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History of Easter Eggs

Eggs and Easter have almost become synonymous. But what is so special in an egg?

It is the influence of the traditional spring rites that made Easter so egg-special. And myths coming down to us from an incredibly distant past have shown man's relationship with the egg to be very deep seated one. This is caught in old Latin proverb: *Omne vivum ex ovo*. This means "all life comes from an egg". Not just the Latin saying, eggs are just laid well over all corners of the world. From ancient India to Polynesia, from Iran, Greece, and Phonecia to Latvia, Estonia, and Finland, from Central America to the west coast of South America, there are reports of myths of the whole universe created out of an egg. Thus, it is not unusual that in almost all ancient cultures eggs had been held as an emblem of life.

In Europe an egg was hung on New Year trees, on Maypoles, and on St. John's trees in midsummer. Indeed, all meant egg as a symbol of the regenerative forces of nature. Later during the Christian period, it was believed that eggs laid on Good Friday, if kept for a hundred years, would have their yolks turn to diamond. If Good Friday eggs were cooked on Easter they would promote the fertility of the trees and crops and protect against sudden deaths. And, if you would find

two yolks in an Easter egg, be sure, you're going to be rich soon. That's what they believed!

Eggs were said to be dyed and eaten at the spring festivals in ancient Egypt, Persia, Greece, and Rome. The Persians of that time gave eggs as gifts at the vernal equinox. But it is not very clear how those colored eggs have come in to dominate the Easter basket. In fact, they have become so popular with the Easter celebration, that they even started to dominate the ancient concepts of the symbolism of eggs. It is speculated that it was introduced in Europe, or, rather Western Europe, during the course of the fifteenth century. This was when missionaries or knights of the Crusades are thought to have brought in the concept of the coloring of eggs westwards.

In medieval times there was a superstition: the church bells which had not been heard since Holy Thursday had been to Rome for the Pope's blessings and returned on Easter Eve with colored eggs for everyone. Many of the eggs were dyed red. Red was in memory joyous Easter celebration. Or it was to honor the blood that Christ shed. During the strict Lenten fast of forty days no eggs were eaten. And to show that they have obeyed families



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Texas Events - April

14-15—PORT ARTHUR: Mercado Days Festival 409/983-4006

14-16—BROWNSVILLE: *Romeo & Juliet* Camille Lightner Playhouse. www.camilleplayers.cjb.net 956/542-8900

14-16—GALVESTON: Will Rogers Follies Showcases the life and career of America's "favorite son." The Grand Opera House. www. thegrand.com 409/765-1894

15—CORPUS CHRISTI: Spring Garden Festival & Plant Sale Includes seminars, children's learning area, plants, and arts & crafts vendors. Corpus Christi Botanical Gardens & Nature Center. www. ccbotanicalgardens.org 361/852-2100

15—EDNA: Easter Fun & Games Begins with an Easter egg hunt offered in four age divisions: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-13. Afterwards, enjoy sack races, egg races, horseshoe tournament, volleyball tournament and more. Hours are 2 to 4:30 p.m. Lake Texana State Park. 361/782-5718

15—FULTON: Celebrate Texas History Entertaining and informative day celebrates our state's early history. Enjoy storytelling, live music, period games and demonstrations, crafts and more. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fulton Mansion State Historic Site. 361/729-0386

15—PORT NECHES: Trade Day on the Avenue Port Neches Avenue. 409/722-4023

15—RICHMOND: A Victorian Easter George Ranch Historical Park. www.georgeranch.org 281/343-0218

15-16—KEMAH: Easter Weekend Includes an egg hunt, egg decorating, giant egg pinata bust, pictures with the Easter bunny, sunrise nondenominational church service and more. Kemah Boardwalk. www.kemahboardwalk.com 281/334-9880

15, 18, 23, 25, 28, 30—HOUSTON: Bizet's *Carmen* Opera's most famous femme fatale returns. This is a co-production of Houston Grand Opera, Opera Pacific and Michigan Opera Theatre. Wortham Theater Center. 713/228-6737 or 800/626-7372

17-23—HOUSTON: Shell Houston Open Golf Tournament About 150 of the world's best golfers pursue the \$5 million-plus purse. Redstone Golf Club. www.shellhoustonopen.com 281/454-7000

18—BROWNSVILLE: Senior Art Show UTB/TSC Richardson Art Gallery. 956/882-7097

19-23—WEST COLUMBIA: 52nd Annual San Jacinto Festival & Shrimp Boil Includes a carnival beginning Wednesday and barbecue cook-off on Friday. Features a parade, arts & crafts show, talent show, antique car show, and horseshoes and washers tournaments on Saturday. American Legion Complex. www.westcolumbiachamber. org 979/345-3921

20—VICTORIA: Downtown Rhythms Begins at 5 p.m. One O'Connor Pavilion. www.victoriasymphony.com 361/576-4500

20-22—VICTORIA: Jazz It Up! Festival Downtown Victoria & Victoria College Auditorium. 361/574-5808

21-22—HOUSTON: Waste Management Earth Day Festival Children can enjoy a variety of games and crafts from building environmentally friendly bird feeders to puzzling their way through the Migration Trail Maze. Learn how conservationists track migrating birds. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Houston Zoo. www.houstonzoo.org 713/533-6500

21-23—MAURICEVILLE: Crawfish Festival Enjoy a canning show, contests, dancing, games, auction, carnival and crafts. Mauriceville

Festival Grounds. 409/745-1202

21-23—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Kids Cup Official Junior Angler Fishing Tournament Mandatory dinner meeting on Friday kicks off the event. This is an introduction to tournament fishing for junior anglers age 10 to 16. 956/943-0011

21-23, 28-30—CLUTE: *Steel Magnolias* Live theater production. Center for the Arts & Sciences. 979/265-7731

21-23, 28-30—SPRING: 20th Annual Texas Crawfish & Music Festival Features music on three stages, rides, exhibits, kids area and food. 281/288-2355

21-30—HOUSTON: WorldFest: Houston International Film Festival Brings a blend of feature films, shorts, screenplays, TV commercials, music videos and documentaries to viewers throughout the area. www. worldfest.org 713/965-9955

22—ALVIN: Annual Alvin Area Garden Tour Visit several private gardens plus the museum and grounds. Includes vendors with patio/garden art, furniture, decorations and more. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Marquerite Rogers House Museum, 113 E. Dumble. E-mail: pdkl@hal-pc.org 281/393-1538

22—BAY CITY: Artisans in Nature Jubilee Features birds of prey, arts & crafts, wildlife and nature show, kayaking, fishing, hiking trails, music, nature gardens, educational programs and more. Matagorda County Birding Nature Center. www.mcbnc.org 979/245-3336

22—CLEAR LAKE AREA: Gulf Greyhound Park — Wiener Dawg Nationals I-45 S., exit 15, between Houston and Galveston. www. gulfgreyhound.com 409/986-9500 or 800/275-2946

22—EDNA: Earth Day & Arbor Day Tree Planting Meet at the amphitheater and prepare to plant trees. Some trees are provided, but participants are encouraged to bring own. Call for a list of acceptable species. Begins at 2 p.m. Lake Texana State Park. 361/782-5718

22—FREEPORT: Riverfest & Flapjack Run Freeport Municipal Park. 979/233-0651

22—GLADEWATER: 21st Annual East Texas Gusher Days Events revolve around the nostalgia of the Oil Boom Days. Includes a

22—HARLINGEN: 10th Annual Rio Grande Valley Jazz Festival Hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Harlingen Municipal Auditorium, 1209 Fair Park Blvd. 956/427-3687

22—LA PORTE: San Jacinto Day Festival & Battle Re-enactment Includes living history encampments, re-enactors, weapons demonstrations, children's activities and more. At 3 p.m., enjoy a re-enactment of the 1836 battle, which won Texas' Independence from Mexico. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site. 281/479-2431

22—PASADENA: Earth Day at Armand Bayou Nature Center Includes environmental displays, demonstrations, children's activities, music, food and more. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Armand Bayou Nature Center, 8500 Bay Area Blvd. www.abnc.org 281/474-2551 22—PORT ARANSAS: Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup Mustang Island

and St. Joe Island Beach. www.glo.state.tx.us 361/749-7423 22-23—HOUSTON: BP MS 150 Bike Tour More than 12,000 cyclists participate. Two-day bike tour takes riders from Houston to Austin to raise funds to fight MS. www.nationalmssociety.org/txh/home 800/344-4867

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22-23—VIDOR: Texas Barbecue Festival Claiborne Park. 409/769-

22-23, 29-30—HOUSTON: Houston International Festival Spotlights Jamaica. Downtown is filled with ethnic food booths, arts & crafts, kiosks, exhibits and 1,800 various performers. Features music and dance groups from around the world. Downtown Houston, including City Hall, Tranquility Park, Bagby Street, Upper and Lower Sam Houston Park and Allen Parkway. www.ifest.org 713/654-8808

22-23, 29-30—WHARTON: Wharton Hidden Garden Tour Tickets and maps are available. 979/532-1862

23—LAKE JACKSON: Taste of the Town Begins at 6:30 p.m. Brazos Mall. 979/265-2505

24-29—WHARTON: Wharton County Youth Fair & Exposition Crescent Fair Grounds. 979/532-1862

28—ALVIN: Alvin-Manvel Relay for Life Hours are 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Alvin High School Stadium. 281/331-3944

28—HOUSTON: BREAK! The Urban Funk Spectacular Show explores the past 30 years of hip-hop dancing. Begins at 7 p.m. Jones Hall. www.spahouston.org 713/227-4SPA

28—RICHMOND: "Lets Go to the Movies" Spring Gala Includes dinner, dancing, auctions and evening of longtime memories. Safari Texas Ranch. 281/342-5813

29—HOUSTON: Monteverdi's The Coronation of Poppea (L'Incoronazione Di Poppea) Houston Grand Opera. Wortham Theater Center. 713/228-6737 or 800/626-7372

29—LA PORTE: Hard Hat Tour Aboard the USS TEXAS Enjoy a guided tour of areas rarely seen by the public. Reservations required: must be age 14 or older. Battleship Texas. 281/479-2431 ext. 234

29—RICHMOND: Springtime on the Brazos Free festival includes arts & crafts, children's games, musical entertainment and more. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fort Bend Museum. www.fortbendmuseum.org 281/342-6478

29—SURFSIDE BEACH: Spring Beach Clean-up Surfside Beach and Quintana Beach. 979/864-1541

29-30—CORPUS CHRISTI: Seashore Marketplace Includes arts & crafts vendors from around Texas, specialty displays, live bands and more. On Padre Island. www.seashoremarketplace.com 361/779-6989

29-30—HOUSTON: 35th Annual Hal John & Judy Wimberly Memorial Chili Cook-Off Traders Village. E-mail: kdkone@aol.com • www.houstonpod.org 281/890-5500

30—ALVIN: St. John's Family Festival Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. St. John's Grounds, 100 E. South St. 281/331-3751

30—BEAUMONT: Lamar University Spindletop Film Festival 409/880-7222

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The bunny as an Easter symbol seems to have it's origins in Germany, where it was first mentioned in German

where it was first mentioned in German writings in the 1500s. The first edible Easter bunnies were made in Germany during the early 1800s. These were made of pastry and sugar.

The Easter bunny was introduced to American folklore by the German settlers who arrived in the Pennsylvania

Dutch country during the 1700s. The arrival of

the "Oschter Haws" was considered "childhood's greatest pleasure" next to a visit from Christ-Kindel on Christmas Eve. The children believed that if they were good the "Oschter Haws" would lay a nest of colored eggs.

The children would build their nest in a secluded place in the home, the barn or the garden. Boys would use their caps and girls their bonnets to make the nests . The use of elaborate Easter baskets would come later as the tradition of the Easter bunny spread through out the country.



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For example: when a 10 SEER condenser can't be repaired and must be replaced with a 13 SEER condenser, a *fully functional* 10 SEER evaporative coil would need to be replaced with a 13 SEER evaporative coil. In addition, other modifications may be required to convert to a 13 SEER system. The coil replacement and modifications result in additional costs to the homeowner – costs that can total up to \$2,500.

One way to help offset the cost of replacing or repairing your A/C system is to invest in a home warranty through a reputable company such as Old Republic Home Protection. Although the home warranty will not cover code upgrades or modifications, without a warranty the entire cost of replacement and upgrades/modifications would be your responsibility. If you are purchasing a home, be sure that a home warranty plan offering 13 SEER coverage is included in your transaction.

CACA Household Tips SSSS

"Time" for Change

aylight Saving Time occurs every six months – we "spring forward" in April and "fall back" in October. Daylight Saving Time is the perfect 6-month reminder to:

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- ✓ Check and discard expired medications

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Fit Facts

I Need More Energy

You're in the middle of a long workout and you're wondering how in the world you're going to muster up enough energy to finish. We've all been there. It's as though someone has unscrewed the cap and let all the fuel out of our tank.

So what should you reach for to help you comfortably finish your workout? Sports-product manufacturers have come up with all sorts of new items to help you do just that. But are they really any better than the old standards: water, a banana or a bagel?

Before we answer that question, a caveat: There is no single solution that works for everyone. Once you explore your options, you can determine which is the best for your body's particular needs.

Choices, choices, choices

There are few things more essential to maintaining performance than staying hydrated throughout your workout. Water is an obvious first choice, but you may need extra energy in the form of carbohydrates to get through a particularly long or strenuous exercise session.

If this is the case, energy bars or gels and sports drinks may be the answer to your depleted energy supply. What follows is a breakdown of the pros and cons of each.

Water

Water is a calorie-free source of the fluid your body needs to keep going. There is no better way to compromise performance than to exercise while you're dehydrated. Research shows that your heart rate increases eight beats per minute for every liter of sweat lost during exercise. This can occur in as little as 30 minutes of exercise depending upon the environment and your intensity.

This increased heart rate, combined with inefficient cooling, causes your temperature to elevate. This

not only compromises performance, but can lead to heat illness as well.

Most experts recommend drinking at least a cup (four to 10 ounces) of water every 15 minutes of exercise.

Sports drinks

Activities lasting longer than one hour can leave your body wanting more than just water. Sports drinks, which typically contain about 50 to 70 calories, plus vitamins and minerals, are an easy answer to both the fluid and carbohydrate drain that comes from prolonged activity. Research shows that runners and cyclers who consume a sports drink during races not only finish more quickly, but rate their exertion levels lower than those who consumed a placebo beverage.

It is important to realize, however, that this was true only during

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longer-duration activities. You should be able to complete your 30-minute run or 45-minute step class without the aid of additional carbohydrates.

Energy gels and bars

Energy gels are a relatively new alternative to traditional sports drinks or bars. They feel similar in texture to pudding and are easy to eat and easy for your stomach to digest. They typically contain about 70 to 100 calories and may also include caffeine and other ergogenic aids.

Energy bars have been around forever and are eaten more often as a snack than as an energy replacement during exercise. Today, the market is saturated with numerous flavors and types, each with a different ratio of fats, carbohydrates and protein. The key is to find one that tastes good and doesn't upset your stomach.

At 110 to 250 (or more) calories each, energy bars also provide extra vitamins, minerals and fiber, which ups their nutritional value considerably. But eating an energy gel or bar is not enough. You must consume enough fluid to replace what's been lost as well as to help speed digestion.



How you choose to refuel during a workout depends on your body's reaction to what you put in it. For sessions lasting less than an hour, water is sufficient so long as you consume at least four to 10 ounces every 15 minutes.

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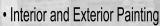
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<u>Free Diabetes Support Group</u> meets the 1st Tuesday of each month from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in the hospital cafeteria led by Sylvia Kircher, RN, CDE, CPT.

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