

# INSURED & INFORMED

## In Search of a New Holiday Tradition?

It is now more important than ever to spend quality time with friends, family, help those in need and have some fun! Here are a few "easy to do", unique holiday traditions that will surely create great memories.

### 1) **Thankful Jar**

Set out a jar next to your front door. When family members come home from work or school have them write a short note of what they are thankful for, sign it and add it to the jar. Have them repeat this every day. Have guests do this as well. Then during your "Holiday or New Year's Celebration" read the notes as a family.

### 2) **End of Year Video**

Make a short end of year video with your family giving an update on what happened this year and what milestones were reached. Save them to watch later down the road with kids, grandkids and pass down through generations.

### 3) **Donation Jar**

Put a jar in a common are of your home. Throughout the year add cash and loose change. At the end of the year collaborate with one another to find a family in need or a cause that is important to you.

### 4) **Guessing Gifts**

This one my family and I have done my entire life! For those who celebrate Christmas, instead of giving gifts and watching them be opened in under 30 seconds, take your time. Go around the room and have each person guess their gift. They can ask yes or no questions only. This can make the opening process a multiple hour affair and will have you laughing hysterically. Note: Be sure to make a list of what is in each package. We typically put a number on every gift.

### 5) **Remember Lost Loved Ones**

Get everyone together and have them share a memory or two about a special loved one you have lost. This will help keep their memory alive, especially for those who didn't have as much time with that loved one.

# Hunting "Disappointments & Lost Opportunities"



## WHAT WE OFFER

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- Disability Insurance<sup>1</sup>
- Long Term Care'

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- Fee Based Planning
- Rollovers
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- Retirement
- Income Planning
- Business Planning
- Charitable Planning
- Legacy Planning
- Budgeting
- College Planning

Hunters experience many disappointments and lost opportunities. We must learn to adapt, be resilient, patient, trust in the process and have the mindset that you can only do what is in your control. Many great qualities to have as a business owner as well!

Many times, hunting trips are planned in advance. The weather may be bad, the deer may be nocturnal or get spooked. We have also seen multiple food sources such as corn fields not be cut until late in the season due to weather which slows down deer activity due to an abundance of food and safe cover. Most of these things we have minimal control over. What we do have control over is whether to wait it out or pack up and leave. There are times we do not see a deer for DAYS and come home empty handed.

But what I have learned is that those difficult experiences make you appreciate the entire process more and if you put in the time something WILL come to fruition.



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