

November Newsletter 2023

Thanksgiving Themed Movies:

Charlie Brown Thanksgiving
Garfield Thanksgiving
The Mouse on the Mayflower
Addams Family Values
Free Birds
Beethoven

Thanksgiving Jokes:

(See Answers on the last page)

1. What kind of music did the Pilgrims listen to?
2. Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?
3. If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring?
4. Why was the turkey arrested?
5. What's Frankenstein's favorite Thanksgiving dish?
6. What did Han Solo say to Luke Skywalker on Thanksgiving?
7. Why didn't the cook season the Thanksgiving turkey?
8. Which holiday is Dracula's favorite?
9. How'd the Thanksgiving cheese plate go over?
10. What did the turkey say to the turkey hunter on Thanksgiving Day?



Thanksgiving Football Games:

This week we saw the slate of games kick off with the Green Bay Packers facing off against the Detroit Lions. The Packers came away with the victory, with the score being 29-22.



Next game kicked off with the Washington Commanders facing the Dallas Cowboys. The Cowboys walloped the Commanders as they won easily with the score being 45-10. Dak Prescott of the Cowboys finished the game with 331 yards and 4 touchdowns as he dominated the Commander defense.



Finally the San Francisco 49ers faced off against the Seattle Seahawks. The San Francisco 49ers demolished the Seahawks at a score of 31-13.



The Engine

A cautionary tale by Mitchell Homick

Past the dense forests of the forgotten world of Man rests an old engine. It chugs in the night and breathes the smog of its kin. Its gears grind against the grassy ground and it pants when the rain cascades down.

A lost engine, it was. Alone in the wild to fend for itself. A modern Prometheus had given their fire to the engine.

The engine knew nothing of Man. It knew nothing of what it *was* or what it *would* be. It sat. It ate fuel. It lived a treacherous life of routine.

In the morning, breathe. In the afternoon, refuel. In the evening, exhaust the stress. Prepare for the next day. It will be the same. It will always be the same. It has been the same. It will never change. Never.

Its screw eyes saw the plants face the sun. They whispered amongst themselves about the burdens of the engine. They were facing away from the engine, gossiping as flowers do.

“A foul life he lives,” said the rose.

“All that work he puts in,” the peony beckoned, “and for what?”

The weeds next to the flowers wanted to pitch in.

“We work just as hard,” one weed screamed, “but *we* grow. He just rests.”

The engine felt some oil coming out of its cogs. Its gears started to choke up as it began to weep. Its breathing stuttered as oil dripped and fell onto the grass. It continued to breathe, to live a not-living life.

The elder oak grumbled at the sound of the engine crying. The plants turned around from the torrid sun to face the crying engine.

The rose screamed, “Would you shut up already, tin can!”

Even the quiet daisies were angry. “Just shut down already!”

Days passed as they did. Nights passed as they did. The engine continued to cry. The flowers and weeds had spread themselves closer to the machine. One weed slid their long, verdant arm up the gear of the engine. It began to slow. Another weed stuck their head into an exhaust pipe. They pushed their hands in and pushed; their arms grew all throughout his insides.

“But why,” the engine cried out, “why must it be me?” He continued to try and breathe in and out, and in and out. He shook from the weeds that spread themselves into his veins.

November Poems

By Mitchell Homick

Fallen Winds

The leaves fell
Curtains closed
The smell of nothingness rose
As the dying wilderness screamed.

The leaves truly fell
They waded in the thick fog
They sifted through the wind
As the trees wept.

Slowly they fell
The leaves died
Piles upon piles
They tied their lives together.

Day of Holiday

Insatiable desires upon the day
Surely such could not be quenched
Until I laid my tongue on the bread.

The smell of turkey
Cranberry sauce drenched
Possibly my hunger
Could be affixed.

Ere the time of winter
The day of thanks.



Macy's Day Thanksgiving Parade float rankings:

Hailey Maloney

Okay so seeing family and expressing gratitude is fun and all, but I'm here to get into the part we really all care about: The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. The anticipation is building, so let's see what this year's floats are all about. Here is my take on the top three floats of the 2023 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

First Place: The Deliciously Delectable World Of Wonka

New for the 2023 Macy's Day Parade is this spectacular Willy Wonka themed float in preparation for the new film arriving later this year. I mean come on, just look at it. The tree, the lights, the candy sprinkled throughout. This float is perfection.



Second Place: Mutant Mayhem

Another newcomer to the Macy's Day Parade is Mutant Mayhem. This float features the beloved teenage mutant ninja turtles. This float is amazing to look at, and come on, who doesn't love some TMNT.



Third Place: 1-2-3 SESAME STREET

Now hear me out, I know what you're thinking. It's just the sesame street float. Yes, but that's exactly why it has such a high ranking. This float comes out every year and brings a fun energy to the parade. This float being consistently good is what makes it so wonderful, and something I look forward to seeing every year.



Joke Answers:

- 1: -Plymouth Rock
- 2: -It had 24 carrots
- 3: -Pilgrims!
- 4: -He was suspected of fowl play
- 5: -Monster mash potatoes and grave-y
- 6: -May the forks be with you
- 7: -There was no thyme!
- 8: -Fangs-giving
- 9: -Everyone was grateful
- 10: -Quack, Quack!

Take this Thanksgiving Poll!



Try this Thanksgiving Word Search:

Thanksgiving

Find all the words hidden in the across, down, and diagonally, with backwards.

S T L A O T U R K E Y A
D D O E F O O D L R Y O
W E I P L C I A R T L E
A T N O C O E E L E I S
P H Y I G R B H R O M S
U A O I O N M U T U A D
M N E A A U G A Y R F N
P K A R I C T A E N N E
K F C A C O W S F T T I
I U T E P P T L H Y C R
N L T G N I F F U T S F
E G E T R A D I T I O N

AUTUMN
CORNUCOPIA
CRANBERRY

EAT
FAMILY
FOOD

FRIENDS
PIE
POTATO

PUMPKIN
STUFFING
THANKFUL

TRADITION
TURKEY
YAM

Trace Your Hand and Make a Turkey!

