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## Tis' The Season To Be Jolly

The Holiday spirit certainly has all of us here on the Mimosa staff feeling pretty happy and jolly. Here's hoping the spirit has caught you as well. From all of us to all of you, have a very Happy Holiday season and a Happy New Year.

## Tips for a healthy & safe live Christmas tree:

- Leave the tree outside or in the garage for a few days before bringing inside to decorate.
- Make a fresh cut across the bottom, about 1" above base, so your tree can drink easily.
- Make a preservative: mix a quart of water with 1/2-cup of corn syrup and a tsp. of bleach.
- After a few days in the preservative, bring the tree inside and place it in a location away from direct sunlight and other heat sources (such as heating ducts, wood stoves and fireplaces.)
- Remember to add water to the reservoir daily.



## Did You Know?: Kwanzaa Trivia

- Kwanzaa is celebrated for seven days from December 26 to January 1.
- Kwanzaa (Swahili for "fresh fruits") is based on an African harvest festival.
- Kwanzaa was created by Maulana Karenga, a professor of black studies at California State University at Long Beach, in 1966.
- The colors of Kwanzaa are black, red and green.
- The seven principles of Kwanzaa are unity (umoja), self-determination (kujichagulia), collective responsibility (ujima), cooperative economics (ujamaa), purpose (nia), creativity (kuumba), and faith (imani).
- The karamu, or feast, held on Dec. 31, is one of the high points of the seven days of Kwanzaa. Food, music, and dance are part of the karamu.
- Kwanzaa is now celebrated all over the world, especially in the U.S., Africa, and the Caribbean.
- Kwanzaa is a nonreligious holiday.

# One Day After Christmas:



It's one day after Christmas  
I'm crabby and I'm broke.  
I'm so full of ham and fruitcake  
I think I'm gonna croak.

It's nice to see the relatives  
I wonder when they'll leave.  
They've been camping in my bathroom  
since early Christmas Eve.

They're eating everything in sight  
and sleeping in my bed.  
I been sacked out in the basement  
with my beagle, Fred.

The relatives have all gone out  
and left their screaming brats.  
The toilet bowl is all plugged up  
and I can't find the cat.

It's Christmastime at my house,  
the relatives are here.  
They eat me out of house and home.  
and drink up all my beer.

I love the decorations,  
and the sleigh bells in the snow  
But I wish those pesky relatives  
would take their kids and go.

Those cookie crunchers fed the dog  
a twenty pound rib roast.  
His feet are sticking in the air  
like skinny old fence posts.  
Now they're in a free-for-all,  
the girls against the boys.  
They're fighting over boxes  
'cause they're bored with all their  
toys

My mother-in-law is snoring  
in my favorite TV chair.  
Those kids are stringing lights on her  
and tinseling her hair

I oughta wake her up  
before the fireworks begin.  
But I wanna see those blue sparks fly  
when they plug her in.  
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# Recipe for Latkes



- 4 medium potatoes
- 1 medium onion
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup matzah meal (flour or bread crumbs can be substituted)
- salt and black pepper to taste
- vegetable oil

Shred the potatoes, onion and bell pepper into a large bowl. Press out all excess liquid. Add eggs and parsley and mix well. Add matzah meal gradually while mixing until the batter is doughy, not too dry. (you may not need the whole amount, depending on how well you drained the veggies). Add a few dashes of salt and black pepper. Heat about 1/2 inch of oil to a medium heat. Form the batter into thin patties about the size of your palm. Fry batter in oil. Be patient: this takes time, and too much flipping will burn the outside without cooking the inside. Flip when the bottom is golden brown. Place finished latkes on paper towels to drain. Eat hot with sour cream or applesauce.

If you'd like to try something a little different, add some bell peppers, carrots, celery, or other vegetables to the batter to make veggie latkes!



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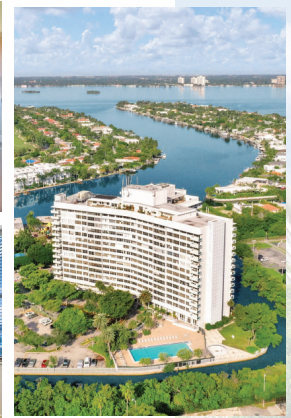
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