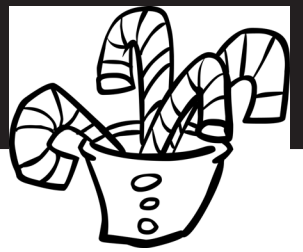
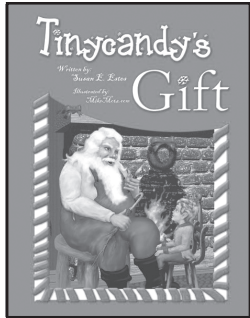


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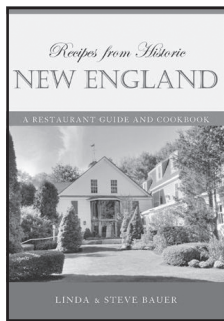
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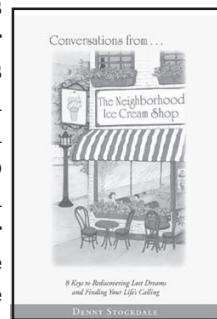
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If you have a tape recorder, use that to record your stories. Tapes can be duplicated.

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Still don't know how to start? Here are some ideas to get you going.

"I learned a hard lesson when ..."

"One thing I never told my parents was ..."

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"My first job was ..."

"I got caught doing ..."

The more details, the better. Even the smallest descriptive detail can make your story come alive.

If telling your life story is something you'd like to do, but you want help with it, ask among your friends who has a camcorder or who can transcribe what you write.

Don't believe that your story has no value. It does! Chances are your family will want more chapters! Consider this as chapter one in a family heirloom.

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