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## This Month

### **December Birthdays**

- 1 Ann Hinckley
- **Delores Runningbear**
- 12 Paul Sawyer
- 25 Carol Ferris
- 25 Bertha Hoover

Worthy Matron Donna Pope

Worthy Patron **Charles Hanes** 

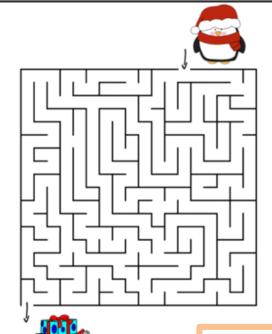








No Evil





Grab a pencil and piece of paper. How many words can you make using the letters in "Golden Rule"? We found **51**!!

JUMBLE	
O HISRASCTM RETE	
KDCE HET SHLAL	
GINEJL SELBL	
WE TEHRE GKSIN	
LTTEIL RUREMDM BYO	

Unscramble each of the clue words. Take the letters that appear boxes and unscramble them for the final message.









You don't have to wear the same old mask forever ... Barbara or Lavelle would be happy to give you a new one !!!

#### Free Masks

Lavelle Ford and Barbara Spencer are still making masks. Masks are free to all members and to all TMRC resident and staff.

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# Do More of What Makes You Happy III

~ May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent, from one another ~

#### December

December is formed from the Latin root decemwhich means "ten" ... but December is our twelfth month. The strange numbering discrepancy is also present for the months of September, October, and November, which mean "seven," "eight," and "nine," even though they're our ninth, tenth, and eleventh months. The ancient Roman calendar only had ten months in the year, beginning with the month of March. January and February were eventually added after December to the end of the year. But, by the time the Julian calendar was established in 45 bc, January and February appeared at the beginning of the year, which bumped all of the original months (and their originally assigned names) back by two.

Before this month got the name December in Old English it was called Gēolmōnaŏ meaning "yule month." The early Germanic people celebrated the mid-wintery season during a time that was called yuletide, a two-month period that spanned December and January. With the rise of Christianity, the yule was condensed and adopted into the liturgical year under the Christian name Christmastide, which begins on Christmas Day and lasts a total of 12 days—the 12 days of Christmas.

While we no longer call it the "yule month," the month of December is full of holiday events. Celebrating Advent, the Winter Solstice, Hanukkah, Christmas, and New Year's Eve.



