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History of Thanksgiving by: Christina Fields

Hopefully you know that Thanksgiving is coming up on the 24th. If you don't, shame on you. But if you do, you may not know some facts and the history of the first thanksgiving. That's what we (the KMS Press staff) are here for.

Thanksgiving is one of the most beloved holidays of the year. There are families traveling around the world to gather with family and friends, schools on break, and families just hanging around at home being thankful. But, the holiday didn't exist before the year 1621.

In the year 1621, The Wampanoag Indians and

the Plymouth colonists shared an autumn harvest, which is known as the first Thanksgiving feast. It took place around September 21 or November 11 (Historians are not sure which, and they believe it lasted three days). Before the feast even began, some of the Pilgrims died during their first fall and winter at Plymouth Rock. The remaining colonists decided to celebrate their own survival with a feast, inviting the Indians who had helped them survive their first year. It is believed that the Pilgrims would not have made it through the year without the help of the natives. The feast was more of a traditional English harvest festival than a true "thanksgiving" observance.

The meal of the first thanksgiving feast included items such as seafood and wild fowl. Surprisingly, there were no potatoes, corn on the cob, ham, pumpkin pie, eggs or chicken, or cranberry sauce. In the end, the first Thanksgiving was very different than the holiday we celebrate today. All the KMS Press staff would like to wish you a happy Thanksgiving.

Pennsylvania

State of the Week

The following is the second article in a series of articles highlighting the different states in the Union.

- **Capital-Harrisburg**
- **Statehood-December 7, 1787**
- **Area- 46,058 square miles**
- **Population- 12,281,054**
- **Motto- Virtue, Liberty, Independence**
- **Origin- it was named in honor of Admiral William Penn**



Pennsylvania was the second state to be established in the Union. It is also called the Keystone state. It is the home of the original Liberty Bell. The Battle of Gettysburg occurred in Pennsylvania in July 1863. James Buchanan, the fifteenth President, was born in the Keystone State on April 23, 1791 in Cove Gap. Pennsylvania has many great things to offer from history to adventure.

By: Grant Hildreth

MS/JV Volleyball in Nome

Volleyball this Past Weekend

This past weekend (Nov 18th - 20th), the Kotzebue Middle School volleyball team went to Nome to play against the Nome Beltz Nanooks. The team of ten that went was Christina Fields (age 12), Dessirea Kenworthy (12), Chelsea Hadley (13), Colby

Howarth (12), Lainey Beaver (13), Taihya Matthews (13), Katiya Erickson (13), Stephanie Sampson (13), Emma Melton (13), Kelsey Hensley (12), and coach Ms. Melissa Hemry.

The girls did very well; they worked hard and eventually won! The sad thing was that the main setter, Katiya, got

sick and didn't feel good enough to play.

The Husky team was undefeated over the weekend. The second game in the second match, the Huskies were down by 13. The score was Huskies 9 and Nanooks 22. They couldn't let the team down so

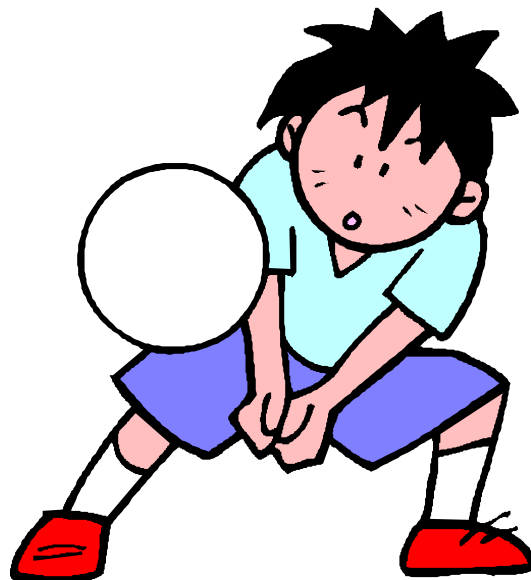
By: Colby Howarth & Chelsea Hadley

Taihya served and brought them back up. Taihya scored 11 points in a row. Then the Nanooks served and missed. Finally Colby made the last couple of points.

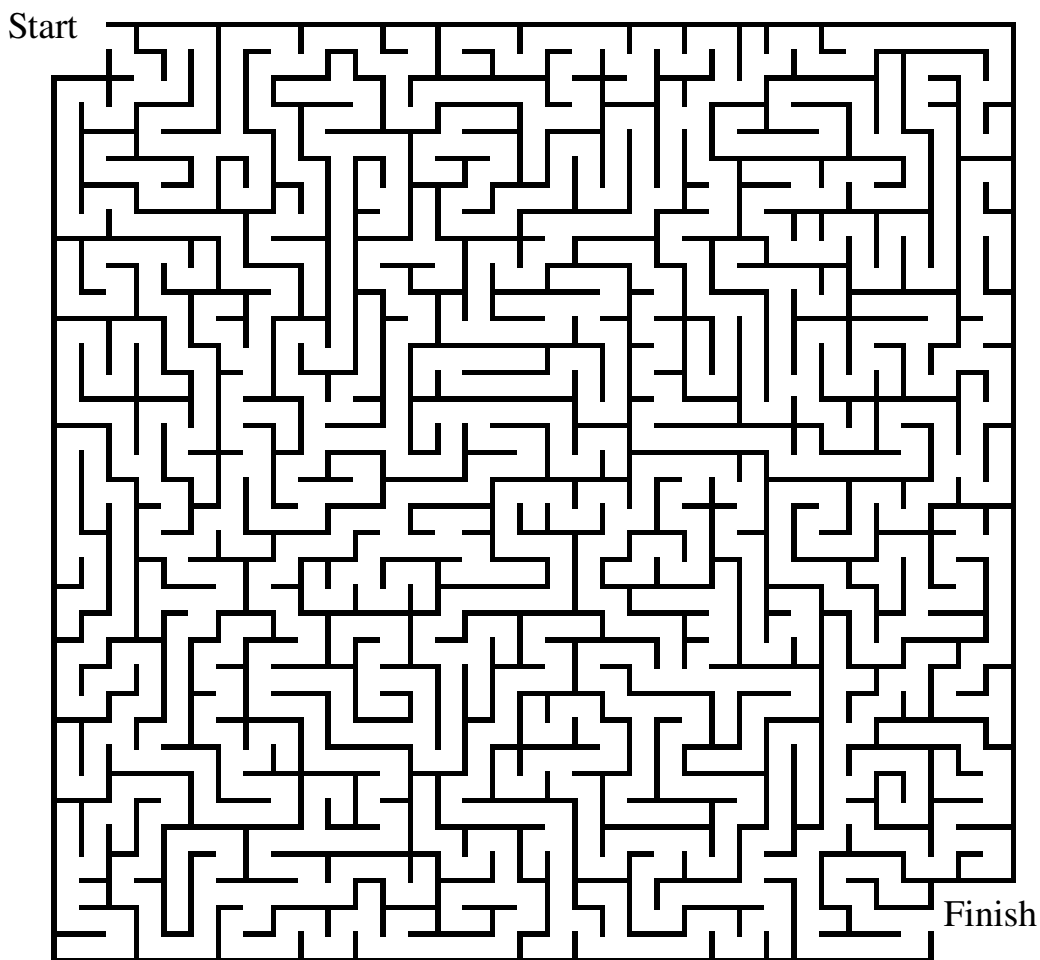
While they were staying at the school, the team had a lot

of spare time. Among other things, they explored the school, ran around, played games, watched the JV play, went swimming, and had FUN!

The girls had a lot of fun with Ms. Hemry, and hope to see her coaching next year.



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Mystery Person of the Week

**Who is this mystery person?
Well here are a few facts about this person**

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The mystery person is a thirteen-year-old male and his birth date is October 23, 1992. His eye and hair color are brownish-black. He likes the color blue and his favorite number is fourteen. He also likes the food pizza. In his spare time, he plays basketball and plays video games. He has three siblings, which are older than he is. His favorite subject in school is mathematics. After he gradu-

ates from high school, he wants to go to college. His favorite type of music is Metal, and his favorite band is Slipknot. His favorite sports team is the L.A Lakers. His turn-offs are losing, and his best friend is Matthew Rae.

By: Darilyn Nelson



The Mystery Person for the last issue was Dessirea Kenworthy.

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Myths and Facts

By: Catherine Greene

The reason that we have so many myths associated with Thanksgiving is that it is an invented tradition. It doesn't originate in any one event. It is based on the New England puritan Thanksgiving. Which is a religious Thanksgiving, and the traditional harvest celebrations of England and New England and maybe other ideas like commemorating the pilgrims. All of these have been gathered together and transformed into something different from the original parts.

~James W. Baker, Senior Historian at Plymouth Plantation

Myth: The first Thanksgiving was in 1621 and the pilgrims celebrated it every year after that.

Fact: The first feast wasn't repeated. To the pilgrims, the Thanksgiving was a religious holiday when they would go to church and thank God for a specific event, like the winning of a battle.

The pictures provided for this page were from historychannel.com



Women and children preparing meal

Myth: The original Thanksgiving feast took place on the fourth Thursday of November.

Fact: The original feast in 1621, occurred sometime between September 21 and November 11. The event was based on English harvest festivals, which traditionally occurred around September 29th.

Myth: The pilgrims wore only black and white clothing. They had buckles in their hats, garments, and shoes.

Fact: Buckles didn't come into fashion until later in the 17th century and black and white were usually worn only on Sunday and formal occasions. Women typically dressed in red, earthy green, brown, blue, violet, and gray. Men wore clothing in white, beige, black, earthy green, and brown.

Myth: The pilgrims brought furniture with them on the Mayflower.

Fact: The pilgrims brought chests and boxes on the Mayflower. They constructed wooden furniture once they settled in Plymouth.



Mayflower II undersail

Butterscotch Pumpkin Cake

Provided by: Libby's® Pumpkin

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 (11 ounce) package NESTLE® TOLL HOUSE® Butterscotch Flavored Morsels, divided
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 3/4 cups granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 cup LIBBY'S® 100% Pure Pumpkin
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- powdered sugar (optional)
- 1/3 cup NESTLE CARNATION Evaporated Milk

DIRECTIONS:

1. PREHEAT oven to 350 degrees F. Grease 12-cup Bundt pan.
2. MICROWAVE 1-cup morsels in small, microwave-safe bowl on MEDIUM-HIGH (70 percent) power for 1 minute; stir. Microwave at additional 10- to 20-second intervals, stirring until smooth. Cool to room temperature.
3. COMBINE flour, granulated sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, salt and nutmeg in medium bowl. Stir together melted morsels, pumpkin, vegetable oil, eggs and vanilla extract in large bowl with wire whisk. Stir in flour mixture. Spoon batter into prepared Bundt pan.
4. BAKE for 40 to 50 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in cake comes out clean. Cool in pan on wire rack for 30 minutes; remove to wire rack to cool completely. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Serve with Butterscotch Sauce.
5. FOR BUTTERSCOTCH SAUCE: HEAT 1/3 cup NESTLE® CARNATION® Evaporated Milk in medium, heavy-duty saucepan over medium heat just to a boil; remove from heat. Add remaining morsels; stir until smooth. Return to heat. Stirring constantly, bring mixture just to a boil. Cool to room temperature. Stir before serving.

The Bush Brawl

Last weekend the 18th and 19th of November, Kotzebue hosted the Bush Brawl, the only wrestling tournament above the Arctic Circle. Teams from all over the Alaska came to participate, including Dillingham, Colony, Unalakleet, Nome and many more. Approximately 275 students from the state wrestled this weekend. The tournament this year was considered one of the largest Bush Brawls' ever. The matches started at 7:00 PM until 9 PM on Friday and continue all day from 9:00AM until 10:30 PM on Saturday.

The KHS took second place and nearly tied with Colony. The middle school took first place too. The elementary took third place. Kelson Phillips and Jared Miller were the outstanding wrestlers for high school and middle school. All the wrestlers who wrestled did great.

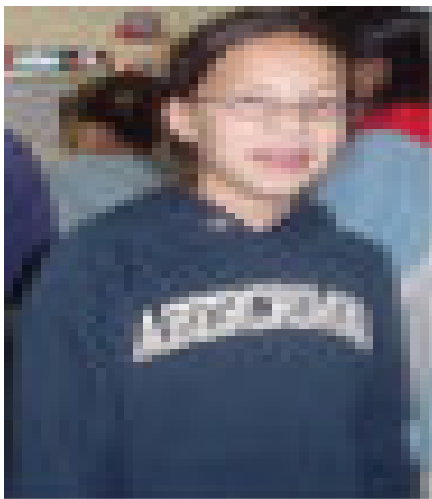


By: Melissa Foster and Velma Stein

Students of the Month

By: Heather Gallahorn & Gabe Schaeffer

The sixth grade student of the month for November is Kaylan Banks. Kaylan is eleven years old and was born on April 5, 1994. Her favorite hobby is rock collecting. Kaylan said that right now her rock collection is not very big. After high school she plans on going to college. She considers going to Harvard University because she said it sounds interesting. One day after college she wants to be



The eighth grade student of the month for November is Winona Hickerson. She is fourteen years old and was born on July 7, 1991. Her hobbies are hanging out with friends, going on the computer, and riding around. After high school she wants to go to UAA. When she is finished with college, she plans on getting a good job.

In-Depth Interview with Mr. And Mrs. Tyree

When people think about the middle school they often think about Mr. and Mrs. Tyree. These two have taught at Kotzebue Middle School for four years, and have been involved in everything from sports to student council to student finances.

The couple got married in 1974 in Blackfoot, Idaho at a beach on a lake. Mr. Tyree has lived at a whole bunch of different places throughout his life, like Poland, Salina, Kansas, and much more. Mrs. Tyree has lived in Holy Cross, Alaska, and Wainright, Alaska, and a whole lot of other places.

Mrs. Tyree started teaching in 1986 and Mr. Tyree started in 1963. Mr. Tyree said he's not going to retire teaching until it's time for him to go. Mr. and Mrs. Tyree have experienced many things in the world and they have taught many kids. We would like to thank them for all of their hard work. Finally, Mr. Tyree would like to let everybody know that, "Yes (he) did have a scrimmage game against Wilt Chamberlain."

By: Marvin McCall