CALL OF THE RILED

Short Skit for Thanksgiving

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CAST: Caller

9-1-1 Dispatcher Butterball Operator

<u>PROPS</u>: 3 phones, apron for caller, police cap for dispatcher, chef's hat for operator

(Caller dials phone. Sound effect: dialing number, then phone ringing)

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: You've reached 9-1-1. Go ahead, please.

CALLER: I need help right away. This is (cough) an emergency!

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: Try to stay calm, ma'am. Tell me where you are and your current situation.

CALLER: I'm in the kitchen and it's full of (cough) smoke.

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: Okay, listen carefully. I want you to drop to the floor and crawl outside.

CALLER: Wouldn't it be easier just to open a window? That's what I (cough) usually do.

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: This has happened before?

CALLER: Every year, just like (cough) clockwork.

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: Hmmm.... Well, I've been trained in situations like this and know the best way to proceed. As I said before, I want you to crawl out of the house.

CALLER: (cough) No.

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: What d'ya mean, "No"?

CALLER: Who'd finish cooking dinner if I (cough) left?

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: Now listen here, ma'am. I can't save your life if you won't cooperate.

CALLER: Gosh, Lady! That's not why I called. I just wanna know how to (cough) make gravy.

9-1-1 DISPATCHER: (sigh) Have you ever considered the Butterball Hotline, ma'am?

CALLER: Ain't that who I'm talkin' to? It's hard to see the phone buttons in all this smoke.

(Sound effect: click from phone hang up, then dialing another number)