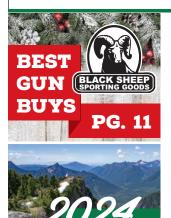


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In addition to the extended deadline, some changes have been made to contest rules, including artwork previously used in production or entered into any state or federal stamp competition can be submitted. Details on contest rules and entry information can be found here.

The winning artwork will be on display in the Capitol in Helena and announced by Gov. Greg Gianforte in late February.

The 2024 migratory bird stamp will not be required to hunt migratory birds in Montana. To hunt migratory birds, hunters will need a current Montana migratory bird license and their federal duck stamp, the same as in years past.

However, beginning in 2024 those who purchase a migratory bird license will receive a free collectable sticker showing the winning artwork, information about the Migratory Bird Wetland Program and information about how to make additional contributions. Purchasing a migratory bird license is a great way to support wetland habitat conservation. FWP will work with the Montana Outdoor Legacy Foundation and other partners to provide other ways to donate to wetlands conservation. More information on other donation opportunities will be available in early 2024.

The 2024 Migratory Bird Stamp will help raise additional awareness of the importance of wetland habitat and the benefits to wildlife, landowners, and water quality. Wetlands are critical for many wildlife and aquatic species, as well providing critical ecosystem functions like flood control, groundwater recharge and water purification. FWP's Migratory Bird Wetland Program helps landowners and other conservation partners develop and fund projects that protect, conserve, enhance or create high-quality wetland habitat.





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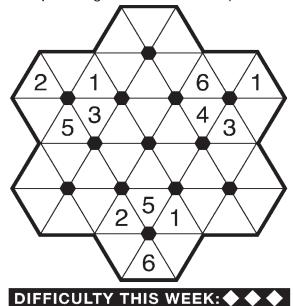
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— National Day Calendar -



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Fun Candy Cane Facts:

- The average candy cane is 5 inches tall.
- · While most candy canes are not sugar or calorie-free, they do not have any fat or cholesterol.
- · Striped red and white candy canes were first introduced in 1900.

- · The first machine to make candy canes were invented in 1921 by Brasher O. Westerfield. Until then, they were made by hand.
- Bob McCormack and his brother-in-law & priest Gregory Keller brought the candy cane to the masses. What started out as candy-making for McCormack's friends and family turned into mass production when Keller invented the machine that enabled Bob's Candies to go big time.
- · Traditionally the flavor for candy canes is peppermint, but there are a variety of flavors.
- · Alain Roby, Geneva pastry chef, holds the Guinness World Record for the longest candy cane, measuring 51 feet long.

How To Observe National Candy Cane Day

Do you have candy cane traditions? Enjoy one from your stocking or pluck one from the tree. Share a candy cane with your sweetheart, neighbor or child in your life. However you celebrate, be sure to use #NationalCandyCaneDay when posting on social

National Candy Cane Day History

National Day Calendar continues to enjoy our candy canes while researching the elusive origins of its first celebration.

Candy Cane FAQ

Q. How many calories are in a candy cane?

A. A standard, 6-inch candy cane contains two servings with approximately 50-60 calories per serving.

Q. What kinds of flavors do candy canes come in?

A. Candy makers develop various candy cane flavors. Some of the more common ones include cherry, sour apple, blueberry, watermelon or orange. However, some brands take their flavor choices a step further. How does pickle, bacon, mac and cheese, or rootbeer flavored candy canes sound to you?



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— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



Nearly every year, there is a boating accident in Idaho involving duck hunters or winter anglers.

Temperatures (and snow) are falling across much of the state. With the onset of cold air and water temperatures, anglers and waterfowl hunters are encouraged to take precautions and practice boating safety this winter.

Nearly every year, there is a boating accident in Idaho involving duck hunters or winter anglers. With water temperatures just above freezing, these accidents can tragically result in a fatality. In the past 10 years nearly 67 percent of the fatal boating accidents in Idaho were the result of victims falling into the water from small boats.

The most common mistake waterfowl hunters make while operating a boat is overloading the vessel. All watercraft under 20 feet in length constructed after Nov. 1, 1972 have a capacity plate permanently affixed in a location clearly visible to the operator while the boat is underway. The plate lists the maximum horsepower, maximum number of persons and maximum weight capacity including all people, dogs and gear. By the time you strap on an outboard motor and add some hunters, dogs and hunting gear, it's easy to exceed the weight capacity without knowing it.

Be sure to follow all of Idaho's boating laws and practice these safety measures the next time you're out on the water:

- Always wear life jackets while on the water, especially when in transit or when the weather gets rough. Small boats combined with limited visibility and high winds can be hazardous. Idaho boating laws requires all vessels to have at least one properly sized life jacket for each person on board. Remember: Life jackets only work if they are worn.
- If you're running a motorized boat in the dark, or in periods of restricted visibility such as fog or heavy rain, you're required to have a running light.
- Be prepared for changes in the weather, and dress accordingly.
- When floating a section of river to jump shoot or hunt over decoys, give yourself plenty of time. An upstream wind can slow your progress, even in a flowing river.
- Leave the alcohol at home. Alcohol makes a person more susceptible to hypothermia, interferes with their ability to swim and impedes quick decision making in an accident.
- Do not be afraid to cancel the trip if the weather turns bad.

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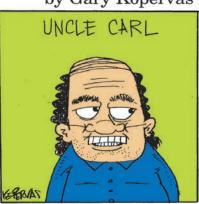
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Make Apple Pecan Granola a Seasonal Specialty

As waves of autumn color highlight neighborhoods, parks and hillsides, I find my tastes shifting with the season. Although my taste buds aren't necessarily craving a popular pumpkin spice latte at local coffee shops, I'm eager to prepare traditional harvest foods, like roasted acorn squash soup or a loaf of pumpkin bread.

Wherever the spirit and tastes of fall take your family as you reboot for the season -- whether it's an apple orchard, pumpkin patch or nature center -- check out this granola recipe when you get back home. Packed with dried apples, pecans, pumpkin seeds, cinnamon and lots of healthy oats, it captures the tastes and crisp feel of the season.

Prepare it with your kids and store in a big, clear jar with a scoop inside for easy access on school days. Combined with milk and yogurt, it makes a convenient and healthy breakfast staple to keep life easy during the morning rush out the door.

Make shopping for healthy ingredients part of the cooking adventure with your kids. Discover how you can economize by purchasing most of the ingredients in bulk.

APPLE PECAN GRANOLA Makes about 7 cups

- 4 cups rolled oats (not quick cooking)
- 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans
- 1 cup hulled, raw pumpkin seeds
- 1 cup hulled, raw sunflower seeds
- 1/3 cup brown sugar

- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 cup olive or melted coconut oil
- 1/4 cup pure maple syrup
- · 2 egg whites, slightly beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup dried apples, chopped into bite-size pieces

Preheat the oven to 350 F. Line a large rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper or spray with nonstick spray.

Combine the oats, pecans, pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, brown sugar, cinnamon and salt in a large mixing bowl.

Stir together the oil, syrup, egg whites and vanilla in a small bowl. Add to dry ingredients and toss well until fully coated.

Spread the mixture evenly on the baking sheet. Bake, stirring every 10 minutes until lightly golden and toasted -- about 25-30 minutes. Stir in the apples during the last 10 minutes.

Cool completely before serving. Store in an airtight container for up to a week.

Cook's Note: Substitute brown sugar with honey or agave syrup and combine with liquid ingredients before tossing with dry ingredients.



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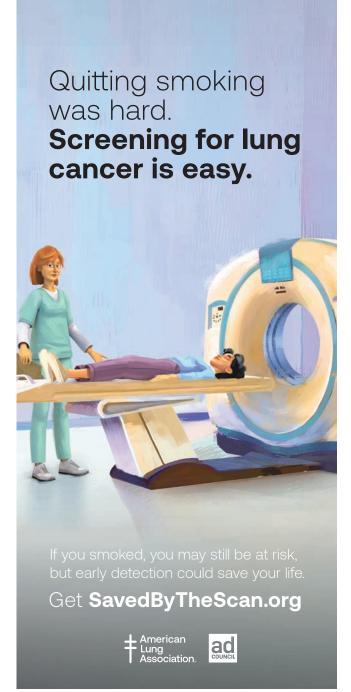
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KOVEL **Antiques & Collecting**

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Pie Safes

Part of the fun of antiques is learning about how people lived in the past. You can often find new uses for items whose purposes have become obsolete. This softwood cupboard with painted and punched tin panels sold for \$384 at Conestoga Auctions. It's a pie safe, which is not something you would see in a kitchen today but was common in the 19th century.

The name "pie safe" may conjure up images of a locked box to keep desserts out of reach and reduce the temptation to overindulge. In reality, they weren't that drastic; they were meant to keep out bugs, vermin and mold rather than prying fingers.

Pie safes had tin panels on the doors and sides, so mice couldn't chew their way in for an illicit treat. The panels had holes punched in them, creating ventilation to prevent mold. The holes were too small and the edges too sharp to allow bugs to fly through. Like many features of country furniture, the tin panels were both functional and decorative. Here, each panel has a circular pattern enhanced by a painted geometric design.

When I was little, I played with dolls that originally belonged to my mother and aunt. There were early Barbies, Madame Alexander dolls, and I think a Ginny doll. I have seen similar dolls sell for high prices at auctions. The ones I had showed the kind of wear and tear you might expect from multiple generations of playing. Do dolls in "played with" condition sell? Can they be repaired?

If you are planning to sell a doll, don't have it restored. Collectors will want to see its current condition, and dealers can have dolls restored for a lower price than you can. Do not restore a doll yourself if you are not a specialist. Don't repaint a doll's head; it lowers the value. Don't wash or style a vinyl doll's hair. Keep the broken jewelry and old doll clothes; accessories add value to a doll, even if



Pie safes like this one were a 19th-century form of food storage.

they are in worn condition. There are many "doll hospitals" where professionals repair and restore antique dolls. You can find some, along with doll clubs and other resources, in the Kovels.com business directory.

TIP: When clearing the table, don't stack dirty silver and dirty dishes together. The weight of the dishes may bend the silverware.

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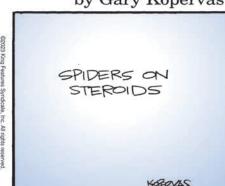
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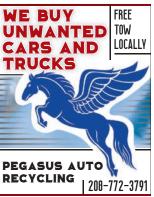
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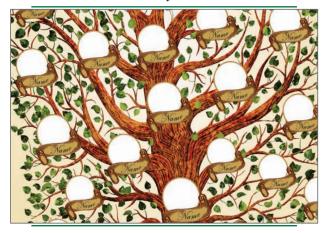


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National Roots Day December 23rd

— National Day Calendar -



National Roots Day on December 23rd encourages families to delve into their family history, heritage, and ancestry.

Each year during the holidays is an ideal time to collect family information. While families gather around the table telling stories and sharing memories, someone is sure to be the family historian. It is entirely possible a grandparent, parent, aunt or uncle has already started a family tree and will share with other family members.

Gather photos - and get them labeled before memories fade. Names, places, and dates become fuzzy after a decade or two. Strive to involve every generation. Share struggles and accomplishments. Document stories from one generation to another. Each generation is made up of the previous generation's efforts, travels, failures, and successes. They help us to be who we are today but they

It is often interesting to learn about the lives of our ancestors; where they came from, their struggles, their accomplishments. It is a combination of

everyone on the family tree that helps to make the person we are today.

How To Observe National Roots Day

Look into your own family's roots. Share family stories with your children. Organize those photos. Some ways to encourage family members to share family history is by asking questions. Come prepared with the information you would like to learn. At the same time, be prepared to listen. You never know what stories might be worthy of being heard. Tools you will want to have handy include:

- · A notebook
- Pencil
- · A tablet or computer
- · Something to record audio or video
- A list of questions
- · Your family tree
- · Stories you may have heard
- · Photos, especially ones you need help identifying
- Photo safe pen you can also make a photocopy that you can write on

If your relative has additional photos, ask permission to make copies. Whether you take a picture with your phone or bring a portable scanner, those photos may help you to identify people in your collection. Match them to the stories your family member is telling, too.

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Homemade Copycat Crackers: A Savvy Saver's Delight

Are you a fan of those fancy, flavorful (and expensive!) crisps you find in gourmet markets? You know, the first to disappear from charcuterie boards everywhere? The ones where there's rain on the coast (wink, wink!).

Well, I've got great news for you just in time for the holidays. You can make your own, and it's not only cost-effective, but surprisingly easy.

These crisps closely resemble their high-end counterparts. Here's the real magic -- one batch yields a whopping 100 crackers for around \$5. For reference, they sell for an average of \$7.50 for a box of 30 online.

No need for a fancy kitchen setup here. Mix all the ingredients easily by hand in a single bowl, divide the batter between four small loaf pans, bake, cool, slice thin, and bake again. Simple as that.

These homemade crackers are a treat for the taste buds. They're essential on charcuterie boards, paired with soups, salads or a simple smear of almond butter.

You can customize the ingredients to your liking. You mix and match seeds, fruits and nuts. The possibilities are endless.

Seed ideas: golden flax seeds, pepitas, chia seeds, millet, sesame seeds, sunflower seeds.

Dried fruit ideas: cranberries, apricots, raisins, dates, figs,

cherries, blueberries, currants.

Nut ideas: almonds, walnuts, pistachios, cashews, pecans, hazelnuts, macadamia nuts.

Additional ideas: fresh thyme, rosemary, olives, grated firm cheeses, ginger, pumpkin spice.

No buttermilk? No problem! You can easily create your own by combining 2 cups of milk with 2 tablespoons of lemon juice or vinegar. Let rest for 15 minutes, and it's ready. Alternatively, plain yogurt is a suitable replacement.

IMPOSTER-COAST CRISPS

Yield: 100 crackers

Freeze time: 3 hours

Cook Time: 1 hour, divided

- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt 1 cup assorted seeds
- 1 cup assorted dried fruit, chopped
- $1\ \mathrm{cup}$ assorted nuts, chopped
- 2 cups buttermilk
- 1/4 cup honey or pure maple syrup



These copycat crisps closely resemble their high-end counterparts.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease four mini loaf pans (3 inches by 6 inches).

In a large mixing bowl, combine the flour, baking soda and salt. Stir to combine. Add the seeds, fruit and nuts, and mix.

Add the buttermilk and honey, and stir until everything is mixed

and the fruit and nuts are evenly distributed.

Evenly fill your loaf pans. Bake for 30 minutes, or until golden on top and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

Let cool for 10 minutes in the pans before turning out onto a rack to cool completely. It's important that the loaves are completely cool before freezing.

Wrap the cooled loaves in plastic and put in the freezer for 3 hours, or until firm. The loaves can be made in advance and frozen for up to a month before slicing.

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees.

Using a serrated bread knife, slice the frozen loaves as thinly as you possibly can. You should get around 25 slices from each loaf.

Place slices in a single layer on an ungreased baking sheet and bake for 15 minutes on one side, then flip them over and bake for another 15 minutes. Your crackers could take a little more or less time depending on their thickness. Watch carefully so they don't burn.

If your crackers aren't as crisp as you'd like, it's possible they were sliced a bit thick. Simply reheat the oven to 250F degrees, place the crackers on a sheet pan, and turn the oven off. Leave them in the warm oven for 30 minutes, and they'll crisp up nicely. Happy snacking!

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Community Calendar

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Family Movie Matinee: It's a Wonderful Life" (PG), Saturday, December 23rd, 1pm-3:10pm, at CdA Library, 702 E Front Ave. Watch this Christmas classic on the Community Room's big screen. Designed for ages 9+, popcorn & hot cocoa provided.

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Readers Sound Off on Dogs' Front Yard "Gifts"

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I have so many thoughts after reading the letter from the woman with the shared driveway whose neighbor leaves her dog's poop on her side.

I'm of the opinion that life would be more enjoyable if people learned to meet others where they are. The dog owner clearly doesn't want to pick up her dog's poop, and I don't think checking with an HOA or municipal ordinance will change that. Maybe she has mobility issues. The writer says she and

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her neighbor "get along fine," and there's a LOT to be said for that. If I were her, I would simply buy poop bags and clean up after the dog. If the neighbor sees her and says something, I would say: "I've asked that you pick up after your dog, but I don't want that to become a big issue between us because we get along so well. Your friendship means more to me than my taking a few minutes to clean up the driveway." - Susan W., via email

Another reader shares their advice:

I have had this issue several times in the past. I have successfully resolved this issue every time it has come up.

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Aside from the occasional beer can thrown out of a vehicle full of teenagers, we have been at peace. – Zack in Murieta North

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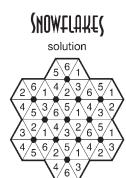
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Have you ever heard of the Forestland Trifecta?

Small game hunting through winter is a great way for hunters young and old to develop their skills and confidence without breaking the bank. You don't need specialized or expensive gear to hunt them, just a .22 long rifle and/or any shotgun, warm clothes and boots suitable for hiking. The skills learned while small game hunting - including tracking, handling a firearm, field dressing and cooking the animals you harvest - harken back to the early days of the sport and later translate directly to big game hunting.

In particular, learning to process and clean small game helps new hunters understand the basics of field dressing before they move to larger game. Seeing the woodlands blanketed in snow and pocked with fresh game tracks is like following a treasure map, and instilling in these young minds the habits and patterns of various small game species is a great way to connect youth hunters to the land, animals and hunting.

Here are three of the most commonly found (and exciting) small game species to hunt this winter.

Red Squirrels



Season dates: Aug. 30 - March 31. Bag limit: 8 per

Equipment essentials: Small-caliber hunting rifle, air rifle or shotgun; hiking clothes and boots

License requirements: Small game or annual hunting license

They were barking at you all fall. You're tip-toeing into bull elk country when all of a sudden a Douglas fir starts chirping excitedly at your unwelcomed arrival. The resident red squirrel living on the fifth floor of that lodgepole provides both veteran and rookie hunters an excellent opportunity to extend their hunting season.

Red or pine squirrels - not to be confused with their larger cousins, fox squirrels, which are also reddish in color – are native to Idaho and have a wide distribution. As most big game hunters will attest, they are active during the day, stockpiling seeds, conifer cones, nuts and fruits before winter snow buries the forest floor. Because of their diet (we are what we eat), red squirrels have an earthy, almost nutty flavor. Pun intended.

If you're lucky enough to bag a couple of red squirrels this season, try any number of crockpot recipes. Squirrels can be lean and tough, and are best broken down slow-cooker style as a hearty addition for soups, stews or tacos, or sautéed in butter and herbs.

Forest Grouse



Season Dates: Aug. 30 - Dec. 31. Bag limit: 4 in the aggregate per day.

Equipment essentials: Small-caliber hunting rifle

or shotgun; hiking clothes and boots; upland hunt-

Licensing requirements: Small game or annual hunting license

Forest grouse are crafty, clever mid-sized birds that inhabit much of the state's forests. Commonly found on public lands, they provide a hunting opportunity for nearly anyone. There are three species of forest grouse in Idaho, all of which are native to the state: the dusky (blue), ruffed and spruce grouse.

Grouse have an uncanny knack for bursting out of a tree roost when a hunter comes too close, often times giving the hunter a near heart attack; however, these birds will sometimes ignore humans altogether as you creep in for a close shot. Depending on your preference, you can either attempt to shoot flushing grouse on the wing with a shotgun, or stationary grouse in the trees with a small-caliber rifle.

An important reminder that grouse hunters need to leave one wing attached to the carcass during transport. Once plucked, de-winged and ready to process, hunters can serve up the breast and thighs a number of ways, including sautéed in butter and thyme in a skillet or dusted in flour and deep-fried.

Cottontail/ Snowshoe Hares



Season dates: Aug. 30 - March 31. Bag limit: 8 per

Equipment essentials: Small-caliber hunting rifle or shotgun; (warm) hiking clothes and boots

Licensing requirements: Small game or annual hunting license

Few hunting experiences rival winter rabbit and snowshoe hare hunting. The trees are stripped bare and the air is crisp and silent. Hunting for these species is an incredible way to introduce youth hunters to the sport. Sure, it's 25 degrees and the thermos of hot chocolate back at the truck sounds pretty darn nice, but following the tracks and habits of wintering small game species is a fun way to get family and friends outdoors.

Seeking out rabbits and hares can also be an inexpensive way to introduce youth to hunting and field dressing. This time of year, you'll need to have a sharp eye as rabbits and hares are notoriously nimble, often found in thick brush, thorn bushes and fallen pine boughs. One option is for hunters to find a high point overlooking a relatively clear area and hunt with a scoped, small-caliber rifle, keeping an eye on openings near cover. Another is for hunters to attempt to flush out rabbits by walking through areas of dense cover and to harvest them on the run using a shotgun. If using the latter approach, it's not a bad idea to hunt with a friend or two, which will help you cover more territory and potentially flush more rabbits. A dog may also count as a friend.

If you or your budding hunter are quick enough to bag one this season, you'll find that rabbits and hares are among the easiest to skin in the field. After removing the feet at the ankle knuckle, make a small incision up the back of each hind leg. Pull the skin of each leg towards its pelvis, then continue pulling the hide towards the head down the midsection, as if you were taking its sweater off. Once cleaned and quartered, rabbits can make an excellent addition to stews and roasts or deep-fried.

Whether you're new to hunting or a long-time veteran, hunting for small game can be an exciting way to keep your marksmanship sharp and your freezer full during the colder months. Remember: Hunters will need a 2024 hunting license beginning Jan. 1.

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Festivus *December 23rd*

— National Day Calendar —



Each year on December 23rd, Festivus commemorates a holiday episode of the television comedy, *Seinfeld*. In 1997, the popular television comedy brought Festivus to the masses when Frank Costanza (played by Jerry Stiller) explains he invented the holiday in response to the commercialism of Christmas. Its slogan is "A Festivus for the rest of us."

Sitcoms often combine holidays and family discord. However, one only has to look to our own families to find a little humor. This holiday reminds us how easily we take things too seriously at times. Politics, traditions, grudges and more lead us down unintended paths. Sometimes those paths turn out to be quite the hilarious turn of events. Well, hopefully, they're more hilarious than not. At least while watching through the magnifying glass of the *Seinfeld* episode safely from our homes, we see a bit of our selves and those we hold dear.

How To Observe Festivus

Festivus traditions derived from the television episode and the original creator have been combined over the years.

- Adorn an aluminum Festivus pole to be displayed in the home. In the O'Keefe household, there was no pole. Instead, a clock was placed in a bag and nailed to the wall.
- Serve a traditional dinner in the evening.
- During dinner, allow the Airing of Grievances. Each person takes turns describing how the others have disappointed him or her over the past year.
- Feats of Strength follows dinner and involves wrestling the head of the household. Note: The holiday is not complete unless the head of the household is pinned. Failure to pin the head of the household could result in perpetual Festivus.
- Festivus Miracle a frequent if unimpressive miracle. You may count carrying all the groceries into the house for dinner without tripping or dropping one of the bags as a Festivus Miracle.

While watching the *Seinfeld* episode, count the number of miracles. Pick up an aluminum pole. Decorate it. Let the Airing of Grievances begin and celebrate. Use #Festivus to post on social media.

Festivus History

Daniel O'Keefe, Reader's Digest editor and author, created the holiday in response to family tension. One of its central practices is the "airing of grievances." He first celebrated the day in February of 1966. But later, the day was recognized as it is now, on December 23 in honor of O'Keefe's first date with his future wife. O'Keefe's son wrote the *Seinfeld* episode featuring the celebration.

Holiday Word Search

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FIND AND CIRCLE ALL OF THE WORDS in the word list. Words can be found running up and down, forward and backward. Read unused letters left to right to answer this riddle:

How did the elves celebrate after wrapping up Christmas?



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Crossword

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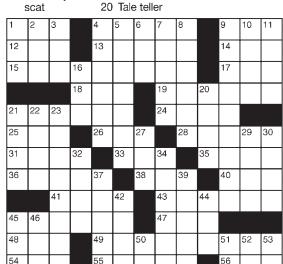
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Sporting & Outdoor

2012 JEEP LIBERTY, \$6500. Maytag washer, GE dryer, \$400 pair; rolling motor, \$90; Harley helmet and zipper boots, \$150; Superglide 5th wheel hitch, \$600; ACRA 2002-2005 brake and disc set, new in box, \$100. Transfer switch, \$100. Stainless double sink \$40. Set of four Vicble sink, \$40. Set of four Victorian silver goblets, \$1500. 253-219-7827, CdA

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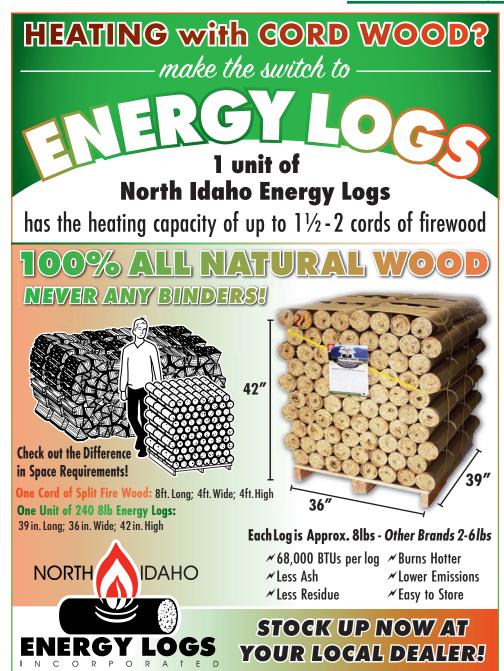


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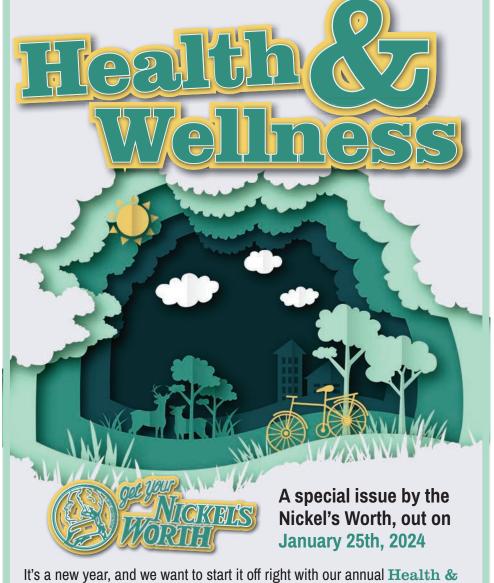
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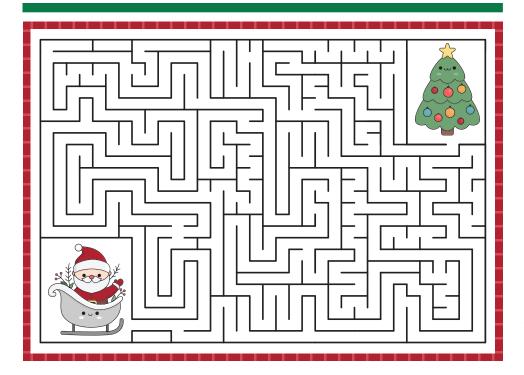
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What is a Christmas tree's favorite candy? Orna-mints!

What do you call Santa when he stops moving? Santa Pause

Knock, knock!
Who's there?
Donut.
Donut who?
Donut open this present until Christmas!







AKC BERNESE MOUNTAIN dogs, males and females, super sweet and loving large companions, limited registration, ready Dec. 21st! Perfect for Christmas! \$1500. Call or text Megan, 406-531-2293, Plains, MT

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JUST IN TIME FOR Christmas! Australian Shepherd puppies, only 3 left, \$450 each. 509-279-3199

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GOLDENDOODLE puppies born 11/14, available for adoption. Hypoallergenic dogs. 8 puppies: 4 males and 4 females, 1 red, 2 apricot, 2 merle, 3 black. Males are \$800, females are \$900. Text 509-802-0975 or call 509-802-0975 for more information, Tri-Cities and Prosser, WA

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RED LAB/ GOLDEN Retriever mix. Red Goldadors! Born Oct 15th. Mom is AKC red fox Lab. Dad is AKC Golden Retriever. Ask about delivery to Tri-Cities or Walla Walla before Christmas! Call or text Kristy, 541-797-3254, or Russ, 541-979-9294, www. lilacacres.org

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Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

On Jan. 1, 2011, the Oprah Winfrey Network

(OWN) debuted on television. The "Queen of

All Media" had previously described her vision

for the network as one that "inspires our viewers and makes them want to be who they are on

· On Jan. 2, 1919, locksmith and far-right politician Anton Drexler founded the German Workers' Party, the forerunner of the Nazi Party, in Munich, Germany, from a group that met regularly to discuss political matters. Among other things, the party advocated for nationalism and

On Jan. 3, 1521, Martin Luther was excommu-

nicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X after he failed to recant 41 parts of

his Ninety-Five Theses, which started the Prot-

estant Reformation. The pope had called the

offending statements heretical, scandalous and offensive to pious ears, though he did not specify

exactly which ones fell under that category.

• On Jan. 4, 1957, the Hamilton Electric 500

watch made its public debut. It was the first

timepiece to never need winding (though it did

need frequent battery replacement) and came

in "modern" asymmetrical designs to reflect

its revolutionary technology. Production ended

12 years later with the advanced technology of

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• On Jan. 5, 1992, a landslide that occurred near

San Francisco killed 33 people and caused the

Golden Gate Bridge to close. Heavy rain in the

amount of nearly half of the city's average an-

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• On Jan. 6, 2000, a severe flu outbreak in the

United Kingdom caused National Health Service

hospitals to be stretched to their limits, leaving

many forced to cancel all non-emergency sur-

geries and facing intensive care bed shortages.

The outbreak was blamed on a low rate of flu

On Jan. 7, 1927, the first transatlantic telephone

service was established. A three-minute call be-

tween New York and London cost about \$45,

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BEAGLIER PUPPIES: 3/4 Cavalier King Charles, 1/4 Beagle born 11/12/23. They love people and being held; 2 females and 1 male, \$1000. Sandpoint, ID, 208-265-4997



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MALTIPOO PUPPIES. males and 1 female available for adoption. Current vaccinations, wormed, dewclaws removed, and tails docked. Hypo-allergenic and non-shedding, housebroken, shedding, housebroken, \$1500. For more questions call or text 509-492-1024



coated Wheatens, shedding. Vet checked, health guarantee and microchipped. 2 litters available after Dec. 10th and Dec. 18th. Puppy boot camp trained pups available, too. \$1450. Top 10 most friendly breeds. 40 Wheaten litter experience. 208-245-1263. For more info, pictures, and video go to funwheatens.



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pies, 4 males, 1 fawn and 3 brindles. docked, dewclaws removed, first set of shots. Great with kids, elderly, and other animals. Will be ready for their new homes January 23rd, \$300 non-refundable deposit, \$1000. Call or text to come and see them, 208-916-5681, Post Falls, ID

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met handsome neighbor Labrador and the result is 5 smart and playful labs with a hint of doodle born 10/17. 3 males left, 2 black, 1 chocolate, just in time for Christmas. \$500, trades considered. 503-481-7378, Sandpoint

YORKIE PUPS READY now. 2 male Yorkies born on 10/14 are ready now for their forever homes. Tails docked, dewclaws removed, up-to-date on vaccines, and wormed. Parents registered and on-site. Asking \$700. For more information please text Juana at 509-439-5284, Prosser, WA

F1B BEAUTIFUL, WELL mannered Labradoodles. Brown, black, black and white, and tuxedo colored, available for adoption. There is also one female phantom Labradoodle born 9/10. Both parents are family pets and have been vet checked and have no health issues. Puppies are current on shots and wormed. Detailed records are given to their new families. Raised in a farm environment, great around other pets and children, \$1000 for the phantom female, \$700 for the rest. Call or text 509-295-

BEAUTIFUL MINI AUSSIES available. All come with 1 year health guarantee, curyear health guarantee, current shots, wormed, tails docked and dewclaws removed. Parents are fully health tested. All pups are pre-spoiled and perfect Christmas gifts. Text 503-583-5091 for more info



AKC Purebred (Papered) German Shepherd Puppies!

Born Oct. 20th. Ready for foreverhomes Dec. 15th. 3 males, 3 females. Parents on site. \$2500. Discounts for Veterans/Firefighters/Medical/ Police & Teachers.

Contact Bob or MKaye at 208-262-6509 or through thunderridgeshepherds.com



AKC REGISTERED SHIBA Inu puppies. Vet checked, age appropriate vaccinations and ready for their new families! \$1000, 208-386-0714. See our puppies at firefoxshibainus. com

PUREBRED ROUGH Collie puppies! Adorable, healthy purebred Rough Collie pups ready now for new homes. Sire is AKC registered and handsome. Both parents have excellent dispositions. Smart, gentle, and good with all family members. Wormed, first shots, regular nail trims, doing great! MDR1 (DNA) results for parents. 2 sable/ white females, \$1200.6 sable/ white males, \$950. \$250 deposit to hold. See pictures and videos at our website www.doggyhavenllc.com. Call or text Rhonda, 503-756-0057, email rhelth@yahoo.com

THREE LITTERS AKC Golden Retriever puppies available for adoption. 8 weeks old, current on shots and wormed. DNA tested, \$500-\$1500. More information at 208-301-8087



RIGHTEOUS K9 TRAINING Classes. Basic Obedience Jan. 6th at 11am. Private Protection. Call Mountain Traders, 208-557-3733. 490870 Highway 95, Sandpoint. Mountain Traders@mountaintraders. net MALE AND FEMALE Belgian Malinois/ German shepherd pups available. Born 8/29, up-to-date on shots, and wormed, \$200. More information: 509-531-9833

CANE CORSO PUPPIES. AKC and ICCF Cane Corso puppies ready for new homes. One 4 month old blue brindle male and one 5 month old fawn female. Ears cropped and vet checked. Excellent temperament, \$800-1500. For information call or text 458-300-6771



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CHRISTMAS GOLDEN Retreiver puppies. Adorable AKC Golden Retriever puppies ready to go to their new homes on 12/23, just in time for Christmas! We have 25 years experience with Goldens that are intelligent and calm, family raised, and well socialized. First shots, wormed, AKC registered. Both parents on-site. \$975. Contact Jeff at 509-991-7055 to reserve yours for Christmas!

MINIATURE SCHNAUZER male puppy available for adoption. He is current on his shots and wormed, and is ready for his forever home, \$1200. Please call Donny or Jackie for more information, 509-930-9848



AKC LAB PUPPIES, 8 weeks old, ready for new homes. Chocolate, yellow, and black, males and females. First shots, dewormed, parents onsite. Great personalities, very smart, \$700. 208-255-9851, northernnomad54@gmail.com

AKC REG. LABRADOR puppies ready for their forever homes. Black female and chocolate male available. Current with shots and wormed. Dewclaws removed, AKC paperwork to go home. For more information text or call 541-969-1307

Pets of the Week: Hugo and Grateful

— Companions Animal Center —



Hi, I'm Hugo. I am a 6-year-old Pit bull mix. My friends here call me a gentle giant. I keep my kennel at CAC very clean. I really like to play ball but if a relaxing day on the couch is what you'd like then I'm your guy! I'm neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and ready to be yours!



Hi there, I'm Grateful. I am a 4-yearold domestic medium hair girl. True to my name, I am simply grateful. A wonderful foster family helped me raise my kittens, and now I'm eager to share that gratitude with the family that adopts me!

I'm spayed, vaccinated, microchipped and ready to be yours!



Adoptions by appointment. Companions Animal Center is located at 10275 N Atlas Rd, Hayden, ID. We are open to the public Tuesday-Saturday noon-6pm, Sunday noon-4pm, and closed Mondays. Visit www.companionsanimalcenter.org or call 208-772-4019 for more information.



puppies will be ready for Christmas. Taking deposits to hold; wheatens and blacks. Online pictures at nickels worth.com. 208-926-0014

BEAUTIFUL AKC REG. French bulldogs available. We are a boutique breeder that has 1 to 2 litters per year. These puppies are like our own family. Before they go to their forever homes, we have them puppy pad trained, vet checked with a clear bill of health, first set of shots, and 1 year health guarantee. 3 males available and 1 female, \$3500. For info please call 509-438-2677, Kennewick, WA

PUREBRED STANDARD Goldendoodles. 2 tan and white males, 1 female home ready 12/17-12/24, \$1200. Online picture at nickelsworth. com. Text 208-967-0403, Rathdrum

CAIRN TERRIER MIX. Hypoallergenic, friendly, and adorable puppy is looking for her new home. Sire is an AKC Bichon. Dam is a Carin Terrier. Full grown size 9-11 lbs. If interested please call or text 509-270-2905



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TWO MALES AVAILABLE, ready now just in time for Christmas. Vet checked, first shots, wormed. Well socialized with kids, cats, other dogs; mom and dad on-site, \$900. Additional photo online at nickelsworth.com. Call or text 208-313-7746, Newport, WA

MOYEN Springerdoodles. Sweet Springerdoodle puppies available for new homes on 12/23. I female and 7 males, vet checked and vaccinated. Will be under 40 lbs. fully grown, \$900. More information at 509-398-1553, Moses Lake, WA

BEAUTIFUL AKC FEMALE chocolate Lab, 5 years old, well mannered, good with kids, \$600. 208-262-1962

AKC YORKSHIRE TERRIER pups ready for new homes. \$1000 for females, \$800 for males. For more information please call or text 509-680-



GREAT DANE CROSS puppies. 6 males, 6 females born Sept 19th. \$500, additional photos online at www.nickelsworth.com. Call or text 250-977-5210

YORKIE PUPPIES available! Good temperaments and family raised. Current on vaccines. Ready for their new families. Females are \$1200. Males are \$1000. Call or text 509-845-1170 for more information

TRICOLOR BEAGLE puppies. Beautiful tricolor Beagle puppies available. They are current on shots and wormed, ready now for their forever homes. Please call Donny or Jackie for more information at 509-941-9977

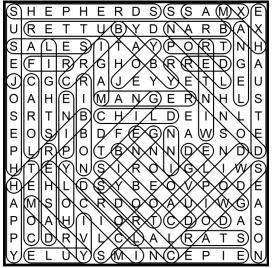
YORKIE PUPS, MALE AND female, born 9/12, ready now for new homes. They are vaccinated, wormed, and tails are docked. 509-380-1577 for more information, Pasco, WA

ADORABLE REG. YORKIE puppies. Will be 6 weeks old on Dec. 24th, first shots and wormings. 509-828-9370



IDAHO FARM DOGS: Shepherd, Livestock guardian dog, and Retriever mix puppies. These will be very smart, athletic, great dogs. One black and tan sweet and clever girl, one black and white adventurous boy. Both parents are mixed shepherd, LGD, and retriever. Asking \$200 OBO. Text or call 208-446-5838,

Holiday Word Search Answer

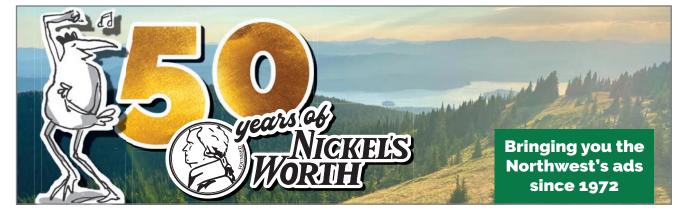


RIDDLE ANSWER: They held a snow ball.

Lost & Found

MISSING YOUR DOG? Spirit Lake, Cataldo, Athol, Rose Lake, Worley, etc. Anywhere in Kootenai county outside of CdA limits, check the Post Falls animal shelter immediately! Don't just call, your description may not match theirs. Don't assume it's gone forever! Check out their adoptable dogs, shelter is located off Seltice Way, on public works







FULL-BLOOD CAUCASIAN Shepherd puppies. Sire imported from Romania, impressive lineage. Dam's parents are homestead protection dogs in area with bears and other threats, grandparents were Romanian imports. Dam's structure is exceptionally impressive and mirrors that of her predecessors. Sire/ dam pedigrees available to view. Dogs currently work as homestead dogs, protecting pasture, family, buildings. pasture, family, Sweet with our family and little children. \$1200. Additional photos online at nickels worth.com. Call or text 208-568-1475

TWO BEAUTIFUL FEMALE Boston_Terrier puppies available. Both parents on-site. \$450, for more information call me at 509-439-4247



dles of Montana on Facebook. F1B, under 25 lbs., \$1300-\$1800. Online pics at www. nickelsworth.com. 608-498-5788 Monday-Friday, MT

PUREBRED AIREDALE Terrier puppies. 2 females, 7 males; vet checked, tails docked, dewclaws removed, dewormed, first set of vaccinations, health guarantee. Both parents have excellent temperaments and are proven hunters. \$2000, photo online at nickelsworth.com. Call 541-297-8391 for more details, Coos Bay, OR

AKC FRENCH BULLDOG puppies. Currently have five available born on 9/19, two females and three males. Coats range from black, blue merle, and lilac merle. Blue eyes. Current on vaccinations and wormed. AKC or non-AKC available, \$3000-\$4500. More information at 509-551-8856, Richland, WA

BEAUTIFUL YORKSHIRE terrier puppies. Great Christmas gifts! Males and females, checked wormed. Great personalities.



BARN CATS \$10 EACH: Several available to adopt. Meet us or request a delivery for an additional fee. Based in Superior, MT. Email or call Stephen: 443-653-2120. Thanks!



CHRISTMAS PUPS! shedding, very, hard to find! Mini and standard Whoodles. All colors to choose from. Best known for being service dogs, friendly to all pets and people. Trained young adults available too. Microchipped and vet health checked with health guarantee. Local breeder, 40 litters of experience. \$1450, call Pete, 208-245-1263. For pics go to www. FunWheatens.com

AKC BICHON FRISE puppies ready for their forever homes. Delivery is available. 509-270-2905 for more information, Spokane, WA

YORKSHIRE TERRIER: Yorkie female puppy available for adoption. Would make a good Christmas gift. For more information please call or text 509-820-1034



CHRISTMAS PUPPY, KING Charles Cavalier. First set of dewormed, checked, ready to go, registered, 8 weeks old, \$1000. Text 509-859-2434

BOXER PUPPIES. Beautiful boxer pups available for adoption, \$1500. For more information text 360-903-1157



AKC REGISTERED English i maies, 3 femai First shots, dewormed. Parents on-site. 3 weeks old, available end of December/ January, \$2000. Additional photos online at www.nickelsworth.com. Priest River, ID, 208-448-4877, 208-597-6520

AKC SMALL MINI POODLE puppies, ready in January, black, brown parti, \$1250. www.peachypoodles.org, 208-627-7101, Boundary County

PUREBRED SIBERIAN Husky blue-eyed puppies. Male/ female, black and white, red, white. First shot, dewormed, health vet checked, \$600-\$650. Both parents on-site. Facebook: Siberian huskies puppies in Sandpoint. 208-627-9212

Second Chance Pets: Harley



Hello everyone! I'm Harley and I'm looking for the lucky person who gets to be my adventure buddy for the rest of my life! I'm a very young 2-yearold neutered male (mostly) Border Collie mix. Everywhere I go people want to stop and stare and pet me, I'm so beautiful they say! I'm very intelligent, sensitive and will bond strongly to whomever is chosen to be my next partner in life. Could that be you?? I'd hate to be homeless for the Howlidays!!

Contact my foster mom Angie at 208-666-6025 or email an introductory letter about yourself to Idahocoondog@vahoo.com



mas puppies. 10 well socialized pups, gentle and very friendly. Hypoallergenic nonshedding coats, first shots and dewormed, \$950. Send a text for more information and additional photos to 208-691-



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The Birds And The Seeds: Let's Talk About Winter Bird Feeding

- Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game -



Turn your backyard into a bird B&B with these helpful wintertime bird-feeding tips

We all know that neighbor that takes bird feeding to Olympic games-level extremes. With tree limbs sagging under the weight of countless feeders and a back lawn that looks like it was ripped straight from Augusta Country Club, they stand out on their back porch with arms outstretched as a myriad of birds swoop in to feed directly from their palms.

That may be a bit of an exaggeration, but you don't need to be Snow White to attract backyard birds. Many species — including finches, chickadees, jays, nuthatches, sparrows, doves and more — may very well settle on your backyard bed and breakfast with a proper bird-feeding setup this winter.

Usually, feeding wild animals is not a smart move. Feeding birds, however, is a special case, since they don't often become dependent on feeders alone, and instead use feeders to supplement their daily natural diet. Winter feeding also gives a little assistance to our feathered friends during the harsh, colder months.



Here are a few ways to spice up your bird-feeding buffet and enjoy an enchanting opportunity to observe wildlife right in your own backyard.

Seed. It's what's for dinne

Before you go hanging your feeder (or feeders) all across your backyard, you'll need some seed. Depending on the types of birds you're hoping to attract, there are many feed and feeder options available. For instance, hanging-style feeders can attract songbirds, such as house finches, chickadee, jays, nuthatches and others. Thistle feeders can bring goldfinches, siskins and house finches, and suet can attract woodpeckers, chickadees and nuthatches.

There are many kinds of birdseed out there on the market. Be sure to source your birdseed from reputable sources to avoid dust, insects, weed seeds or any other impurities from making their way into your feeder. Black-oil sunflower seed is a favorite of many species. Millet and cracked corn are favorites for many ground-feeding birds. Finches and siskins

love nyjer thistle.

To avoid freeloaders like squirrels, rats and mice ruining your supply, store birdseed in tight, waterproof containers. This will also help prevent mold.

Feeder placement

Birds don't have the same pleasures that we do when it comes to drive-thru windows. Placing a bird feeder too close to hazards can end up doing more harm than good. Avoid placing feeders near windows or doors, and keep placement height and accessibility in mind. Predators such as hawks or free-ranging house cats can quickly become uninvited backyard dinner guests when feeders are put out in the open or near low-hanging ledges.

Wash it all down

A hearty meal wouldn't be complete without a drink. Birds utilize birdbaths throughout the year not only to stay clean but to keep themselves hydrated – a luxury we humans should not try in our baths at home.

If possible, include a birdbath in your backyard bed and breakfast. There are several types on the market, but you can't go wrong with a simple clay potting saucer.

This time of year, however, it might be a little troublesome keeping that bath ice-free. There are a couple solutions, including special birdbath heaters, to help keep their baths from freezing over. And no, they don't come with little mini Whirlpool jets and colored LED lights.



Sanitation

A bird's bath or feeder only does its job when it's clean. Imagine inviting over the whole cul-de-sac for a hot tub party and leaving the chlorine float in the garage. It's very important that backyard bird enthusiasts keep their feeders and birdbaths tidy and disinfect at least once a month to prevent the spreading of diseases.

Along those lines, aim for using perch-style feeders rather than open, saucer-style feeders. Because of their openness and contamination from bird feces, open feeders and baths can become a breeding ground for disease.

To clean your feeders, make a household bleach solution using one part household bleach mixed with nine parts lukewarm water. Make enough solution to immerse an empty, cleaned feeder completely for two to three minutes, then air dry.

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Remember that feeding wildlife (other than birds) is not recommended. Birds are unique in that they don't solely rely or become hooked on free, backyard birdseed. The same cannot be said about other wildlife. If food set out for birds is being eaten by other wildlife, move the feeder to a safe location or discontinue feeding.

Feeding birds is a gratifying experience that can be enjoyed by anyone. So pull out the binoculars and the bird-watching guide and enjoy this simple pastime all year round right from the comfort of your backyard.

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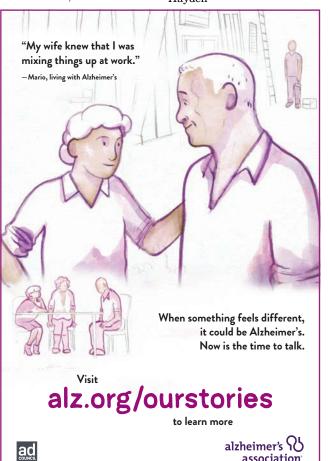
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Cranberry Orange Cake: A Festive Slice of Joy

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Today I'm sharing a recipe that's a true gem; a Chicken Enchilada Verde Casserole that's not only easy on the wallet but also on your precious time. This is your ticket to a cozy, heartwarming dinner with a recipe that easily doubles so you can make one for dinner tonight and stash the second in the freezer for a zero-effort dinner when you are too tired from all the fun to cook.

Please note this is enchilada casserole, not enchiladas. I find layering like lasagna is faster and easier to prepare and serve than rolled enchiladas. But if you have the time, use this recipe to roll enchiladas to your heart's content.

This recipe calls for corn tortillas, but you could use flour tortillas if that's what you have. I love the way corn tortillas absorb the sauce and become almost fluffy. Besides, if you buy a package of 30 corn tortillas, you have enough to double this recipe.

CRANBERRY ORANGE CHRISTMAS CAKE

For the cake:

- 3 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 3/4 cup softened butter
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- Zest of one large orange
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 12 ounces fresh or frozen cranberries
- 1 cup pecans, chopped, optional

For the orange icing:

- 3/4 cup powdered sugar
- 2 1/2 tablespoons fresh orange juice



Buttery, sweet, zesty and tart, this cake is a crowd pleaser.

Preheat vour oven to 350 degrees. Butter or spray a 9 by 13 pan; set aside.

Beat eggs with sugar until thickened, are doubled in size and lemon-colored (approximately 5-7 minutes). Add butter, vanilla and orange zest; mix for an additional two minutes. Stir in flour until just combined. Add cranberries and pecans, ensuring an even distribution.

Spread the batter in a buttered 9x13 pan. Bake for 40-50 minutes, or until lightly browned and a toothpick comes out clean.

Let the cake cool completely. Make the icing by stirring together the powdered sugar with iuice from the orange we zested. Drizzle the cake with icing before cutting it into small slices. Serve alone, with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.

Embrace the sweetness of the season with this Cranberry Orange Christmas Cake -- a delightful, cost-effective masterpiece that tastes even better the next day, if there's any left. Enjoy the season, and may your kitchen be filled with the warmth of good food and great company!

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PCB Regulatory Relationships (in parts-per-million)

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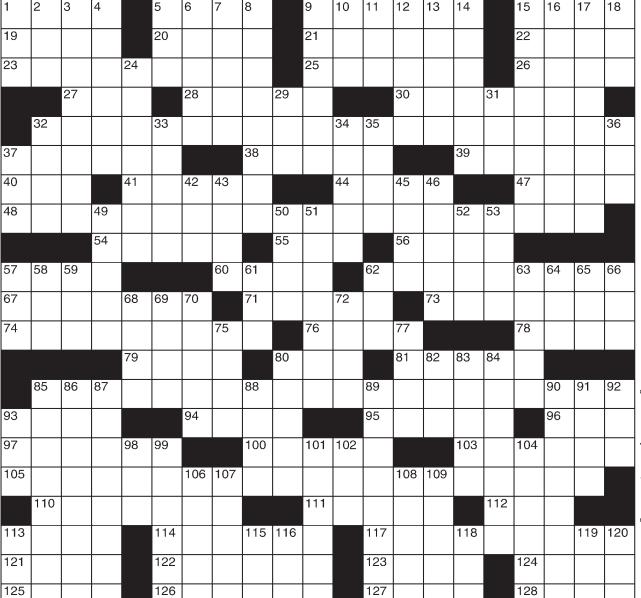
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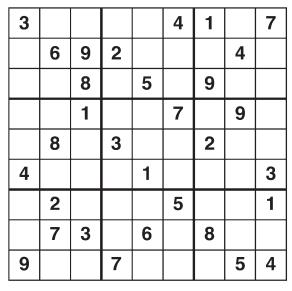


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Dish Up African Peanut Stew With Chicken

This easy-to-prepare chicken peanut stew is an adaptation of a delicious dish that I enjoyed during my trip to the Democratic Republic of Congo. Served in large bowls, it is a favorite meal for celebrations when families and guests gather together.

This simplified interpretation uses boneless chicken breasts for easy prep. Natural peanut butter gives it a creamy richness -- and an "I'll gladly have a second helping" flavor. The chilies provide a spicy kick.

Prepare the hearty recipe to serve as a memorable meal for family and friends if you celebrate Kwanzaa this coming week (Dec. 26-Jan. 1), or serve it at other events in the new year. You'll likely discover that it will be a 2024 favorite for both kids and adults.

AFRICAN CHICKEN PEANUT STEW Serves 6-8

- 1/4 cup peanut oil or canola oil
- 1 1/2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breasts cut into small, bite-sized pieces
- 1 teaspoon salt and black pepper to taste
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 large sweet potato, peeled and cubed
- 1-inch piece fresh ginger, peeled and minced (about 1 tablespoon)
- 1 (14-ounce) can diced tomatoes, drained
- 1/4 cup canned chopped chilies (optional)
- 3 cups chicken stock

- 1/2 cup natural peanut butter, smooth or chunky
- · 2 cups salad spinach, chopped
- · Chopped roasted peanuts for garnish

Heat 2 tablespoons of oil in a large stew pot over medium-high heat. Season chicken with salt and pepper, and add to the pot. Cook until tinges of brown appear on all sides, about 8 minutes. Transfer to a plate and set aside.

Add remaining oil to the pot and saute onion until soft, about 5 minutes. Add in the garlic, sweet potato and ginger, stirring frequently for about 3 minutes. Then stir in tomatoes.

Return chicken to the pot, and add chilies (optional) and 2 cups of chicken stock. Bring to a boil and simmer on low for about 15 minutes.

In a medium bowl, whisk together the peanut butter and remaining cup of chicken stock. Stir the mixture into the soup. Add chopped spinach and simmer for about 5 minutes.

Adjust seasoning and serve in bowls with peanuts sprinkled on top.



Parenting Tip: Some people like their chilies mild, others hot. Many kids prefer to skip them altogether. If your kids would rather not have them, it's better to put the chilies on hold and make a dish the whole family can gather around. Simply place them in a little dish as an add-on for those who wish to try them.

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By Terry and Kim Kovel

Utilitarian Art

Collectors know that the line between artistic and utilitarian objects is not always clearly drawn. This large, glazed earthenware plate with two stylized faces in profile sold at a Rago auction for \$3,120. At that price, it's more likely to go on display than on the dinner table!

The plate was designed by Viktor Schreckengost for Cowan Pottery in Rocky River, Ohio. Schreckengost worked for Cowan in 1930 until the pottery closed in 1931. He designed Cowan's famous Jazz Bowl with blue and black art deco designs that create a stylized New York cityscape.

The Jazz Bowl is an art piece, but Schreckengost created plenty of practical and utilitarian items, too. He designed dinnerware for Limoges China Company, Salem China Company, Onondaga Pottery and others. Beyond ceramics, he designed chairs, vehicles, toy pedal cars, oscillating fans, radar for pilots and more.

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Viktor Schreckengost worked Cowan briefly and created some of their most memorable designs. This earthenware plate shows the art deco style of the early 1930s. toy.

TIP: Old clocks should be oiled every four to six years and cleaned every six to eight months.

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— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



Idaho Fish and Game received reports of a small black bear cub hanging out along the Salmon River Road near Panther Creek for several days. Because the cub was not hibernating with its mother implies that it was orphaned.

Fish and Game quickly located and captured the cub, and because it had not been habituated to unnatural foods or human presence, it was transported to a licensed wildlife rehabilitator in Idaho that specializes in black bears.

"The cub was born around last February and likely would not survive the winter on its own," said Dennis Newman, wildlife manager for Fish

The cub will have a buddy, sharing an enclosure with another cub of similar age. Both cubs will be cared for through the winter and be released into the wild next summer.

Fish and Game would like to thank those who reported the cub. As a reminder, when you find orphaned or injured wildlife, the best course of action for the animal is to leave it alone and contact your local Fish and Game office.

Candlelight Tours Offered At Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park

— Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks –

Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park will soon host holiday candlelight tours of the entire developed cave route.

This special event allows visitors to see and enjoy the caverns by the warm, festive glow of candle lanterns. Participants must make a reservation prior to their tour.

Tours will be offered from Dec. 15-17 and Dec. 21-23. The starting times of these tours will vary, depending on park staffing for the day. However, all tours will be during the day, with a portion of the two-hour walking tour being outdoors along trails that may have snow and ice.

Park staff will provide tour guides, candles, lanterns and hot drinks. The cost for this unique event is \$25 for visitors ages 15 and older, and \$15 for visitors ages 5 to 14. All participants must be at least 5 years of age. Nonresident visitors must pay an \$8-per-vehicle entrance fee as they enter

Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis and must be purchased online. To purchase tickets, visit fwp.mt.gov/stateparks/lewis-andclark-caverns and click on "About The Park". No tickets will be sold at the park visitor center.

Participants are encouraged to be prepared for winter conditions on roads and trails at the park.

Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park is about 15 miles southeast of Whitehall, along Montana Highway 2. For more information about the park, please visit fwp.mt.gov/stateparks/lewis-andclark-caverns or call 406-287-3541.



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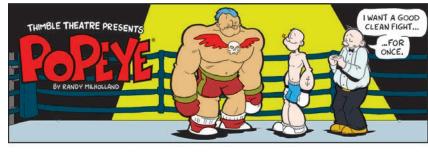




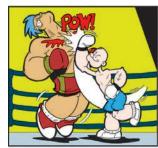












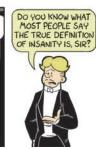






































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