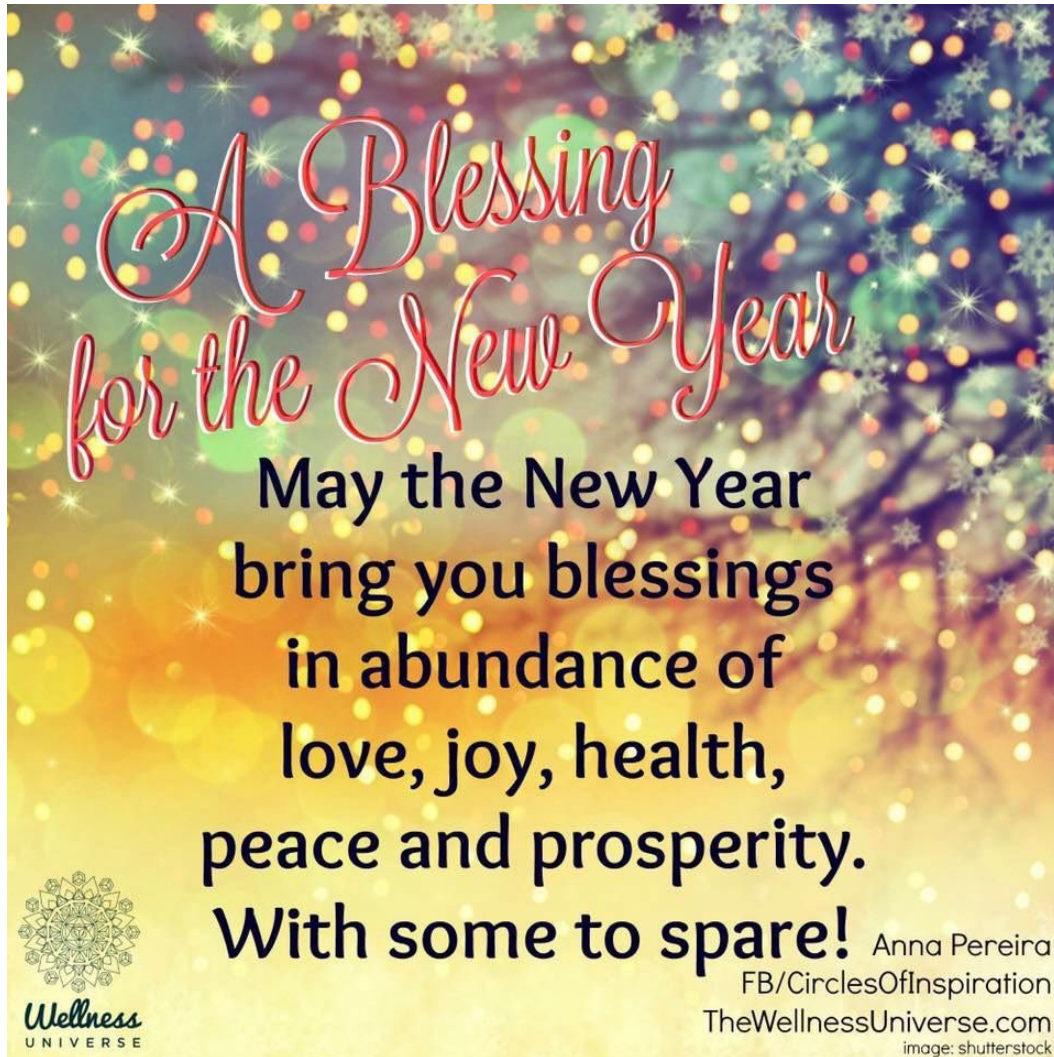
As the old woman was leaving, he called out, "Goodbye, Mother!" As he stepped up to the checkout counter, he saw that his total was \$127.50. "How can that be?" He asked, "I only purchased a few things!" "Your mother said that you would pay for her," said the clerk



Ray & I want to thank everyone for their continued support of the newsletter. And, for taking the time to let me know you enjoyed the information presented. That means more than I can say.

Wishing you all the best in 2025. Good health, prosperity, a year of peace, joy, pleasant surprises, happiness. Time spent with family and loved ones. Days of sunshine and rainbows. And endless blessings in the New Year ahead!

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