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VTDC BULLETIN

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Who says Thanksgiving has to be celebrated in November and Christmas in December? For the Maple Lodge, Thanksgiving and Christmas were not celebrated on the traditional days this year. Due to one of the lodge members being terminally ill, the other lodge members took it upon themselves to make sure she had Thanksgiving and Christmas. Tiffany and Amy approached staff to help plan a surprise dinner for Satin. The meal was cooked at the Cove as a group effort and taken to the lodge. While Tiffany and Amy kept Satin busy in her bedroom, staff set up for the dinner. They decided to decorate half for Thanksgiving and half for Christmas. Once everything was ready, they brought Satin downstairs for her surprise. She was very thankful that everyone thought enough about her to do something like this. All three of the ladies at the lodge have really become close and consider themselves to be sisters. They have really embraced the meaning of Fairweather Lodge and the staff couldn't be prouder!



Amy, Satin, Tiffany

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November Calendar Winners

11/01/15	964	Alethea McLaughlin	Alethea McLaughlin	\$10
11/02/15	000	Jeff Byham	Denny Peden	\$10
11/03/15	203	Kathy Guth	Tabitha Tucker	\$10
11/04/15	684	Renee Harkins	Connie Nickerson	\$10
11/05/15	943	NONE		
11/06/15	161	James Starr	Bill Singley	\$10
11/07/15	665	NONE		
11/08/15	674	Janet Disque	Megan Disque	\$10
11/09/15	184	Ruth Keller	Connie Nickerson	\$10
11/10/15	456	NONE		
11/11/15	341	Lynnette Hutchins	Lynnette Hutchins	\$10
11/12/15	583	NONE		
11/13/15	368	Linda Gregory	Diane Sedor	\$10
11/14/15	751	Shirley Monrean	Jackie Wilson	\$10
11/15/15	386	Ed Conti	Megan Disque	\$10
11/16/15	772	John Foulks	Michele Schall	\$10
11/17/15	709	NONE		
11/18/15	108	Richard Serge	Becky Anderson	\$10
11/19/15	974	Sue Kase	Megan Disque	\$10
11/20/15	027	Deb Sivillo	Deb Sivillo	\$10
11/21/15	966	Teresa Rudolph	Jenny Myers	\$10
11/22/15	426	Josie Peden	Denny Peden	\$10
11/23/15	706	NONE		
11/24/15	309	Hannah Perry	Jack Perry	\$10
11/25/15	608	Mary Vinopal	Becky Anderson	\$10
11/26/15	065	NONE		
11/27/15	472	NONE		
11/28/15	442	Dan Ditvillio	Sarah Tamilin	\$10
11/29/15	034	Bruce Ritts	Kassy Moiseenko	\$10
11/30/15	865	NONE		

Staff Birthdays!

Diane Sedor (12/8), DuBois FWL Coordinator

Baylee Libicer (12/14), Venango Prevocational Level 3 Instructor

Lori Kosarek (12/21), Venango Business Services Manager

Chris Hanlon (12/24), DuBois Plant Manager



Staff Anniversaries!

Joanna Alvin (12/8/2014), DuBois FWTL Direct Care/Peer Specialist, 1 year

Tammy Rapp (12/9/2008), Clarion Fiscal/Secretary, 7 years

Megan Disque (12/9/2008), Venango Pre-Vocational Level 1 Instructor, 7 years



Thanksgiving Dinner



Satin



Marti Jo, Satin, Diane

Spot the Big Turkey

A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store, but couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked the stock boy, 'Do these turkeys get any bigger?' The stock boy answered, 'No ma'am, they're dead.'

Thanksgiving Divorce

Eddie in Dallas calls his son in New York just before Thanksgiving and tells him, "I am sorry to tell you this but your mother and I are going to get a divorce. I just cannot take any more of her nagging. We can't stand the sight of each other any more." I am telling you first, Eddie, because you are the eldest. Please tell your sister. When Eddie calls his sister Julie, she says, "No way are they getting divorced, I will go over and see them for Thanksgiving." Julie phones here parents and tells them both, "You must NOT get divorced. Promise you won't do anything until I get over there. I'm calling Eddie, and we'll both be there with you tomorrow. Until then, don't take any action, please listen to me", and hangs up.

The father puts down the phone and turns to his wife and says. "Good news" he says, "Eddie and Julie are coming for Thanksgiving and they are both paying their own way."

The Man Who Forgot to Buy a Turkey for Thanksgiving

It's the day before Thanksgiving and the butcher is just locking up when a man begins pounding on the front door. "Please let me in", says the man desperately. "I forgot to buy a turkey, and my wife will kill me if I don't come home with one." "Okay", says the butcher. "Let me see what I have left." He goes into the freezer and discovers that there's one last scrawny turkey left. He brings it out to show the man.

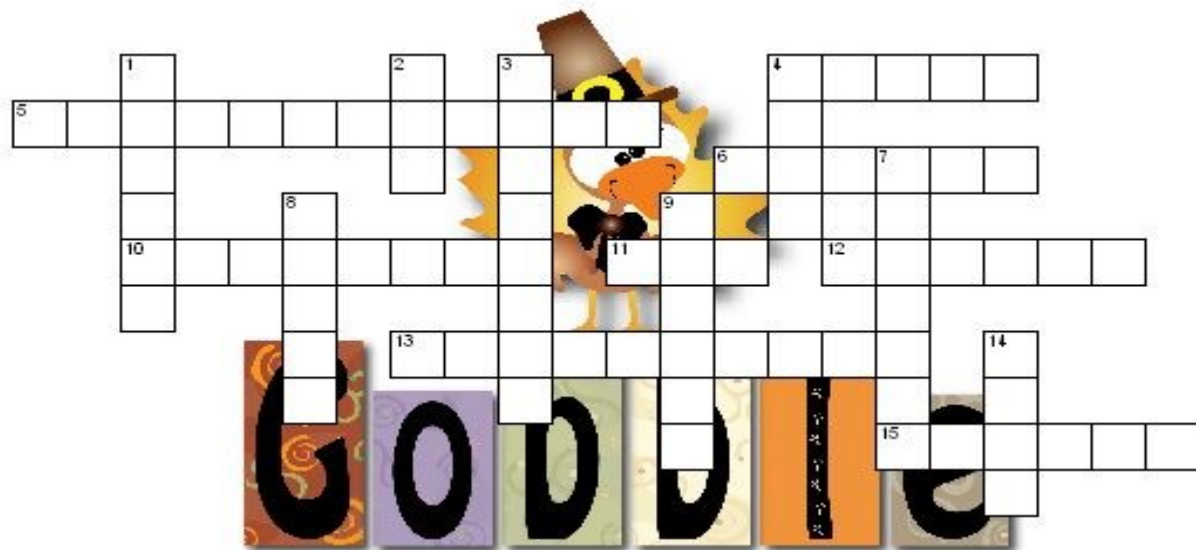
"That one is too skinny. What else you got?" says the man. The butcher takes the bird back into the freezer and waits a few minutes and brings the same turkey back out to the man. "Oh, no", says the man, "That one doesn't look any better. You better give me both of them!"

Thanksgiving Dinner at the Cranberry Lodge!



Thanksgiving Holiday Crossword

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Across

- Another name for corn.
- Fourth Thursday in November in the United States
- A Thanksgiving speciality _____ potatoes.
- In the United States the Thanksgiving holiday is usually celebrated in the month of _____.
- Besides turkey the most common meat dish for this holiday.
- Traditionally, the Thanksgiving holiday often encompasses Thursday and _____.
- A dessert made from a yellow-orange squash like vegetable.
- One of the most common foods cooked for the Thanksgiving feast.

Down

- For many Thanksgiving is primarily a celebration of _____.
- Desserts usually include pecan and apple ____.
- Thanksgiving commemorates a feast held in 1621 by the _____ and the Indians.
- Often the extended family comes together for the Thanksgiving _____.
- The yield from plants in a single growing season.
- A meal of special significance
- Thanksgiving is a time when _____ and friends gather together to give thanks.
- What dish did the Indians bring to the celebration?



Here's hoping everyone had a glorious Thanksgiving day!

Welcome new hires

Clara Winger, Life Skills Coach, Venango

Transfers

Billie Guiste, Clarion Pre-Vocational Level 1 Instructor



Monthly Staff Drawing

Month	Winner	Prize
November	Baylee Libicer	Tote Bag

If you would like to share an inspirational story, a fundraiser notification, photos of an outing, or anything that you are excited to share, please send the information to Melinda at mwarham@vtdc.org.

