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Please join us at Garrison Congregational, UCC Thursday, December 20th at 7:00 pm





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Extension news

Winter travel tips

BY CALLA EDWARDS McLean Co. Extension Agent The Holiday driving season is upon us and while this December has been dry so far, winter weather is always right around the corner. All of us know that winter in North Dakota brings with it ice fishing and other wonderful activities, but it is also one of the most dangerous seasons in North Dakota because of the cold temperatures. Winter can also be the most hazardous driving conditions in North Dakota with snow, sleet and ice combining with cold temperatures to turn roads into a sheet of ice. Before winter weather officially hits (or if it already has with the uncertainty of the snow forecast at the time this article was written) be sure that your car is ready for the winter driving season. These winter travel safety tips are important to consider as you head to your car this winter.

Check your car battery. Cold weather can really drain your car battery. AAA estimates that at 0 degrees your batter will lose 60 percent of its power and at 32 degrees the battery loses 35 percent of its power. During cold weather, your car can take twice as much power to start and a weak battery just isn't going to cut it.

Check the tread on your tires. Bald or balding tires are especially dangerous in the winter. Without tread, you have little to no control on the road whether driving down the highway or stopping at a stop light in town. One popular way to check your tire tread is to insert a penny into the tread with Lincoln's head down. If you can see all of his head, your tread is less than 2/32" and it's time to get new tires.

Check the weather and road conditions. This is one of the most important steps to winter travel, but it is often overlooked. Before you leave know your route and what the weather is supposed to do. Use the ND Roads app to check conditions quickly before and when you make stops as your travel.

Create a winter weather survival kit. Keep some basic supplies in your car when traveling, especially in the winter. Some important items include: Blankets, Warm clothing, Non-perishable foods and water, jumper cables, tow rope, kitty litter for traction, a shovel and something to keep you entertained while you wait. Slow down and drive safely! While blasting through snow drifts looks cool, it is hard on vehicles. It is recommended to slow down 50 percent on snowy or slick roads but remember to keep some momentum. It is much easier to go uphill or through a snow drift if you have some forward motion. Check your tires for proper inflation and for tread wear. Traction and breaking become difficult if your tires are worn out. I'm stuck, now what do I do? Getting stuck can ruin anyone's plans but there are steps to take to stay safe. First off, stay with your car. Even if it's not running, it provides protection from the wind and cold. NDSU has a Winter Survival App that is free to anyone that will help



Calla Edwards

you if you get stuck. It provides your geographic location so you can tell authorities where you are along with other helpful weather tips.

Unless you have to travel, stay home. If you have to travel, be sure to do it safely, but if the weather is bad and you have a choice stay home for your safety.

Winter can be a beautiful month, but travel with caution. In North Dakota weather can vary from one part of the state to another and it is important to stay informed on what is coming your way. Have a safe and enjoyable Holiday driving season and we hope you make it to any of your destination's safely this season.

Growing impact of caregiving

BY MICHELLE EFFERTZ 4-H Youth Extension Agent

An estimated 14 million older Americans cannot live independently, and the burden of their daily care falls mainly on their wives and daughters, according to the American Time Use Survey of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

This takes a toll on working women especially: 10 percent of caregivers have to cut back their hours at work, and 6 percent leave their jobs entirely. About 21 million U.S. family members now care for an adult relative for no pay.

TIPS FOR CAREGIVERS **DURING THE HOLIDAYS**

Holiday preparations can be



Michelle Effertz

overwhelming for caregivers of family members. Many caregivers wish to hold on to holiday traditions, but their old traditions don't always fit with new realities.

Experienced caregivers offer the following suggestions to help you and your family keep the holiday without the hassle.

• Invite guests to the home of the care receiver so that he or she will be comfortable and not have to be taken out.

• Suggest a potluck meal or ask guests to take responsibility for preparing a meal. Make clean-up easy by using festive paper plates and cups.

• Keep the number of guests manageable. Noise and hectic activity can be difficult for a person who is frail or confused.

• Talk to family and friends before they arrive. If the care receiver is confused, has trouble eating or has any behaviors that guests might not understand, explain the circumstances to them and tell them how to approach the situation.

• If friends or relatives ask what they can bring, suggest gifts that really will help frozen prepared foods, an IOU for caregiving that offers you respite time, a trip to the beauty or barber shop for your care receiver, or an offer to run specific errands.

One caregiver told me that she thought for years that nobody could do it except her. But when she learned to ask for help, she found that holiday joy doesn't depend on doing everything the same way it's always been done.



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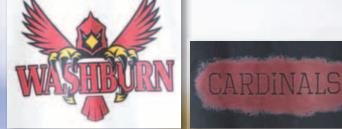
Lumpy trees

BY BEV JOHNSON M.G. University of Minnesota Extension Master Gardener

Bunkey has several mature trees in his yard. He doesn't pay much attention to them unless he notices a dead branch, usually after they have fallen and damaged something. The other day, Petunia asked him what that lump was on the oak tree. He told her the tree had just gotten bumped and was swelling up. Then he hiked himself over to George's to find out what it actually was. This is what he was told. Many trees develop odd lumps, bumps and bulges. The exact cause is a mystery. It may be a response to insect damage, or a pathogen or a type of tree cancer. Some burls seem to develop from a proliferation of bud tissue that keeps multiplying instead of developing shoots. Redwood burls are a bit different-they are a source of stem tissue that can produce shoots if the main trunk is damaged or cut. They are so valued that creeps are cutting them off the trees and selling them, thus damaging the tree's ability to develop a new trunk.

Burls continue to grow as the tree does. They are not known to kill a tree, but they do seem to reduce a tree's vigor. This can make the tree more susceptible to insects and reduce the life span of the affected tree. Woodworkers love these things. The grain has a swirling pattern that can be carved into bowls, made into art or veneered. The veneer is prized by guitar makers and other musical instrument makers.

One famous user of wood with knots and wild grain patterns was George Nakashima. He considered the "personality" and history of each piece of wood he used. No even grain and uniformity for him. His pieces where massive, rich in



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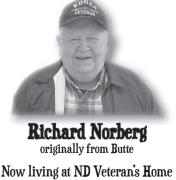
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Calendar

Korean veteran

Remember a Korean Veteran at Christmas with a card or phone call. Richard Norberg, originally from Butte, is now living at ND Veteran's Home, PO Box 230, Lisbon, ND 58054. 701-680-9034

Saturday, Dec. 15

The Community Cupboard of Underwood will be open from 10 a.m. to noon, 208 Lincoln Ave. All in need are welcome to receive food and household goods at no cost.

A Visit from Santa in Washburn and rural Washburn. Santa and Mrs. Claus will come to your home for a visit. During the visit you can take photos and tell him your Christmas wishes which will last approximately 10 minutes. To sign up for a time call the McLean Family Resource Center at 701-462-8643. Reservations due by Dec. 7. Activity day, Garrison Public Libray, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 16

St. Paul Lutheran Church Christmas program, 9:45 a.m.

St. Nick's Christmas Program, St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 9:30 a.m.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the live nativity that had been scheduled for this Sunday in Underwood has been canceled.

Bethlehem on the Air, 3 p.m., Garrison Church of God. Join them to be a part of the old fashioned radio production.

Trinîty Lutheran Church Sunday School Christmas program, 9:30 a.m., Turtle Lake.

Monday, Dec. 17

Turtle Lake-Mercer School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

McClusky Municipal Court, 7 p.m.

Underwood School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Washburn School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Yoga, First Congregational Church, Garrison, 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Bone Builders exercise, Garrison Senior Center, 10 a.m. Max Food Pantry, Max Senior Center, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. and 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary meeting, Garrison city park, 7 p.m.

Due to the busy holiday season, there will be no community meal at First Lutheran Church in Washburn for the month of December. Thank you for attending and hope you have enjoyed the meals that were served.

Tuesday, Dec. 18

McLean County Commission meeting, 8:30 a.m.

McClusky Park Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Food Bank at Sheridan County Courthouse is open from 9 a.m. to noon.

Adult Health Services and Foot Care Clinic available at the Senior Center, Turtle Lake. Please call 462-3330 to schedule an appointment.

Pickleball, elementary gym, 7 p.m., beginners welcome. Adult coloring and diamond painting, Garrison Public Library, 6:45 p.m.-8 p.m.

Max School Board Meeting, 5 p.m.

Max High School Christmas Concert, Max school gymnasium, 7 p.m.

McClusky elementary and high school Christmas concert, 7 p.m. Goodrich School Christmas program, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 19

Wilton City Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

Wilton School Board meeting, 6 p.m.

Adult Health Services and Foot Care Clinic available at the Public Health office, Garrison. Please call 463-2641 to schedule an appointment.

Yoga, First Congregational Church, Garrison, 8 a.m.

Adult health services and foot care clinic, Garrison Public Health office, Please call 463-2641 for an appointment

Bible Study, The Meadows, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 20

Mercer City meeting, 7 p.m.

Food Bank at Sheridan County Courthouse is open from 1 to 4 p.m. First Presbyterian Church clothes closet is open from 3 to 5 p.m.

at 401 Dakota Avenue, Wilton. Free clothing for all ages and sizes. The Share-Exchange (clothing giveaway) will be open from 1 to

5 p.m. at 221 Main St., Turtle Lake. Bone Builders exercise, Garrison Senior Center, 10 a.m.

Christmas open house, Garrison Bank and Trust Lobby, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., public welcome.

Have you tried an air fryer?

BY JULIE GARDEN-ROBINSON Food and Nutrition Specie

Food and Nutrition Specialist NDSU Extension

We have entered the season of gift giving and receiving. Think back to an earlier time when you were hoping for a particular gift. What was it? How did you know about it? Did you receive it?

I really, really wanted an Easy Bake Oven. I saw it in the thick catalog that arrived every fall. As I gazed at the photo, I almost could taste the tiny cake that came out of a slot on the side of the oven. The little girl on the package beamed with pride.

I showed the catalog picture to my mom. She thought that baking a two-bite cake with a light bulb was kind of silly.

"I'll show you how to use the real oven," Mom said.

Obviously, I wasn't going to get the toy oven. By the time I was in fourth grade, I was mixing and baking piles of holiday cookies, and I was becoming fascinated by the chemistry of food.

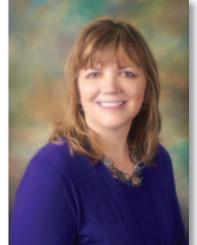
I suppose not getting the little oven helped lead me toward my career path.

Through the years, I have collected almost every kind of kitchen appliance and gadget. My available storage space in our cupboards and shelving units is growing smaller. Last year, I added an electric pressure cooker to the mix. It has been a good investment. It occupies premium kitchen counter space.

"I need to know how these appliances work in case someone asks me," I tell my patient husband. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

Air fryers seem to be the appliance of the year. Air fryers are among the few items that I don't have in my appliance warehouse. I don't have anything against them; I just have to guard my available storage "real estate."

Air fryers were introduced in about 2010, and now multiple models from different companies





You can bake these homemade chicken nuggets in the oven. (NDSU photo)

are available. They are designed to replace deep-fat fryers to produce "fried" foods such as french fries and chicken wings that are lower in fat and calories.

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Air fryers are more like convection ovens than deep-fat fryers. Instead of immersing your food in boiling oil, you toss the food in about a tablespoon of oil and place it in the appliance. The device circulates very hot air in a small space.

This heating process usually results in crunchy food with a browned exterior due to a chemical reaction called the Maillard effect. However, the food won't have the same mouthfeel as deep-fried foods.

Many people love their air fryers and use them frequently, according to anecdotes from my colleagues. If you prepare deepfried foods fairly often at home, an air fryer may be something for you to consider.

An air fryer could trim your fat and calorie intake, and theoretically, these appliances could help with weight management. Compared with equal weights of pure protein or carbohydrate, fat has 2 1/2 times the calories.

In a study performed in Egypt, food scientists compared traditional deep-fat frying and air frying in the creation of french fries. Their taste testers preferred the air-fried potatoes instead of the conventionally fried potatoes.

Another study showed that air frying could reduce the amount of acrylamides formed during deepfat frying high-carbohydrate foods by 90 percent. Acrylamide compounds are considered "probable carcinogens."

Considering these potential health-promoting effects, I contemplated buying an air fryer. I borrowed one and took it for a spin in my home.

I air fried frozen french fries and chicken nuggets. While the end product was edible, I thought the food was dry. I dunked the cardboardlike fries in a pool of Yes, I cut down on fat, but I added extra salt and sugar from the sauces.

If you are tempted by air fryers, do your homework and read the appliance reviews from reputable sources external to the company selling the product. Check out the sometimes amusing blog posts from people who describe using their air fryers for the first time.

At any rate, keep your intake of deep-fried foods to a once-ina-while special treat. Stick with roasting, baking, steaming, slow cooking, grilling and, potentially, air frying.

Here's a recipe for homemade chicken nuggets that you can bake in your oven. Actually, I wonder if they still sell Easy Bake Ovens so I can make a little dessert for myself.

HOMESTYLE CHICKEN NUGGETS

1 1/2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breast

Water (to moisten chicken) 1 c. cornflakes or other ready-

to-eat cereal crumbs

1 tsp. paprika

1/2 tsp. Italian herb seasoning or seasoning of your choice

1/4 tsp. garlic powder

1/4 tsp. onion powder

Honey mustard sauce (optional, as dip)

Barbecue sauce (optional as dip)

Preheat oven to 400 F. Cut the chicken into bite-sized pieces and moisten slightly with water. Place cereal in a plastic bag and crush using a rolling pin or can. Add remaining ingredients to cereal crumbs. Close bag tightly and shake until blended. Add a few chicken pieces at a time to crumb mixture and shake to coat evenly. Discard any unused crumb mixture. Place chicken pieces on greased baking sheet so they are not touching. Bake until golden brown with an internal temperature of 165 F, or

about 12 to 14 minutes.
Makes four servings. Without
added sauces, each serving has
280 calories, 5 grams (g) fat, 22
g protein, 40 g carbohydrate, 1 g
fiber and 220 milligrams sodium.

Story time and craft, Garrison Public Library, 3:30 p.m. Pickleball, elementary gym, 7 p.m., beginners welcome Garrison School Board meeting, 5:30 p.m. Blue Christmas at UCC Church, 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 21

Yoga, First Congregational Church, Garrison, 8 a.m.

Christmas open house, Garrison Bank and Trust Lobby Max Location, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., public welcome.

Saturday, Dec. 22

The Lord's Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to noon, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 515 Kundert St., Turtle Lake.

Community Food Pantry, Ryder Community Gym, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Free soup and sandwiches

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ketchup. I think I overdid the cooking. g protein, 4 fiber and 22

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continued from page 4 grain, with remnants of bark and cambium visible. He was the father of the "live edge" now popular with stylists. The Anderson Horticultural library at the Arboretum has furniture designed and built by Nakashima. Mrs. Anderson first encountered Nakashima furniture at the Smithsonian's Renvick Gallerv that had an exhibit featuring American furniture. She was so impressed that she commissioned Nakashima to design and build tables, chairs, bookcase ends, a desk and display cases for the Arboretum library. The tables are made from American black walnut and are large bookmarked pieces. The chairs are hickory, the coffee table is made from a burl of English oak. That piece

of wood is described as a "honey colored map of wormholes and weathering". The desk, bookcases and shelves are also walnut. Once a year, on "Miserable day" volunteers clean each piece with a clean damp cloth, even on the undersides. Then they are rubbed with linseed oil. This must be a major undertaking with all those "live edges" thus Miserable day.

There will be no new authentic Nakashima pieces as he died in 1990. If you are ever in New York, you can see one of his most famous pieces, a massive walnut Altar for Peace in the Cathedral of St. John the Devine. Or take a trip to our arboretum and check out the library. It' full of his stuff.

The moral of this article is, don't cut off a redwood burl but if you find one on a downed tree, cut it off and offer it to a woodworker. You may end up with a one of a kind piece.



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The magic of Santa's Elf on the Shelf

BY KATHY TANDBERG BHG News

As soon as we stepped into her home, we were met by giggles from our 7-year-old granddaughter, Ayla, who grabbed our hands and said, "Come see, come see where Mimi Spike is! She is such a stinker!"

She pulled Grandpa and me towards the kitchen and pointed to her elf, hanging upside down from the pendant light hanging over the sink!

We learned about Elf on the Shelf when our teenaged grandchildren were much younger. Let's face it, in today's children's Christmas of fun, Elf on the Shelf has been in most homes of young children everywhere.

A couple years ago we stayed with Ayla when her parents were away for the weekend. On our list of daily things to do long after the child was fully asleep, was to make sure Mimi Spike had moved to a new location in the house.

She moves every night but not until the child is fully asleep, you know. Her purpose is to give Santa a set of eyes in each child's home to make sure they are listening to their parents, sharing and playing nicely with others. Then on Christmas Eve she heads back to the North Pole before Santa arrives in the middle of the night.

Of course, our daughter and her husband had already set the bar high for us as to places and mischief for Mimi Spike to get into, which meant she couldn't just sit anyplace. The bar was set for creativity to make sure Mimi Spike was in an easy to see location.

Of course we are creative, especially Grandpa who has a mind for unusual fun with our grandchildren of all ages.

Elf on the Shelf is magical of course, because he or she moves all around the house on his or her own. And boy, Ayla was right, Mimi Spike sure is a stinker! Just a few examples for where Mimi Spike has been found are: sitting in a bowl of bubble bath (cotton balls); all of Ayla's hair bows clipped all over the elf's body; sitting in a mixing bowl of dry cereal that has been spilled all around her; sitting in a bowl of wrapped candy with wrappers all over her; and hanging upside down from the star atop the Christmas tree.

Then she's also been found in the refrigerator wrapped around the top of the milk jug: and sitting atop the nativity manger scene



From the Front Porch



Kathy Tandberg

peering down into the manger. Ayla said Mimi Spike must take gymnastic lessons.

I could continue but there are so many in the month before each Christmas in recent years to count, much less where our teenaged grandchildren found theirs.

Santa must have more elves now than he did when I was a child because none of them came to visit our house. They were too busy making toys for children of the world back then. I suppose now with so much new, modern technology and factory equipment, the elves have more free time.

However, I do think Santa assigns the task of Elf of the Shelf to the elves that are more the goofing off elves that waste time and joke around the toy factory. In other words, those elves that are nonproductive at work. Being sent to be an Elf on the Shelf is a way those elves still contribute to the joy of children during Christmas.

It is said that the Elf on the Shelf first appeared in the United Kingdom, and then later made the way to America and other countries around the world.

By becoming worldwide travelers, Elf on the Shelf, both boy and girl elves, have become more fashionable, with their own cute clothes, from dresses to dance outfits and sports outfits. My, they have come a long way!

Good luck to you if you happen to have an Elf on the Shelf in your home. They are magical and you never know what those little rascals will get into.



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