



Letter to the Editor Thanksgiving Blessings

Dear Editor,

I would like to take the time this Thanksgiving season to give a special thank you to the Town of Kershaw Council Leadership, Administrator and all employees of the town; the Kershaw Chamber of Commerce leadership and members; our local John T. Stevens Foundation leadership, the Board members and Administer of the Kershaw Community Park Council (KCPC); the Board leadership, Administrators and staff of KARE; the same of Mount Calvary Outreach Center (MCOC) and of Youth Serve; the Sidewalk Sunday School leaders, our Kershaw Library Board leadership and employees, and the members of the Kershaw Lions Club. We are so blessed to have a community of service minded people that make our community a great place to live, work and play.

I also am thinking of our businesses, restaurants, churches and schools and saying a thank you to all who work and serve in these critically important places, as well as our law enforcement and fire departments. My heart beats with gratitude each time I enter a local business and receive a product or service, participate in a local church worship service or recognize or view all the learning that goes on for our children in our schools. I offer a huge thank you to all the administrators, teachers and staff in our community schools; our doctors, nurses, pharmacists, dentists and all their staff, all those who serve in our recreation and sports opportunities, and to the political leadership who make critical decisions for improvements and growth in our Kershaw area.

Blessings abound in this small but lovely community and the Thanksgiving season reminds me of this fact. Please continue to serve one another in the beautiful ways that you do!

Thank you, Beverly Timmons

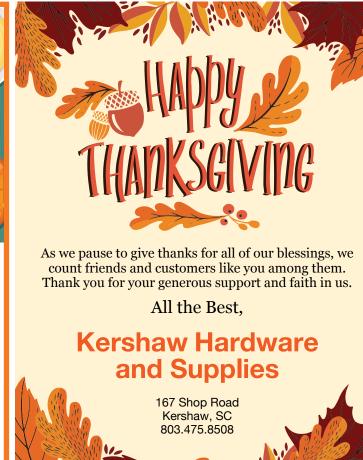


May Your Plate and Your Heart Be Full!

Here's hoping your holiday season brings enough joy, laughter, friendship and love to go around, and then some. We thank you for making us feel so at home here, and we wish you a very happy Thanksgiving!

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Consider these 13 gratifying Thanksgiving facts

Thanksgiving is a time to gather with family and friends and reflect on one's blessings. In 2022, Canadian Thanksgiving takes place on October 10, while Americans celebrate on November 24. In anticipation of these holidays, here are some interesting facts about the Thanksgiving celebration.

1. American Thanksgiving is largely modeled on a 17th century harvest feast shared by the English settlers and the Wampanoag tribe.

2. Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving on the second Monday of October. It is based on European harvest festivals.

3. The National Turkey Federation says around 45 million turkeys will be eaten on Thanksgiving, which equates to about 720 million pounds of

turkey being consumed (with the average turkey size being 16 pounds).
4. The Butterball hotline answers roughly 100,000 calls every year on its turkey question hotline.

5. In 1953, the Swanson company overestimated the number of frozen turkeys it would sell for the holiday season by 26 tons. Rather than waste the meat, Swanson sliced it up, repackaged it and created the first frozen TV dinners.

6. Thanksgiving in America may be older than many recognize. While Thanksgiving is largely tied to the 17th century settlers, the National Parks Service says in 1565 Spanish settlers in St. Augustine (now Florida) celebrated by having a meal to which they invited the native Seloy tribe. The Spanish served pork stew, sea biscuits, red wine, and garbanzo beans. Some say the Seloy contributed turkey, venison and maize.

7. Thanksgiving didn't become a civic holiday until Abraham Lincoln

made it one after the Civil War tragedy. Thanksgiving was declared a national holiday on October 20, 1864

8. The Pilgrims did not refer to themselves as "pilgrims." They used the word "separatists" as they were separating themselves from a larger belief

9. In addition to Canada and the United States, Grenada, Liberia, the Philippines, Saint Lucia, and the Netherlands celebrate their own versions of Thanksgiving.

10. Each year, the American president "pardons" a turkey from slaughter on Thanksgiving. This tradition dates back to when Abraham Lincoln's son was upset that his family's turkey that was going to be killed for Thanksgiving dinner.

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11. According to the U.S. Calorie Control Council (CCC), an average American may consume 4,500 calories and 229 grams of fat on Thanksgiving Day

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13. Apple pie is the pie of choice for Thanksgiving, even though pumpkin pie is prevalent this time of year.

Thanksgiving is a popular holiday in Canada and the U.S. Many traditions have been borne of the holiday, and it is a favorite time of year for many