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December & January Non-Traditional Holidays -

Look at the Awards for auxiliaries for most outstanding activity or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays.

BE CREATIVE – MAKE SOMEONE SMILE 😊

- Dec 1 Eat a Red Apple
- Dec 9 Christmas Card Day
- Dec 12 Ginger Bread House Day
- Dec 15 Ugly Sweater Day
- Dec 16 Chocolate Covered Anything Day
- Dec 22 Date Nut Bread Day
- Dec 24 Egg Nog Day
- Dec 28 Card Playing Day
- Jan 1 Polar Bear Plunge Day
- Jan 3 Fruitcake Toss Day
- Jan 13 Make your Dreams Come True Day
- Jan 15 Strawberry Ice Cream Day
- Jan 15 Bagels & Lox Day
- Jan 20 Penquin Awareness Day

Don't forget local hospitals and nursing homes. If you can't get to see the veterans face to face ask to leave items at the nurses station for the patients AND the staff. They all could use a friendly SMILE 😊

Look up non-traditional Holidays. You may find one you like better.

## **Community Care**

Please visit va.gov/community care

Check out whether your veteran is able to utilize care in the community if the care they need is not available through their VA medical facility. In most cases, the veteran must be approved by the VA for the community provider to avoid being billed. Please check the website to be sure.

Check on MALTA (<u>www.vfwauxiliary.org</u>) Hospital program awards for the Auxiliary awards for the most outstanding activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on <u>non-traditional holidays</u>

BANDING TOGETHER FOR OUR VETERANS

REMEMBER YOUR WHY

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