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Gordon Memorial Expands With Display of Veterans Names

When Casey Walton isn't running their family business, Husker Auto Parts, in downtown Gordon, he is working on the next project to give back to his community.

The Gordon native, left the area and lived in Scottsbluff with his family from 1964 until 1975 and returned "home" where he has remained ever since. Many of his relatives are veterans. "My dad was a Marine and I was raised as a Marine. However, my chance of enlisting was ended when I lost my vision in my right eye at the age of 14," explained Walton.

Since he was young, he has put a lot of his energy into helping veterans, first by joining the Sons of American Legion, then as an American Legion Rider. He put his whole heart into these memberships and has served as a leader. He is the Current Adjutant for the Detached of Nebraska Post 34 Sons of the Legion, Past Western Area Commander Sons of the American Legion, Past Western Area Commander Nebraska American Legion Riders, Past State Commander Nebraska American Legion Riders. He is



Casey Walton in front of the part of the Veterans memorial in Gordon. The first monument wall in the center represents 270 veterans, 135 on each side. Since then two pillars have been added which will contain 180 names. The memorial will consist of a total of four when it is complete.

the current Commander for the Western Sandhills American Legion Riders. He also received the ALROH Award for 2021 in which they pick 10 people nationwide that meets the criteria. "In 2021 they chose six and I was one of them, American Legion Rider of Honor," noted Walton.



This Vietnam Cobra has attracted travelers for many years located on the Medal of Honor Highway in Gordon.

ABOUT THREE YEARS ago, Walton took on another project out front of the Gordon Legion. A memorial was started back in 2010 by a local veteran, Freeman Peterson, who passed in March 2017. He too was a Marine who served from 1951-1953 in Military Police Camp. The former pilot was able to get a Cobra helicopter which was flown in Vietnam and later used here in the States for searching for drugs. Over the past three years, they began expanding the display. Two pillars have been added made up of bricks with veterans' names. "It's kind of a work in progress. We are in the process of putting up the final two pillars. The American Legion was founded in 1919 on four different pillars and 4 different things we believe in: 1. National Security, 2. Children and Youth, 3. Americanism, and 4. Veteran Affairs and Rehabilitation," explained Walton.

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Veterans Memorial --

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The bricks represent all veterans from all over. "Anyone that served in the United States Military is eligible to have a brick on the wall from anywhere in the United States if they are still serving, living or deceased." added Walton. They have currently put up 495 bricks to date. The bricks are \$40 each. The bricks represent Vets from all across the United States from all walks of life.

"Each brick has three lines, and each line can contain 18 characters example U.S. Army is nine characters spaces, periods, hyphens, letters, and numbers count as a character. Just draw out what you would like on a paper and count the number of characters," noted

Walton. To have a brick added for yourself or any veteran, contact Walton on his cell at 308-207-5709 or work 308-282-2100. The bricks are manufactured by Bricks R US in Sarasota, Florida.

The Memorial welcomes all donations for the expansion for the military display.

They not only receive monetary donations, there is a lot of

volunteer work, including the masonry work. "Jason Harding of JLH Construction, along with Jim Urwin, a Master Mason, And Hubbel Masonry From

Alliance, along with the Pine Ridge Job Corps was contributed much appreciated labor. They are in the process of spreading gravel they received from Simon Construction in Wyoming which was hauled by Danielski Trucking of Valentine.

They are raising money to expand the park another 30 feet. They had just received a gigantic eagle from CSC. "It's 6.5 feet tall with a 13 foot wingspan. It's a big bald eagle. It's a monster," Walton said.

"We are working with the Wyoming National Guard and trying for an M110 8-inch Cannon. We will have a LTZ Army Truck on display that will be temporary until the Cannon shows up. We had to get certified through Tatcom to receive Static Display Merchandise from the United States Government. We have all the paperwork done," said Walton.

The Memorial Park attracts attention almost daily as travelers stop to take pictures. Gordon is included one the longest running highway through Nebraska and is officially known as the Medal of Honor Highway.

"My Son-in-Law Jason Anderson and my Nephew Shane Fisher both work at Modern Farm Equipment across the street and they say that several people stop and take pictures everyday," said Walton.

The veterans enjoy watching travelers stop to take



This Memorial display consists of names of Sheridan County veterans that made the ultimate sacrifice.

pictures almost daily. "It's great to see people pull up and look at it," Walton said.

They don't have a way to keep track of the visitors, but Walton just ordered a donation box and will ask for people to say where they are from. "We are located on the Highway 20 Medal of Honor Highway across the United States and work with the Nebraska Medal of Honor Foundation. So, we are an official stop listed on the highway," said Walton.

Walton is continuously spearheading not only events for veterans but for the community of Gordon and the area. The humble Walton said, "People are always in need... I do what I do in case I am ever put in the same position. Our local community is very generous I surround myself with the right people to get things done when it comes to helping out others."

When he and his wife Julie aren't busy in their business, they purchased in 1997, or busy volunteering in their community, they enjoy spending time with their large family. They had five children: Andrea Miller of Hemingford who is a District Judge; Casey Sharp of Bayard, a Registered Nurse; Amy Walton, a Grade School Teacher in Martin, S. D.; Carmen Anderson, Modern Farm Equipment Warranty Manager in Gordon, and Brandon Walton who passed away last year. And last but not least, they have 28 grandchildren!



This eagle from Chadron State will be repainted and added the display.



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Three Tips Stressed for Winter Farm Safety

From the slip hazard of icy grain-bin ladders to trucks skidding on snow, winter can pose dangerous risks to people and equipment on farms. Winter incidents may include frostbite and hypothermia, falls, drowning in an unmarked body of frozen water that cracked, and equipment that doesn't start easily in cold weather.

With all the work that needs to be accomplished on a farm during the winter months, it's important to be aware of the hazards colder weather brings and make an action plan to overcome them. By taking steps to mitigate these risks, farmers can protect themselves, their workers, and their equipment from harm while continuing to operate safely and efficiently during the frosty season.

Here are three tips for winter farm safety.

1. Create a Winter Survival Kit for Your Farm

Don't wait until a winter storm is brewing to begin gathering supplies that you may need during inclement weather. By then, it may be too late to drive to the nearest store to stock up and, even if you do make it to the store, supplies may be scarce. Prepare in advance.

When conditions do become severe, you'll want to ensure that you already have everything on hand that you need to comfortably manage a variety of conditions. These conditions could include being snowed in and unable to drive, a blackout, and freezing temperatures.

Therefore, it's important to ensure you have the food

and water, medication, tools, and supplies you need to get through whatever conditions you may face for several days. It's better to be over-prepared than underprepared.

Winter Survival Kit Checklist

Before the cold weather even hits, stock a winter survival kit for your farm and put it in a secure location that is easy to reach no matter the weather. Consider these items for your winter survival kit: Windshield scraper, Shovel, Booster cables, Tow rope, Emergency reflectors, Distress flag, Reusable phone charger, Flashlight with extra batteries, Matches and candles, First aid kit, Extra water, Snack food, Necessary medications, Survival blanket, Extra clothing

2. Make a Winter Preparedness Plan with Your Team

Work chores on the farm don't stop because of cold weather. It's important, therefore, to have a plan in place for how to work safely when temperatures drop and what to do if conditions become dangerous. The plan should include tending to matters related to the farm and taking care of the people working and living on the farm.

Prepare the Farm for Inclement Weather

A winter preparedness plan for a farm should encompass ensuring the land, equipment, and supplies are in safe working condition and that livestock are kept safe. It should be a team effort to keep an eye on these matters as their status can change quickly. Consider the following:

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Farm Safety--

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If using equipment, do you have enough gas? Try to keep gas tanks full.

Are walkways clear and free of slips, trips, and fall hazards? If you notice a potential danger, alert the rest of the team.

Are bodies of water beginning to freeze? Clearly mark them, and take caution that just because they look solid doesn't mean they can withstand the weight of livestock or a human body.

Is it safe to use a four-wheeler in the current weather conditions? Watch out for black ice and avoid driving in severe conditions.

Are you ready for power failures? Make sure all equipment and generators are charged and that there's a backup plan in place.

Do you have shelter for livestock to escape the cold? Take care that it has good ventilation and that there is adequate access to food and water.

3. Winter Safety Precautions for Farm Workers

Communicate with your team the importance of safety first. Develop standard precautions as well as an emergency plan should conditions become severe for staff and seasonal help on the farm. Set an example and follow best winter farm safety practices yourself too. For example:

Huddle up at the start of the day and have a safety discussion on what to do if someone becomes stranded.

Tell someone before you leave your regulator route.

Keep in regular contact with people who are working in poor weather conditions.

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NORTHWEST RURAL ACTIVITIES

Gordon-Rushville Mustangs

Nov. 2 VB District Finals
GRMS Halloween Dance, 7-9 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 4 National Honor Society Induction, 6 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 5 G BB (MS) at Crawford, 3 p.m.

Nov. 6-9 State Volleyball at Lincoln

Thurs., Nov. 7 WR (MS) GR Invite, 1 p.m.

Nov. 7-8 GES PreK P-T Conferences

Sat., Nov. 9 GBB (MS) GR Invite, all day
Unified Bowling @ Bridgeport Quad
GRHS One Act, 7 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 12 B WR (MS) at Valentine, 3 p.m.
G BB (MS) vs. Bridgeport, 4 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 13 FFA Careers in AG at Scottsbluff, 9 a.m.

Thurs., Nov. 14 B WR (MS) at Hemingford, 10 a.m.
G BB (MS) at Bennett Co., 5 p.m.
Elementary Winter Concert, 6 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 15 One Act Student Production, 8 a.m.

Sat., Nov. 16 B WR (MS) at Chadron, 9 a.m.

Mon., Nov. 18 WTC Honor Choir (GR host), 5 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 19 G BB (MS) vs. Alliance St. Agnes, 4 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 20 FFA D12 Leadership at CSC, all day
GES Picture Retakes

Thurs., Nov. 21 G BB (MS) at Hay Springs, 4 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 23 G BB (MS) at Valentine, all day
B WR (MS) at Alliance, 9 a.m.

Mon., Nov. 25 B WR (MS) at Bayard, 9 a.m.
G BB (MS) vs. Chadron, 4 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 26 One Act WTC Conf. at Kimball

Nov. 27-29

Thanksgiving Break, NO SCHOOL

Crawford Rams

Fri., Nov. 1 WR (JH) at Banner Co., 9 a.m.

Mon., Nov. 4 Picture Retakes

Tues., Nov. 5 GBB (JH) vs. Gordon-Rushville, 3 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 7 WR (JH) at Gordon-Rushville, 1 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 9 GBB (JH) at Rushville Quad, 8 a.m.

Mon., Nov. 11 School Board Meeting, 6 p.m.

Nov. 13-15 College Visits (Juniors & Seniors)

Thurs., Nov. 14 B WR (JH) at Hemingford, 10 a.m.

Fri., Nov. 15 G BB (JH) at Edgemont, 4 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 19 G BB (JH) vs. Hemingford, 4 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 21 G BB (JH) at Alliance St. Agnes, 4:30 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 22 B WR (JH) at Morrill, 9 a.m.

Tues., Nov. 26 G BB (JH) vs. Hay Springs, 3 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 27 BB (JV-V) Jamboree at Home, 10 a.m.

Nov. 27-29 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

Mon., Dec. 2 WR (JH) at Bayard 9 a.m.

Thurs., Dec. 5 Pep Rally, tbd
WR (V) at Hemingford, 4 p.m.

Fri., Dec. 6 G&B BB (JV-V) vs. Bayard, 4 p.m.

Sat., Dec. 7 WR (V) at Mullen Invite, 9:30 a.m.

Mon., Dec. 9 G BB (JH) vs. Sioux County, 7 p.m.
G BB (JH) vs. Lusk, 4 p.m.
WR (V) vs. Hay Springs/Bayard, 5 p.m.
School Board Meeting, 6 p.m.

Tues., Dec. 10 G&B BB (JV-V) at Gordon-Rushville, 3 p.m.

Hemingford Bobcats

Fri., Nov. 1 B WR (JH) at Banner Co., 9 a.m.

Sat., Nov. 2 District VB, tba

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Wed., Nov. 6 PAC Music Clinic, Hay Springs
 Nov. 7-9 State Volleyball at Lincoln
 Nov. 7-8 Pathways to Career Success at Kearney
 Thurs., Nov. 7 B WR (JH) at Gordon-Rushville, 1 p.m.
Mon., Nov. 11 Veterans Day Program, 10 a.m.
 Wed., Nov. 13 FFA Careers in Ag at Scottsbluff
Thurs., Nov. 14 B WR (JH) Home Tourney, 10 a.m.
Fri., Nov. 15 G BB (JH) vs. Hay Springs, 2 p.m.
 Sat., Nov. 16 B WR (JH) at Niobara County, 10 a.m.
Mon. Nov. 19 G BB (JH) vs. Crawford, 4 p.m.
 Wed., Nov. 20 FFA District Leadership Contest in Chadron
 Thurs., Nov. 21 PAC One Act in Hyannis
 Fri., Nov. 22 **G BB (JH) vs. Sioux Co.**
 B WR (JH) at Morrill Invite, 9 a.m.
 Mon. Nov. 25 G BB (JH) at Bayard, 4 p.m.
FFA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 Tues., Nov. 26 WTC One Act at Kimball
G BB (JH) vs. Morrill, 2 p.m.
 B WR (JH) at Gering-Bluffs MS, 5 p.m.
 Wed., Nov. 27 G&B BB (JH) at Crawford Jamboree, 10 a.m.
Nov. 27-29 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break
Sun., Dec. 1 One Act Soup Supper Public Perf., 6 p.m.
 Mon., Dec. 2 B WR (JH) at Bayard, 9 a.m.
G BB (JH) vs. Gordon-Rushville, 2 p.m.
 Wed., Dec. 4 ASVAB Testing (Juniors), 8 a.m.
 District One Act at Ainsworth
 Thurs., Dec. 5 G BB (JH) at Hyannis, 2 p.m.
 B WR (V) at Hemingford Invite, 2 p.m.
 G WR (V) at Alliance Invite, 2:30 p.m.
 Fri., Dec. 6 B WR (V) at Custer Invite, 9 a.m.
 G WR (V) at SW School in Bartley, 11 a.m.
 G&B BB (JV-V) at Gordon-Rushville,
 3, 4:30, 6 & 7:30 p.m.

Sat., Dec. 7 G&B BB (JV-V) vs. Hyannis, 1, 2:30, 4, 5:30
 Mon., Dec. 9 B WR (JH) at Mitchell Invite, 1 p.m.
G BB (JH) vs. St. Agnes, 4:30 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 10 Elem. & HS Vocal & Band Concert, 6 p.m.


Chadron Cardinals

Fri., Nov. 1 FB Playoffs, tba
 Sat., Nov. 2 Old West Choir Festival in Scottsbluff
 VB District Finals
 Nov. 6-9 State VB at UNL
 Thurs., Nov 7 WR (MS) at Gordon-Rush., 1 p.m.
 Fri., Nov. 8 FB Playoffs
 Wed., Nov 13 FFA Careers in Ag Day at Scottsbluff HS
 Thurs., Nov. 14 G BB (7th) at Alliance MS, 4 p.m.
G BB (8th) vs. Alliance, CMS, 4 p.m.
 Fri., Nov. 15 FB Playoffs, tbd
One Act Public Perf., HS Aud., 6 p.m.
 Sat., Nov. 16 One Act Western Conf. at Mitchell, tba
B WR (MS) Chadron Invite, 9 a.m.
 Tues., Nov. 19 One Acts at Gothenburg
 G BB (7th) at Bluff MS, 4 p.m.
G BB (8th) vs. Scottsbluff, 4 p.m.
3rd & 4th Gr. Concert, HS Aud., 3rd-6 p.m., 4th-7 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 20 FFA District Contest at Chadron
 Nov. 20-22 NMEA Conf/Clinic at Lincoln
Sat., Nov. 23 G BB (7th-8th) Chadron Invite, 9 a.m.
 B WR (MS) at Alliance Invite, 9 a.m.
Mon., Nov. 25 G BB (7th-8th) vs. Gord-Rush at Rush, 4 p.m.
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Tues., Nov. 26 FB Playoffs, tba
One Act MS Performance, 1:30 p.m.
One Act HS Performance, 2:30 p.m.

Nov. 27-29 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

Tues., Dec. 3 G BB (7th-8th) at Hot Springs, 4:30, 5:30 p.m.
 Wed., Dec. 4 One Act Districts at Sidney

Thurs., Dec. 5 G WR (V) Chadron Invite, 2:30 p.m.
B WR (V) vs. Gering (Dual), 6 p.m.

Fri., Dec. 6 G&B BB (JV-V) at Sidney, 4, 4, 5:30 & 7 p.m.
 Sat., Dec. 7 G&B BB (C) Conf. at Sidney, tbd
 G&B WR (V) at O'Neill Invite, 8:30 a.m.
 B WR (MS) at Summit Arena in Rapid, 9 a.m.

Mon., Dec. 9 B WR (MS) at Mitchell Invite, 1 p.m.
G BB (7th) vs. Gering, 4 p.m.
 G BB (8th) at Gering, 4 p.m.

Tues., Dec. 10 Gr. 6-12 Music Concert, HS Aud., 7 p.m.

Hay Springs Hawks

Fri., Nov. 1 FB 1st Rd. Playoffs
 WR (JH) at Banner Co. Tourney, 9 a.m.

Sat., Nov. 2 VB District Finals

Wed., Nov. 6 FFA Careers in Ag Day at Scottsbluff
 Nov. 6-9 State Volleyball

Thurs., Nov. 7 Girls BB (JH) at Sioux County, 5 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 8 FB Quarters

Sat., Nov. 9 Girls BB (JH) at Gordon-Rush Quad, 8 a.m.
 WR (JH) at Scottsbluff Invite, 9 a.m.

Mon., Nov. 11 Board Meeting
 Veteran's Day Program, 10 a.m.

Tues., Nov. 12 B WR (JH) at Valentine Invite, 3 p.m.
 G BB (JH) at Morrill, 3 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 13 Hawk Talk, Senior Center, 8 a.m.

Fri., Nov. 15 FB Semi-Finals
 G BB (JH) at Hemingford, 2 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 16 B WR (JH) at Chadron Invite, 9 a.m.

Wed., Nov. 20 FFA District LDEs at CSC

Thurs., Nov. 21 One Act PanCo at Hyannis
G BB (JH) vs. Gordon-Rushville, 4 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 22 FB State Championship at Kearney

Sat., Nov. 23 B WR (JH) at Alliance Tourney, 9 a.m.

Mon., Nov. 25 G BB (JH) vs. Alliance St. Agnes, 4 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 26 G BB (JH) at Crawford, 3 p.m.

Nov. 27-29 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

Mon., Dec. 2 B WR (JH) at Bayard Invite, 9 a.m.

Thurs., Dec. 5 G WR (V) at Chadron Invite, 2:30 p.m.

Fri., Dec 6 G BB (JH) vs. Cody-Kilgore, 11 a.m.
 G&B BB (V) at Cody-Kilgore, 5, 6:30 p.m.

Mon., Dec. 9 Board Meeting

Tues., Dec. 10 G&B BB (JV-V) vs. Morrill, 2, 3:30, 5, 7 p.m.



On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free.

--Dan Lipinski

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Home For The Holidays: Seven Ways to Decorate Safely

Did you know that December is the peak month for home candle fires? If you're decorating with candles this holiday season, consider using the battery-operated kind.

The risk of candle fires is so common that nearly one-third of us have left the room or fallen asleep while burning them, according to a 2020 national American Red Cross survey. If you must use candles, never leave them unattended, keep them away from anything that could burn and place them out of reach from children and pets.

OTHER HOLIDAY DECORATING SAFETY TIPS

1. **Check all holiday light cords** to ensure they aren't frayed or broken. Don't string too many strands of lights together — no more than three per extension cord. Turn off all holiday lights when going to bed or leaving the house.
2. **Ensure outside decorations are for outdoor use** and fasten lights securely to your home or trees. If using hooks or nails outside, make sure they are insulated to avoid an electrocution or fire hazard.
3. **Look for the fire-resistant label when buying an artificial tree.** Keep it away from fireplaces, radiators and other sources of heat. Never use electric lights on metallic trees.
4. **If getting a live tree, make sure it's fresh and keep it watered.** Bend the needles up and down to make sure no needles fall off.
5. **Don't light the fireplace** if hanging stockings on the mantel.
6. **Check the labels of older decorations.** Some older tinsel is lead-based. If using angel hair, wear gloves to avoid irritation. Avoid breathing in artificial snow.
7. **Have good, stable placement when using a ladder** and wear shoes that allow for good traction.

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November Major and Important Days in History

Nov. 1: 1927 Ford Model A Begins in Production; 1986 The first case of SBE or "mad cow disease" is found in cattle in England.

Nov. 2: 1957 Dog launched into orbit as the first animal in space on board Sputnik 2; 2000 One American astronaut and two Russian cosmonauts became the first to move into the international space station, preparing a four month stay.

Nov. 3: 1924 Pneumonic plague death total now at 25 in Los Angeles; 1969 Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) Established.

Nov. 4: 1920 Air mail service opens between U.S. and Canada; 1958 Pope John XXIII crowned 262nd pontiff.

Nov. 5: 1991 Body of the millionaire newspaper publisher, Robert Maxwell found; 2006 Saddam Hussein Sentenced to Death.

Nov. 6: 1977 Kelly Barnes Dam in Georgia fails; 2005 F3 tornado strikes Evansville, Indiana.

Nov. 7: 1929 The Museum of Modern Art is opened in New York City; 2009 The Health Care Plan passes the House.

Nov. 8: 1960 Senator John Kennedy is elected the 35th President; 1966 NFL-AFI Merger.

Nov. 9: 1921 Albert Einstein received the Nobel Prize in Physics; 1989 Berlin Wall Comes Down Allowing East and West Berlin to Visit.

Nov. 10: 1951 Direct-dial, coast to coast telephone services begin in USA; 1969 Sesame Street known for its Muppet characters, makes its debut on PBS.

Nov. 11: 1926 US Route 66 Established; 1933 Strong winds strip the topsoil from the drought affected farms of South Dakota and within two days, dust from the storm had reached all the way to Albany, New York.

Nov. 12: 1946 First drive in banking service in America; 1990 Sir Tim Berners-Lee Formal proposal for the World Wide Web.

Nov. 13: 1940 Prototype for the Jeep featuring four-wheel drive created; Segregated busses end; 1969 Anti Vietnam "March Against Death" in Washington, D.C.

Nov. 14: 1934 New York Slum Clearance Begins; 1994 Eurostar Service launched.

Nov. 15: 1926 NBC launches; 1956 Love Me Tender, Elvis Presley's first movie, opens in New York.

Nov. 16: 1959 the last Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "The Sound of Music" opens on Broadway; 2006 Great Firewall of China providing Internet censorship put in place.

Nov. 17: 1973 President Richard Nixon told the nation on TV, "I am not a crook"; 2007 Actor Arnold Schwarzenegger is sworn in as the governor of California.

Nov. 18: 1928 Mickey Mouse appears for the first time in Steamboat Willie; 1955 US Roman Catholic bishops did away with the rule against eating meat on Fridays.

Nov. 19: 1863 famous Gettysburg Address delivered by President Lincoln; 1969 Apollo 12 lands on the Moon.

Nov. 20: 1968 Methane gas explosions in a West Virginia coal mine kills 78 men; 2001 The world's first transdermal patch (Ortho-Evra) approved.

Nov. 21: 1927 500 striking coal miners from the Columbine Mine and their families in Serene, Colo. are beaten with clubs by Colorado State Police; 1980 Millions of TV viewers tune in to watch the start of the new series of Dallas and find out "Who Shot JR".

Nov. 22: 1963 John F Kennedy assassinated; 1986 Mike Tyson becomes the youngest Heavyweight Champion in history.

Nov. 23: 1935 Italy declares war on France; 1980 Major Earthquake strikes southern Italy leaving 300,000 homeless.

Nov. 24: 1991 Freddie Mercury, the lead singer the rock group Queen dies; 1993 Congress passes the Brady Bill.

Nov. 25: 1926 27 tornados including an F4 struck the town of Heber Springs, Ark.; 1952 The Mousetrip written by Agatha Christie opens in London's West End.

Nov. 26: 1922 British archaeologist Lord Carnarvon and American archaeologist Howard Carter enter King Tut's tomb; 1941 Thanksgiving Day established.

Nov. 27: 1924 1st Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade; 1975 Guinness Book of Records co-founder and editor Ross McWhirter is shot dead outside his North London home.

Nov. 28: 1942 Cocoanut Grove Nightclub fire in Boston; 1990 Maggy Thatcher quits; 1995 USA ends federal 55 mph speed limit.

Nov. 29: 1948 General Motors begins producing Holden Cars in Australia; 1963 The Beatles release "I Want to Hold Your Hand."

Nov. 30: 1936 Crystal Palace Destroyed by fire; 1979 Pine Floyd releases "The Wall", 1993 The Brady bill signed into law.

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Pumpkin Pancakes

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon white sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup pumpkin puree
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon ground ginger
- ½ teaspoon ground allspice
- 1 egg
- 1 ½ cups milk
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest
- 1 teaspoon vegetable oil

Combine flour, brown sugar, white sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in a large mixing bowl, and whisk together for two minutes to aerate.

In a separate bowl, combine pumpkin puree, cinnamon, ginger, allspice, egg, milk, 2 tablespoons of vegetable oil, lemon juice, and lemon zest. Mix in the flour mixture, and stir just until moistened. (Do not overmix.)

Coat skillet with 1 teaspoon vegetable oil over medium heat.

Pour batter into skillet 1/4 cup at a time, and cook the pancakes until golden brown, about 3 minutes on each side.

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Creamy Cranberry Salad

- 1 (6 oz.) package cherry-flavored gelatin mix
- ¾ cup boiling water
- 1 (12 ounce) package fresh cranberries
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 (8 oz.) can crushed pineapple, drained
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- ¾ cup orange juice
- 1 medium apple with peel, grated

- 1 cup whipping cream
 - 1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese, softened
- Stir gelatin into boiling water in a mixing bowl until dissolved; let cool, about 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, process cranberries in a food processor until

finely chopped. Add sugar and process until dissolved.

Pour cranberry mixture into cooled gelatin mixture. Stir in pineapple, pecans, orange juice, and apple until well combined. Cover and refrigerate for 8 hours to overnight.

When ready to serve, beat cream in a chilled glass or metal bowl with an electric mixer until soft peaks form. Gradually beat in cream cheese.

Layer 1/2 of the chilled cranberry mixture in a glass serving dish. Spread whipped cream mixture over top, then finish with remaining cranberry mixture.

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Apple Cheddar Twists

- 2 large apples
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 (14 ounce) package puff pastry, (such as Dufour®)
- 6 ounces extra sharp Cheddar cheese, grated
- 1 teaspoon sea salt (optional)

Grate apples into a bowl and toss with lemon juice.

Add butter and brown sugar to a pan over medium-high heat. As butter melts, give the mixture a stir and add the apple.

Cook, stirring, until apples are as browned as you like and most of the liquid is evaporated, about 5 minutes. Transfer to a plate, and let cool, then refrigerate until very cold, about 20 minutes.

Separate puff pastry, without thawing, along the seams to get 4 equally sized rectangles. Top 2 rectangles with chilled apple mixture, and spread evenly to the edges.


Top each rectangle evenly with about 2 ounces grated Cheddar, saving about 2 ounces for the tops. Align remaining 2 rectangles on top and flatten with your hand. Freeze for 10 to 15 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with a silicone mat or parchment.

Cut each rectangle into 6 pieces. As soon as they are flexible enough to work with, start in the center, twist each strip a few times, and place on the prepared baking sheet. Top with remaining grated cheese, and sprinkle lightly with salt.

Bake in the preheated oven until golden brown and puffy, 25 to 30 minutes.

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How to Cook a Turkey by Kids!

"First you go to Smith's down the street and buy a big turkey. Take it home and rip off the plastic and pull all that yucky stuff out of the middle of it. I think you are supposed to put something inside of the turkey, but I'm not sure what it's called. Turn the oven on to hot. It's 100 degrees hot. Make sure you check the oven a lot because my mom burned one last year. When it's done it will be brown and you can take it out to eat. Put salt and pepper on it. I do like turkey on Thanksgiving Day, but I like chocolate pie better."

- You take a pan, then make some juice. Then mix it up and put it in the oven to cook, and then you can cook it for a few seconds and take it out and: Oh man, it's yum.
- First you buy it at the store, then you cook it on the stove and then you eat it.
- First you buy it at the store, then you chop it into little pieces, then you cook it, then you eat it.
- The turkey comes from a farm and then you cook it on the stove and then you cook it for a half hour. Then you put stuff on top of it, like seasoning. And then you cut it up and then you feed it to the dog.
- Someone shoots it in their family. Then you pick out all

the feathers, the wings and the eyes. And then you take all the skin off and then you cut it up. Then you put it in the oven, and then you cook it, and then you take it out of the oven, and then you let it cool down and then you can eat it. And maybe it has a little wishbone and you can crack it over your head.

- I think you just cook it like a chicken. You put a timer in there and when you eat it, it tastes like a chicken and, well, sometimes you make it for your dog, and if you do that, just put it in the oven with your dog.
- You get the turkey from the store and then you eat it.
- You kill it, you pick all the feathers off and then you bring it home and put it in a pan and you can put it in the oven for 25 seconds. And after that it's ready for the dinner table.
- I think you roast it in the oven and then you roast it for 15 minutes. Then you get it back from the store and then there's some wet stuff that you put on it and I think the wet stuff looks like dressing, but it tastes horrible.
- You take a suramin and then you take the turkey juice out. Then you put it in the regular oven for 20 minutes and then you put stuff out on the table, and other different kinds of food, like a feast. You've got bread and mozzarella cheese and pretzels and then the oven goes "nanananana, nanananana" and it's ready, and you eat it and the bones are still left and they're gross, so you give the bones to your dog and hope the dog doesn't choke.



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