OCTOBER - NOVEMBER
SURPRISES--THANKSGIVING
MIX ‘N MATCH

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- We hope you will look at the authors listed in the table of contents and be reminded that we need to see your name there as the next issues of the PBR roll out. All we need is a very simple letter outlining a portion of your recovery which expresses experience, strength, and hope from your point of view. You know, how it was, what happened, and what it is like now. Nothing fancy, just YOU!
- This month we heard from Buddy B. over in Scotland. There are issues there like here. Maybe drop him a note c/o ISO Office.
- Prison letters and stories are three this month, and from persons who have written before. All have pertinent messages.
- Note that there is an online meeting for those of you who surf for recovery. The ISO Board has established some guidelines for placing meeting notices on our Web Site. And Bruce has a Monday meeting going.
- Bill R. and George S. have provided poetry, and we have others of theirs which you’ll see in the future. Jeff W. has one on page 6; he’s more recently a contributor to this page.
- We stole some material from the Northern Tier Intergroup Newsletter [NTI]. From Dan J. and Jim M. Check it out, pages 6 and 10.
- Louis D. is a never-ending source of support and recovery wisdom. More of his on page 6; from a long way back.

As you see this issue arriving about the time of HALLOWEEN, you may realize the pranks you played as a kid. They were surprising to all those folks who thought you may not have been that kind of child. To surprise them that way!
- Also, in seeing the THANKSGIVING holiday appearing before you, it’s easy to reflect on just how thankful you are, what with being in recovery and all, feeling better than on many holidays before. Less headaches, less shame, more memory about “last night”, and all the rest.
- Why not pull a prank on the whole Fellowship of SAA and mix these two celebrations together? HOW???? Why not.....
- Surprise your ISO office with a gift of Thanksgiving?
- So what’s the PRANK???
- Jerry B., the ISO Office Manager, will be inundated with gift envelopes to the point of exasperation! It will be just like soaping your neighbors windows. He’ll be out the next morning with bucket, water, and squeegee getting the soap off. Same for Jerry, he’ll be up to his neck in OPENING ENVELOPES AND DEPOSITING FUNDS! Wow! What fun !!! LET’S DO IT, OK????