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View From The Cliff

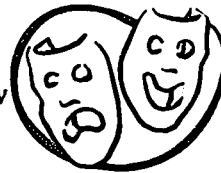
by Amy Sellin, Marketing Director

On November 16th Cliffview Resort will get Mysterious! Bluegrass Mystery Theatre will be presenting *Death and Diamonds* at the Cliffview Lodge.

Join us for an evening of laughs and thrills as we follow the strange story of murder, intrigue and true love!

The event is at 7:00PM and will be catered by Marshall's Catering. Call 606-668-6222 to reserve your spot now!

Tickets are just \$35 and include dinner and discounts on rooms and zipline tours.



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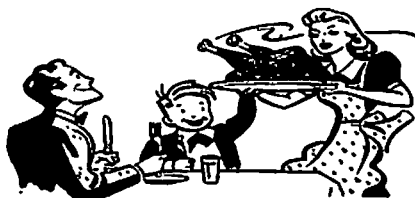
November: Transition Month

November is the month when we must begin to believe winter is just around the corner. It is a month of preparation for many of us. Preparing the house for the colder days to come. Getting the car ready for the rigors of winter. Starting to think seriously about the up-coming Holidays. Getting all those sweaters, jackets and coats out and to the cleaners. Time to pause and consider what we have accomplished while the weather was agreeable. What we still must finish and projects we have been saving for "indoor" weather.

All in all, November is a reflective month, but still, I don't think fondly of November. I guess I will always be a child of the sun - needing warmth and light to really feel comfortable.

Of course, there is Thanksgiving. All that family activity, food, football, food, shopping, food and, ...well, you get the picture.

November gets its name from the Romans. Novem (or something which sounds like that) is Latin for ninth and in the old Roman calendar, November was the ninth month. That was before July and August were named for emperors Julius and Augustus Caesar and added to the calendar. The Senate of Rome offered to name the ninth month in honor of Tiberius, who refused asking, "What will you do if there are more than twelve Caesars?"



Comet ISON

The Comet of the Century

Jenny and I would like to claim credit for this comet, but we really can't. It was discovered on September 21st, 2012 by Artyom Kislovodsk and Vitaly Nevsky using the International Scientific Optical Network's (ISON) 16 inch reflector. This will be the comet of the century, shining as bright as the full moon near perihelion. Perihelion is when the comet is closest to the sun

The November issue of *Astronomy Magazine* ranks ISON a 9 on their accumulated point scale. (We think it's more like a 10!)

ISON will pass about 40 million miles from Earth the day after Christmas.

Here are some key dates to watch ISON as it blasts into the inner solar system:

November 25th: ISON passes just 1.2 degrees south of short period comet 2P/Encke which may shine at +8th magnitude.

November 27th: ISON enters the field of view of SOHO's LASCO C3 coronagraph, an observation satellite in space.

November 28th: ISON reaches perihelion at ~ 6:00 PM EST.

For more, Google 'Comet Ison'.



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Do You Solemnly Swear...

(To make us chuckle!)

The following, are actual questions and answers taken from court transcripts. We *did not* make these up

THE COURT: Now, as we begin, I must ask you to banish all present information and prejudice from your minds, if you have any.

Q. Did he pick the dog up by the ears?

A. No.

Q. What was he doing with the dog's ears?

A. Picking them up in the air.

Q. Where was the dog at this time?

A. Attached to the ears.

Q. When he went, had you gone and had she, if she wanted to and were able, for the time being excluding all the restraints on her not to go, gone also, would he have brought you, meaning you and she, with him to the station?

MR. BROOKS: Objection. That question should be taken out and shot.

Q. And Gary, all your responses must be oral, O.K.?

What school do you go to?

A. Oral.

Q. How old are you?

A. Oral.

Q. What is your relationship with the plaintiff?

A. She is my daughter.

Q. Was she your daughter on February 13, 1999?

A. He came home, and next morning he was dead.

Q. So when he woke up the next morning he was dead?

Q. Did you tell your lawyer that your husband had offered you indignities?

A. He didn't offer me nothing; he just said I could have the furniture.

Q. So, after the anesthesia, when you came out of it, what did you observe with respect to your scalp?

A. I didn't see my scalp the whole time I was in the hospital.

Q. It was covered?

A. Yes, bandaged.

Q. Then, later on.. what did you see?

A. I had a skin graft. My whole buttocks and leg were removed and put on top of my head.

Q. What can you tell us about the truthfulness and veracity of this defendant?

A. Oh, she will tell the truth. She said she'd kill that sonofabitch - and she did!

Q. Do you drink when you're on duty?

A. I don't drink when I'm on duty, unless I come on duty drunk.

Q. ...any suggestions as to what prevented this from being a murder trial instead of an attempted murder trial?

A. The victim lived.

Q. Are you qualified to give a urine sample?

A. Yes, I have been since early childhood.

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Q. The truth of the matter is that you were not an unbiased, objective witness, isn't it. You too were shot in the fracas?

A. No, sir. I was shot midway between the fracas and the naval.

Q. (showing man picture) That's you?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you were present when the picture was taken ?

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Maybe "jokes" is better

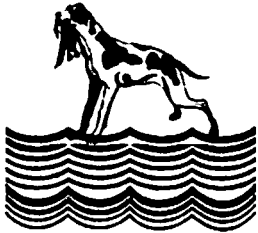
by Buck Thorn, Macho Man & Outdoorsy Guy

The Water Dog

An avid duck hunter was in the market for a new bird dog. His search ended when he found a dog that could actually walk on water to retrieve a duck.

Shocked by his find, he was sure none of his friends would ever believe him.

He decided to try to break the news to a friend of his, the eternal pessimist who refused to be impressed with anything. This, surely, would impress him. He invited him to hunt with him and his new dog. As they waited by the shore, a flock of ducks flew by. They fired, and a duck fell. The dog responded and jumped into the



water. The dog, however, did not sink but instead walked across the water to retrieve the bird, never getting more than his paws wet. This continued all day long; each time a duck fell, the dog walked across the surface of the water to retrieve it.

The pessimist watched carefully, saw everything, but did not say a single word.

On the drive home the hunter asked his friend, "Did you notice anything unusual about my new dog?"

"I sure did," responded the pessimist.

"He can't swim!"

The Gator Getter

While sports fishing off the Florida coast, a tourist capsized his boat. He could swim, but his fear of alligators kept him clinging to the overturned craft.

Spotting an old beachcomber

standing on the shore, the tourist shouted, "Are there any gators around here?!"

"Naw," the man

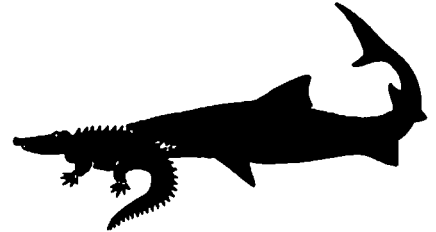
hollered back, "they ain't been around for years!"

"Feeling safe, the tourist started swimming leisurely toward the shore.

About halfway there he asked the guy, "How'd you get rid of the gators?"

"We didn't do nothin'," the beachcomber said.

"Didn't have to. The sharks got 'em."



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Turkey



Wild Turkey with Cranberry Glaze

Prep Time: 1/2 hour **Cook Time:** 3 to 4 hours
Serves 8-10 **Note:** You can use a store-bought turkey, but it will not have the rich full flavor of one harvested from the wild.

Ingredients:

1 Wild Turkey (10 to 12 lbs.)
1 medium onion, halved
1 orange, halved
ground black pepper to taste
½ pound thickly sliced bacon (wild boar is best)

Glaze:

1 cup cranberries
¼ cup fresh orange juice
⅓ cup apricot jam
3 tablespoons Wild Turkey (80 proof) Bourbon whiskey

Make Glaze:

Combine the cranberries, orange juice, jam, and bourbon in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce the heat to medium and cook, stirring occasionally, for 2 minutes.

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 500°F. Place the onion and orange in the cavity of the turkey and dust the outside with black pepper. Cover the turkey breast and legs with the bacon, truss the turkey, and place on a V-shaped rack in a greased roasting pan. Cook for 15 minutes and immediately reduce the heat to 375°F. Cover with aluminum foil and baste occasionally with the pan drippings. Cook 15 to 20 minutes to the pound, or until a leg feels very loose when wiggled. Brush with glaze during the last 1 hour of cooking. Remove the turkey from the oven and let stand for 20 minutes before carving.

Turkey Day Tips

Richer, more flavorful mashed potatoes. Use Russet potatoes and half-and-half instead of milk. For fluffier mashed potatoes, boil the potatoes only until fork-tender, drain them immediately then put them back on the heat, shaking the pot for a minute or so to dry out the excess water.

Create a really great, tasty sweet potato casserole. Put the cooked potatoes in a food processor and slowly add heavy cream and a little orange juice and pulse until they are the desired consistency. Flavor them to taste with cinnamon, brown sugar or maple syrup, and nutmeg. You can also add coconut and raisins to the mixture for an even tastier casserole. Pour the mixture into a casserole dish, lay pats of butter on top and bake at 350 degrees until warm. Half way through the baking, placing marshmallows on top and allowing them to brown makes this dish almost irresistible!



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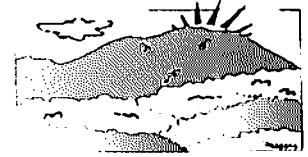
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Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park, Buckhorn, KY 41721 **Phone: 800-325-0058**
parks.ky.gov/parks/resortparks/buckhorn-lake/events.aspx

Come to Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park on Saturday November 16th at 6:00 P.M., for a "musical" documentary about the famous Hatfield/McCoy feud. The program tells the story featuring an original music score by a direct descendent of the combatants. John Tierney, who produced the program, has researched feuding in the mountains of eastern KY in the late 19th century, will be on hand to interpret and make comments about this turbulent time in the history of the region. For just \$20.00, you can enjoy the presentation and a plated dinner of fried chicken breast or meatloaf, green beans, mashed potatoes, Cole slaw, blackberry cobbler, dinner rolls, and sweet tea. Advance reservations are available from any of the employees. Don't forget the price includes show, dinner, gratuity and tax.

Fall Elk Watches **Buckhorn, Kentucky**

Nov 23, 2013 5:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Nov 24, 2013 5:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

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Enjoy seeing these majestic animals in their natural habitat. Participants must register by calling Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park at **800-325-0058**. Participation in the natural history program the evening prior to the trip at 7 p.m. is strongly recommended. Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars, camera, water and snacks. The tour van leaves the park between 5:30 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. depending on the date, and usually returns to the park around 10:30 a.m. to noon. Package price of \$120 per couple (\$90 per single) includes one night's lodging, continental breakfast and transportation to and from the elk preserve the following morning. Stay the night before or after with package for an extra \$50. The cost for the tour only can be arranged.

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