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A Note from the Publisher

Welcome November!

As we embrace this new month, we're excited to share a couple of recipes we think you will enjoy to help celebrate Turkey Day. We've also revealed the winner of our Cutest Pets of the Corridor Contest. A massive thank you to all who participated – your furry friends are all champions in our hearts!

With the weather gradually cooling down, let's not forget the extra care our beloved pets deserve during the chillier days ahead.

Now, mark your calendars for an important date, Saturday, November 25th, celebrated as Small Business Saturday. While online shopping offers convenience, the charm of wandering through our local shops unveils unique treasures and plays a vital role in supporting these beloved businesses. To make your shopping adventure in Cedar Rapids even more accessible, we've created a handy QR code that connects you to all participating local businesses.

Don't let the cooler weather deter you; there's still a multitude of vibrant events to enjoy downtown, keeping the spirit warm and lively.

As we navigate through November, may you and your loved ones savor a Thanksgiving filled with warmth, gratitude, and joy.



Charlotte Linde
Publisher & Chief of Inspiration







CUTEST PETS OF THE CORRIDOR CONTEST

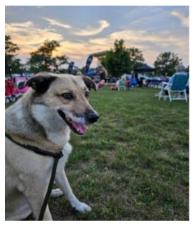
CONGRATS TO OUR WINNER GYPSY!

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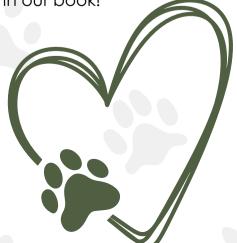








Thank you everyone for participating in our first ever Cutest Pets of the Corridor Contest! We think they are all the cutest and winners in our book!





A Stunning Cornucopia Bread Basket: The Ultimate Centerpiece

I love my charcuterie boards — and this one is sure to impress this Thanksgiving. One year we were invited to a "friends-giving" and they asked me, the Italian girl, to bring a salad. A salad! So, I made sure to add a few salad ingredients to this beautiful board — let's just say they won't ever ask this Italian girl to bring a salad again. This cornucopia basket is not only easy to make, but it is also beautiful. Move over turkey — this cornucopia charcuterie board is taking over your centerpiece duties.

Ingredients:

- 3 containers (11 oz) of refrigerated soft breadstick dough
- legg
- 1 tablespoon water
- Everything Bagel seasoning
- Non-stick cooking spray
- Heavy-duty tin foil
- Assorted cheeses, meats, berries, olives, nuts, vegetables, spreads, and herbs

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven according to breadstick package directions
- 2. Spray cookie sheet with non-stick cooking spray
- 3. Form the shape of a cone with heavy-duty tin foil and curve the bottom
- 4. Spray the outside of the cone with non-stick cooking spray
- 5. Beat the egg and water in a small bowl
- 6. Separate the breadsticks and start wrapping them around the tinfoil cone, starting from the tip and working your way up, pinching each end together as you go
- 7. Keep wrapping the cone until you have about an inch or so of foil left and 3 strips of breadsticks
- 8. Pinch the top of the remaining breadsticks together and braid
- 9. Wrap the braid around the top of the basket and pinch ends together
- 10. Brush "basket" with egg wash and sprinkle with Everything Bagel seasoning
- 11. Bake until golden brown
- 12. Let cool completely and stuff just before putting on display or serving



Impressive, right? The "wow" factor is guaranteed, and your secret of how easy it was to create will be safe with us. Get ready to bask in the admiration and ooo's and ahhh's - and you can bet you will never be asked to bring a salad again.



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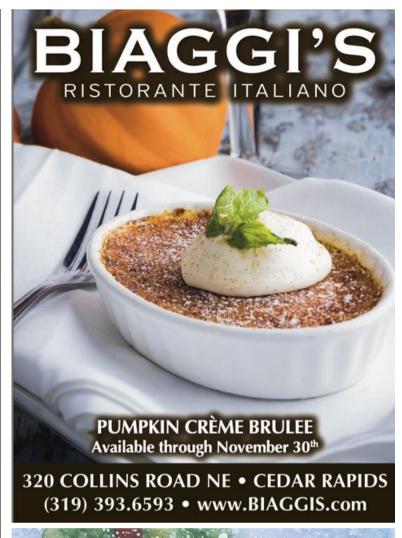
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If you have a loved one or you are caring for someone with dementia, you may know that they can recall long term memories very well, but have a harder time recalling short-term memories. This is why reminiscence therapy is so important for those living with dementia. It can bring back memories from the happiest points in their lives which creates less anxiety, depression, and challenging behaviors. Reminiscence therapy is very different than just asking your loved one questions about their past. Instead, create things for them, like a scrapbook of photos from when they were growing up that will spark those memories and create conversations. You might want to plan these activities earlier in the day if your loved one tends to 'sundown' in the afternoon. You may also want to pick a time where they are most alert which tends to be in the morning.

Besides photos, magazines, and scrapbooks, there are other ways you can have your loved one participate in reminiscence therapy such as doing a hobby with them that they used to do when they were younger. Maybe they enjoyed painting or crocheting? This in turn will boost some conversation and bring back memories of the past. Music is also a powerful tool for creating memories. Have them listen to popular music of when they were

growing up or maybe a favorite song from the past. Even if their dementia has progressed to the point where they are non-verbal, music is a great form of non-verbal communication for them. They may start dancing and smiling so you know it has sparked a significant memory for them.

By continuing to reminiscence, you can help as a caregiver stabilize the progression of the disease. Reach out to your local senior living community to learn more about how you can participate in reminiscence therapy with your loved one.







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Easy Roasting Thanksgiving Turkey in 5 Simple Steps

Step 1:

Prep the Turkey

Begin by thawing the turkey in advance, ensuring it's completely defrosted. Remove giblets and neck from the turkey's cavity, pat it dry with paper towels, and place it on a roasting rack in a large pan.

Step 2:

Season and Flavor

Rub the turkey with softened butter, inside and out. Season with salt, pepper, and your favorite herbs and spices. Consider a blend of paprika, thyme, sage, and rosemary for a classic taste. This step is essential for flavorful, crispy skin.

Step 3:

Stuff and Truss

Enhance the flavor by stuffing the turkey cavity with quartered onions, halved lemons, garlic cloves, and a few sprigs of fresh herbs. To ensure even cooking, truss the turkey with cooking twine, tying the legs together.

Step 4:

Roast to Perfection

Preheat your oven to 325°F (163°C) and roast the turkey, breast-side up, allowing approximately 15 minutes of cooking time per pound. Use a meat thermometer to check when the thickest part of the thigh reaches 165°F (74°C). Baste the turkey with pan juices every 30-45 minutes.

Step 5:

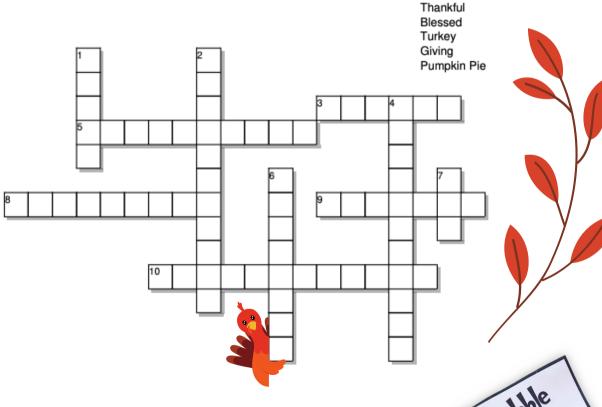
Rest and Carve

After reaching the desired temperature, remove the turkey from the oven and let it rest for at least 30 minutes. This crucial step allows the juices to redistribute, keeping the meat juicy and flavorful. Carve the turkey and serve with your favorite Thanksgiving side dishes for a memorable feast.

With these 5 easy steps, you can roast a delicious Thanksgiving turkey that's sure to delight your guests and make your holiday celebration a success.



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Family Friends Thanksgiving Autumn Crisp Carmel Apples Black Friday

ACROSS

- 3 The colorful foliage that falls from trees in autumn
- A popular fall beverage made from apples
- 8 A famous ship that brought Pilgrims to America in 1620
- 9 he zodiac sign for those born in early November
- 10 The act of showing gratitude

DOWN

- 1 The birthstone for November
- 2 In the U.S., the day after Thanksgiving known for its shopping deals
- 4 A national holiday in the United States commemorating military veterans
- 6 Popular side dish for Thanksgiving
- 7 A delicious dessert often served on Thanksgiving with a flaky crust



November



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How does it work?

Sit quietly and direct kindness and love to yourself, then expand in circles of compassion outward to others.



Direct kindness and compassion to yourself by repeating a thought like, 'May I be happy.



Family and friends: someone uou love or care out by repeating, "May



Someone neutral:

Think about someone you feel neutral about, like a coworker, neighbor or acquaintance and direct your compassion to this person by name.



Someone difficult:

Think about someone you dislike or have a tough time being around. Direct your kindness to this person by name.



Think about all of these people together and equally direct your kindness to all of them, 'May they be happy."



Finally, direct your kindness everywhere. "May all beings

- May I be at peace.
- · May I be loved.
- · May I be healthy and strong

You can change up the thought or phrase or combine words, such as:



Start with just a few minutes and gradually extend your time. Try it today and see if loving-kindness meditation can bring more happiness and well-being to your life.

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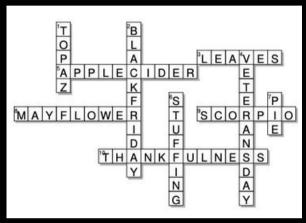
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