



DISEASES OF FAMOUS PEOPLE

I thought it would be 'fun' to start the new year with a stimulating game - mixing the history of some well-known people with their medical diagnoses. Disease comes in many forms, not just a pandemic. I will give you some key details, and you will try to identify the famous, but ill, person. The answers are at the bottom of the article.

Giving credit where credit is due: my selections have come from the work of Thomas Meissner, MD.

Case 1: She lived 1867-1934 and won two Nobel Prizes. While in her early thirties, she developed chronic radiation syndrome. At the end of her life she was exhausted and had festering burn wounds on her hands.

Case 2: He lived 1879-1955. In 1948 he had an abdominal aortic aneurysm wrapped in cellophane (that was the treatment of the day!) In 1955 with the aneurysm about to burst, he declined surgery with these words: "I've done my part, it's time to go. I'll do it with elegance."

Case 3: She lived 1919-1952, and in her early 30's developed cervical cancer. She had worked as a model and actress and was the wife of an international president.

Case 4: He lived 1917-1963 and died by an assassin's bullet. He had chronic digestive problems eventually diagnosed as colitis, and he had chronic adrenal insufficiency known as Addison disease.

Case 5: She lived 1884-1962 and was a major influential force in her husband's career. She ignored her ailments and was too busy to be sick. Her autopsy confirmed that she had disseminated tuberculosis and aplastic anemia.

Case 6: He lived 1859-1941. His was a breech birth, and was pulled out by his left arm. Injury to the brachial plexus resulted in his left arm being 6 inches shorter than the right arm. He underwent many unusual treatments from stretching, to baths of freshly slaughtered rabbits, to electrical stimulation - all to no avail. One historian thinks that these treatments amounted to child abuse and may have contributed to a major personality disorder.

Case 7: She lived 1918-1987 and was a movie star. Her inability to memorize her lines was initially blamed on drinking alcohol, but in 1979 a psychiatrist diagnosed her with Alzheimer's disease.

case 1: marie curie case 2: albert einstein case 3: eva peron case 4: john f kennedy case 5: eleanor roosevelt case 6: friedrich wilhelm of prussia (wilhelm ii) case 7: ita hayworth

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Dunbarton's Judi and Richard Goduti enjoying the Bow Times in the sun at Fisherman's Village, Punta Gorda, Florida.



New Hampshire FEDERAL CREDIT UNION



SUSAN LIBBY NHFCU ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT, LENDING, RETIRING

Susan Libby joined NH Federal Credit Union (NHFCU) as a loan officer on April 23, 1985.

In a few short years, Susan's attention to detail and talents in working with members in sensitive situations led her to a promotion to Collections Manager, where she diligently worked to get members' finances back in order while getting NHFCU repaid.

Susan's success in the NHFCU collections area and her knowledge of lending and compliance led to her appointment to Assistant Vice President, Lending, in 1994. In that position, she played an important role in the conversion to a new computer system, and the VISA Credit Card Program.

Susan then broadened her skill set and became NHFCU's Assistant Vice President, Sales & Service Operations, where she oversaw debit and credit cards, ACH, and share draft programs. As Assistant Vice President, Lending, Susan has overseen both consumer lending and mortgage compliance for NHFCU.

In 2020, Susan celebrated 35 years with NHFCU. She retires on January 21, 2022, just shy of 37 years of service. NHFCU congratulates Susan for making a positive difference for members throughout her years of service and wishes her well in her retirement.

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