



# The FAN

## FLS' Amazing Newsletter

### The History of Thanksgiving Day

by Hirokazu Onoe and Kyo Dong Kum (Jeff)

Do you know about Thanksgiving Day?

Now it's the second biggest national holiday of the U.S.( after Christmas). Since when and how did Americans start celebrating it? If want to know about it, you should go back to early colonial times.

Pilgrims, who landed in Plymouth in December, 1620, had a really hard time in their first year. But fortunately, Native Americans helped them by providing food and seeds, and teaching and giving them the survival skills they would need in the New World. As a result, Pil-

grims enjoyed a nice harvest in the fall, and they wanted to celebrate their good fortune and express thanks to the leaders and families of the Wampanoag Indian tribe.

Pilgrims invited all of the Native Americans and served wild turkey,

duck, venison, pumpkins, and so on. This feast was held over three days in 1621, which is now called the "the first Thanksgiving".

After that, many colonies celebrated Thanksgiving Day on a different date. In 1789, George Washington, the first president of the United States, declared

November 26 a day of Thanksgiving, and therefore a national holiday. And in 1863, Abraham Lincoln, looking for ways to unite the nation, declared the last Thursday in November the day to give thanks, and it still continues.



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### Fantastic Pig Roast

by I Hung Wu (Peater) and Jeong Hwan Kim (Joe)

This pig roast was a new experience for us. First of all, most FLS students know this one differs from any others because it was organized by FLS students.

To organize this event, we collected money to prepare everything we needed and we separated into three groups. One was

to prepare paper products, another was to cook food, and the other was to be porters, who carried the whole pig and dug the hole for the pit.

Overall, the most important thing was to cook foreign food for our guests, so we bought plenty of (materials and prepared to cook.

On Saturday, the Taiwanese cooked fried rice, red bean soup and tea eggs in advance of others. The next day, the Japanese group prepared egg rolls, chicken rice and potato meat. Everyone had his/her taste but the most popular

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## A Different View of State College

by Yi-Fen Chui (Eva)

On November 6, I joined a day hike with four Taiwanese FLS students; Josh, who drove; and Steve Braun, our director, and his two dogs. It was a nice-sized group to go hiking. We went to Shingletown Gap which is located between the town of Boalsburg and the town of Pine Grove Mills. It's nearby State College. There were many hiking trails that we could have chosen from, but we chose the one with medium difficulty.

At the time of the hike, the weather was already entering the winter season, so it was cold outside.

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one was theirs because of the taste as well as the appearance. The Korean chef was Sun Young. She cooked some foods in her dorm.

Three guys stayed at Steve's house on Saturday to roast the pig, which weighed 75 pounds. They roasted from midnight until Sunday morning. We saw the whole pig lying down silently and flatly, and besides it smelt absolutely nice. You could see starvation in our eyes.

After one o'clock p.m., our guests

But when we started hiking, our bodies became warmer. This let me continue. First, we walked in the forest beside many trees and a stream. Everything looked so natural and nice. I listened to the sounds of the small stream and kept walking. Then we met some hunters on the trail, who were hunting deer on the mountain. We also saw a dead deer being dragged by one of hunters. It was so amazing for me to see. We continued to follow the signs on the trail so we wouldn't get lost.

As we were climbing, the view gradually changed. The trees at the bottom of the mountain had some green leaves on them. But starting at the middle of the trail, almost none of

came in waves, and we introduced all the different kinds of food and what it tasted like. Definitely, the main dish was pork.

Our guests, who were our homestay families and LHU students, enjoyed the food and talked to each other. Although the weather was cold, those foods warmed our heart and gave us energy.

It is an excellent memory, definitely. We thank everyone: The project manager, Jacky, administrated

trees had any leaves. The view looked so different from the hike we had taken during the fall (full of golden colors). It was so beautiful.

Then when we arrived at the top, from where we stood, we could see all of State College. It was so nice and made me feel relaxed. I thought maybe this was my first time to see that view. In Taiwan, winters are warm and the leaves stay on the trees, so it was a wonderful experience for me to see this. After we took some pictures, the two dogs found and followed two deer, and barked at them. I really wanted to follow them to see the two deer, but I couldn't them because they were too fast. When we finished the hike, three hours had already passed. It was a really wonderful hike for me.



over everything, including eating; Una; Machiko; Haruka (who always caused some trouble by burning rice or sneaking food); and our Korean chef, Sun Young (who cooked some spicy food - her food was gone, so that proved her food was very popular). And finally, thanks to the tough guys: Kei, Hirokozu, and Nicolas, for roasting the pig and doing the tough work.

## Incredible Falling Water by Yi-Chieh Huang (Una)

What is "Fallingwater"? Where is it?

I think all FLS students wouldn't be able to answer this question before they went there except those who have studied architecture. Fallingwater is a historic house which was built on a waterfall in southwest Pennsylvania, in an area called Bear

Run, near Pittsburgh. In 1935, Frank Lloyd Wright designed Fallingwater for the Edgar J. Kaufmann family, the founders of a department store in Pittsburgh. The construction began in 1936 and was completed in 1939.

As the FLS van drove up a beautiful wooded hill, and we saw that the

parking was full of cars; visitors continually come from near and far to see this "building of the 20th century."

For the tour, we stepped into the house and sat down on the sofa to listen to the commentary of the guide, and our attention was directed

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## Featured LHU Club Interview: The Fine Arts Society by Soo Jeun Park (Sooji)

There are several clubs on the campus of LHU, and the FAS (Fine Arts Society) is one I'm involved in. FAS' chief aim is to support students' art work and to expose the university to various forms of visual art.

Students, mostly art majors, have a meeting every Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Sloan lobby. They talk about all kinds of things which are related to art, such as the FAS' display case in the PUB, Project Coffeehouse, the Evergreen Commons art show, a Halloween party in the fall, trips for exhibitions, etc. Each student enlists volunteers for

their projects and these volunteers work very hard on the planning and execution of them. Because of their effort everyone can enjoy visual art at different places, including several spots in Lock Haven that you might not imagine. Unfortunately, some art shows are already over, but even more fantastic shows are coming soon.

First, the Evergreen Commons art show is going to open on November 30th at 8:00 p.m. in the clubhouse. In this show, student's work will be available for purchase. Second, a senior jewelry show is

coming up at the beginning of December. You can get an invitation at the Sloan building on campus.

And every month the FAS invites an artist to display his or her work at the gallery in the Sloan building. Charles Caldemayer's work is still currently showing at the gallery.

In addition, if you are interested in joining FAS, they always welcome new people to visit. It's a very good chance for you to learn about art and meet fascinating people (and speak English!). Don't be shy!

## Homestay Interview by Chien Yuan Chen (Jacky)

There are five people in my host family: my host parents Todd and Alisa Cravens; three children, David, Mikayla, and Alex; and three fish.

Todd is an Assistant Pastor and also a pastor at Lock Haven University. Every Tuesday and Thursday he is involved in Lock Haven University student activities. He has "New Life" on Tuesday night, and on Thursday night there are several LHU students eating dinner with us. After dinner they have Bible Study in another place. Sometimes I think he is very busy. But if he has free time, he always plays with children, so he is a very good father.

Alisa always stays at home with the children. She is a great mother and good cook. I like the food that she cooks. If I have free time, I can help her to cook dinner, and I could also learn how to cook American food. Now she has Spanish class two days a week.

I also exercise everyday, meaning I play with their three cute kids. Actually, they're very kind and friendly. Sometimes I invent some new games for them, and we always have a good time when we play games.

Although I have just stayed at their house for two months, they really help me feel at home. I really love them. They have taught me many things about American life, and they have given me a lot of special and great memories during my time at Lock Haven.



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and stairs in the house, and it resembles a labyrinth. The walls on second floor are decorated with Japanese paintings. A lot of big bookcases are filled with books, and some wardrobe doors still stand open, looking as it did when the family lived there.

All of Fallingwater can be opened by windows, and people can listen to the flowing stream and look at the fantastic scene outdoors and indoors. They can also walk downstairs from the Great Room and stand on a tiny platform in the middle of the stream. The furniture includes desks, lamps, outlets, sofas, polished stone floors, and windows, which were integrally designed na-

ture in mind. The building was built into a rock wall, and the forest, stream, rocks, and all other elements of structure were combined very quietly. After I visited this great building, I understood why it is called the architectural masterpiece of Frank Lloyd Wright. Although someone said that tour was boring, it is the most marvelous piece of architecture I have seen in



## Thanksgiving Customs

by Haruka Iino

On Thanksgiving day, American people prepare huge and luxurious meals with turkey as the main dish. People who don't like turkey eat roast or prime rib. As a tradition, most families pray before the meal and mention something that they are very thankful for. Thanksgiving day in the U.S. is the fourth Thursday in November, while in Canada, families celebrate this day on the second Monday in October with turkey and pumpkin pie. This day is the time to look at pioneer life, and it's an ideal time for Canadians to celebrate the importance of Canadian farmers. This day is the special time for Canadian children too. They celebrate with grandparents and give thanks for the abundance of everybody's lives. The reason people eat turkey is because of Benjamin Franklin. He wanted to make turkey the U.S national symbol because turkeys are quick runners and have sharp eyesight!

### Upcoming Birthdays:

Jeong Woo Kim: 11/24  
Yi Fen Chiu (Eva): 12/11  
Jeong Hwan Kim (Joe): 12/12

### Upcoming FLS activities:

- Ornament Making
- Christmas at Hershey Park
- Christmas Parade 12/4
- NYC Weekend
- Bellefonte Victorian Christmas
- Christmas Party at Colucci's, 12/18
- FLS Christmas Party 12/22