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A Granada Welcome to

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April Fool's Day!

The beginning of this tradition was in 1582, in France. Prior to that year, the new year was celebrated for eight days, beginning on March 25. The celebration culminated on April 1. With the reform of the calendar under Charles IX, the Gregorian Calendar was introduced, and New Year's Day was moved to January 1.

However, communications being what they were in the days when news traveled by foot, many people did not receive the news for several years. Others, the more obstinate crowd, refused to accept the new calendar and continued to celebrate the new year on April 1. These backward folk were labeled as "fools" by the general populace. They were subject to some ridicule, and were often sent on "fools errands" or were made the butt of other practical jokes.

This harassment evolved, over time, into a tradition of pranking on the first day of April. The tradition eventually spread to England and Scotland in the eighteenth century. It was later introduced to the American colonies of both the English and French. April Fool's Day thus developed into an international fun fest, so to speak, with different nationalities specializing in their own brand of humor at the expense of their friends and families.

In Scotland, for example, April Fool's Day is actually celebrated for two days. The second day is devoted to pranks involving the posterior region of the body. It is called Taily Day.

Mexico's counterpart of April Fool's Day is actually observed on December 28. Originally, the day was a sad remembrance of the slaughter of the innocent children by King Herod. It eventually evolved into a lighter commemoration involving pranks and trickery.

Pranks performed on April Fool's Day range from the simple, (such as saying, "Your shoe's untied!"), to the elaborate. Setting a roommate's alarm clock back an hour is a common gag. Whatever the prank, the trickster usually ends it by yelling to his victim, "April Fool!"

Practical jokes are a common practice on April Fool's Day. Sometimes, elaborate practical jokes are played on friends or relatives that last the entire day. The news media even gets involved. For instance, a British short film once shown on April Fool's Day was a fairly detailed documentary about "spaghetti farmers" and how they harvest their crop from the spaghetti trees.

April Fool's Day is a "for-fun-only" observance. Nobody is expected to buy gifts or to take their "significant other" out to eat in a fancy restaurant. Nobody gets off work or school. It's simply a fun little holiday, but a holiday on which one must remain forever vigilantespecially in the Granada, for you may be the next April Fool! Ed.



Are you ready for spring, let me know when the rain is over. This month we will have something special for Easter, get ready... everything is about to bloom. This is the 57th baseball home season game and we are going to AT&T Park again this year so stay tuned. Go Giants!

Opening day April 8th against the Arizona Diamondbacks catch it in the Granada TV lounge. Coincidence: April 19th is my daughter April's birthday and it is also Kevin's son's birthday. April is completing her English Literature PhD in LA and Kevin Jr. is completing his Sociology PhD in NYC. Is there a doctor in the house (of philosophy) April and Brennan came up to San Francisco 2 weeks ago expecting fog, you know what they got... same as LA, warmth, so we went to lunch at a trendy Valencia street bistro to discuss their upcoming in August wedding et al. I also made a promise to Saint Patrick again this year to bring my mother's ashes home to Ireland to be scattered in the Irish Sea off the Kilkenny coast. Remember, my door is always open. Thanks

Tony Davidauskis, manager

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