



# Gas Gauge Ye Olde Car Club November 2017 Newsletter

## The President's Message

Happy November to all you car nuts!

November is a transition month for most of us. We have moved from Standard time to Daylight Saving Time. Family events and the Holiday Season are thrust upon us. With that hour we supposedly gained, I would like to review some of the things I am thankful for.

The first would be that I am above ground and moving around this beautiful country we have from our Father. Family and Good Friends are right up there, too. Gasoline: I'm thankful that I have the freedom to burn as much as my right foot can do. I thank Henry Ford for making cars affordable, and easy for the common man to own, thus creating the tens of millions of automobiles on the road today. Freeways: that's a good thing. Lonely back roads through amazing vistas that remind me how lucky I am to be a Car Nut.

In all seriousness, I am thankful for each and every one of you for enriching my journey on this earth. May the Lord bless you this Holiday Season and bring you the joys that you deserve. Until next time, keep the headlights clean and the windshield dry.

Lead Lug Nut.

Rick Ball, Car Guy

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**2018 Dues are due.** Pay early. Your dues are due by January 1, 2018 and delinquent on March 1. The price is still \$15.

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## BITS & PIECES

\*\*\* I've come to the conclusion that I'm a reasonably intelligent person who does moderately stupid things on a semi regular basis

\*\*\* Some things are better left unsaid, which I generally realize right after I have said them.

\*\*\* At an Optometrist's Office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, You've come to the right place."

\*\*\* Common sense is like deodorant. The people who need it the most, never use it.

\*\*\* If a man is alone in the forest with no woman to hear him...is he still wrong?

\*\*\* **Real Newspaper Headlines:** Parents keep kids home to protest school closure.

\*\*\* **Fun Food Facts:** Popsicles were invented by an 11-year old boy in 1905.

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**The Remarkable Body:** Nerve impulses travel to and from the brain at speeds of up to 250 miles per hour, faster than a Formula 1 race car.  
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Some funnies from Ingrid Smith:

1. Wife: Do you want dinner? Husband: Sure. What are my choices? Wife: Yes or No
2. Wife: What are you doing? Husband: Nothing. Wife: Nothing, you've been reading our marriage certificate for an hour. Husband: I was looking for the expiration date.
3. Why was the little inkspot crying? His mother was in the pen in the midst of a long sentence!

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## **EVENTS**

### **Ladies Luncheons:**

The November Ladies Luncheon had 9 ladies present. Thank you DuJuan.  
There will be **no** Ladies Luncheon in December.

### **YOCC HOLIDAY Party**

The annual YOCC Holiday Party will be held on **December 16** at Clover Island Inn. Doors open at 4:00, no host bar available and dinner to be served at 5:30. If you want to participate in the white elephant gift exchange, bring a gift either for a man or a woman. Price \$15 or under. Cost of the dinner is \$20 per person. The club will pick up the remainder of the cost. Mail your check to YOCC c/o Denny Wellington, P.O. Box 2023, Richland, WA 99352. Make it out to **YOCC**. If you have to cancel, your money will be refunded. Make your payment EARLY!

### **Holiday Open House**

Dennis & Frances McGillis will be having a holiday open house again this year. The date is Sunday, **December 3** from 2:00 – 7:00. Come and enjoy your fellow club members. 4806 Meadow View Drive, Pasco. North of Argent and west of Road 44.

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**Need a new badge?** Denny Wellington can have one for you in just a day or two for only \$7. Please email Denny with your name and he'll get it ordered. [dpwelling@aol.com](mailto:dpwelling@aol.com)

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### **Automobile Hobbist Magazines**

The Enthusiast Network sells dozens of subscriptions for less than "rack rate."

Some examples:

\$14 Hot Rod

\$18 Super Chevy

\$12 Car Craft

\$15 Chevy High Performance

\$10 Motor Trend

\$10 Automobile

[www.circsource.com/store/storehomepage.html](http://www.circsource.com/store/storehomepage.html)

Be sure to keep track as they may offer to renew your subscription before it runs out, sometimes at a higher rate.

Thanks to Dennis McGillis for this contribution.

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### Where is the world's most energy efficient city?

**Reykjavik, Iceland...**All of the energy and heat used by the citizens of Reykjavik, Iceland come from geothermal plants and renewable hydropower making it the most sustainable and energy efficient city in the world. This city has also been replacing traditional buses with hydrogen-fueled buses from which the only emissions are water.

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### DRIVERLESS CARS

There is consensus that certain driver-assist systems reduce crash rates. According to the latest study of police-reported crashes by the Highway Loss Data Institute, drivers of vehicles with forward-collision alert were 27% less likely to rear-end another car than those without the system – and 50% less likely if equipped with both forward-collision alert and automated emergency braking. If every car on the road had been similarly equipped with these systems in 2014, the HLDI estimates we could have avoided 400,000 injuries and 1 million crashes.

Paraphrased from Car and Driver magazine, November 2017

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Jolene was only 8 years old and lived with family in the country with her parents and brother. Consequently they did not often have visitors from the city. One day Jolene's mother said that father was bringing two guests home for Thanksgiving supper.

After they had enjoyed the turkey, Jolene went to the kitchen to help her mother, and proudly brought in the first piece of pumpkin pie and gave it to her father. He then passed the plate to a guest. When Jolene came in with the second piece and gave it to his father, he again gave it to a guest.

This was too much for Little Jolene, who blurted out, 'It's no use, Daddy. The pieces are all the same size.'

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## The Wankel Engine

The Wankel engine is a type of internal combustion engine using an eccentric rotary design to convert pressure into rotating motion. In contrast to the more common reciprocating piston designs, the Wankel engine delivers advantages of simplicity, smoothness, compactness, high revolutions per minute, and a high power-to-weight ratio primarily due to the fact that it produces three power pulses per rotor revolution compared to one per revolution in a two-stroke piston engine and one per two revolutions in a four-stroke piston engine (although at the actual output shaft, there is only one power pulse per revolution, since the output shaft spins three times as fast as the actual rotor does, as can be seen in the animation below, making it roughly equivalent to a 2-stroke engine of the same displacement; this is also why the displacement only measures one face of the rotor, since only one face is working for each output shaft revolution). The engine is commonly referred to as a rotary engine, although this name also applies to other completely different designs, primarily aircraft engines with their cylinders arranged in a circular fashion around the crankshaft. All parts rotate consistently in one direction, as opposed to the common reciprocating piston engine, which has pistons violently changing direction. The four-stage cycle of intake, compression, ignition, and exhaust occur each revolution at each of the three rotor tips moving inside the oval-like epitrochoid-shaped housing, enabling the three power pulses per rotor revolution. The rotor is similar in shape to a Reuleaux triangle with sides that are somewhat flatter.

The design was conceived by German engineer Felix Wankel. Wankel received his first patent for the engine in 1929. He began development in the early 1950s at NSU, and completed a working prototype in 1957. NSU subsequently licensed the design to companies around the world, who have continually added improvements. The engines produced are of spark ignition, with compression ignition engines only in research projects.

The Wankel engine has the advantages of compact design and low weight over the most commonly used internal combustion engine employing reciprocating pistons. These advantages have given rotary engine applications in a variety of vehicles and devices, including: automobiles, motorcycles, racing cars, aircraft, go-karts, jet skis, snowmobiles, chainsaws, and auxiliary power units. The point of power to weight has been reached of under one pound weight per horsepower output

In 1951, NSU Motorenwerke AG in Germany began development of the engine, with two models being built. The first, the DKM motor, was developed by Felix Wankel. The second, the KKM motor, developed by Hanns Dieter Paschke, was adopted as the basis of the modern Wankel engine.

The basis of the DKM type of motor was that both the rotor and the housing spun around on separate axes. The DKM motor reached higher revolutions per minute and was more naturally balanced. However, the engine needed to be stripped to change the spark plugs and contained more parts. The KKM engine was simpler, having a fixed housing.

In 1960, NSU, the firm that employed the two inventors, and the US firm Curtiss-Wright, signed a joint agreement. NSU were to concentrate on low- and medium-powered Wankel engine development and Curtiss-Wright developing high-powered engines, including aircraft engines of which Curtiss-Wright had decades of experience designing and producing. Curtiss-Wright recruited Max Bentele to head their design team.

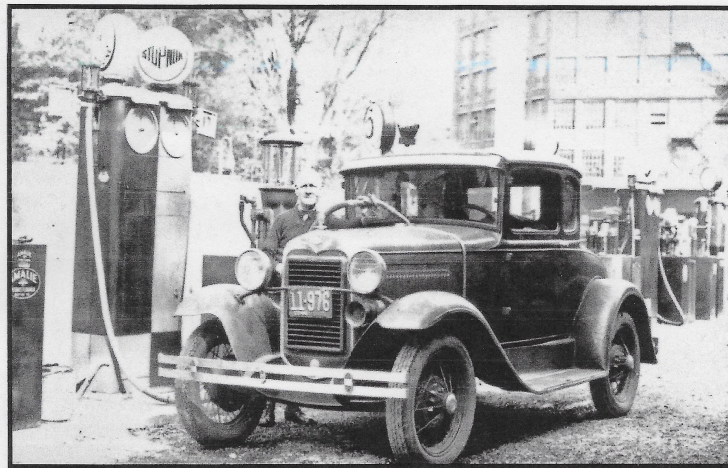
Many manufacturers signed license agreements for development, attracted by the smoothness, quiet running, and reliability emanating from the uncomplicated design. Amongst them were Alfa Romeo, American Motors, Citroen, Ford, General Motors, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz, Nissan, Porsche, Rolls-Royce, Suzuki, and Toyota. In the United States in 1959, under license from NSU, Curtiss-Wright pioneered improvements in the basic engine design. In Britain, in the 1960s, Rolls Royce's Motor Car Division pioneered a two-stage diesel version of the Wankel engine.

Wankel engines are considerably lighter and simpler, containing far fewer moving parts than piston engines of equivalent power output. Valves or complex valve trains are eliminated by using simple ports cut into the walls of the rotor housing. Since the rotor rides directly on a large bearing on the output shaft, there are no connecting rods and no crankshaft. The elimination of reciprocating mass, and the elimination of the most highly stressed and failure prone parts of piston engines, gives the Wankel engine high reliability, a smoother flow of power, and a high power-to-weight ratio.

From Wikipedia

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*Model "A" Ford Refilled with STOPNOX at 17 Cents a Gallon*



Today's image of a 1930 Model "A" Ford coupe equipped with a winter front was taken in Hartford, Connecticut in 1931 while it was being refilled with STOPNOX gasoline costing 17 cents per gallon. The station had at least five double fuel pump units, and six motor oil tanks and pumps are visible in the photo including one on the far-left for dispensing "Amalie," a motor oil made from Pennsylvania crude that is still in the market today.

Spark knock, pinging, and detonation have long been the bane of motorists and all describe a noise caused by erratic combustion of the air and fuel mix in an engine. STOPNOX and other brands of gasoline containing tetraethyllead were first introduced in the 1920s after the fuel additive that increases the octane rating was first used in racing cars. It allows for higher compression ratios to be used and in most cases, eliminates spark knock. A number of other gasoline blends sold during the period contained the word nox or ethyl in the fuels brand name.

Thanks to Dave Hannah for this contribution.

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## HAPPY FALL

From Maxine

I'm going south for the winter...actually...some parts of me are headed there already.

I always start running in the fall – not all of me, just my nose.

Ah, this is great sleeping weather. Of course, at my age what isn't?

Fall is a tough season for weather forecasters. It's too cool to scare us with the heat index and too warm to scare us with the wind chill.

I just noticed some frost on my pumpkins. Guess it's time to start wearing a bra again.

I love a brisk fall breeze, especially when the leaves blow into the neighbors yard.

I could go on a hayride, or I could shove sharp sticks down my pants. Same difference.

I use a leaf blower on my lawn. It's called "the wind."



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## Studebaker Quiz

No peeking at the answers

1. Name the five Studebaker brothers.
2. Two Studebaker brothers came to South Bend in 1852 and founded a small business that eventually grew into the Studebaker Corp. What was that first type of business?
3. What famed industrial designer did work for Studebaker from the 1930s to the 1950s and later returned in 1961 to serve as the creative director on the Avanti design team?
4. The Studebaker Bros. manufacturing Co. entered the automotive business with electric cars in what year?
5. In 1933, in the midst of the Great Depression, Studebaker Corp. was forced into receivership. 6. The company president at the time killed himself. What was his name?

7. For what U.S. president did Studebaker Bros. Manufacturing Co. supply five carriages for his official use?
8. What is the name of Clement Studebaker's grand South Bend mansion?
9. During World War II, Studebaker produced a unique cargo and personnel carrier for the war effort. What was its name?
10. In 1954, Studebaker Corp. merged with what other auto manufacturer?
11. Studebaker launched its models immediately after World War II with what slogan?
12. On what date did the last South Bend-built Studebaker, a 1964 Daytona Hardtop, roll off the assembly line?
13. In what year did Studebaker end wagon production?
14. After Studebaker production ceased in South Bend, Studebaker continued making vehicles for three more years where?
15. During World War II, Studebaker built engines for what aircraft?
16. What was the name of Studebaker's sports car that debuted in May of 1962?
17. What famed Detroit industrial designer was the architect of several Studebaker buildings in South Bend, including the former body assembly plant that still stands?
18. In 1932, Studebaker entered a five-car team in the Indianapolis 500. The team's top finisher took \_\_\_ place.
19. In what model year did Studebaker's all-new Champion debut?
20. From 1932 to 1933, Studebaker produced a model named after what sports legend?
21. Clement Studebaker's image can be found in the stained-glass window of what South Bend church?

## Answers

1. Henry, Clement, John, Peter, and Jacob
2. A blacksmith shop
3. Raymond Loewy
4. 1902
5. Albert R. Erskine
6. Benjamin Harrison
7. Tippecanoe Place
8. The M29 Weasel
9. Packard Corp.
10. "First by far with a post-war car".
11. December 20, 1963
12. 1920
13. Hamilton, Ontario
14. The B17 Flying Fortress
15. The Avanti
16. Albert Kahn
17. 3<sup>rd</sup>
18. 1939
19. The Rockne, named after famed Notre Dame football coach Knute Rockne.
20. St. Paul's Memorial United Methodist Church

From the South Bend Tribune, May 5, 2017 - Thanks to Tom Smith for this contribution

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How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it.  
 Venison for dinner again? Oh deer  
 A cartoonist was found dead in his home. Details are sketchy.  
 I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.  
 Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.  
 England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.  
 I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.  
 They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a Typo.  
 I changed my bipod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.  
 Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.  
 I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.  
 I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.

Thanks to Denny Wellington for this funny contribution.

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## The Story Behind Your Thanksgiving Bird

By Stephanie Butler from [www.history.com](http://www.history.com)

Let's talk turkey. 'Tis the season for this noble animal, a true native American and Benjamin Franklin's pick for national bird. A turkey is much more than just a yearly holiday roast, or the humble sliced lunchmeat on your club sandwich. This week, we'll examine some little known facts about the turkey to gobble up along with your Thanksgiving feast.

Turkeys have run wild through the United States since long before Pilgrim days. There's even a fairly detailed fossil record of early turkey ancestors in states from Virginia to California. The Mesoamerican peoples of present day Mexico were the first to domesticate the bird, and that culinary legacy lasts until today: Mexican cuisine is the one type of food in the world that prominently features turkey in many of its recipes. Turkey moles are especially popular in Oaxaca, with chocolate and pumpkin seeds adding a luscious flavor to the meat.

Outside of North America, William Strickland was the first to introduce turkey to his native England in the 16th century. As a tribute to the man and his bird, a turkey was added to the Strickland family coat of arms, which is still in use today. Turkey was seen as something of an extravagance in Europe until fairly recent years. Other birds like pheasant and grouse were native to the continent, and therefore less expensive.

One of the first mentions of turkey as a celebratory roast was in none other than Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Poor Bob Cratchit and his family are about to dine on a goose for Christmas dinner, until an enlightened Ebenezer Scrooge intervenes and brings them a decadent turkey, instead.

Today, if we want to taste a bird similar to what Strickland or even Dickens dined on, we're going to have to look past most local supermarkets. In the 1940s, turkey breeding was intensified, and farms began to pump out many millions of birds a year. The predominant breed sold in markets today is the Broad Breasted White. It was bred specifically to have more white meat than dark meat: the ratio for these birds is 65% white meat to 45% dark. These birds can grow to be giants, often topping out at 50 pounds. In contrast, wild turkeys only weigh in at a maximum of about 25 pounds.

To fight the encroachment of the Broad Breasted White, and take advantage of America's newfound fascination with artisanal foods, farmers have begun raising more traditional turkey breeds. These "heritage" birds can trace their ancestry to the earliest domesticated animals, and have evocative names like Midget White, Bourbon Red, and Royal Palm. Their white to dark meat ratio is closer to 50/50, and the flavor of their meat is noticeably gamey in comparison with the Broad Breasted variety. These heritage birds don't come cheap: you might see supermarkets literally giving away Broad Breasted Whites as promotional deals, but a Bourbon Red can sell for nearly \$9 a pound. While this might not be everyone's taste, thousands appear on dinner tables every Thanksgiving, with more raised every year. (November 2013)

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**Preston Tucker** was born on September 21, 1903, on a peppermint farm near Capac, Michigan. He grew up outside Detroit in the suburb of Lincoln Park, Michigan. Tucker was raised by his mother, a teacher, after his father died of appendicitis when Preston was 2 years old. First learning to drive at age 11, Tucker was obsessed with automobiles from an early age. At age 16, Preston Tucker began purchasing late model automobiles, repairing/refurbishing them and selling the cars for a profit. He attended the Cass Technical High School in Detroit, but he quit school and landed a job as an office boy for the Cadillac Motor Company, where he used rollerskates to make his rounds more efficiently. In 1922, young Tucker joined the Lincoln Park, Michigan, police department. His interest was stirred by his desire to drive and ride the fast, high-performance police cars and motorcycles. His mother had him removed from the force, pointing out to department officials that at age nineteen he was below the department's minimum required age. Tucker and his new wife, Vera (married in 1923 at age 20), then took over a 6-month lease on a gas station near Lincoln Park, running the station together. Vera would run the station during the day while Preston worked on the Ford Motor Company assembly line. After the lease ran out, Tucker quit Ford and returned to the police force again, but in his first winter back he was banned from driving police vehicles by the force after using a blowtorch to cut a hole in the dashboard of a cruiser to allow engine heat to warm the cabin. During the last couple of months at the gas station, Tucker began selling Studebaker cars on the side. He met an automobile salesman Michael Dulian, who hired Tucker as a car salesman at his Detroit dealership. Tucker did very well, but the dealership was a long drive from Tucker's Lincoln Park home, so Tucker quit and returned to the police force for the last time. A few months later, Dulian, still impressed with Tucker's immediate success as a salesman, invited Tucker to move south with him to Memphis, Tennessee, to work as sales manager. After the war, the public was ready for totally new car designs but the Big Three Detroit automakers had not developed any new models since 1941, and were in no hurry to introduce them. This provided great opportunities for new small, independent automakers who could develop new cars more rapidly than the huge legacy automakers. Tucker saw this as his

opportunity to develop and bring his "car of tomorrow" to market. Another small automaker, Studebaker, was first with an all-new post-war model, but Tucker took a different tack, designing a safety car with innovative features and modern styling. Tucker's first design appeared in *Science Illustrated* magazine in December 1946, showing a futuristic version of the car with a hydraulic drive system designed by George Lawson, along with a photo of a 1/8 scale model blown up to appear full sized, titled the "Torpedo on Wheels". This was only an early rendering of the proposal, with its design features yet to meet reality, but the motoring public was not excited about the Tucker. Tucker's specifications for his revolutionary car called for a rear engine, a low-RPM 589 cubic inch engine with hydraulic valves instead of a camshaft, fuel injection, direct-drive torque converters on each rear wheel (instead of a transmission), disc brakes, the location of all instruments within the diameter and reach of the steering wheel, a padded dashboard, self-sealing tubeless tires, independent spring-less suspension, a chassis which protected occupants in a side impact, a roll bar within the roof, a laminated windshield designed to pop out during an accident, and a center "cyclops" headlight which would turn when steering at angles greater than 10 degrees in order to improve visibility around corners during night driving.

While most of these innovations made it to the final 51 prototypes, several were dropped due to cost and lack of time to develop such mechanically complicated designs. The low-RPM 589-cubic-inch engine, individual torque converters, mechanical fuel injection, and the disc brakes were all dropped during the design and testing phase. Only 51 cars were made before the company folded on March 3, 1949, due to negative publicity initiated by the news media, a Securities and Exchange Commission investigation and a heavily publicized stock fraud trial (in which allegations were proven baseless in court with a full acquittal).



Wikipedia

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## The Little Blue Car

By Georgia Campbell

Once upon a time there was a little blue car. It was brand new, with shiny bright blue paint and a spunky little engine. The grandfather, who said he had driven a million miles, and the grandmother, who rode along beside him knitting contentedly, were happy with their new car. Their many children were grown and gone; the years of big station wagons full of children were past. Sometimes their little granddaughter would ride along in the back seat, talking with her grandparents as they drove along.

One sad day the grandmother died. All the family was so sad, but the grandfather most of all, for he and the grandmother loved each other dearly. Now the grandfather drove the little blue car alone.

One day the grandfather got sick and couldn't drive anymore. Being a brave and wise father, he decided to put the little blue car to good use by letting his daughter buy it. So the daughter drove the little blue car to work, and drove the granddaughter to school, Girl Scouts, church, and to visit her grandpa.

As the granddaughter grew into a lovely young woman, the little blue car took her to new schools, sports events, school dances and college visits. The granddaughter took her first driving lesson in the little blue car. On her sixteenth birthday, the little blue car became hers. The day the granddaughter left home for college, the little blue car took her there, loaded with her things.

Through the years of college, the little blue car kept on going. It began to show its age, becoming faded and shabby. But it never quit running. It carried the granddaughter back home for visits with Mom and Grandpa, brought her to see her Grandpa for the last time to say goodbye, then to see him laid to rest beside Grandma.

For college graduation the daughter received a shinier, newer, prettier car from her mother. The little blue car came home to live out its last years with the mom, driving down quiet country roads and resting gently in the dirt driveway, under the spreading oaks. Now the mom drives the little blue car alone. But the memories of the grandfather, the grandmother, and her daughter are in the car with her, riding along.

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MY TRAVEL PLANS FOR 2018

1. I have been in many places, but I've never been in Cahoots. Apparently, you can't go alone. You have to be in Cahoots with someone.
2. I've also never been in Cognito. I hear no one recognizes you there.
3. I have, however, been in Sane. They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there. I have made several trips there, thanks to my children, friends, family and work.
4. I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump, and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore.
5. I have also been in Doubt. That is a sad place to go, and I try not to visit there too often.
6. I've been in Flexible, but only when it was very important to stand firm.
7. Sometimes I'm in Capable, and I go there more often as I'm getting older.
8. One of my favorite places to be is in Suspense! It really gets the adrenaline flowing and pumps up the old heart! At my age, I need all the stimuli I can get!

Please do your part! You can do your bit by remembering to share this with at least one unstable person. My job is done! Life is too short for negative drama and petty things. So, laugh insanely, love truly!

Thanks to Dick Johanson for this contribution

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## *Women's Corner*

### **Grandma's Invitation (Priceless)**

Dear Family,

I'm not dead yet. Thanksgiving is still important to me. If being in my Last Will and Testament is important to you, then you might consider being with me for my favorite holiday.

Dinner is at 2:00.

Not 2:15.

Not 2:05.

Two. 2:00

Arrive late and you get what's left over.

Last year, that moron Marshall fried a turkey in one of those contraptions and practically burned the deck off the house. This year, the only peanut oil used to make the meal will be from the secret scoop of peanut butter I add to the carrot soup.

Jonathan, your last new wife was an idiot. You don't arrive at someone's house on Thanksgiving needing to use the oven and the stove. Honest to God, I thought you might have learned after two wives - date them longer and save us all the agony of another divorce.

Now, the house rules are slightly different. This year because I have decided that 47% of you don't know how to take care of nice things, paper plates and red Solo cups might be bad for the environment, but I'll be gone soon and that will be your problem to deal with.

House Rules:

1. The University of Texas no longer plays Texas A&M. The television stays off during the meal.
2. The "no cans for kids" rule still exists. We are using 2 liter bottles because your children still open a third can before finishing the first two. Parents can fill a child's cup when it is empty. All of the cups have names on them and I'll be paying close attention to refills.
3. Chloe, last year we were at Trudy's house and I looked the other way when your Jell-O salad showed up. This year, if Jell-O salad comes in the front door it will go right back out the back door with the garbage. Save yourself some time, honey. You've never been a good cook and you shouldn't bring something that wiggles more than you. Buy something from the bakery.
4. Grandmothers give grandchildren cookies and candy. That is a fact of life. Your children can eat healthy at your home. At my home, they can eat whatever they like as long as they finish it.

5. I cook with bacon and bacon grease. That's nothing new. Your being a vegetarian doesn't change the fact that stuffing without bacon is like egg salad without eggs. Even the green bean casserole has a little bacon grease in it. That's why it tastes so good. Not eating bacon is just not natural. And as far as being healthy... look at me. I've outlived almost everyone I know.
6. Salad at Thanksgiving is a waste of space.
7. I do not like cell phones. Leave them in the car.
8. I do not like video cameras. There will be 32 people here. I am sure you can capture lots of memories without the camera pointed at me.
9. Being a mother means you have to actually pay attention to the kids. I have nice things and I don't put them away just because company is coming over. Mary, watch your kids and I'll watch my things.
10. Rhonda, a cat that requires a shot twice a day is a cat that has lived too many lives. I think staying home to care for the cat is your way of letting me know that I have lived too many lives too. I can live with that. Can you?
11. Words mean things. I say what I mean. Let me repeat: You don't need to bring anything means you don't need to bring anything. And if I did tell you to bring something, bring it in the quantity I said. Really, this doesn't have to be difficult.
12. Domino's and cards are better than anything that requires a battery or an on/off switch. That was true when you were kids and it's true now that you have kids.
13. Showing up for Thanksgiving guarantees presents at Christmas. Not showing up guarantees a card that may or may not be signed.

In memory of your Grandfather, the back fridge will be filled with beer. Drink until it is gone. I prefer wine anyway. But one from each family needs to be the designated driver.

I really mean all of the above.

Love You, Grandma.

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries in November



### Birthdays

Jerry Allen	November 29	Barbara Baker	November 24
Thomas Beaver	November 22	Gayle Fairchild	November 11
Roy Holmes	November 2	Tim Hubler	November 29
Joe Kuhns	November 24	Jolene Kuhns	November 28
Keith Lawty	November 3	Pat Linse	November 15
Stan Nesbitt	November 8	Mike Ostler	November 14
Chris Pitman	November 16	Randy Rutherford	November 18
Sara Waldroup	November 15		



## Anniversaries

Buck & Joanne Bates	November 24	John & Susan Calhoun	November 26
Vern & Dottie Marking	November 3	Don & Marti Meyers	November 22
Glenis & Rose Tarr	November 6	Jerry & Sharon Wells	November 12

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