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Fred's Snapshot

It looks like the holidays are upon us again. Can you believe that this year has passed by so quickly?

This time of year always gets me excited. I love the holiday music, decorations, and of course, the food.

The thing that gets me most excited about the holiday season is being able to help others. As many of you know, I provide free family portraits for homeless families at the Star of Hope (www.sohmision.org). In addition to this service, I also collect toys, food, and household items for the families during the holiday season. If you are interested in making a donation, please give me a call. Last year we collected enough items to fill two storage trailers and serve nearly two-hundred homeless children. Please do what you can to help me make a few children's holiday season much brighter.

By the way, I've already been bombarded with requests for holiday photos. If you haven't scheduled yours, you'd better hurry.

THE HISTORY OF THANKSGIVING DAY



1621 Harvest Feast

The story of Thanksgiving is basically the story of the Pilgrims and their thankful community feast at Plymouth, Massachusetts.

The Pilgrims, who set sail from Plymouth, England on a ship called the Mayflower on September 6, 1620, were fortune hunters, bound for the resourceful 'New World'. After land was sighted in November following 66 days of a lethal voyage, the Pilgrims settled in the new land.

But their happiness was short-lived. Ill-equipped to face the winter on this estranged place, they were ravaged thoroughly. Fortunately, they

were saved by the Wampanoag Indians who befriended them and helped them with food. Soon the Wampanoags taught the settlers techniques to cultivate, grow and store corns and grow native vegetables. By the next winter they had raised enough crops to keep them alive. The winter came and passed by without much harm. The settlers knew they had beaten the odds and it was time to celebrate. In 1621 the Plymouth colonists and the Wampanoags shared an autumn harvest feast which is now known as the first Thanksgiving. While cooking methods and table etiquette have changed as (Continued on pg. 2)

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Digital Camera Review: Canon Powershot S80

Canon's latest PowerShot S-series flagship, the 8-megapixel PowerShot S80, stands out just about every way you look at it. It's a fun little camera that packs a wallop in terms of features, performance, and photo quality. Its automatic-exposure modes and intelligent processing will impress casual shooters who want good images without a lot of fuss. Its manual controls and advanced features will provide enjoyment for fiddling amateurs. And its big 2.5-inch LCD, elegant good looks, and excellent build quality will please any shooter. It also has a 28mm to 100mm lens.

The Canon PowerShot S80 is attractive and sturdy, covered in glossy-black aluminum with a matte-silver trim and textured black-rubber accents that not only look classy but help improve your grip. The panels and the doors fit snugly, and the camera's density just screams quality. The



S80 will easily fit in a jacket or a loose pants pocket.

Useful touches include a four-way switch that also doubles as a scrollwheel, à la the iPod, and a shortcut button that you can program to control image size, white balance, color mode, metering mode, or autoexposure lock, among other settings. For a photographer trying to work in a quickly changing situation, this button can help keep that once-in-a-lifetime shot from getting away. Other quick-access settings are drive mode, ISO sensitivity, autofocus point, flash mode, macro mode, and manual-focus mode. **PRICE: \$457-\$550**

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the holiday has evolved, the meal is still consumed today with the same spirit of celebration and overindulgence.

Thanksgiving Day is presently celebrated on the fourth Thursday of every November. This date was set by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1939 (approved by Congress in 1941).

For more information on the history of Thanksgiving, visit this website:
<http://www.historychannel.com/thanksgiving/?page=video>