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A Christmas Story

Once upon a time, there was a young man who lived in a small town out in the desert. He had a brother and two sisters and his father and mother always went out of their way to make Christmas a very special time of year.

Times were tough back then. His mother was a stay-at-home mom and the household finances were always tight. However, his mother was a great money-manager and she would always put a little money aside each week of the year so the family could enjoy a happy Christmas.

Back in those days, the giant Sears catalogs were delivered to every house in the neighborhood. His entire family would go through the catalog together and pick out the special gifts they wanted for Christmas. Everyone would write out a wish list of several gifts and then, the parents would decide which gifts to buy.

In the fall of each year, his mother would go down to the Sears store in town. This very small Sears store did not have much space to display items so almost everything had to be ordered. About a week or so later, the mother would go back to Sears and pick up all of the items after they were delivered to the store.

This young man's mother was always sneaky about wrapping the Christmas gifts and she loved to surprise everyone. She knew that all of her kids would be picking up the gifts, shaking them around and trying to figure out what gifts were inside the boxes. She also knew they would hold the gifts up near bright lights and try to read

the boxes wrapped inside.

On this particular year, his mother had really done a great job of wrapping this young man's gifts. He picked up the boxes, shook them around, tried to read through the wrapping paper and still couldn't figure out what was inside. The only thing he knew was that the boxes were extra light and whatever was inside must have been soft because there was very little sound when he shook the boxes. He was already disappointed because he knew that he didn't get that special airplane, slot car or train set he had wished for.

This young man's parents would always stick to a strict schedule on Christmas day. The kids would all get up early in the morning, anxious to open their gifts. But, as usual on Christmas day, the parents would sleep in. They must have really enjoyed making everyone wait as long as possible. Next, the mother would fix breakfast, everyone would eat and then, all of the dishes would have to be washed and put away. Oh, the kids would be literally going out of their minds by this time!

Hours later, everyone would gather around the Christmas tree and then the father would pass out the gifts, one at a time. Everyone would have to sit there, waiting and watching each other open their packages before the next gift was passed out.

It seemed like forever before this young man got his first gift to open. He got his gift and opened it up, only

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80 Years Ago . . .

On December 26, 1933 the Nissan Motor Co. was founded in Tokyo, Japan. The company went on to become the 6th largest automaker in the world.

Remembering Walt Disney

"When you're curious, you find lots of interesting things to do."

Walt Disney, born December 5, 1901

Rave Reviews!

"I would highly recommend Termite Terry. Over the weekend we noticed an odor coming from the attic and couldn't locate the source. I called and spoke with Terry and he had his representative DJ (David Salamin) at our house the same afternoon. DJ was professional, knowledgeable and polite. H quickly located the source of the problem (a dead rodent that had lodged itself between two wood joints in the attic under the insulation) and removed it within 15 minutes of entering the attic (impressive considering the location of the problem). DJ also walked me around the house and helped me identify a couple of areas that I could seal up along the roof to avoid future issues. Terry quoted me a fair price upfront over the phone and performed the services as promised; exceeded my expectations. Will definitely use them again for pest control needs."

Doug Ekizian
Laguna Hills

"I'm writing to recommend the services of Termite Terry Pest Control. We've been working with Termite Terry since 2006. They have done a number of termite control projects, as well as many pest control services. The office personnel along with the field technicians are all very considerate and are quick to respond. They always make sure to accommodate scheduling for all involved in a timely manner. Their crews are trained to provide information that will benefit our clients. The workmanship and quality is exceptional, and they always make sure to clean up job sites when completed. Managing 100's of properties, I know I can depend on Termite Terry for all my pest control needs. I'm happy to recommend the services of Termite Terry. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me."

Letty Flanagan
Senior Property Manager
Lion Properties

to find that he had got a new pack of underwear. His face was long but he thanked his parents for it, anyway.

This Christmas day hadn't started out well for the young man. As he sat there and watched everyone opening their gifts and jumping for joy, he wondered if his parents had something special in his next gift box. But, when his turn came and he opened up his next gift, he found only a pack of new socks in the box. His face was really getting long by this time!

Well, that was it for his Christmas day, he thought. All of the gifts had been opened and the only things he gotten were socks and underwear.

His father was head of the household and since this young man was the oldest child, the father ordered him to pick up all of the empty boxes and wrapping paper, bag them up and take them out to the trash cans.

With his ever growing long face, the young man did as he was told. He packed up everything in big bags. He opened the front door, went outside and walked around the house toward the gate where the trash cans were kept.

When he opened the gate, he got the surprise of his life – a motorcycle was leaning against the trash cans. The young man couldn't believe his eyes! He had wanted a motorcycle for years but his parents had always told him no, because they said that motorcycles were too dangerous. His parents were now watching him as he asked, "Is this for me?" The parents then yelled back, "Merry Christmas, son!"

It was a used motorcycle and the young man later found out that his father had paid \$50.00 for it. But, to this young man, it was the best gift he had ever received.

The young man started it up, his younger brother hopped on the back and he rode it around the block. Little did the parents know, this was the beginning of the young man's motorcycle and sprint car racing career.

We thought you'd enjoy this story of Christmas. Make someone's day special this year and may all of you

have the best Christmas of your life!

Twelve Percent Of Spice Imports Contaminated!

A report released by the Food and Drug Administration estimates that 12 percent of imported spices are adulterated by filth. That rate is almost two times higher than other FDA food imports.

The agency notes that most of the spices consumed in the US are imported, with the exception of dehydrated onion.

Data was collected between 2007 and 2010. They discovered contamination with "filth adulterants," including: animal excrement, insects (live and dead, whole or in parts), hair from humans, rodents and other animals, decomposed parts, and other materials, such as stones, twigs, staples, wood splinters, plastic, synthetic fibers and rubber bands.

The FDA's report primarily focused on risks for Salmonella. However, they also noted other microbes in spices, including bacillus, clostridium perfringens, cronobacter, shigella and staph bacteria.

Since 1973, there have been 14 illness outbreaks in the US, resulting in more than 1,900 illnesses, 128 hospitalizations and two deaths. Ten of those outbreaks were linked to Salmonella bacteria. The report notes that most people eat spices in small amounts and fail to remember eating spices, so many illnesses may go unreported.

Close to 750 shipments of spices were refused entry to the US due to Salmonella. Another 240 were refused entry because of the presence of filth.

Jane M. Van Doren, a food and spice official at the FDA, says this report is a "wake-up call" to spice producers.

"It means: 'Hey, you haven't solved the problems,'" she said.

Fake Coyotes Are Used To Keep Beach Free of Sea Gulls

Orange County officials are trying new tricks to prevent sea gulls from polluting a pond at Poche Beach.

Park rangers are placing fake coyotes on the beach, located between Dana Point and San Clemente. These coyote statues face the ocean, appear to be on the prowl and ready to pounce on any sea gull that drinks from the freshwater pond.

Officials want to keep sea gulls away from Poche Beach. This beach has been listed by the watchdog group, "Heal the Bay," as one of California's Top 10 Beach Bummers in an annual statewide beach report card.

The city of San Clemente commissioned a study of Poche's polluted pond and found that sea gull droppings were the problem. High bacteria counts have plagued the beach, despite a \$3 million ultraviolet system the county built to clean urban runoff as it nears the ocean.

In the spring of 2013, the county had some success by repelling the seal gulls with high-pitched ultrasound on the beach. However, the gulls returned in the summer.

A falconer was hired in August to try and scare the gulls away with trained hawks and falcons. The gulls disappeared and Poche Beach hasn't had a bacteria warning since August 25th. The falconer's services ended on September 30th and the gulls returned.

Officials are now turning to the fake coyotes and plan on trying them out for a month. Meanwhile, the county will have the falconer perform his services at the Prima Deshecha Landfill, located three miles inland from Poche Beach. The sea gulls have historically flocked to this landfill to feast on trash.

Will this new approach be a success? Only time will tell. At least we know that the falconer had good success when he had his hawks and falcons flying around the beach.

The President's Economic Stimulus Plan

With our government taking over our country's health care system, no one knows what economic problems loom in our future. That is why president Termite Terry is going to continue with his highly successful economic stimulus plan. Here are just a few of your fellow citizens who have benefited recently:

- Chuck Kircher of Fountain Valley referred our services to Jim Fournier, also of Fountain Valley.
- Trish Fisher of Cerritos recommended our services to Willene and Randolph Neyland of Cerritos.
- Stan Factor moved down to San Diego but still referred our services to Dr. Charles Levitan of Huntington Beach.
- Dr. Levitan loved our service and couldn't wait to refer us to his neighbor, Howard Yoo of Huntington Beach.
- Harry Ostiz of Huntington Beach recommended us to his brother, Jack Ostiz, also of Huntington Beach.

Everyone who referred us received a **FREE \$50 Gas Card!** To participate, all you have to do is to refer us to your family, friends or neighbors. And, if they have us do termite treatments, wood repairs or start a regular pest control service, you'll get your **FREE tank of gas, too!**

Fun Christmas Facts!

Christmas is a wonderful time of the year! Here are some fun facts to share with your family and friends:

- Americans will buy about 25 million real Christmas trees this year at an average cost of over \$40 dollars each.
- Americans buy about 11 million fake Christmas trees each year.
- The first state to recognize Christmas as an official holiday was Alabama in 1836. Oklahoma was the last state to recognize the holiday in 1907.
- The Friday and Saturday before Christmas are the two busiest shopping days of the year. Black Friday only ranks as the 5th to 10th busiest shopping day.
- An average American household will mail out 28 Christmas cards.
- The "General Giant" was named as America's Christmas tree in 1925. It is located in King's Canyon National Park in California and is over 300 feet high!
- Visa cards are used at an average rate of over 5,340 times per minute during the Christmas shopping season.
- Electric lights were first used on a Christmas tree in 1895.
- Hallmark did not introduce Christmas cards until 5 years after the company was founded!
- Many American retailers make up to 70% of their income in the month preceding Christmas.
- More than 1.7 billion candy canes are made each Christmas season.
- To raise money for a charity Christmas dinner in 1891, a large crab pot was set on a street in San Francisco, becoming the first Salvation Army collection kettle.
- More diamonds are sold during the Christmas season than for Valentines Day.

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Doctor Uses "Drano" During A Gyno Exam?

A woman is suing her gynecologist for allegedly spraying potassium hydroxide, a corrosive chemical often found in drain-cleaning products, into her while performing an examination.

The lawsuit states the doctor was scheduled to perform a colposcopy. This procedure included the use of a highly diluted vinegar solution to help examine the cervix. The woman claims that the bottle marked vinegar actually contained potassium hydroxide. She says the doctor sprayed the harsh chemical into her and allowed for it to pool inside.

"Plaintiff experiences numbness, pain, loss of sexual stimulation and lack of lubrication. The Plaintiff and her husband have not had relations since the incident because it is too painful. The Plaintiff will be required to undergo a hysterectomy. The damages are permanent," reads the complaint.

One of the doctor's attorneys, Cheryl Atwell, told a local reporter that it is unknown how the potassium hydroxide got into the bottle marked vinegar.

"That is something we are obviously researching as part of the litigation, but it absolutely was not the doctor who filled a vinegar bottle. How the wrong product was in the vinegar bottle, we don't know," said Atwell.

Ladies and gentlemen, this tragic story is another reason why you need to be very careful when dealing with chemicals, household cleaners, pesticides or any other product which can be dangerous if handled improperly.

To prevent accidents like this, you should always keep all products in their original containers with the product labels attached. Never store any dangerous products in food containers. If you ever do put a dangerous product into another type of container, please make sure it is properly marked with the product name and the appropriate warning words.

Stay safe, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



"Termite" Terry Singleton