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National Nothing Day January 16th

— National Day Calendar —



Each year on January 16th, people across the nation recognize National Nothing Day.

The observance was created as a day to provide Americans with one National Day when they can just sit without celebrating, observing or honoring anything. (National Day Calendar only reports the Days, sometimes they may contradict themselves.)

Martin Luther King Jr. Day falls on the third Monday of January which means that one-in-seven January 16th's will fall on the same day as Nothing Day, effectively usurping the nature of Nothing Day.

While it may be a good day to celebrate nothing at all, we suppose putting nothing in a glass and setting it on a table might suffice for celebration. You might leave your diary page blank every January 16th. Don't mark anything on the calendar on the 16th, either. It would be interesting to see what would happen if you sent a blank email dated January 16th. How many replies would you get saying, "There's nothing here."



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When asked, "What are your plans, today?" your response should definitely be, "Nothing." What else would your answer be on a day like today? Now that we think about it, "Nothing" works well as an answer when recognizing the day.

- Q:** What's for supper?
A: Nothing
- Q:** What are you reading?
A: Nothing. (Even though you're clearly reading something.)
- Q:** What's your homework assignment?
A: Nothing. (As you're working on your homework.)
- Q:** What are you drinking?
A: Nothing. (As you sip on the best non-fat latte ever.)

How To Observe National Nothing Day

National Nothing Day History

In 1972, columnist Harold Pullman Coffin proposed National Nothing Day. The day has been observed in all its nothingness since 1973. The observance is sponsored by Coffin's National Nothing Foundation, registered in Capitola, California.

Nothing FAQ

- Q:** Who should celebrate National Nothing Day?
A:
- Q:** What does National Day Calendar do on this day?
A:
- Q:** What should I give my brother for his birthday?
A:

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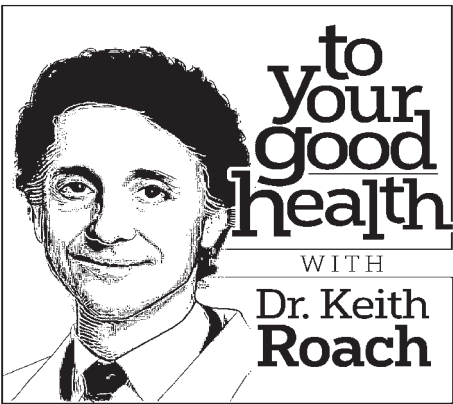


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DEAR DR. ROACH: I'm an 88-year-old female who has been diagnosed with ventricular fibrillation (VFib). My cardiac electrophysiologist, who implanted a conventional pacemaker four years ago, has noticed several episodes of VFib (up to 30 seconds, read via a bedside monitor). They recommend replacing the current pacemaker with a combo pacemaker and defibrillator. I wonder about the history/success of this device. -- C.R.

ANSWER: Most people have heard about atrial fibrillation (AFib), which is a common, chaotic electrical condition of the top chambers of the heart. Without regular electrical input from the atria to the ventricles, the ventricles beat irregularly, but blood flow from the heart still remains adequate. By contrast, VFib is a chaotic movement of the lower chambers, and the heart does not pump blood during VFib.

Within a short time, 10 to 30 seconds at most, the brain will not have enough oxygen to keep you conscious. Unless VFib is rapidly treated or stops by itself (which is rare, but happened to you), VFib is fatal.

A survivor of VFib definitely benefits from an automatic implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (AICD). Nowadays, they also have the ability to act as a pacemaker; they recognize and immediately provide a shock during episodes of VFib.

AICDs first became available when I was in medical school during the 1980s, but current models are a huge improvement since they are smaller and last longer. The evidence is strong that people at a high risk for a "malignant" arrhythmia like VFib live longer with an AICD than those who are only treated with anti-arrhythmic drugs. The rate of sudden cardiac death is reduced by about 50%. You are very lucky and should get this recommended device as soon as possible. They are common and effective.

DEAR DR. ROACH: Last year, my thyroxine (T4) level was abnormally high (12.2 mcg/dL). I ignored it, as it was slightly over the normal range of 4.5-12 mcg/dL. Six months later, it increased to 12.4 mcg/dL. Should I be concerned? My thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH) level was normal both times. -- J.M.

ANSWER: Although many people with abnormal blood results are perfectly healthy, the more abnormal a test result is, the more likely it represents something wrong. In your case, you are correct that the readings are just outside of the normal range. But because it is persistent, it's worthwhile to get additional information.

Most importantly, were you having symptoms that made your doctor concerned about whether you might have a thyroid issue? Many people with high levels of thyroxine have excess energy, sweating, weight loss, tremors, anxiety and heat intolerance.

Next, do you have any other tests that might help support or reject the possibility of thyroid disease? In your case, it's the TSH level. A high TSH level means that your body needs more thyroid hormone, whereas excess production of thyroid hormone from the gland usually leads to a low TSH level. Your TSH level is normal, which is strong evidence that the slightly high T4 level might be typical for you, especially if you don't have any symptoms.


Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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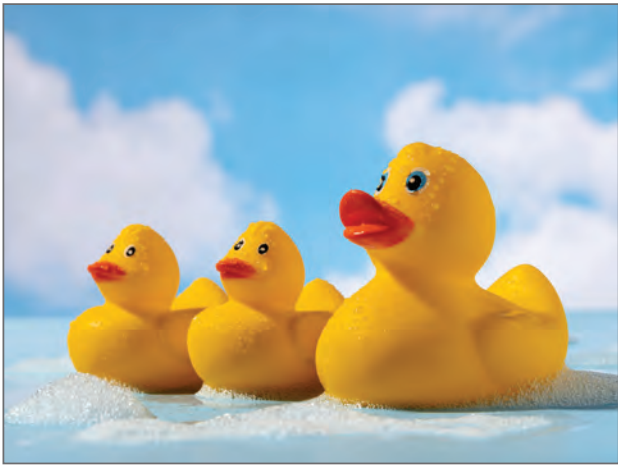
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National Rubber Ducky Day
January 13th

— National Day Calendar —



According to a 1973 Sesame Street calendar, Rubber Duckie's Birthday is January 13th so around the country it's National Rubber Ducky Day! A friend of Ernie and Big Bird, Duckie made his debut in a February 1970 episode.

The rubber ducky (also spelled duckie) has come a long way from his first concept as a chew toy for children. While the origin of the first rubber ducky is uncertain, many rubber molded toys came about when rubber manufacturing developed in the late 1800s. They produced a variety of toys from dolls and various animal shapes, including the rubber duck.

In 1928, Landon Smart Lawrence received the earliest patent for a rubber duck toy. His clever design weighted the toy so that when it tipped it returned to an upright position. The sketch included with the patent was that of a duck.

During World Wars I and II, rubber was a valuable commodity. Rationing became mandatory and

by the 1940s with the advent of plastic, the rubber ducky began being produced in vinyl and plastic.

Russian Sculptor Peter Ganine sculpted many animal figures. One, a duck, he later designed and patented into a floating toy that closely resembles the rubber ducky we have become familiar with today.

Sales of the iconic yellow rubber ducky we've come to know today soared in Britain in 2001. Why? A British Tabloid, The Sun, reported Queen Elizabeth II had a rubber duck in her bathroom that wore an inflatable crown.

The rubber ducky became a Toy Hall of Fame inductee in 2013. Founded in 1998, the Hall of Fame has only inducted 52 other toys.

How To Observe National Rubber Ducky Day

Spend time with your favorite rubber ducky. Share photos of your rubber ducky collection. Discover all the different kinds of rubber duckies available. Use #NationalRubberDuckyDay to post on social media.

National Rubber Ducky Day History

While our research did not uncover the creator of National Rubber Ducky Day, National Day Calendar® is pretty fond of the idea that it has to do with Sesame Street's Rubber Duckie.

Rubber Ducky FAQ

- Q. What is the world's largest rubber duck?

A. Mama Duck is the world's largest inflatable rubber duck. At six stories tall and weighing 30,000 pounds, the big yellow duck makes quite a splash. Owned by Big Duck LLC, Mama Duck and her baby duck travel to waterfront festivals across the country.
- Q. Who has the world's largest rubber duck collection?

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This flame rocking chair, which sold for \$240 at a Leland Little auction, is unmistakably modern. It was made by contemporary artist Erin Stesch and was auctioned to support an organization that preserves modern residential architecture.

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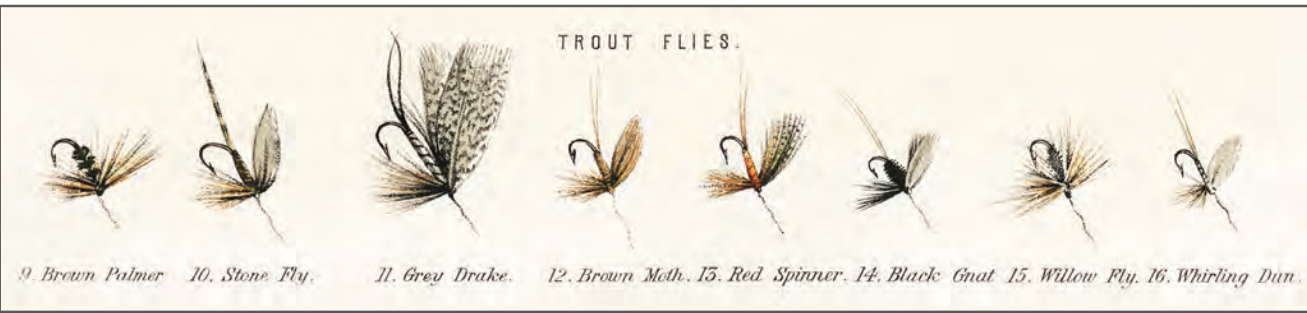
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— Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks —



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FWP staff will present proposed 2024 upland game bird seasons and regulations, along with recent trends in upland game bird populations, harvest, and hunting pressure. The meetings are being held in Glendive and Scobey, as eastern Montana attracts many resident and nonresident upland gamebird hunters. Both meetings will have options for people to attend virtually.

The purpose of the meetings is to share information and answer questions about the proposed regulations. Public comment will not be taken at the meetings but can be made online (see fwp.mt.gov/aboutfwp/public-comment-opportunities).

The meetings will be from 6-8 p.m. at the following locations:

- Jan. 16, Glendive
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- Jan. 17, Scobey
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The public comment period on the proposals began Dec. 26. Comments will be accepted through Jan. 23. To see the proposed regulations and links to the virtual meeting options, visit fwp.mt.gov/aboutfwp/public-comment-opportunities/2024-ugb-regulations.

The final decision on the 2024 upland game bird regulations will be made by the Fish and Wildlife Commission at their meeting Feb. 16. Prior to that meeting, members of the commission may introduce amendments to the proposed regulations. Those amendments will be considered at the Feb. 16 meeting as well.

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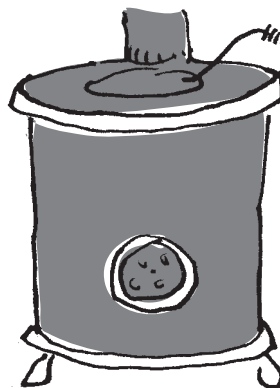


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Q. How does marzipan taste?
A. As you can imagine, marzipan tastes sweet and nutty.

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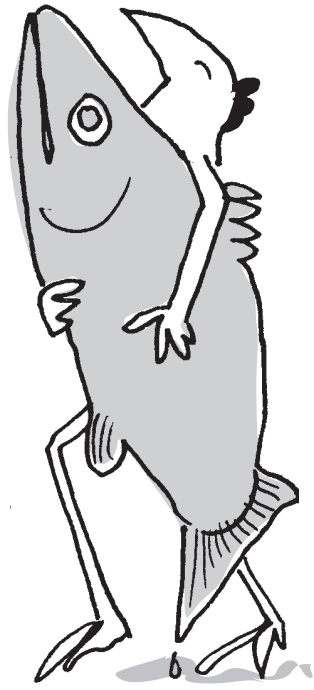
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Dear EarthTalk: Is New York City really sinking? If so, is it a problem and is it a natural or human-caused phenomenon? Can anything be done about it?
– Jane B., Newark, NJ

The sea level surrounding New York City (NYC) is nine inches higher today than it was in 1950. Put differently. While it took 48 years for the sea level around NYC to rise by six inches, the next three inches took less than 20 years. Scientists forecast that in the next 14 years the waters around NYC will rise another six inches. With all five boroughs of the city surrounded by water, the sinking of NYC puts its 8.4 million residents, its economy, and its property worth billions of dollars at risk.

The sinking or settling of Earth's surface is known as subsidence—a geological process that can be either natural or human-caused. For NYC, the main cause of subsidence is the sheer weight of the more than one million structures built on it. The United States Geological Survey estimates that structures in NYC weigh 1.68 trillion pounds—the equivalent of 1.9 million Boeing 747s. The pressure exerted by this extraordinary weight causes NYC to sink 0.04 to 0.08 inches every year.

There are other reasons, too, that NYC is sinking. Global warming, caused by the high level of human-made carbon emissions, is steadily increasing sea levels. Warmer temperatures melt ice sheets and glaciers, adding water to the oceans. And as ocean waters warm up, it causes oceans to expand. Climate change is also contributing to NYC's sinking by increasing the frequency of hurricanes. As the



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Yet another human-made contributor to the sinking of NYC is the extraction of groundwater from underground aquifers., which is used to supply a third of the city's drinking needs. Years of pumping these aquifers has caused the soil to compact by reducing the size and number of open pores in the soil that previously held water. This, too, has led to subsidence in NYC.

This is not to say that all causes of NYC's sinking are human made. The natural erosion and deposit of sediment can cause soil to shift from one area to another leading to uneven subsidence. Volcanic activity beneath the ground can force tectonic plates to move in ways that also make the land above it sink.

To minimize subsidence, NYC could halt the construction of new buildings. But this is unrealistic given the needs of its growing population. It could limit extraction of groundwater, but that would threaten the availability of safe drinking water. NYC could build defenses such as seawalls and flood gates. These can be helpful, but they are expensive to construct and do not address the source of the problem.

Alternately, the NYC government could adopt more creative urbanization plans that build away from areas vulnerable to subsidence, and consider the construction of new pipe systems to transport water from regional aqueducts instead of extracting local groundwater. And most important, they can support policies that mitigate global warming, such as carbon taxation, and provide incentives for clean energy adoption.

CONTACTS: New York State Climate Action Scoping Plan, <https://climate.ny.gov/resources/scoping-plan/>; New York's Climate Leadership & Community Protection Act, <https://climate.ny.gov>; New York City Mayor Eric Adams, <https://www.nyc.gov/office-of-the-mayor/mayor-contact.page>.

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F&G Biologists Complete Herd Composition Surveys In Southwest Idaho

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —

Overall, fawn ratios were similar to the long term average; buck ratios likely underestimated due to mild winter conditions

Each December, biologists across the state conduct mule deer surveys on key winter ranges to understand current herd composition, or proportions of bucks, does and fawns. The primary intent of these surveys is to measure fawn productivity and survival to 6 months of age, which is an important component in modeling and estimating deer population trends. Biologists also collect and report buck numbers, but understand that these are typically minimum counts, because bucks occur in smaller groups and occupy different areas than fawns and does, especially in early winter.

To learn more about the variety of methods biologists use to know the health of the state's deer and elk herds, check out the article at idfg.idaho.gov/press/state-deer-and-elk-counting-herds-and-how-hunters-help-through-mandatory-hunter-reports, and visit the State of Deer and Elk webpage, idfg.idaho.gov/stateofdeerandelk.

Fish and Game monitors and manages mule deer populations in 16 Data Analysis Units (DAUs) across the state. Each DAU is comprised of multiple Game Management Units, and represents the seasonal range for an interbreeding mule deer population. The Southwest Region conducts herd composition surveys in four DAUs: Central Mountains, Weiser-McCall, Owyhee, and Smoky-Boise.

This year's surveys proved difficult, with snow scarce throughout the region. Because of this, mule deer distribution was unpredictable, with animals on winter range in some areas but still moving towards winter range in others.

Overall, fawn ratios were similar to the long term average in each DAU. Because of the mild winter, bucks were observed at unusually high elevations this year, near the tops of many of the subunits that were surveyed. This suggests there were likely bucks that were not observed because they were outside the subunits at even higher elevations. Therefore, buck ratios reported below are underestimates.

Fish and Game staff and a helicopter pilot fly the 2023 mule deer herd composition survey in Unit 39. Photo credit: Cortney Nalley

Southwest Region Mule Deer Herd Composition Data

Mule Deer Data Analysis Unit	Game Management Units	2023 Fawns:100 Does	Average Fawns:100 Does	2023 Bucks:100 Does ¹	Average Bucks:100 Does
Central Mountains	16A, 17, 19, 19A, 20, 20A, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, 36A, 36B	66	61	15	22
Weiser-McCall	22, 23, 24, 31, 32, 32A	62	58	21	17
Smoky-Boise	39, 43, 44, 45, 48, 49, 50, 52, 52A, 53	64	60	18	19
Owyhee	40, 41, 42, 46, 47	46 ²	54	7 ³	12

¹ Because of the mild winter, bucks were observed at unusually high elevations this year, near the tops of many of the subunits that were surveyed. This suggests there were likely bucks that were not observed because they were outside the subunits at even higher elevations.

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Incidental Captures Of Lynx Reported In Northwest Montana

— Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks —

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Lynx are listed as a threatened species and protected under the Endangered Species Act. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has established an allowable incidental take for lynx in the lower 48 states. Of the two captures, one lynx was found dead in the trap (Dec. 27). The other lynx was released unharmed (Dec. 28).

The capture that resulted in the killed lynx was an illegal set. That incident remains under investigation.

Allowable take

Allowable take of lynx in the lower 48 is complicated. The concept of "allowable take" acknowledges that in states with bobcat trapping seasons, some incidental capture of lynx is possible. With "allowable take," the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service establishes a number of incidental captures that would be "allowable" and still provide for the conservation of the species.

Allowable take of lynx in the lower 48 states is six trapped/captured or three killed/captured as a result of legal bobcat trapping within three consecutive years. Maine operates under its own allowable take permit and so is not included in the remaining lower 48 states. Recently, a lynx in Minnesota was killed in a trap, and two lynx were trapped in Idaho but were released during the 2021 trapping season. The current number of lynx incidentally trapped in legal sets stands at four captured and one killed in

the three-year window.

If the allowable take number is met, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service would initiate a review to ensure conservation of the species.

In Montana

"We've worked hard to conserve lynx in Montana, including trapping regulations specifically designed to avoid capture of non-target species. We're watching this circumstance very closely," said Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Director Dustin Temple.

In the 2023 Wolf and Furbearer Regulations, the commission recognized lynx protection zones and special restrictions for trapping within those zones to minimize incidental capture of lynx. Trappers who inadvertently capture a lynx must release it unharmed if possible and report it to FWP within 24 hours, or if it's wounded contact FWP immediately to "determine disposition and/or collection of the animal."

Montana also has specific trapping regulations to reduce the potential capture of lynx. For example:

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Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Empire Style

Antique collectors know that styles repeat, pieces can be replicated and design periods can be revived. This stool was made in the 20th century, but its style is from the Empire period, which lasted from about 1815 to 1840 in America.

Empire style originated with the French Empire in the early 1800s and was inspired by antiquities. Napoleon Bonaparte led an invasion of Egypt in 1798. Although his troops were defeated, a scientific expedition began. Napoleon sent scholars back to Egypt to study monuments and antiquities. This was the beginning of archaeology, inspiring a fashion for antiquity.

Decorative arts in the Empire style featured designs from ancient Egyptian, Greek and Roman art and architecture. The influence of ancient art is clearly seen in this Empire-style stool, which sold for \$1,250 at New Orleans Auction Galleries. It is an example of Empire style, even if it is not from the Empire period. The winged animal's head supports, paw feet, gilt rosettes and Greek key trim are all borrowed from the ancient world, but the materials, construction and maker's label identify it as modern.

Q My parents gave away all my toys when I went to college. One toy that I can't forget about was a Fisher-Price Tick Tock clock. I finally found one recently in an antiques mall. I paid \$8 for it, even though the music mechanism sounds damaged. Is this a good price?

A Sorry about your parents throwing your toys out. I hear that a lot from collectors wanting some of their childhood back, even if it is through items from antiques stores. Your Fisher-Price Tick Tock Teaching Clock was very popular, introduced in the early 1960s. The most popular models, with slight visual differences, came out in 1962 and 1964. It is colorful, with stickers and a clock face with big numbers and arms. Images of night and day are revealed as the arms move. When wound



This Empire-style stool was made in the 20th century but based on a style from the early 1800s that was inspired by designs from ancient Egypt.

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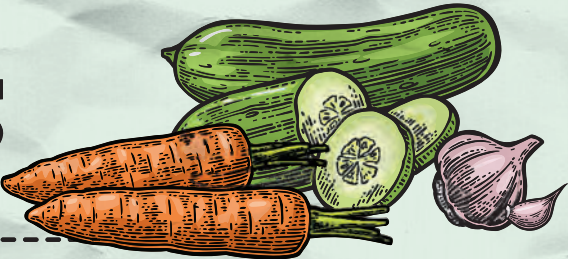


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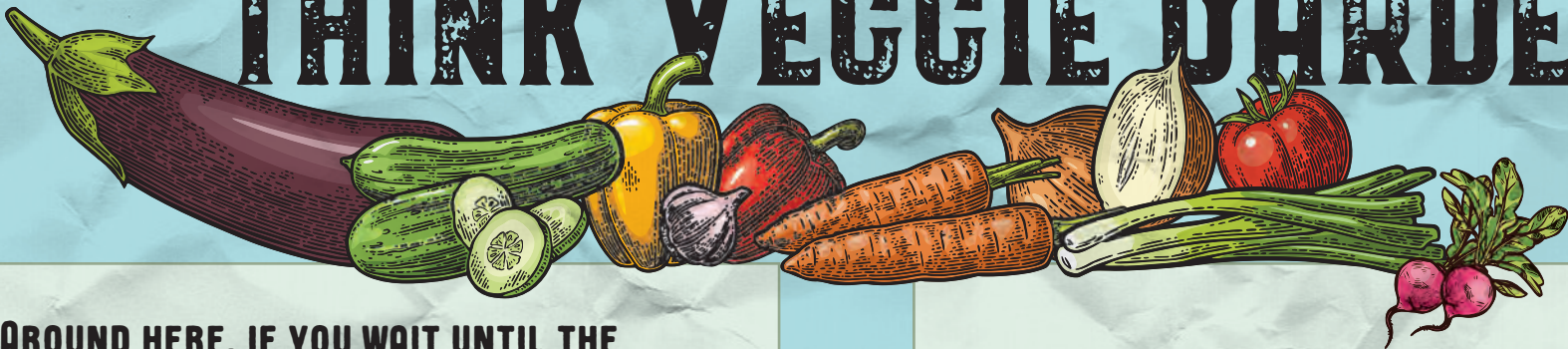
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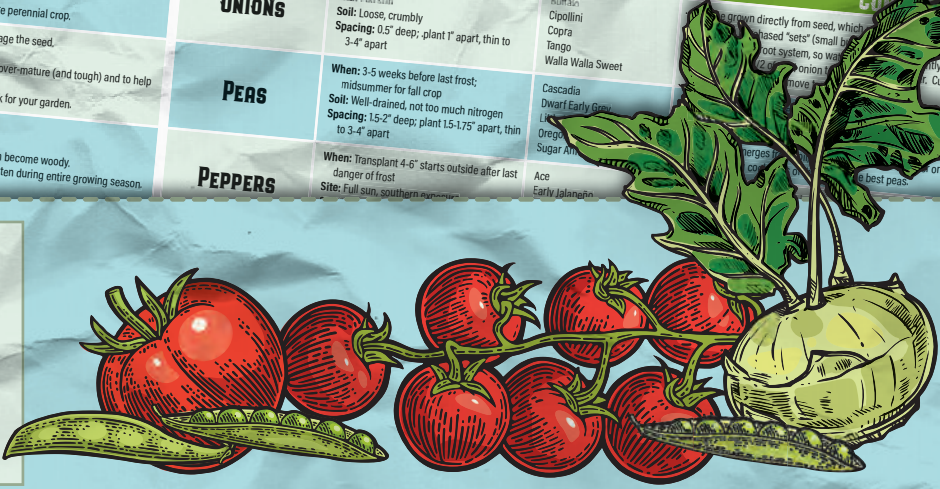
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North Idaho & Western Montana PLANTING GUIDE			
VEGETABLE	PLANTING	VARIETIES	COMMENTS
ASPARAGUS	When: Start inside and transplant after last frost; or start with purchased root crowns Site: Full sun Soil: Moist, well-drained, well-fertilized	Jersey Giant Jersey Supreme Mary Washington	Plants will take 2-3 years to reach their full producing potential. Don't harvest at all the first year, and only harvest for approximately 2 weeks the second. Production and harvest window will increase over the years. A perennial, asparagus will produce for years to come. Perennial, allow shoots to mature to "fern" stage to ensure perennial crop. Seeds overnight before planting as that can damage the seed. Plants small amounts of water frequently. By 3-4 days, this will prevent the beans from getting over-mature (and tough) and to help its producing. Plants need plenty of support, so pick a variety that will work for your garden. Plants will allow roots to better develop. In cool weather. Keep soil evenly moist. When 2" or less in diameter, any larger and they can become woody. Greens are edible. Greens can be harvested and eaten during entire growing season.
ONIONS	When: 2 weeks before last frost Site: Full sun Soil: Loose, crumbly Spacing: 0.5" deep; plant 1" apart, thin to 3-4" apart	Buffalo Cipollini Copra Tango Walla Walla Sweet	Onions are grown directly from seed, which is the best method for keeping them healthy. Onions are also available as "sets" (small bulbs) or "seedlings" (small plants with roots). Onions are a cool-season crop, so they can be planted in the fall or early spring. Onions are a long-term crop, so they can be planted in the fall or early spring. Onions are a long-term crop, so they can be planted in the fall or early spring.
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Avista Offers Tips To Help Customers Prepare For Incoming Cold Snap

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— Avista Utilities —

Spokane, Wash. – January 10, 2024: In the coming days and weeks, throughout the Inland Northwest, the National Weather Service is predicting frigid temperatures up to 10-20 degrees cooler than normal. Weather significantly impacts energy use. Avista has tips and tools to help its customers remain comfortable and prepare.

“In our region, heating is responsible for 40-60% of the energy use you see on your energy bill,” said Meghan Pinch, Energy Efficiency Program Manager at Avista. “That’s why keeping heat inside is so critical in the winter. If heat escapes through cracks or windows, your home will use more energy and your heater will run more often than it should to keep your space warm. The extra energy use is what drives winter bills up.”

Reducing air leaks can cut a customer’s monthly energy use by up to 10%. Air leaks are commonly found around doors and windows, in floors, walls, ceilings and ductwork, and through fireplaces and exhaust fans. “If you have a quarter inch gap around a door, it’s the same as having a softball-sized hole in your wall,” said Pinch. “The good news is, even with colder weather fast approaching, there’s still time to complete easy, last-minute fixes to seal leaks and stop cold air drafts.”

1. Seal air leaks around windows and doors with easy-to-install weatherstripping, removable rope caulk, or permanent tube caulk.
2. Stop cold air drafts that come through windows by installing removable window plastic, which essentially turns a single pane window into a double pane. For a more permanent solution,

install insulated curtains or honeycomb shades.

3. Stop heated air from escaping through vents by turning off kitchen, bathroom, and other ventilation fans, when you don’t need them. In just one hour, they can suck all the warm air out of a house.
4. If you’re not using your fireplace, close the chimney flue. If it’s left open, all the heat in your home will be sucked straight up and out of the house. Wrap your window or wall air conditioner and consider an alternative to an always-open pet door, too.

“When you’ve sealed your air leaks and stopped cold air drafts, you’ll feel more comfortable and won’t be as tempted to bump your thermostat up,” according to Pinch. “Avista recommends setting your thermostat at 68 degrees in winter and turning it down when you go to bed or leave the house. Lowering it just 3 degrees further and consistently keeping it there can also save up to 10% on your monthly energy use.”

No matter the type of heating system a home uses, it will work harder and more often when temperatures outside drop below freezing. If you rely on baseboard, space, or wall heaters, only use them in areas you’re occupying and close doors to the rooms you’re not in (if freezing pipes are not a concern). Keeping your indoor humidity level between 30-45% will also help you feel warmer.

Customers can find many energy-saving ideas and quick DIY videos at www.myavista.com.

Avista also recommends having an emergency preparedness kit on hand at all times. In the case of unplanned outages, consider including items like flashlights with fresh batteries, a portable battery-operated radio, a cell phone with battery back-up, water, and nonperishable food. Customers needing additional support during this time are encouraged to call 211 or visit www.wa211.org or www.211.idaho.gov.

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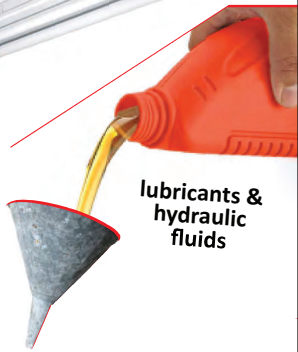
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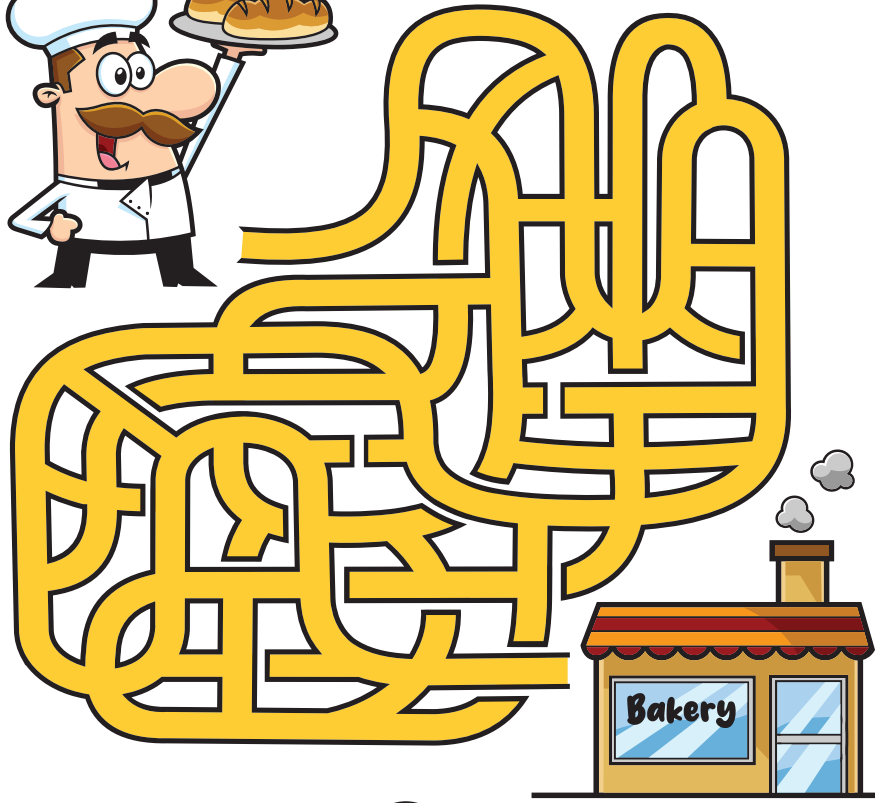
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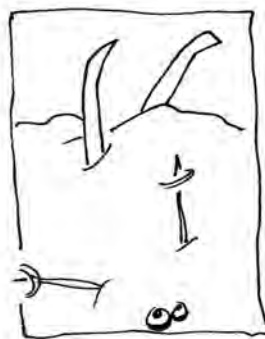
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Dear Paws Corner: So many people are out of work right now, and there is little to no assistance available to them just to pay rent, much less buy food for themselves. I am wondering, how will people be able to feed their pets in this desperate situation? — Jamie G., Atlanta

Dear Jamie: One of the bright spots in this pandemic is the way that individuals have responded to help each other and fill

the needs of tens of thousands — maybe millions — of pets.

Shelters in many parts of the country have opened or expanded food pantries for pets to help owners keep their dogs and cats healthy and fed. Napa County, California, for example, transformed two empty shipping containers into a community pet pantry offering free supplies this summer. (Search for "Napa County's new pet pantry" to learn more.)

In Tuscon, Cody's Friends, a charity started in 2010 by a 10-year-old boy, has seen a huge surge of demand for pet food and is distributing to area shelters and clinics as fast as possible (<https://codysfriends.org>). And in North Carolina, the Davidson County Animal Alliance extended its holiday pet food collection drive because there was so much need.

If you are struggling to pay for pet food for any reason, contact your local shelter first and ask if there is a pet food program available. You may not be able to pick up food directly from a shelter; it may be distributed at a different location. Contact local food banks, churches and municipal offices. And of course, search online or on Facebook for these services as well.

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Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Homemade Sleds

Do you have fond memories of spending a winter day sliding down a snowy hill? Sledding is a pastime that has been around for a long time.

Archaeologists have evidence that the earliest sleds were used not in snowy climates, but in ancient Egypt. Heavy loads like stone for construction or monuments were loaded onto platforms with runners and pushed along tracks to their destination.

Sleds have been in use for so long that it's uncertain when they went from being practical vehicles to children's toys. The first steerable sled for children, the Flexible Flyer, was patented in 1889. Before then, children played with homemade sleds that are now collected as folk art.

This sled, painted blue with yellow stripes and a spray of flowers, with metal swan's head handles, was made in the 19th century and sold for \$328 at an auction by Pook & Pook, Inc.

Q I'd like to know the possible value of a Florence Ceramics three-section bonbon dish. It's light pink with two applied pink roses and one rose bud in the center where the three parts come together. It has irregularly shaped ruffled and fluted edges and is about 9 inches by 9 inches.

A Florence Ward started Florence Ceramics Co. in Pasadena, California, in 1942. She worked out of her garage until moving to larger quarters in 1946. The company was in business until 1964, when it was sold to Scripto Corp., which closed in 1977. The company is best known for its figurines depicting historical or fictional characters. Boxes, bud vases, candleholders, candy dishes and other decorative items were also made. Several different pieces were made with delicate applied roses. A dish similar to yours was listed online for \$50.



A painted sled makes a snowy day even more festive. Like many homemade toys, this one doubles as a piece of folk art. It sold for \$380 including the buyers' premium.

TIP: To remove wax from a Hanukkah menorah or another candleholder with small candle cups, run hot water in the holes or use a hair dryer to warm the metal, then remove the wax with cotton swabs.

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DEAR JACK: Resource guarding is certainly an undesirable behavior, and it is sadly a common one in dogs coming from stressful, overpopulated or abusive situations. Because Eddie is really aggressive, even toward you, consider contacting a professional trainer and working with the vet to develop a long-term solution. Training along with a prescribed anti-anxiety medicine can work wonders, but it will take time.

In the short term, you'll need to make sure Eddie won't bite you or anyone else. Feed him in a location away from foot traffic and other pets. If you use a kennel cage, you can feed him in the cage. Feed him at consistent times each day. Don't let anyone else attempt to feed him, even with treats.

The ASPCA has a helpful article with training exercises to start helping Eddie relax when you're near him during feeding time. Find it here: www.aspc.org/pet-care/dog-care/common-dog-behavior-issues/food-guarding

However, they also recommend working with a trainer. Resolving a resource guarding behavior can be tricky, but the long-term benefit is a happy, healthy companion.

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As we step into the blank canvas of a new year, many of us are eager to embrace healthier habits without breaking the bank. For this week, we're diving into the realm of revitalization with a nutrient-packed recipe filled with detoxifying and immune boosting ingredients that won't drain your wallet.

In the realm of soul-soothing concoctions, nothing quite rivals the nutritional prowess of a steaming bowl of chicken soup. It's not just about comfort; it's about embracing a holistic approach to health. So, let's dive into the science behind this detoxifying, inflammation-fighting powerhouse.

Broth Brilliance: In an ideal world, we'd start with homemade bone broth -- loaded with gelatin, chondroitin and immune-boosting nutrients. It's a remedy for gut health and hydration, thanks to minerals like zinc, calcium, phosphorus and magnesium. Opt for low-sodium store-bought broth if time is of the essence.

Antioxidant Allies: Onion and garlic -- culinary superheroes -- bring not just flavor, but also antioxidants and antibacterial properties to the table. Carrots, celery, peas and kale join the fray, delivering a vitamin-packed punch that supports a robust immune system.

Mushroom Magic: Don't overlook the fungi! Mushrooms provide B vitamins and selenium, an antioxidant that plays a vital

role in supporting the immune system.

Spice It Up: Elevate your soup's anti-inflammatory game with ginger, turmeric, black pepper and a dash of red pepper flakes. These ingredients bring potent antioxidants and anti-inflammatory properties to the mix.

Poultry Power: Let's not forget the star of the show -- the chicken. Poultry is rich in vitamin B-6, essential to produce healthy red blood cells. I used chicken leg quarters in this recipe because they're very affordable and the dark meat stays succulently tender. But you could use any cut of chicken you have on hand, even a whole chicken. As a bonus, it cooks right in the soup, making your life easier.

This recipe is very forgiving. Feel free to customize the recipe based on what's in your pantry. Don't have turmeric? No problem. This soup is forgiving, allowing you to work with what you have, and it'll turn out great.



This detoxifying soup has anti-inflammatory properties.

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Yield:

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 cups onion, diced
- 4 medium carrots, sliced
- 3 celery stalks, chopped
- 8 ounces mushrooms, sliced
- 6 to 10 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon fresh grated ginger (or 1 teaspoon powdered ginger)

8 cups (64 ounces) chicken bone broth or low sodium chicken broth

1 teaspoon ground turmeric

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

3 pounds chicken leg quarters, skin removed

Freshly ground black pepper

Big pinch red pepper flakes

1 cup frozen peas

1 small bunch kale, stems removed, chopped

Heat the oil in a large soup pot, set on medium heat. Add the onion, carrot and celery, and saute for about 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Add the mushrooms, garlic and ginger, and stir to combine. Ahhhh, the aroma! Add the chicken broth, turmeric and salt and give it another stir. Place the chicken pieces in the soup and bring to a boil. Once boiling, reduce heat to LOW and let simmer for 40 minutes. Now, fish out the chicken pieces and set aside to cool. Add the peas and kale. Once the chicken is cool enough to handle, shred the chicken and add it back to the soup. Reserve the bones to make bone broth!

Why is this chicken soup so effective? Because its ingredients create an ideal combination of anti-inflammatory and detoxifying ingredients with great immunity support. Here's to a healthy and flavorful New Year!

"Let thy food be thy medicine and thy medicine be thy food." -- Hippocrates

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Dear EarthTalk: How can I be a more environmentally responsible parent? – Betsy E., Boston, MA

Sustainable parenting isn't easy given all the ways modern society has become largely a profusion of disposable products. Besides making conscious decisions about the products you buy, you also have to think about teaching your kids to do the right thing—and you can never start too early.

One way to do the right thing by the planet is opting for reusable diapers. The average American baby uses 7,000 disposable diapers over the course of a typical three-year run. Some 200,000 trees are cut down each year in the U.S. alone to provide the wood pulp found in diapers. To make matters worse, the diaper's plastic and absorbent polymers are not recyclable.

Nowadays you can purchase reusable diapers at a local Walmart or Target, or online. Popular brands include Cotton Babies, Nora's Nursery and Green Mountain. Many people are concerned about the washing process, but it is relatively simple. For liquid waste, you should pre-rinse the diaper with water. For solid waste, you should allocate a spatula or knife as a "scraper" and dispose of the waste in the toilet. You can purchase a dry pail to hold the diapers until laundry day. Keep in mind, reusable diapers must be washed with water that is at least 140 degrees Fahrenheit (60 degrees Celsius) to kill bacteria.

Another environmental hazard of parenthood

is baby wet wipes. Almost all, even the "flushable" ones, contain microplastics which do not biodegrade. This causes buildup in pipes because grease tends to accumulate on the plastic. Also, these microplastics can get into local water bodies and be ingested by marine wildlife. A solution is to create your own reusable wet wipes. Buy cotton or bamboo baby washcloths and cut them into eight-inch by eight-inch squares. For the wipe solution, oft-used ingredients include aloe vera, gentle baby wash or Castile soap, natural oils, and water. Other recipes can be found online. You can keep this solution in a spray bottle to use when needed. Store not-yet-used wipes in a clean airtight container. Spray them thoroughly with the solution before use. Store soiled wipes in a dry pail until you do laundry. As with reusable diapers, you should scrape off solid waste before washing.

Another major source of waste from kids is toys, most of which are made of cheap plastic and end up in landfills. According to the Yale Environmental Review, toys constitute six percent of landfill plastics worldwide. Today, there are many online services where you can order a monthly subscription for rentable plastic and wooden toys. If your child gets bored, you can send the old toys in and receive new ones in the mail in the matter of days. The toys that you send in are sanitized and sent to other families.

Aside from these options, you could also make homemade food to reduce packaging waste. Buying second-hand clothes is also a simple and cheaper way to reduce your landfill footprint. But arguably, the most important thing you can do is to educate your children about environmental issues and encourage sustainable practices.

CONTACTS: How to be a sustainable parent, bbc.com/future/article/20221123-how-to-be-a-sustainable-parent; Most materials are recyclable, so why can't children's toys be sustainable? environment-review.yale.edu/most-materials-are-recyclable-so-why-cant-childrens-toys-be-sustainable; Should We Ditch Wet Wipes? envirotech-online.com/news/water-wastewater/9/breaking-news/should-we-ditch-wet-wipes/46063.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

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CHAIR
CHALK
CLIPBOARD
CLOCK
COMPUTER
CRAYON
DESK
DISC
ERASER
GLUE STICK
MAP
PAPER
PASTE
PUSHPIN
STAPLER
STENCIL
TABLE
TACK

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A	R	U	B	L	E	I	A	A	A
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January 14th

— National Day Calendar —

Ratification Day on January 14th annually recognizes the act that officially ended the American Revolution. The day commemorates the ratification of the Treaty of Paris on January 14, 1784, at the Maryland State House in Annapolis, Maryland, by the Confederation Congress.

After the Declaration of Independence was signed, nearly eight years passed before the British and the Americans agreed to a cease-fire. As part of the Treaty of Paris, Great Britain recognized the United States as a sovereign entity.

It is the most enduring premise of the treaty. The treaty also defined boundaries, specifically the Northwest Territory, which included Ohio and the rich prairie land of Indiana and Illinois. The treaty also included Michigan, Wisconsin, and parts of Minnesota w. Several of the nation's founding fathers negotiated the peace treaty, including John Adams, John Jay, and Benjamin Franklin.

- The Confederation Congress declared on April 11, 1783, "the cessation of arms" against Great Britain.

- Congress approved the preliminary articles of peace on April 15, 1783.
 - The Confederation Congress ratified the Treaty of Paris on January 14, 1784.
- How To Observe Ratification Day**
- Learn more about the Treaty of Paris.
 - Visit the Maryland State House.
 - Read more about the Treaty of Paris.
 - Visit the Library Congress.
 - Use #RatificationDay to post on social media.

Ratification Day History

Ratification Day recognizes the anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Paris. Each year, the State House in Annapolis, Maryland, hosts a ceremony re-enacting the signing of the Treaty of Paris. The Old Senate Chamber has been renovated and preserved just as it was at the signing. Every January 14th, the State House also raises a flag the design displayed at the signing of the Treaty of Paris. The flag's design includes twelve stars forming a circle with one star in the center.

- Ratification FAQ**
- Q.** Who negotiated the Treaty of Paris in 1783?
- A.** American Peace Commissioners Benjamin Franklin, John Jay, and John Adams represented the United States during negotiation. Richard Oswald represented Great Britain. Franklin, Jay, and Adams, and British statesman David Hartley signed the treaty.
- Q.** How long did negotiations take between Britain and the United States?
- A.** Peace talks began in April 1782. The Revolutionary War formally ended with the signing of the Treaty of Paris on September 3, 1783. However, the Continental Congress didn't ratify the treaty until January 14, 1784.

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January

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	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6
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14	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16	17	18	19	20
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February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17
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March

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10	11	12	13	14 Spring Business Card Book	15	16
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20	21	22	23
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31 Easter Sunday					Good Friday	

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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May

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5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16 Home Improvement Issue	17	18
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26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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September

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	Columbus Day					
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				Halloween		

November						
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			Local Shopping Issue	Thanksgiving		

December						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				Winter Business Card Book		
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		Christmas Eve	Christmas			
29	30	31				
		New Year's Eve				

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Even if you think you're not on speaking terms with veggies, it's time to make peace. Several factors can contribute to reluctance, especially among kids, when it comes to eating vegetables:

Texture Aversion: Some individuals, especially children, may be sensitive to the textures of certain vegetables, finding them off-putting.

Bitterness Perception: Children may have heightened sensitivity to bitterness, which is common in certain vegetables like broccoli and Brussels sprouts.

Familiarity and Exposure: Lack of exposure and familiarity with a variety of vegetables can lead to resistance. Familiarity often breeds acceptance.

Influence of Peer Preferences: Children can be influenced by the preferences of their peers, and if their friends aren't enthusiastic about veggies, it might impact their own attitude.

Parental Role-Modeling: If parents aren't regularly incorporating vegetables into their meals, children may be less inclined to embrace them.

Negative Associations: If veggies are often presented as a punishment or something unpleasant, it can create negative associations.

Addressing these factors through creative and positive approaches, like introducing veggies in various dishes and involving kids in meal preparation, can contribute to a more veggie-friendly attitude.

But what if there's a hidden reason behind the reluctance? Enter "super tasters," individuals with ultra-sensitive taste buds. Yes, being a super taster is indeed a scientifically recognized phenomenon.

Super tasting is associated with having a higher density of taste buds, specifically fungiform papillae on the tongue. These individuals are more sensitive to various tastes, especially bitterness, which can impact their food preferences. Understanding this can be crucial when encouraging super tasters to embrace a wider variety of flavors.



Roasting broccoli caramelizes natural sugars, enhancing sweetness.

Elevate veggie appeal for super tasters by pairing veggies with bold flavors like garlic, herbs or spices, adding dips and sauces; also, through techniques like blanching, sauteing or grilling, culminating in my favorite method: roasting. Roasting caramelizes natural sugars enhancing sweetness, exemplified in recipes like Charred Broccoli with Almonds and Cranberries.

CHARRED BROCCOLI WITH ALMONDS AND CRANBERRIES

Yield: 5 servings

Total Time: 20 minutes

- 10 cups broccoli florets (about 2 pounds)
- 5 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 3/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/3 cup skin-on sliced almonds
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic (or 172 teaspoon granulated garlic)
- 2/3 cup whole-milk plain yogurt
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries or raisins

Position an oven rack in second to lowest position; preheat broiler to high.

In a large serving bowl, toss broccoli with 2 tablespoon olive oil and salt. Spread evenly onto a large, rimmed baking sheet. Roast the broccoli until it reaches a delightful tenderness, with a touch of char in spots, for 10 to 20 minutes, adjusting based on your broiler's intensity.

Meanwhile, in a small dry skillet, over medium-low heat, toast the almonds until fragrant. To the same skillet, add the remaining 3 tablespoons of oil and garlic. Stir frequently until the mixture gently browns, approximately 5 minutes.

Transfer this flavorful blend into the serving bowl, and then incorporate the yogurt and cranberries. Add the charred broccoli and stir to coat with the yogurt dressing. This salad can be served hot, warm or cold, making it a great meal prep recipe.

Here's to cultivating a love for veggies and savoring the journey to a healthier, more fabulous you!

Lifestyle expert Patti Diamond is the penny-pinching, party-planning, recipe developer and content creator of the website Divas On A Dime -- Where Frugal, Meets Fabulous! Visit Patti at www.divasonadime.com and join the conversation on Facebook at DivasOnADimeDotCom. Email Patti at divapatti@divasonadime.com

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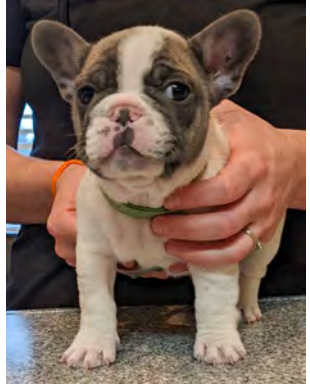
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Second Chance Pets: Ruger



Hello everyone! I'm Georgie, an 8 year old Australian Cattle Dog/Australian Shepherd mix. I'm a neutered male, great with other dogs and cats. I know all the things and am a very good boy in the house! I'm looking for a retirement home with someone who enjoys outdoor nature walks, understands the herding dog breeds and has no small crawling/toddling children in the home or who visit. Could that be you?!

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



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD female, red tri, 5 years old. Great family dog, intact and has made beautiful puppies, needs home without cats or farm animals. Rehoming fee of \$350. 509-279-3199



MINI SHAGS! BEST hiking, car ride, trail, farm partners ever. Smart, active, loyal, and trainable. Four females, one male, mix of Border Collie, mini Aussie, and Terrier. Online photos at nickelsworth.com. Text 208-660-2425 for more info, Dalton Gardens

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AKC FRENCH BULLDOG. 6 month old female French bulldog puppy available. Vaccinated and wormed, \$2000. Serious inquiries only, text 509-683-2779



COOKIE, 6 YEAR OLD neutered male Boxer/ Pointer mix. 60 lbs. Very sweet, loving dog, kind and obedient. Great with other dogs, cats and children. Housebroken, moderate energy level, still loves to go for walks! Abandoned at the shelter after his owner passed away. Contact Second Chance Pet Rescue at idahocoondog@yahoo.com or www.SCPR.petfinder.com



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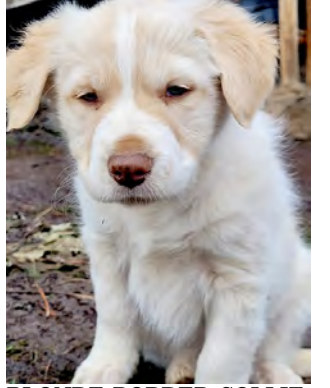
ADORABLE Newfoundland pups, male and female, born 10/24/23. Call Teresa, 509-869-1392

REHOMING BEAUTIFUL Shihpoo female, 5 months old, and male cockapoo, 3 months old. Both have current shots and wormed. They are both hypoallergenic, non-shedding, intelligent. Both very tiny, no more than 5 pounds. Love playing with kids. Housebroken. I adopted them a few months ago, but since working a lot more, I don't have the time for them. More information: 509-380-1067, Pasco, WA



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

MICRO MINI Bernedoodle puppies! Burbank Bernedoodles available for adoption, \$2500. 509-430-7204 for information



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F2B MINI Goldendoodles are ready for their forever homes. We have two female puppies left, and they are 10 weeks old. Early Neurological Stimulation (ENS), housebreaking, and kennel training in progress. They are up-to-date on vaccinations, wormed, and have wonderful temperaments. Veterinarian is Dr. Menk. The puppies also come with a care package including vaccination and vet paperwork, starter food, a kennel, and bedding. Your future companion awaits a loving home! \$1500. 509-619-2347 for more information



PUREBRED BOXER PUPS. 3 males, 1 fawn, 2 reverse brindle; tails docked, dewclaws removed, first set of shots. Loveable, intelligent, loyal, great with kids, elderly, and other animals. Parents on-site. Will be ready for their new homes January 23rd, \$1000, \$300 non-refundable deposit. Call or text 208-916-5681 to come and see them, Post Falls

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LOST A BROWN WALLET with a concho on Friday, Jan. 5th in Hayden/ CdA area, please return. Belongs to elderly gentleman, very important to him. 208-755-3604

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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



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Pets



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MALE, FEMALE, BLACK and white, white purebred Siberian Husky puppies. First shot, dewormed, health vet checked, weaned, potty training in progress, \$600-\$650. Both parents on-site. We can schedule video call. Facebook page: Siberian Huskies puppies in Sandpoint, 208-627-9212

FEMALE GERMAN Sheepadoodle needs new forever home. 1.5 years old, has all of her shots and has been neutered. Family is moving and cannot take her. We want her to go to a good home, so there is no cost. 509-531-6064 for more info



RIGHTEOUS K9 TRAINING Classes. Basic Obedience Jan. 27th at 10am. Basic to Advanced. Call Mountain Traders, 208-557-3733, Mountain Traders@mountaintraders.net. 490870 Highway 95, Sandpoint

MINIATURE Aussiedoodle puppies. Home raised miniature Aussiedoodles available! Loving, playful, healthy, intelligent puppies. No to low shedding and hypoallergenic, \$950. For more information call Lori at 509-860-3302

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THESE BEAUTIFUL AKC French bulldog puppies are looking for their forever home. They have been hand raised in our home. They are fun, energetic, and ready to give you lots of love and affection. Up-to-date on vaccines and wormed. They are 10 weeks old; 1 female lilac, 2 males; 1 lilac and 1 lilac brindle. Dam is 18 lbs. Sire is 22 lbs. and has a world class pedigree. Asking \$4500. More information: 509-430-5675

WE HAVE YOUR YORKIE puppy! Male and female, born 9/27, vaccinated, wormed, tails docked and ready for new homes. 509-380-1577 for more information



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AKC FRENCH BULLDOGS available for adoption. Born 9/3, they are current with shots and very friendly. There are 2 males, 1 female, \$1900. More information: 509-388-5211

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Third Monday in January

— National Day Calendar —



On the third Monday in January, Martin Luther King Jr Day honors the American clergyman, activist, Civil Rights Movement leader. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.(January 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968) is best known for his role in advancing civil rights using nonviolent civil disobedience. King has become a national icon in the history of American progressivism.

Education

A gifted and friendly student, King attended Morehouse College, earning a B.A. in sociology. Combining a passion for racial equality with a rediscovered spirituality, King then attended Crozer Theological Seminary, following in his father's and grandfather's footsteps earning a Bachelors of Divinity.

Shortly after completing his Ph.D. in theology at Boston University in 1955, a 42-year-old Rosa Parks (See Rosa Parks Day observed December 1st) refused to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. The opportunity for the NAACP to bring their civil rights efforts to the forefront was before them, and they chose King to lead the successful city-wide boycott of the Montgomery transit system.

Young Civil Rights Movement

Just over a year later, King and over 60 other ministers and activists founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Together, they coordinated nonviolent protests and gave the young civil rights movement a voice.

Through the next twelve years, King would be influential in organizing marches, sit-ins, and political rallies for civil rights. For example, during a 1963 March on Washington, D.C. for Jobs and Freedom, King spoke before more than 200,000 regarding the challenges African Americans face. His "I Have a Dream" speech has gone down in many history books as one of the greatest speeches ever given. Brutally honest, with a call to action and a vision of hope, King's speech resonated throughout the nation.

Selma

In early 1964, 1,500 men and women met a wall of state troopers during a march outside Selma. There, King led the marchers in prayer and avoided any confrontation with authorities. On July 2, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964, outlawing discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. That same year, King became the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize for his unswerving work in the Civil Rights Movement.

In early 1965, Selma, Alabama, became the center

of the Civil Rights movement. Congress introduced new voting rights legislation. It proposed banning literacy tests and mandating federal oversight where tests were administered. Additionally, it gave the U.S. attorney general the duty of challenging the use of poll taxes for state and local elections. Televised violence in February of that year resulted in the death of Jimmie Lee Jackson. King's presence and President Johnson's support of the marchers helped bring peace. Throughout the next month, marchers continued between Selma and Montgomery. Congress passed the Voting Rights Act in August of that year.

Author, speaker, father, theologian, activist, King died on April 4, 1968, when James Earl Ray assassinated him in Memphis, Tennessee. King arrived in Memphis with other SCLC members supporting a sanitation workers' strike. They stayed at the Lorraine Motel, and Ray's bullet struck King on the balcony. Riots and violence would follow, and President Johnson would call for peace, referring to King as the "apostle of nonviolence."

How To Observe Martin Luther King Jr Day

Many schools, businesses, and government offices are closed during Martin Luther King Jr Day. However, schools hold programs or teach curricula engaging students in Civil Rights history and lessons throughout the week. Learn more about the Civil Rights Movement and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Watch one of the documentaries or read one of the books listed below:

- *King: A Filmed Record - Montgomery to Memphis*
- The Children's March
- *The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr.*, edited by Clayborne Carson
- *Bearing the Cross: Martin Luther King Jr. and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference* By David Garrow
- *Freedom's Daughters* by Lynne Olson

Use #MartinLutherKingJrDay to post on social media.

Martin Luther King Jr Day History

While President Ronald Reagan signed the observance into law in 1983, Martin Luther King Jr. Day was first observed as a U.S. federal holiday in 1986.

Martin Luther King Jr. FAQ

- Q.** Is Martin Luther King Jr. the only American honored with a federal holiday?
- A.** No, but Martin Luther King Jr. is part of a select group of three men who have been honored with federal holidays. The other two are Abraham Lincoln and George Washington.
- Q.** Was Martin Luther King Jr. awarded the Nobel Peace Prize?
- A.** Yes. Martin Luther King Jr. became the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.
- Q.** Was Martin Luther King Jr. a Freedom Rider?
- A.** No, but King did show his support for the Freedom Riders in several ways. In 1961 during the Civil Rights Movement, a group of young Black and White college students took to riding interstate busses to force the issue of desegregation. Angry crowds often met these busses, attacking the Freedom Riders. At least 60 Freedom Rides were conducted throughout the South, affecting change that caused the Interstate Commerce Committee to enforce its ruling six years prior that denounced the separate but equal doctrine.

Plant Craft and Swap, Saturday, January 13th, 1pm-3pm, at CdA Library, 702 E. Front Ave. Exchange live plant cuttings and advice. Take rooted cuttings if you'd like to trade, or go without cutting and find something that suits your liking to nurture at home.

Prohibition: A Brief History, Wednesday, January 17th, 3pm-4pm, at Pinehurst Library, 107 Main St. A short documentary on the establishment of federal prohibition of alcohol (103 years ago today), infamous characters and lawless legacies. Refreshments served.

Courtesy of Coeur d'Alene Insider, cdainsider.com

Community Calendar

Post Falls Bridal Tour, Saturday, January 13th, 10am-3pm, at (2) locations: Jacklin Arts & Cultural Center, 405 N. Williams Street and Trailhead Event Center, 12361 W. Parkway Drive. Planning a wedding? Get most of it done in one day by visiting vendors.

Talk Shop with Idaho Fish & Game, Wednesday, January 17th, 6pm-8pm, at Lake City Center, 1916 N. Lakewood Dr., CdA. An opportunity to meet and talk to IDFG staff; Free food and soft drinks.

Pets

Pets of the Week: Crandel, Stella and Kix

— Companions Animal Center —



AKC CHOCOLATE LABS, \$800. Golden Retriever/ German shepherds, \$75. Mixed breed pups, \$50. 208-557-3733, MountainTraders.net. MountainTraders@mountaintraders.net

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GERMAN SHEPHERD. Female German shepherd needs new forever home. 1.5 years old, has all of her shots, and has been neutered. Family is moving, and cannot take her. We want her to go to a good home so there is no cost. 509-531-6064 for more info



MIN PIN/ DACHSHUND puppies, small, 2.5 lbs. Very playful, not barkers, mom is a Min Pin, dad's a Dachshund. Ready for their new homes, \$500. Please text 208-946-3837

COTON DE TULEAR, royal dog of Madagascar. Needing to rehome this 2 year old female Coton de Tulear. Sweet, loving, and hypoallergenic! Ready and available now. She is chipped, registered, and healthy, \$1500. 509-366-6728 for more information



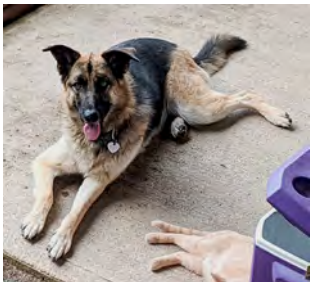
BEAUTIFUL BLUE FAWN Great Dane CKC female available now, \$1600. 208-415-2052

SECOND CHANCE PETS, Inc. All dogs spayed or neutered. Josie, 6 month old female Border Collie/ Australian shepherd mix, all white with some black spots, long fluffy coat and tail; Dixie, 2 year female Siberian Husky, stunning, sweet, kind dog; Harley, 2 year old male red/ white Border Collie mix, gorgeous, obedient, athletic, shorter coat, blue eyes; Cookie, 6 year old male Boxer/ Pointer mix, very short fawn coat, calm, obedient, good with kids, cats, dogs; Ruger, 4 year male shorthaired Pointer, liver with tail, obedient, athletic, high energy; Max, 5 year male Australian Cattle Dog, best as an only pet, very protective of rigs, and porches, no kids or cats; Apollo, 3 month old male Australian Cattle Dog/ Border Collie mix, tail docked, short, black and white coat; Durango, 3 year male purebred mini Australian Cattle Dog, short chocolate coat, docked tail, not good with men, excellent with women and children; George, 8 year old neutered male, Australian Cattle Dog/ Border Collie, beautiful red tricolor coat, blue eyes, no tail. Margo 4-year-old female purebred Australian Cattle Dog, short tri-color coat, best in a home without children. Banjo, 4 month male Border Collie mix, black/ white classic markings, shorter coat. Harper, 4 month English Redtick Coonhound, gorgeous red ticked coat with patches. You can visit scpr.petfinder.com or email idahocondog@yahoo.com for information



AKC SCOTTISH TERRIER puppies. Two male puppies, eight weeks old, first shots, dewormed, both parents on-site, \$1000. Bred and raised in loving home. 208-627-6749

AKC WIREHAired Griffons. Dual registered Pointing Griffons available for adoption. 1 male and 5 females ready to go now. Champion lines, non-shedding, calm, and quiet. Cricket Flat Kennels, \$1500. For more information: 541-962-5806, mathisfamilygriffons@gmail.com, Elgin, OR



MISSING DOG: FEMALE German Shepherd mix, 3 years old. 12/13/23, I-90 Rose Lake Interchange area. She ran away from home due to the noise/ fireworks on night of New Year's Eve, hasn't been seen since. Please call me (good or bad) if you see her or know something, 208-682-4988, Cataldo, ID

COTON DE TULEAR, royal dog of Madagascar. These beautiful pups are looking for forever homes, ready and available now. They come chipped, registered, and with first shots. Hypoallergenic and so very cute. Get yours today! Pay a little more for a purebred and have less vet bills. 509-366-6728 for more information



of similar size. I'm neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and ready to be your pal!



AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD. We have two females available and ready to go to their forever homes. Born 10/21, both parents are OFA hip certified, and are on-site. AKC papers in hand. Full registration, \$1200. For more information please call or text 541-561-9673. Text preferred. Hermiston, OR



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD female puppy, black tri, \$450. 509-279-3199

SAINT BERNARD PUPPIES. 8 females, 1 male; 2 vet checks, age appropriate worming and vaccines. Family raised on a small farm, \$1000. Muggz of love Bullies and Saints for more pictures, 406-249-2339, Flathead Valley

PUREBRED FEMALE Bengal kitten. Beautiful rosettes, health tested, parents are registered, with the dad having champion bloodlines, \$1000. For pet only, that's why price is low! She's dewormed and litter trained. 986-888-9177, Idaho

GOLDEN RETRIEVER puppies. Adorable AKC Golden Retriever puppies ready to go to their new homes now. We have 25 years experience with goldens that are intelligent and calm. Family raised and well socialized. First shots, wormed, and AKC registered. Both parents on-site. There is nothing like the love and affection of a Golden Retriever! \$750. Contact Jeff at 509-991-7055



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PUREBRED TOY AUSSIE, female, 2 left. 6 months old, first shots, dewclaws done, wormed. \$300, ready to go. 208-304-0454



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SCOTTISH TERRIER puppies. Born in our home 11/20/2023. Happy, loved, well socialized. 6 boys: Wheaten and strawberry wheaten. Dewormed, first shots, \$1100 or two for \$1600. Christy, 360-949-3801, CdA

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BOSTON TERRIER puppies ready for their forever homes right now at 8 weeks old. All have first worming and shots, both parents on-site, all have been raised as family pets. 1 male, 5 females, \$900. Text interest, 208-660-4698

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BOXER PUPPIES available for adoption. Dewclaws removed and tails docked. Vet checked, current shots, and wormed. Purebred, non-papered, ready 2/1, just in time for Valentines Day. More information: 509-948-0689



CHESAPEAKE BAY Retriever Doodle puppies, 8 weeks old, \$200. Call or text for more info, 208-500-9974, Dalton Gardens, ID

New Year, Time For A New Fishing/Hunting License, And You Have Lots Of Options

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



Buying a license gives you a year of hunting and fishing and helps wildlife

The new year is almost here, so it's time to get a 2024 hunting and/or fishing license. Not only do you get a full year of hunting and fishing (shameless plug alert), you also help fund protecting, preserving and perpetuating all of Idaho's fish and wildlife.

Licenses, permits and tags can be purchased online at GoOutdoorsIdaho.com, through the Idaho Fish and Game mobile apps for IOS and Android, or by phone at (800) 554-8685. They can also be bought in person at license vendor locations, or Fish and Game regional offices during normal business hours.

Throughout the year, Fish and Game staff stocks millions of fish in hundreds of waters, provides public access to millions of acres of hunting lands and provides additional public access at hundreds of boating and fishing access areas. Fish and Game also owns or manages hundreds of thousands of acres of prime wildlife habitat, most of which is open to the public.

Much of the money for all those things comes from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, tags and permits.

Buying a hunting, fishing or combo license is old news and probably a pretty a routine annual occurrence for most Idahoans, but here are some cool options you may not be aware of.



Idaho Fish and Game Hard Card

Download the mobile app

You can download the Go Outdoors Idaho mobile app and buy licenses, tags and permits through your phone, and you can have digital licenses and permits stored there. For example, you can store your fishing license and two-pole permit on your phone. You can also access sunrise/sunset times, submit

your Mandatory Hunter Report, access rules and regulations, and more.

Buy a 'hard card'

If you like a physical license, you can also get a durable and attractive "hard card" for \$6 that's the same size and shape as a credit card, and it has all your license and permit information on it.

Buy a three-year license and get "Price Locked"

Price Lock started in a 2017 as a way to reward regular hunting and fishing license buyers who continue to buy every year. As long as they buy a license each year, they get a discount, or more accurately, do not pay higher prices when there's a fee increase.

People who buy a resident three-year hunting, fishing or combo licenses also get "Price Locked," and they will continue to pay the 2017 prices, and won't pay higher prices if there is a fee increase.

Sign up for autorenew

This is a simple way to ensure you always have a valid hunting/fishing or combo license. If you sign-up for Auto-Renew, your licenses will be automatically renewed for the next year each December. You will be notified via email that your credit card on file is about to be charged, and you can cancel at that time if you don't wish to continue, or at any other time.

Get it all (almost) with a Sportsman's Package

If you're someone who likes to have their hunting/fishing bases covered, then the resident Sportsman's Package option is the way to go. At only \$124.25 for Price Locked customers — or \$144.60 if you're not — you get nearly all the hunting and fishing opportunities Idaho has to offer, which includes a resident adult hunting and fishing license along with tags for deer, elk, bear, mountain lion, wolf, turkey, salmon and steelhead. Archery and muzzleloader validations are also included (but you still need archery education certification).



Idaho Super Hunt winner for deer tag

While you're at it, consider buying Super Hunt entries

Idaho's Super Hunt tags allow 34 lucky hunters each year to win this special opportunity to hunt deer, elk, pronghorn and moose in any hunt — general or controlled — for that species, as well as a Super Hunt Combo that includes all four species.

Super Hunt entries are available all year with tag drawings taking place on May 31 and Aug. 10. You can buy as many entries as you want, and residents and nonresidents pay the same prices.

Community Calendar

Celtic Jam, Sunday, January 14th, 2pm-4pm, at Jacklin Arts and Cultural Center, 405 N. William St., Post Falls. Go to play along, or listen. All are welcome!

Free Community Meal, Friday, January 19th, 4:30pm-6:30pm, at Athol Community Center, 30399 N. 3rd Street. Provided by non-profit organization, "Bestowing the Basics", all are invited regardless of need. Connect with "old" friends, make new ones over chili, mac and cheese, cornbread, salad and dessert.

Winter Cycling Seminar, Friday, January 19th, 6pm, at Two Wheeler Dealer, 9551 N. Hwy 95, Hayden. All about winter cycling, bikepacking, snow camping and winter ultra racing. Presented by Iditarod finishers and gear manufacturers. Learn

how not to die, choose a campsite, frostbite, layering of clothing, types of gear, where to ride, mapping routes and safety considerations. Free and open to the public!

Free Skiing: Customer Appreciation Day, Friday, January 19th, at Lookout Pass Ski and Recreation Area, I-90 exit 0 at ID/ MT state line, sponsored by Parker Subaru, 314 W. Clayton Ave., CdA. Complimentary tickets for Subaru drivers must be picked up at the car dealership in advance and are limited. Questions? Call 208-415-0555.

Winterfest Outhouse Races, Saturday, February 3rd, noon, sponsored by Spirit Lake Parks and Recreation. Registration opens December 18th with entry fee \$15-20. Free fun for observers!

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CYBER ATTACK COMING! The people of World Economic Forum, who planned Covid-19 and executed it world wide, are now going to put a cyber attack into operation, in 2024-2025. They tell us on their website that Covid-19 was a dress rehearsal, a minor disturbance, compared to the cyber attack which is coming. The plan of the cyber attack is to knock out the power grid, meaning that you will have no electricity to run anything that runs on electricity. Think of anything, and everything, that runs on electricity. Their main objective is to control your life totally. When Covid-19 hit, they shut down almost everything, forced people to get vaccinated. You were affected in some way by their demands. They controlled governments around the world and mandated control over your lifestyle: wearing masks, social distancing, etc. Have you never heard of CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency) and Digital ID, where they control your money, how and where you spend it? Aren't you curious as to why they want total control over your life? Tim, 208-217-8942, text only

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