



November—Time to Put Up the Christmas Tree!

November—sweaters, cooler weather, holidays that involve eating, and no shaving. Sounds like the perfect month to me! For me, it's also when I start itching to decorate for Christmas. Yes, that is correct. I go straight from my summer patriotic décor to Christmas. I blame this on my mom. Yes, I know we all blame our moms, but this time it's the truth!

Mom owned a gift shop —The Indigo Shoppe in Irmo—and we always spent the last few days of October and the first few days of November decorating for Christmas. We were only open one Sunday a year and that was the first Sunday in November when we had a fun Christmas Open House. There were several trees, refreshments, live music (yes, I was in charge of that part) and lots of gift wrapping.

I probably go a little overboard, but I love it all—the garland on the stairs, the lights everywhere, a tree or two in every room, six mantels to decorate, trying to find all of the gifts I've already purchased and hidden all over the house—there's just so much to do! After all that work I want to enjoy it for a while!!

Now, on to the important stuff.

The Month of November is:

- Adopt a Senior Pet Month
- Adopt a Turkey Month
- Banana Pudding Lovers Month
- Family Stories Month
- No Shave November
- National Adoption Month
- Georgia Pecan Month
- Gratitude Month
- Peanut Butter Lovers Month
- Pomegranate Month
- Picture Book Month
- Sweet Potato Awareness Month

The Week of Oct. 31-Nov. 6 is:

- World Origami Week
- International Magic Week
- National Fig Week
- Veterans Small Business Week
- World Karaoke Championships

Some celebrations only last a day:

31st-Magic Day

- Caramel Apple Day
- National Doorbell Day
- Knock-Knock Jokes day

November begins...

- 1st-** All Saints' Day
- Cinnamon Day
- Color the World Orange Day
- National Calzone Day

- 2nd-** Cookie Monster's Birthday
Election Day
- 3rd-** SOS Day
Sandwich Day
Public Television Day
- 4th-** Chicken Lady Day
National Candy Day
Easy-Bake Oven Day
Men Make Dinner Day
Parrot Head Day
Use Your Common Sense Day
- 5th-** Firewood Day
Fountain Pen Day
Love Your Red Hair Day
Medical Cannabis Day
Play Monopoly Day
Wiggle Jiggle Jell-O Day
- 6th-** Bison Day
Digital Scrapbooking Day
National Nachos Day
National Play Outside Day
Pumpkin Destruction Day
Saxophone Day
World Chili Day

Well, that's enough craziness for today, I'm off to start cleaning and decorating. I've almost finished my Christmas shopping so I'll have to get the tree up soon so I'll have some place to stash all the presents.

By the way, if you see me, be sure to ask to see the video of Cody's new trick—riding the Roomba—it's a hoot. Steve wants to get him a cowboy hat and teach him to yell "Yee-Hah" while riding.

Have a great week & call if you need anything!

Serving Him & Loving it!

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Cody wearing the Tiger T-shirt and overalls that his Mom, aunt, and uncle all wore when they were his age.