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THOUGHTS ON THANKSGIVING

In spite of having to deal with the effects of the pandemic, there are countless things to be grateful for! Here are just a few that come to mind:

Our precious families

The freedom to worship as we choose

Sight, hearing, taste, touch, and smell

The strength and energy to be productive

Health professionals who care for us

Abundant food that nourishes us

Shelter from the cold

The opportunity to help others

Good friends who listen

The right to vote our conscience

Clean water and indoor plumbing

Teachers who taught us to read

Technology that keeps us in touch

Loving parents who taught us right from wrong

The beauty of nature that surrounds us

And, of course, we are thankful for the friends and opportunities that Shepherd's Center has brought into our lives.

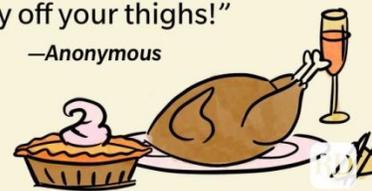
SO AS PUMPKIN EVERYTHING SHOWS UP EVERYWHERE AND THE LEAVES BEGIN TO FALL, REMEMBER TO SAVOR THE SEASON!

...from Country Magazine



"May your stuffing be tasty.
May your turkey be plump.
May your potatoes and gravy
have nary a lump.
May your yams be delicious
and your pies take the prize, and
may your Thanksgiving dinner
stay off your thighs!"

—Anonymous



IN MEMORIA

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A TRIBUTE TO ARNOLD

by Pat Dukes

A man of great honor
and superb intellect
He tickled our funny-bone
and earned our respect.

He tackled the titans
the mighty and high
and looked at his artists
with a much practiced eye.

We'll definitely miss him
his twinkle and smile
but we thank God He lent him
to us for a while.

TINY TALES

Please email us an original little story of approximately 100 words. It might just appear in one of our newsletters.

NOT ON THANKSGIVING!

I worked really hard preparing our Thanksgiving feast that year. Finally, dinner was ready. As I washed my hands, to my horror, I discovered that the diamond in my engagement ring was missing. I knew it had been in my ring before I started making the meal. Did it end up in the mashed potatoes, the broccoli casserole, the cornbread dressing, or perhaps the pumpkin pie? As we gathered around the table, I revealed the catastrophe and warned everyone to chew VERY carefully. I remember that the blessing included, "and, dear Lord, please let Mom find her diamond." Sadly, it was never recovered, but we were still very thankful that we could all be together (and that no one had broken a tooth on it.)

P.S. My husband replaced the diamond. 😊

Eunice Sabo



VERY GOOD ADVICE FOR US TODAY!

Most folks think that this famous quote is by Winston Churchill, but in reality these words were on a World War II poster and are now associated with his spirit and leadership of the British people. The poster itself was never issued during the war and was only discovered just over 10 years ago in a bookshop in the northeast of England. Since then the image and phrase have been reproduced and spread around the world!

MARY AND THE MAGIC SEEDS

Last winter I decided my yard needed a big bed of zinnias when summer came. I made a careful plan: Buy lots of little seed cups and zinnia seeds; plant the seeds in the cups and wait until I had a bunch of mini zinnia plants. Then my helper would prepare the soil in my designated zinnia bed.

Great plan: poor execution. I used heavy potting soil and forgot to water them. Not one zinnia came up in a cup.

Later I took the leftover seeds, scattered them in an uncultivated flowerbed and forgot them. In a few weeks, I had a bed of purple and orange zinnias! Now, in October, I still have beautiful zinnias blooming away. Jack's magic beans have nothing on me!

Mary Garrison

OH, WHAT A DAY!

We fondly remember that day in the winter of 2017 we received Arnold Breman's email offering to teach here at Shepherd's Center. After reading his resume, we were amazed that he approached us and that someone with his background would share his experiences on a volunteer basis. We learned that he had served as Executive and Artistic Director of four major performing Arts Centers and had also been Executive Director of the Joffrey Ballet Co. He worked with and presented more than 2,000 artists and attractions, including some of the biggest names in the entertainment industry.

Arnold's first class here was titled "Makem' Laugh" and laugh we did for the next 3 years! In fact, we located his class in the room at the head of the hallway so the music and laughter would not disturb other classes. He seemed to enjoy sharing his stories as much as we loved hearing them and during these years wrote three delightful books.

We will miss him more than words can say.



HOPE THESE MAKE YOU SMILE!



A man calls the Butterball Hotline with a complaint. "I bought a Butterball turkey and it said on the wrapping that I could thaw it in water, so I put it in the pool here at my apartment complex and it disappeared!"

The phone rings in the turnpike toll booth. "May I help you?" says the attendant. The lady on the other end says, "I hope so. If my family just went through the toll booth, what time should I put on the turkey?"

Erma Bombeck once said, "I come from a family where turkey gravy is considered a beverage."

A new survey found that 80% of men claim that they help cook Thanksgiving dinner. Which makes sense when you hear they consider saying "That smells good!" to be helping.

All health conscious folks know that vegetables should be a big part of Thanksgiving dinner. We suggest carrot cake, zucchini bread, and pumpkin pie.

Dear God,

I am writing about some concerns I have as a turkey. It seems that in your infinite wisdom you decided to make us fat, flightless, and evidently delicious. Did we say something to make you mad?

Sincerely yours,
Tom Turkey