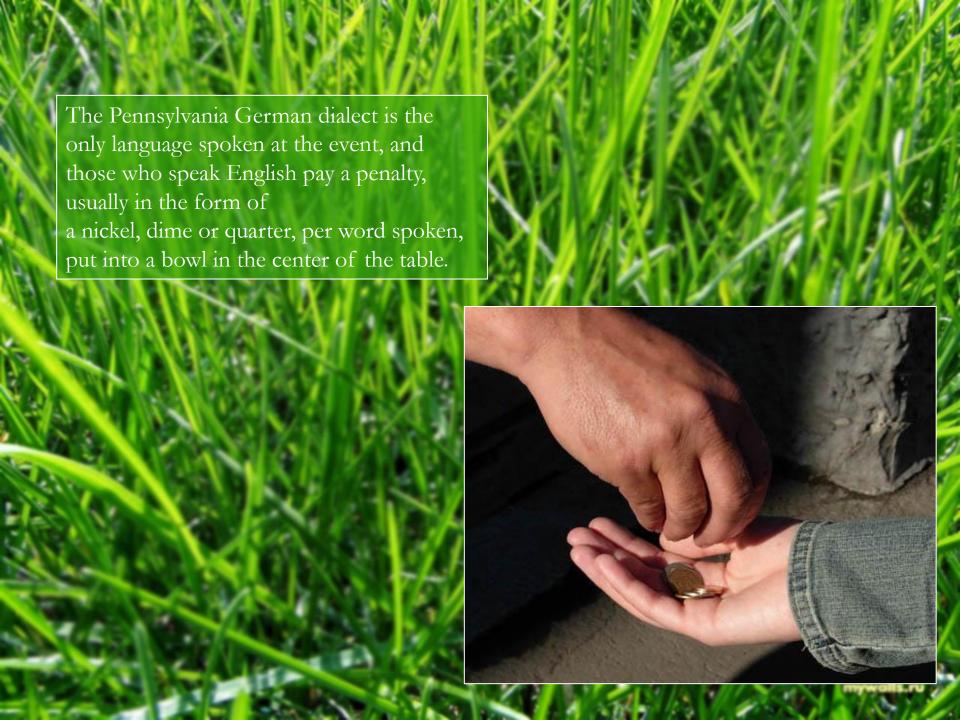


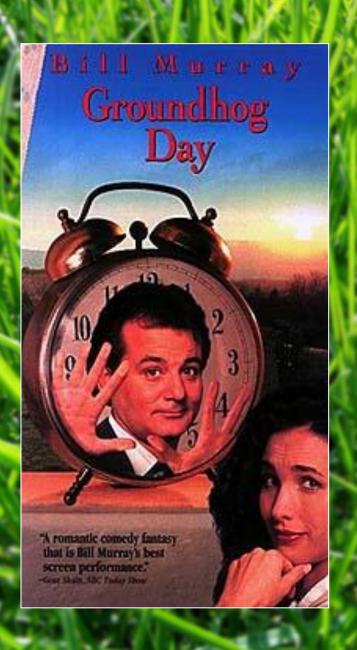


If a groundhog emerges from its burrow on this day and fails to see its shadow because the weather is cloudy, winter will soon end. If on the other hand, it is sunny and the groundhog sees its shadow, the groundhog will supposedly retreat into its burrow, and winter will continue for 6 more weeks.









Groundhog Day received worldwide attention as a result of the 1993 film of the same name, *Groundhog Day*. The main character (played by Bill Murray) is forced to relive the day over and over again until he can learn to give up his selfishness and become a better person. After this film the phrase "Groundhog Day" has come to represent going through a phenomenon over and over until one spiritually transcends it.