Palindromes Coincide in Mitt Romney's Palindrome Birthdays

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This Tuesday, March 12, 2013, the 2012 Republican Party Presidential nominee Mitt Romney (born March 12, 1947) turns 66, a palindrome age. Although Mr. Romney's 66th palindrome birthday date expressed as 3122013 missed the palindrome date March 10, 2013, expressed as 3102013, by only two days, interestingly enough, his 66th birthday, expressed as 3122013, becomes a palindrome number if digits two and zero that are side by side switched places, resulting in 3120213! Also, Mitt's 66th palindrome birthday is a palindrome day if expressed as 3-12-13 (31213)!

Here are some more palindrome facts related to Mr. Romney's birthdays:

- 1. Mitt turned palindrome ages 44 and 55 in palindrome years 1991 and 2002! Wow!
- 2. Mr. Romney's palindrome birthday number 66 is secretly coded in 2013. Here is how: Take the reverse of 2013 to obtain 3102 and divide this number by two, yielding 1551, another palindrome number. Now, go ahead and split 1551 in the middle into 15 and 51. What do these two numbers add up to? (66!) (Similarly, add 2013 to its reverse (3102) to obtain 5115. Again, if split in the middle, 51 plus 15 yields 66!)
- 3. Additionally, if 2013 is split as 20 and 13, twice the sum of these two numbers results in 66!
- 4. Also, if Mitt's birth year 1947 is split as 19 and 47, these two numbers add up to 66!
- 5. Mr. Romney turned 11, 22, 33, and 55 in years 1958, 1969, 1980, and 2002 where the left-half and right-half sides of these years add up to 77, 88, 99, and 22, all palindrome numbers.
- 6. Also, 3102 (which is the reverse of 2013) is divisible by 66 since 3102 equals 66 times 47. Note that 66 minus 47 yields 19 and 19 and 47 put side by side result in Mitt's birth year, 1947!
- 7. Mitt will turn 77 in 2024, 88 in 2035, and 99 in 2046, where the sum of the left-half and righthalf sides of these years yield 44, 55, and 66, again all palindrome numbers.
- 8. As an aside, Mr. Romney's true palindrome birthdays will occur in the next two centuries in years 2130 (expressed with eight digits as 03122130) and 2213 (expressed as a seven-digit palindrome as 3122213).

Also, if numbers one to 26 are assigned to the letters of the English alphabet as A = 1, B = 2, etc., the numbers assigned to the letters of "Mitt" add up to 62 which equals 31×2 , where if the multiplication sign is removed, 312 represents Mitt's birthday, March 12. Also, twice the sum of primes 31 and 2 equals 66. In addition, if 312 is changed to 231 (by moving digit two to the left-hand side), 231 equals the sum of the numbers assigned to Mr. Romney's full name, "Willard Mitt Romney." Also, interestingly enough, if 2013 is split into 20 and 13, the difference of the squares of these two numbers yield 231!

Happy 66th palindrome birthday, Mitt Romney!