

# **7 Quick Takes Friday: Birthday-bonanza, gift wrap shortage, the team snack, Shorty the Pumpkin, and what we did instead of apple picking**

Schools are closed today. For weeks I have had this beautifully planned day with our day care situation well in hand. Then our older son got a birthday invitation for late in the afternoon. OK, I thought. So I'll leave work a little early. Then our younger son got a birthday invitation for