



Norman Rockwell's 1943 "Freedom From Want" Vintage Holiday Thanksgiving Artwork

feeling of togetherness and belonging that his annual tradition generally brings for people from all walks of life and backgrounds.

"What I find always interesting is, despite the great differences, they all have similar things that they're thankful for," he said. "And some of them will make you cry. Somebody will say their son's now speaking to them. You know, no matter what your condition is — health-wise, financial, or newly divorced, or newly widowed — they focus for some time on good things. And I think that's wonderful."

His advice for all of us who find ourselves missing annual traditions of our own this year: "I would say, call everybody and anybody that you can think of to tell them, 'I love you.' Connect with as many people that you think might be alone or would appreciate a call and tell them you're thinking of them."

And so today as we approach the holiday season and our world feels turned upside down, I encourage you to heed Mr. Macaulay's wisdom. Let's focus on what we can control. Let's all do what we can to brighten our own corner.

Be safe, wear a mask, and please keep washing your hands,

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"I can't fix the country or the world or even the town, but I can brighten my own corner."

– Scott Macaulay

Dear Taylor Community,

Last week I heard the story of Scott Macaulay, a vacuum repairman from Melrose, Massachusetts. Since 1985, he has been hosting a Thanksgiving dinner for people who have nowhere else to go. It all started when his parents went through a difficult divorce and he was uncertain of how to spend the holiday. He decided to put an ad in the local newspaper offering to cook dinner for 12 guests.

Years later, his dinner has grown leaps and bounds, annually hosting upwards of 100 guests at a local church. He works a second job as a groundskeeper at a local country club to support the cost of hosting the dinner every year.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, Mr. Macaulay won't be hosting his annual Thanksgiving gathering this year. Rather, he's offering guests coupons for a meal at a local restaurant where they can pick up a full Thanksgiving feast, and for others he's delivering groceries so that they can cook dinner at home. The same good intention, but different. What will be missed is the conversations shared and the

JOKE OF THE DAY

Courtesy of a Resident Funnyman

A man was seated next to a little girl on the airplane when the man turned to her and said, "Let's talk. I've heard that flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with your fellow passengers."

The little girl, who had just opened her book, closed it slowly and said to the man, "What would you like to talk about?" "Oh, I don't know," said the man. "How about nuclear power?" "Ok," she said. "That could be an interesting topic. But let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat grass, the same stuff. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces clumps of dried grass. Why do you suppose that is?"

The man thinks about it and says, "Hmmm, I have no idea." To which the little girl replies, "Do you really feel qualified to discuss nuclear power when you don't know s&%!?"

WELLNESS UPDATE

Fitness classes will be uploaded this week to TouchTown TV Channel 98 and the resident section of the website. These will play all week.

The schedule is as follows:

8am- Tai Chi and Chair Yoga

9:00am- Strength and Stretch and Functional Strength

1:00pm Strength and Stretch.

If you do not have access to channel 98, you can also upload our fitness videos on our YouTube page at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCk84K5PusF_a5Aq2lbO2-aA?view_as=subscriber.

You do not need to subscribe to watch the videos.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Heather at hjoubert@taylorcommunity.org or at 366-1206.

REMINDER: TAYLOR CARES FOOD DRIVE

This Friday, November 20, is pick-up day for our annual food drive to benefit St. Vincent de Paul. Beginning at 11:00 a.m. we will be driving around campus in a Taylor van and will be happy to pick up your donations (please leave them curbside) and deliver them to St. Vincent Food Pantry. If you prefer not to shop and would like to send a monetary donation to support the pantry, please send your check made out to St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry to the attention of Maureen Ballester at Taylor Home. Thank you!

REMINDER: WOODSIDE BISTRO BAKE SALE

From our Oven to Your Holiday Table.

Pies—\$14: Deep Dish Apple, Pumpkin Spice & Cherry Cheese

Sweet Breads—\$6: Brown Butter Banana, Cinnamon Swirl

Pumpkin, and Orange Kissed Cranberry.

Cheesecake—\$25: Eggnog Cheesecake

Place your orders by Friday, 11/20 via phone 366-1481.

Delivered to you November 23rd, 24th and 25th.

Don't Feel Like Cooking?

Signature Salads

House Made Desserts

Snack Packs (Chicken Salad, Cheese & Fruit)

Bistro Soup

Dinners, ready to heat and eat

Forget A Staple Item at the Store? We've Got You Covered!

Milk/Orange juice

Eggs

Yogurt

Sliced deli meat and cheese

Loaves of Bread

Toilet Paper

Call 366-1481 for free delivery to your door!

WOODSIDE BISTRO

Phone: 366-1481

Although our doors are closed for safety, the Bistro is here for you 7 days a week!

Free Delivery!

Call to place your order, lunch delivered between 11:30 am -1:30 pm

Bistro Dinners: Delivered Hot to your Doorstep every Tuesday & Thursday night.

Call to place your order by noon, dinner delivered between 5:00-5:30 pm

Thursday night's Special:

Shrimp & Lobster Scampi with Ravioli Florentine

Have you Ordered Your Thanksgiving Meal yet? (Last day to order Friday 11/20)

Call the Bistro 366-1481 or email your order: taylorrsup@taylorcommunity.org

Place your Bake Sale orders:

(Last day to order Friday 11/20)

Thanksgiving Pies, Cheesecake, Sweetbreads.

Sandwich of the Week:

Oversized English Muffin, With Fried Egg, Canadian bacon, Brie Cheese and Cranberry Aioli

Thursday:

Featured Soup: Cream of Asparagus

Featured Entrée: Braised Short Ribs with Smashed Yukon Gold Potatoes, Grilled Asparagus and Jus Lie. Fresh Baked Roll and Butter

Friday:

Featured Soup: Tomato Florentine

Featured Entrée: Lobster Stuffed Haddock over Jasmine Rice with Steamed Spinach. Sage & Honey Biscuit with Sweet Butter

Saturday:

Featured Soup: Lentil Vegetable

Featured Entrée: Chicken Ala King, over Egg Noodles with Chef Vegetables

Lunch Pack: \$15 (Available Sunday thru Saturday)

Two Sandwiches:

Roast Turkey **and** The Featured Sandwich of the Week

Two soups

Two chips & Two Cookies

Dinner pack: \$20 (Available Monday thru Friday)

Two entrées:

Two side salads

Dessert to share

****If you have a comment, question, or suggestion for an upcoming Taylor Messenger, please call: 366-1482 or email: ggandini@taylorcommunity.org ****