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NC Bartenders Serving up Sweet-Potato Cocktails During Holidays

Contributed by Heather Barnes, NCDA&CS

Classic cocktails are often served with olives, limes or cherries, but this month bartenders are mixing things up with NC sweet potatoes. More than 30 NC bartenders are participating in the "Sippin' Sweets" promotion sponsored by the NC Sweet Potato Commission.

From now through New Year's Eve, participating bartenders will be selling original craft cocktails using NC sweet potatoes as one of the ingredients. The promotion highlights the flexibility of sweet potatoes that goes beyond baking or serving them as sweet-potato fries.

"North Carolina already grows nearly half of the nation's sweet potatoes," said Heather Barnes, marketing specialist with the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. "In order to expand markets for our growers, we have to look at value-added uses of sweet potatoes. This promotion is a great way to highlight the versatility of a sweet potato in a festive way during the holiday season."

Other cocktails include "The Hot Potato" at Ashten's in Southern Pines, "Sweet Tater Sangria" at HomeGrown in Asheville, "Autunno Inverno" at Vivace in Charlotte, and "Beet My Sweet Mountain Vue" at the Grove Park Inn's Presidents Lounge in Asheville.

Consumers are encouraged to use the hashtag #SippinSweets on their favorite social media channel to share reviews of the different cocktails.

In addition, the NC Sweet Potato Commission will be sharing select recipes on its website so consumers can try the drinks at home. For a complete list of participating restaurants and bars, go to www.ncsweetpotatoes.com/sippinsweets.

Restaurants across the state are participating, including Eastern NC's own Ed's Southern Food and Spirits ("Britt's Sweet Potato Ginger Old Fashioned") of Goldsboro, and Chef and the Farmer ("The Fall Guy") of Kinston.

Zebulon Receives Funds for Spring Farmer's Market

Contributed by Maurine Brown, Town of Zebulon Market Manager

The Town of Zebulon has received funds from the John Rex Endowment Healthy Communities Grant to establish and operate a Farmer's Market. Zebulon Farm Fresh Market will be opening in May 2015. Current plans are for the Market to be open each Saturday, May through October, from 9am until 1pm. The Market is currently accepting applications for vendors and sponsors. The Market is also interested to provide entertainment, recreational and fitness activities, educational opportunities, and other interesting and activities and opportunities that may add value to our community's quality of life. If you would like to learn more about the Zebulon Farm Fresh Market or are interested to participate as a vendor, sponsor, or in some other way, please contact Market Manager Maurine Brown at 919.823.0432, or farmersmarket@townofzebulon.org.

Shades of Grey

*Some situations are viewed in black and white; right and wrong. Yet, many people think situations also have a **grey area** where solutions are not so easily discerned. This is about the choices people make, and the thought process they go through to arrive at decisions.*

Consider: Submitted for Discussion

The holidays are almost here, and you've been so busy at work you haven't had time to put up decorations or even figure out who in the family is hosting the dinner.

Your boss comes in and asks you to cancel your extra vacation days and work all days except Christmas. When you reply that you really need some time off after the long hours lately, he says that it is part of your job to be there when they need you. You feel like it is a veiled threat to fire you unless you comply.

Do you think that you would end up working as requested? Do you think the economy is strong enough to refuse, and risk being fired?

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To Participate, Contact: Logan Francisco, Career Development Coordinator at 919.365.2650.

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Several Holiday Events Align in Bunn

Stop by Bunn on December 13, 2014, and multiple holiday events will keep you busy through the day.

Christmas Parade

The Bunn Christmas Parade starts December 13th out festively at 10 am.

If you have questions about the parade or participating (free), call 919.496.4831.

Middle School Holiday Bazaar

December 13th is also the date of the Bunn Middle School Holiday Bazaar. Come out and have fun doing last minute Christmas shopping at the Bunn Middle School Holiday Bazaar. The event is free, so stop by and bring the family, friends, and everyone! Stop by Bunn Middle School at 4742 NC Highway 39 South, in Bunn, between 10am and 3pm... or right after the parade, if you prefer.

Christmas Cooke Bake

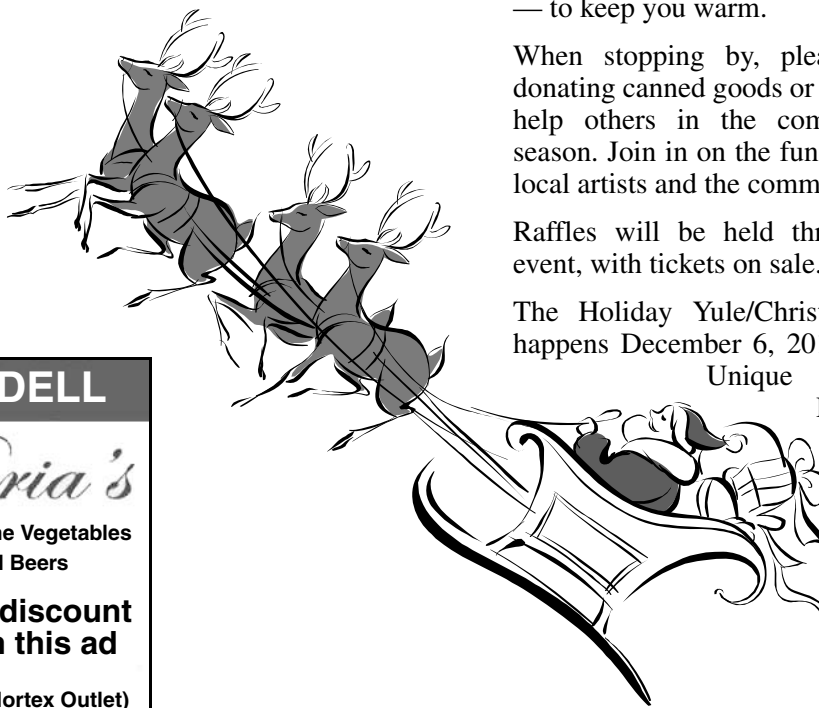
Also happening December 13 is the Children's Christmas Cookie Bake at Bunn Baptist Church. Children of all ages welcome. They will roll out their

own dough, cut out, decorate, and bake cookies. The cookie event runs 11am to 3pm. Lunch is also provided.

Parents of children ages 6 and under are asked to please stay and help your child as needed. Plus, baking cookies is fun for both parents and children!

This is an event for the Bunn community, so come one, come all. All are welcome at Bunn Baptist Church, 205 E Jewett Avenue, Bunn.

So, come for the parade at 10am, and stay to shop and bake cookies through to about 3pm. Doesn't that sound like a fun way to spend a day?



Wilson Shop Hosting Unique Holiday Yule/Christmas Bazaar

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Food will be served, including Hot Ham and Bean soup, Vegetarian Bean soup, Hot Mulled Cider, and Yule Tea — to keep you warm.

When stopping by, please consider donating canned goods or small gifts to help others in the community this season. Join in on the fun, and support local artists and the community

Raffles will be held throughout the event, with tickets on sale.

The Holiday Yule/Christmas Bazaar happens December 6, 2014. at Truly Unique (2006 US HWY 301 South) in Wilson. The event starts at 11am and runs until 4pm.

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Things to Do in NC When You're Bored

12/01 19th Festival of Trees

-23 (Dec 1-23 @ 8:30-4:30)

Over 100 trees transformed into a different theme or meaning for Christmas. Proceeds benefit Family Support Network. See www.fsnenc.org. At Greenville Convention Center, 303 SW Greenville Blvd, Greenville.

12/05 Wilson Winter Lights

-07 (December 5-7 @ 6-9pm)

Thousands of dazzling lights, lively music, water features & botanical decorations. At Wilson Botanical Gardens, 1806 SW Goldsboro St., Wilson.

12/06 Christmas Celebration & Children's Christmas Parade (Dec 6 @ 4 pm)

This event is all about the kids! Kids 12 years-old & younger are invited to decorate their wagons, strollers, or bikes to march in their very own parade (prizes!) from the courthouse to the Battleship median in downtown to light the town's tree & greet Santa Claus. Santa will sit with children at the Nash County Office Building after lighting the tree. Starts in front of the Nash County Courthouse, Nashville.

12/06 Moravian Candle Tea

(Dec 6 @ 9am-3pm)

Free Moravian music, hot spiced tea, cookies, traditional craft demonstrations, the Moravian Putz. Contact Linda McKeown, 910.799.9256. At 4126 S College Rd, Wilmington.

12/06 Outdoor Movie Series

(Dec 6 @ 6:15pm-9pm)

Nashville Parks & Recreation presents the film, *Arthur Christmas*. Bring the whole family. At Stoney Creek Environmental Park, Nashville.

12/06 Stepping into the Past

(Saturdays @ 10am-3pm)

Dec 6 is *Tis' the Season*, Vendors are welcome to set up tables to sell crafts & goods. Incl. with \$6-8 admission. At Tobacco Farm Life Museum, 709 N Church St, Kenly.

12/06 Winterfest Parade & Holiday Craft Fair (Dec 6)

Parade along Town Hall Drive, (11am). Cedar Fork Community Center Holiday Craft Fair (12-2pm). Santa photos. Food trucks. At Town Hall Drive, Morrisville.

12/06 Book Signing & Sale

(Dec 6 @ 12-3pm)

Meet author of new book, *Confraternitas*, coming out on Dec 1. At the Bel Air Artisans Center, Rocky Mount.

12/07 Franklin County Christmas Parade (Dec 7)

Franklin County Christmas Parade. Info, Brenda Fuller 919.496.3056 or visit www.franklin-chamber.org. In Downtown Louisburg.

12/07 Zebulon Christmas

Parade (Dec 7 @ 2-4pm)

Christmas Parade time! Contact 919.269.6320. Begins at J&M Chevrolet and ends at Zebulon Park & Rec, Zebulon.

12/09 Crowdfunding

(Dec 9 @ 12:30-1:30pm)

Free. See www.nashcc.edu/sbc for registration details. At Nash Community College, 522 N Old Carriage Rd, Rocky Mount.

12/09 Santa Reads The Night

Before Christmas

(Dec 9 @ 6-7pm)

Children's program in the Warner Meeting Rm, Braswell Memorial Library, 727 N Grace St, Rocky Mount.

12/09 Gamers & Dart League

12/16 Night (Tuesdays @ 6-9pm)

Come out & get your game on! Board gamers kick off at 6pm. Darts kick off at 7pm. At Common Grounds Coffee & Music House, 20 Cheves Rd, Bunn.

12/10 Coffee with a Cop

(Dec 10 @ 8-10am)

Rocky Mount Police Dept informal event to meet officers, ask questions, share concerns, & get info. At Hardee's, 1200 E Raleigh Blvd, Rocky Mount.



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12/11 County Lines Literary Reading (Dec 11 @ 6-9pm)

The FCAC Writers Guild will launch their second issue of County Lines: A Literary Journal with readings by the contributors. Copies will be sold \$10 per copy. Reception and refreshments after the program. Door prizes. Free to the public. At Vance Granville Community College, 8100 NC 56 Highway, Louisburg.

12/12 Breakfast & Bingo (Dec 12 @ 9:30-11am)

Breakfast, Bingo, & Musical Performance, \$3/person. Sign up at the Community Center by Dec 9th. At Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Ave, Zebulon.

12/12 Family Movie Night (Dec 12 @ 7pm)

Parks & Rec Dept free movie & popcorn, all ages. Parent/guardian must be present. Call 919.823.0432 for movie title. At Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Ave, Zebulon.

12/13 BMS Holiday Bazaar (Dec 13 @ 10am-3pm)

Bunn Middle School's Holiday Bazaar features vendors indoors, baked goods, & more. At Bunn Middle School gym, 4742 NC 39 Hwy S, Bunn.

12/13 Bunn Christmas Parade (Dec 13 @ 10am)

No participation fee. All welcome to join the parade. Along Main Street, Bunn.

12/13 Stepping into the Past (Saturdays @ 10am-3pm)

Dec 13th is Wassailing: Choir Performances from local groups, schools & churches. Incl. with \$6-8 admission. At Tobacco Farm Life Museum, 709 N Church St, Kenly.

12/14 Annual Christmas Parade (Dec 14 @ 2-4pm)

It's that time again! The Tarboro Christmas Parade is along Main Street to Tarboro Shopping Center, Tarboro.

12/17 Teen Movie Night (Dec 17 @ 6-8:30pm)

Movie is *A Christmas Story*. At Wilson County Library, 249 Nash Street, Wilson.

12/18 Holiday Music with Rocky Mount High School (Dec 18 @ 1-2pm)

Rocky Mount High School Chorus, led by Suzanne Weaver & the High School's String Ensemble performing in the Warner Meeting Room. Come hear the melodies of the season as you prepare for the holidays. At Braswell Memorial Library, 727 N Grace St, Rocky Mount.

12/19 Popcorn & Movie (Dec 19 @ 2pm)

Movie is *Miracle on 34th Street*. Pre-register. At Nash Cty Senior Ctr, Rm 112, 103 N Alston St., Nashville.

12/22 Movie "Second Chances" (Dec 22 @ 10am)

Film *A Grandpa for Christmas*. Senior movie time at Mt Pleasant comm. center, Bailey.

2015: Making the Customer 01/15 Experience Magical in Your Small Business (Jan 15 @ 6-8pm)

Free. Pre-registration required. A *must* program if you are serious about having a successful business. Register by Jan 14. In Room G-240, Wilson Community College, 902 Herring Avenue, Wilson.

2015: See Spot Read 01/24 (Jan 24 @ 11am-12pm)

Practice reading to a therapy dog! At Zebulon Library, 1000 Dogwood Dr, Zebulon.

These "Things To Do..." listings are free, at publisher's discretion, and as space allows. Up to 5 lines of description may be included with an event. Priority is given to free, public events. Sponsor names may not be included. Event organizers may purchase regular advertising space to provide more details for events.

WakeTransit Planners Request Public Feedback

Wake County residents and business owners are invited to attend the Wake County Transit Investment Strategy kickoff on December 8, 2014.

The kickoff will begin at 6pm at the Raleigh Convention Center, at 500 S Salisbury Street, in downtown Raleigh.

Speakers plan to explain transit options, the importance of considering all choices and trade-offs, and the process over the next several months. Attendees will participate in activities before and after the meeting. There will also be opportunities to ask questions. You will learn:

- What's this all about?
- What is the process and schedule?
- When will I have opportunities for input?

If you can't make it to this special event in person, the meeting will be available — live — via www.waketransit.com. Broadcast is also planned on cable channel 11 in Raleigh and channel 18 throughout Wake County.

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Internet Basics

Tuesday, Dec. 2nd, 5 - 6:30pm
Saturday, Dec. 6th, 12 - 1:30pm

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Wednesday, Dec. 3rd, 5 - 6:30pm
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West Antarctic Melt Rate Has Tripled, NASA Reports

Released by Alan Buis, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, and Carol Rasmussen, NASA Earth Science News Team

A comprehensive, 21-year analysis of the fastest-melting region of Antarctica has found that the melt rate of glaciers there has tripled during the last decade.

The glaciers in the Amundsen Sea Embayment in West Antarctica are hemorrhaging ice faster than any other part of Antarctica and are the most significant Antarctic contributors to sea level rise. This study by scientists at the University of California, Irvine (UCI), and NASA is the first to evaluate and reconcile observations from four different measurement techniques to produce an authoritative estimate of the amount and the rate of loss over the last two decades.

"The mass loss of these glaciers is increasing at an amazing rate," said scientist Isabella Velicogna, jointly of UCI and NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, California. Velicogna is a coauthor of a paper on the results, which has been accepted for publication in the journal *Geophysical Research Letters*.

Lead author Tyler Sutterley, a doctoral candidate at UCI, and his team did the analysis to verify that the melting in this part of Antarctica is shifting into high gear. "Previous studies had suggested that this region is starting to change very dramatically since the 1990s, and we wanted to see how all the different techniques compared," Sutterley said. "The remarkable agreement among the tech-

niques gave us confidence that we are getting this right."

The researchers reconciled measurements of the mass balance of glaciers flowing into the Amundsen Sea Embayment. Mass balance is a measure of how much ice the glaciers gain and lose over time from accumulating or melting snow, discharges of ice as icebergs, and other causes. Measurements from all four techniques were available from 2003 to 2009. Combined, the four data sets span the years 1992 to 2013.

The glaciers in the embayment lost mass throughout the entire period. The researchers calculated two separate quantities: the total amount of loss, and the changes in the rate of loss.

The total amount of loss averaged 83 gigatons per year (91.5 billion U.S. tons). By comparison, Mt. Everest weighs about 161 gigatons, meaning the Antarctic glaciers lost an amount of water weight equivalent to Mt. Everest every two years over the last 21 years.

The rate of loss accelerated an average of 6.1 gigatons (6.7 billion U.S. tons) per year since 1992.

During the period when the four observational techniques overlapped, the melt rate increased an average of 16.3 gigatons per year -- almost three times the rate of increase for the full 21-year period. The total amount of loss was close to the average at 84 gigatons.

The four sets of observations include NASA's Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment satellites, laser altimetry from NASA's Operation IceBridge airborne campaign and the earlier ICESat satellite, radar altimetry from the European Space Agency's Envisat satellite, and mass budget analyses using radars and the University of Utrecht's Regional Atmospheric Climate Model.

The scientists noted that glacier and ice sheet behavior worldwide is by far the greatest uncertainty in predicting future sea level. "We have an excellent observing network now. It's critical that we maintain this network to continue monitoring the changes," Velicogna said, "because the changes are proceeding very fast."

The California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, manages JPL for NASA.

NASA monitors Earth's vital signs from land, air and space with a fleet of satellites and ambitious airborne and ground-based observation campaigns. NASA develops new ways to observe and study Earth's interconnected natural systems with long-term data records and computer analysis tools to better see how our planet is changing. The agency shares this unique knowledge with the global community and works with insti-

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The Strange-ness: Mount Everest Climbers More Cavalier Than You Might Imagine

By Kay Whatley, Editor

The definition of *cavalier* is “showing a lack of proper concern”. Climbers in Nepal have been cavalier — reportedly dropping their trash on Mount Everest for years. Nepal is now telling these climbers that they need to carry down what they have carried up.

Nepalese law this Spring will require mountain climbers to bring their trash away with them. For years, climbers have been dropping their garbage, used air tanks, and even human waste.

Climbing Mount Everest costs thousands of dollars. The equipment and government climbing fees — sometimes tens of thousands of dollars — don’t stop people from reaching for its peak. One would think that making allowances for trash pickup and keeping this naturally beautiful area clean might be worth something. Unfortunately, climbers over the past few decades just haven’t been bothering to carry back down.

Also listed among the items left on the mountain are bodies. Yes, human beings cavalierly left behind. Several news agencies reported that in 2006, dozens of climbers ascended past a dying man without offering assistance. While rescue attempts are dangerous — just like the climb — no

rescue was even attempted by those who saw him struggling.

While the new law in Nepal may prevent future trash, it still doesn’t provide for cleanup efforts or body removal.

Stories of adventures told by Mount Everest climbers are unlikely to focus on how they defiled the mountain, nor on the bodies that they passed along the way.

Pets, Christmas Trees, and Tinsel Dangers

When trimming the tree this year, keep in mind that household pets may take an interest in the pretty decorations and blinking lights.

Eating stringy tinsel can be hazardous to cats and dogs. Chewing electrical cords may be too. Breakable ornaments unable stand up to batting and playing could mean sharp pieces and potential for cut mouths.

If decorating in a household with animals, it is a good idea to either put the tree out of reach, or keep decorations several feet up on the tree.

For more information on what is safe, or not, during the holidays, check with your vet.

Free NC Waterfowl Hunting Seminars

Waterfowl hunting seminars will be offered at Centennial Campus Center for Wildlife Education. The NC Wildlife Resources Commission has scheduled two free introduction to waterfowl hunting seminars.

The Wildlife Commission partnered with the Delta Waterfowl Foundation to design seminars for both new and experienced waterfowl hunters. Chris Williams, senior director of the Delta Waterfowl Foundation, will conduct the seminars. Topics include waterfowl identification and biology, hunting methods, decoys and calling, firearms and ammunition selection, specialty clothing, watercraft, water safety, cleaning and cooking birds and how to gain additional hunting information.

The Centennial Campus Center for Wildlife Education is located on the first floor of the Wildlife Commission’s headquarters at 1751 Varsity Drive, NC State University Centennial Campus, Raleigh. It is one of four learning centers operated across the state by the Wildlife Commission, and features interactive exhibits highlighting Piedmont wildlife species and habitats. Learn more at www.ncwildlife.org/learning.

The seminars are scheduled for December 9 and 11, 2014, from 6:30-8:30pm. Online pre-registration is

required. The seminars are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis with limited space available.

For more information, contact Wildlife Education Specialist Casey Williams at 919.707.0202 or email casey.williams@ncwildlife.org.

Rolesville Offers Shopping Spree Transport for Seniors

Need to do some holiday shopping but don’t want to circle the mall endlessly for a parking spot? The Town of Rolesville is offering transportation to and from Crabtree Valley Mall to help seniors get their holiday shopping done.

Ages 50 and over may sign up for the ride. It leaves Rolesville Town Hall December 8, 2014, at 9:30am. After shopping transportation leaves the mall at 1:45pm, returning to Town Hall at 2:30pm.

Lunch is on-your-own in the mall food court. The ride is at no charge.

To register, call the Parks & Recreation Office at 919.554.6582.

Transportation is limited to the first twenty registered participants.

This event is sponsored by Howard Fleming-Allstate Insurance Agency, and the Town of Rolesville.

Ed. Note: If your town is offering a similar service, please email details to kayw@greyareanews.com.



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Dr. Nicholas' Corner: The Joy of Hobbies, Part IV



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Let's talk about *gardening*. You see, gardening is available to all of us, no matter where we live; whether in an apartment or on a farm in Florida or up in Alaska where in the summer cabbage grows 20-30 lbs each on account of the 22 hours of sunlight!

If you live in an apartment, you can get an elongated planter. Mix sandy soil together with clay and humus from rotten leaves. Place a little gravel in the bottom of the planter, and drop the mix on top of the gravel.

Keep the soil moist and near a well lighted window. Wait a few days for the weeds in the soil to sprout, and then scratch them out. There! You now have a little garden ready for planting parsley, basil, chives, thyme or other food year-round!

If you have the space, a bigger plot is more fun. Follow the same formula, more or less. If you want to be fancy, test the soil. It is done for free at the NC Department of Agriculture. They will give you advise for improving your soil.

As for the plants, all they need is this soil tip: allow the moistly-prepared soil to sit for a month in order to give time for the weeds in it to sprout. Then, take them out, and plant the seeds of your choice.

Don't forget: your plants will need plenty of sunshine, moisture, and protection from the deer — roaming now even in the cities. I have six regularly visiting my backyard at my Raleigh home!

Depending on the season, I raise okra, two to three different kinds of tomatoes, occasionally garlic, elongated eggplants, three kinds of lettuces, pig weed (*Amaranth*), scallions, and three types of peppers. Then, late in the season, I plant collards and kale in a 40 feet by 50 feet plot!

I go to the garden often when I want to be alone with my thoughts, marvel of the growing things around me, or observe the miracle of life for each kind. Remember, they grow from the seeds, each following their own instructions using the very same four letters found in DNA. These four letters form words in a long page that ultimately shape a double twisted ladder giving specific instructions on how every living organism grows. The letters are so small you have to have special instruments to see them, but they are all there. This is the same process for *all* living things! For the birds the flowers, the chickens we eat, for us! (So, should you have the need to pray, this is where!)

A few weeks later when my vegetables are ripe, I harvest them, finding joy by eating my own produce and sharing with my friends — fresh, unspoiled and delicious. I mostly use olive oil and lemon to prepare them. So once again, do not forget life is an adventure not a disease.

Next time, I will tell you all about the intricate arts of wind surfing, scuba diving and hang gliding as I had promised.



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Little Bits

Chuckle of the Issue

Alex was five. All his Christmas presents were signed, “From Santa.”

After Alex had opened all his presents on Christmas morning, he was looking quite sad for no obvious reason.

‘What’s the matter, Alex?’ his mother asked.

“Um,” replied Alex slowly, “I really hoped that you and Daddy would give me something for Christmas.”

Word of the Issue

Marvel

Definition: Be filled with wonder; or, an astonishing thing.

Example: We could only marvel at how talented he was on the piano.

Quote of the Issue

Thomas A. Edison

“Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.”

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Translation of the Issue

English — Happy Holidays

German — Forhe Feiertage

Latin — Felix feriarum

Spanish — ¡Felices Fiestas!

Italian — Buone Feste!

Translations for these and many languages may be found online and print resources.

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Hint: N = T.

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N E Q X A S R X

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Answer to the previous issue’s cryptogram:

Every person, all the events of your life are there because you have drawn them there. What you choose to do with them is up to you.

--Richard Bach

Cryptogram Note:

For a second Cryptogram hint, email trivia@greyareanews.com.

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