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Family Traditions

Think back to when you were a child. Recall some of the things that made your family special when you were growing up. It may have been how you celebrated birthdays, Thanksgiving, or Christmas, a special meal shared by your entire family on a certain holiday, or an annual summer vacation that evolved into a family reunion, as your family grew older.

Family traditions are the glue that binds one generation to another. They give kids, parents and grandparents something to look forward to, as well as something to count on during the hectic holiday season...and throughout the year.

Some traditions are carried out daily, while other traditions take place only once a year. Family traditions can remind us of our ancestors, reinforce principles, create family memories, help give family members a sense of belonging, and bond our family together.

Do you have a family tradition you would like to share?

Please respond by e-mail to lizvanderwoude@cwalocal4250.org no later than December 20, 2002.