

Mac's Monthly Advice!

Happy Holidays from Dolaghan Law and your old pal, Mac! Holiday traditions are a great way to make memories with family and friends. From the decorations to the music, this time of year is really something special. Here are a couple holiday traditions you may not know about!

The Christmas Pickle:

The true origins of this tradition may never be known, but one story suggests that during the American Civil War, Private John C. Lower of the 103rd Pennsylvania Infantry, was captured and taken to the prison camp. On Christmas Eve in 1864, he begged a guard for a scrap of food while starving. The guard gave Private Lower a pickle. After returning to his family after his time in capture, he began a tradition of hiding a pickle on their Christmas tree each year. Whoever found the pickle would get an extra gift and enjoy a blessed year.

Love in the Czech Republic:

You may have heard of the old tradition of kids leaving their shoes out for Ol' St. Nick to fill with toys and treats. Well, in the Czech Republic, the single ladies have other ideas about lucky footwear. They stand facing their front doors on Christmas Eve and toss a shoe over their shoulder. The legends say that if the shoe lands with the toe facing the door, the single lass will soon find the love of her life and be married. If the shoe lands with the heel facing the door, well, the unlucky maiden will need to slip it on and lace it up, as there will be another year of searching for that special someone.

Whatever your favorite holiday traditions are, here's to having a spectacular season with the ones you love the most. Happy Holidays!



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