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Upcoming Events

November 12th-19th: Central AR hopes to fill 20,000 shoe boxes

November 15th: "Holiday Decoration 101"

November 16th: UCA to host Shakespeare Festival actors

November 18th: Pickles Gap Christmas Open House

November 22nd-January 1st: Holiday Festival of Light

November 29th-December 1st: Hendrix College Candlelight Carol Service

For more information on upcoming events go to <u>faulknercounty.org</u> and see Calendar of Events

Fact: The original Thanksgiving feast occurred sometime between September 21 and November 11. Unlike our modern holiday, it was three days long.

November Closings:

Nov. 22nd -23^{rd:} Thanksgiving

It's almost Thanksgiving....

Here are a couple of great recipes from some Faulkner County Employees

- * Pecan Pie
- ½ cup sugar
 ¼ cup butter or margarine
 1 cup light corn syrup
 ¼ tsp salt
 3 eggs
 1 cup chopped pecans

Cream sugar and butter, add syrup and salt. Beat in eggs one at a time. Add pecans. Pour mixture into a pie shell. Bake 1hr and 10 min at 350°

* Hash Brown Casserole

 $2\ (10.75\ \text{oz})$ cans condensed cream of chicken soup or cream of mushroom

- 1 ¹/₂ cups sour cream
- 2 T butter, softened
- 2 T dried minced onion flakes
- 1(21b) package frozen shredded hash brown potatoes, thawed
- 1 ¹/₂ cup extra sharp shredded cheddar cheese
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 cups crushed cornflakes
- Pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 350° , lightly grease a 9X13in, baking dish. In a large bowl, mix together, soup, sour cream, butter, dried onion flakes, and pepper. Stir in hash browns and ½ the cheese. Pour into the prepared baking dish, sprinkle with remaining cheese, and top with crushed cornflakes. Bake for 45min in the preheated oven, or until cheese is melted and bubbly.

2007 Chili Cook Off and Halloween Costume Contest





And the winners are..... Chili Cook-off



Steve Simon 1st Place



Rhonda Long 2nd Place Susan Weaver 3rd Place



Costume Contest



Shelia Hutchens 1st Place (Best Costume) Vampire



Kristin Glover 2nd Place (Coolest Costume) A Cannibalistic Hillbilly



Juvenile Court 3rd Place (Most Original Costume) Road Signs

APACHE SEASONS

There was an Indian Chief who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn not to judge things too quickly. So he sent them each on a quest, in turn, to go and look at a pear tree that was a great distance away. The first son went in the winter, the second in the spring, the third in summer, and the youngest son in the fall. When they had all gone and come back, he called them together to describe what they had seen. The first son said that the tree was ugly, bent, and twisted. The second son said no, it was covered with green buds and full of promise. The third son disagreed; he said it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful, it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen. The last son disagreed with all of them; he said it was ripe and drooping with fruit, full of life and fulfillment. The man then explained to is sons that they were all right, because they had each seen but only one season in the tree's life. He told them that you cannot judge a tree, or a person, by only one season, and that the essence of who they are and the pleasure, joy, and love that come from that life can only be measured at the end, when all the seasons are up. If you give up when it's winter, you will miss the promise of your spring, the beauty of your summer, fulfillment of your fall.

Moral:

Don't let the pain of one season destroy the joy of all the rest.

Don't judge life by one difficult season.

Persevere through the difficult patches and better times are sure to come sometime.

Happy Thanksgiving