DECEMBER
Merry Christmas!

MOO NEWS

3rd Grader Wins 2017 Eggnog Bottle Design Contest

Congratulations to Bailey Fitzpatrick, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca Fitzpatrick, for her winning design on the theme of "A Silly, Festive Snowman."

Bailey is in 3rd grade at Mt. Carbon Elementary school in Littleton where her favorite subject is "probably reading." She also enjoys art, likes music, and is looking forward to starting an instrument in the 4th grade.

Bailey enjoys playing with Copper, their Goldendoodle, and her younger sister. She helps her parents bake cakes and decorate them, and she knows how to whip cream. Bailey decorates cookies at Christmas and loves cookies with a glass of milk.

Our winner has been taking piano lessons for 6 months and likes to dance with her friends in Tap Dance class. Her favorite museum is the Littleton Historical Museum because she says, "it's like going back in the olden days." She likes the costumes and the blacksmith exhibit.

Bailey is our youngest winner ever and we are so glad she took out time, from her busy schedule, to enter her drawing.

Dear Friends,

What inspires you to get into the Christmas spirit?

For some, it's the ads on TV for the latest and greatest toys or electronics. Gifts.

For some, it's the smell and taste of wonderful seasonal foods–Peppermint Mocha? Warm cookies? Hot apple cider with cinnamon sticks? Hospitality.

As I was thinking about what to write this time, I looked back at some old Christmas cards. Here are some of the sentiments our friends have sent our way:

"May the meaning of Christmas remain with you throughout the year bringing you lasting joy and happiness"

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to ALL people"

"May the miracle of Christmas fill every heart with happiness"

"Peace on Earth, Good will to everyone"

Whatever message inspires you, please know, peace and good will works for EVERYONE! The Holiday Season is a special time of year to spread and receive both.

Till next time, Merry Christmas from all your Friends at Longmont Dairy!

Susan

MOOO RECIPES

Thanksgiving Potato Casserole

1 bag of frozen diced potatoes
16 oz. of Daisy Sour Cream
1 pound of Tillamook Medium Cheddar Block Cheese, shredded
2 cans cream of celery or cream of mushroom soup

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix ingredients and pour into a 9" x 13" casserole pan, cover with foil, and bake for 1 hour. Uncover and let brown for about 10 to 15 minutes longer and remove from heat.

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Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Make this dish a day ahead of your event. Serves 8.

3 lbs. Yukon Gold potatoes, peeled and cut into chunks
6 cloves garlic, peeled
¾ cup Longmont Dairy Milk
½ cup Longmont Dairy Half and Half
½ cup of Country Cream Butter at room temperature
1 dash salt and pepper

Place peeled potatoes and garlic into a sauce pan and fill with enough cold water to cover all potatoes. Boil partially covered for 25 minutes, or until easily pierced with a knife. Drain completely. Mash potatoes and garlic, in the pan, until free of lumps.

Heat the remaining ingredients, over low heat, stirring occasionally, until butter melts. Reserve ¼ C of mixture. Add the larger portion of milk mixture, in small amounts, to the potatoes, stirring after each addition until light and fluffy (amount needed depends on type of potato used).

Grease a 2 quart casserole and spoon in potatoes. Cover potatoes and reserved liquid. Refrigerate up to 24 hours.

1 hour before serving, heat oven to 350° F. Pour reserved milk mixture over potatoes and bake uncovered 40-45 minutes or until hot. Stir before serving.

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Easy Chocolate Fondue

A cozy dessert on a cold night.

1 cup Longmont Dairy Whipping Cream
12 ounces chopped, semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 teaspoons Grand Marnier or chocolate liqueur

Heat whipping cream on medium heat, in a small sauce pan, until it starts to simmer. Do not allow to boil. Add vanilla and chips, and whisk until smooth and blended. Pour immediately into warm fondue pot. Stir in liqueur. Serve with your favorite cut fruits, marshmallows, rice crispy treats, or brownie bites.

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Bhakti Chai Eggnog

Makes one serving.

½ cup Bhakti Chai Concentrate
½ cup Longmont Dairy Classic Eggnog
1 shot of your favorite rum or whiskey

Mix all ingredients and warm in microwave, or on stove to serve hot. Or pour over ice to serve cold.

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Pumpkin Chai Bread Pudding

Serves 8–10

10 cups of bread, cubed
3 cups pumpkin puree
2 cups Longmont Dairy milk
4 Eggland's Best eggs
1½ cups brown sugar, divided
½ cup maple syrup
1 tablespoon vanilla extract
3 teaspoons ground cinnamon
¼ cup Bhakti Chai concentrate
½ teaspoon ground cloves
1 cup chopped pecans

Pre-heat oven to 325° F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper. Place bread cubes on the lined baking sheet. Bake for 20 minutes, using a spatula to turn the cubes after 10 minutes.

While the bread cubes are toasting, prepare the pumpkin custard. In a large bowl, whisk together the pumpkin puree, milk, eggs, 1/2 cup of brown sugar, maple syrup, vanilla extract and Bhakti Chai until combined.

When the bread cubes are toasted, remove from oven and place in a greased 9×13 baking dish. Cover the bread cubes with the pumpkin mixture and toss with a large spoon to make sure all the bread cubes are covered. Top with the chopped pecans and remaining 1 cup of brown sugar.

Bake bread pudding at 325° F for 50-60 minutes, or until the bread pudding is completely set. Cool prior to serving.

Adapted from https://drinkbhakti.com
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Gifts for Friends and Neighbors

Need a quick hostess gift or gifts for the neighbors? They will be delighted to receive rich and creamy Longmont Dairy Eggnog in our Holiday Designer Bottle. It's delicious, unique and they can't get it anywhere else. Just tie a bow on it and go.

Pre-Order Your Designer Eggnog Bottle by December 8.

Get either Classic or Cinnamon Eggnog in the Holiday Designer Bottle. Order by December 8, for your regular delivery from December 11–15. Eggnog will be available through the 31st of December.

Holiday Savings Bundles

The online ordering page now includes a Bundle category where you can find discounted bundles. The discount is only valid when ordering as a bundle, no substitutions please.

Santa's Essentials Pack

Save $3 when you order the Santa's Essentials Pack: **2% milk (half gallon)**, R**oll Out Cut Out Sugar Cookie Dough** and **Classic Eggnog** are treats Santa will love during his chilly, mid-night ride. Available from the 1st through 22nd of December.

Holiday Gift Pack

Save $5 when you order the the Holiday Gift Pack for teachers, friends and neighbors, with **Winter's Companion Coffee**, by Silver Canyon, **Cranberry Oatmeal White Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough**, by Mary's Mountain Cookie Dough, and a **Granola 4 Pack**, by Enjoy Biscotti. Order between November 13 and December 22.

Holiday Events

Ronald McDonald House Radiothon
Once again, we are happy to help sponsor the Ronald McDonald House Charities Radiothon, to be held on November 30, on KOSI 101.1 FM. Through your support last year, the drive raised $363,000 for the families of the Ronald McDonald House.

The Gift of Home Tour
Longmont Dairy is proud to sponsor The Gift of Home Tour, a self-guided tour in Longmont, that will feature four homes ranging from old to new, and smaller to larger homes. The homes will be "dressed up" for the holidays offering wonderful ideas. Proceeds benefit the Longmont Meals on Wheels. November 30 through December 2. Times and tickets are available at www.thegiftofhome.org.

Tour the Governor's Residence at the Boettcher Mansion
Decorated for the holidays and sponsored by the Governor's Residence Preservation Fund. 10 am to 2 pm, December 7-10 and 14-17. Free. Visit www.coloradoshome.org/holiday-public-tours/ for more information.

LOVE family BLESSINGS tradition GIVING HOPE peace wonder MAGIC MEMORIES celebration laughter HUGS FRIENDS hope LIGHTS WARMTH

Merry Christmas from our families to your family!

Your friends at Longmont Dairy Farm.