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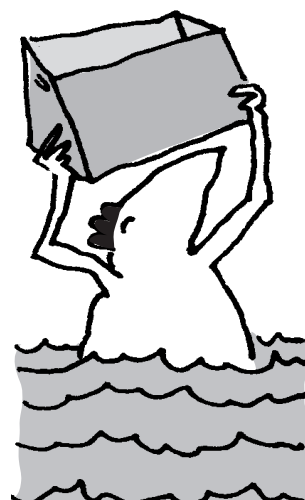
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How to Honor Loved Ones' Memories During the Holidays

Guidance and resources to support families navigating grief during the holiday season

— *Family Features* —



The holiday season can be a time of joy and connection, but it can also bring intense feelings of loss and sadness for those grieving the death of a loved one.

To help families honor memories while caring for their emotional well-being, the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA) recognizes the unique challenges of this season and offers these resources and tips.

Embrace Your Feelings

Grief is unique to each person, and emotions during the holidays can vary widely – from sadness and longing to moments of joy and peace. Give yourself permission to feel whatever arises without judgment. Allow space for tears or quiet reflection and remember it's OK to experience mixed emotions. Acknowledging your feelings honestly can help you move through the season with greater self-compassion.

Create New Traditions

While old holiday traditions often hold treasured memories, creating new rituals can help you honor your loved one in a personal way.

“Keep as many traditions as you can keep, but we always encourage families to create a new tradition to remember that loved one who’s been lost,” said Tim Schramm, owner of Howe-Peterson Funeral Homes.

Lighting a candle in their memory, sharing stories that celebrate their life or setting up a special display of photos or keepsakes are small acts that can bring comfort. Some people find meaning in donating to a

charity in their honor or volunteering together with family or friends to celebrate the spirit of giving.

Lean on Your Support System

Having trusted people around you can offer solace. Whether through family gatherings, friends, support groups or counseling, reaching out helps bridge feelings of loneliness. Being with others who understand your grief or sharing your memories can provide reassurance and companionship during times that might feel isolating.

Set Boundaries to Protect Your Well-Being

It's important to do what feels right for you, even if that means saying no to events or stepping away from overwhelming situations. Setting limits helps protect your emotional health and allows you to navigate the holidays at your own pace.

“As funeral directors, we often remind families that caring for yourself is just as important as honoring your loved one,” said Dr. Camelia Clarke, owner and licensed funeral director at Paradise Memorial. “Setting boundaries isn’t selfish – it’s an act of compassion that allows you to truly be present in the moments that matter most.”

Communicate honestly with loved ones about your needs as they will likely appreciate your openness.

Prioritize Self-Care

Grief can be emotionally and physically tiring, especially around the holidays. Take care of yourself through adequate rest, comforting meals, finding a new hobby or buying yourself a gift. Simple mindfulness practices, such as journaling or breathing exercises, can also help manage stress and bring moments of calm.

Remember with Compassion

Honoring your loved one's memory is a personal journey. You might choose to share stories, write letters, observe moments of silence or engage in creative expressions like art or music. Embracing these acts with kindness and patience fosters healing and helps keep their spirit alive.

The holiday season often brings both challenges and opportunities for healing. By embracing your emotions, leaning on support, creating meaningful rituals, and caring for yourself, you can honor your loved ones in ways that feel right for you. Remember, you don't have to face this time alone. Resources like journey cards from RememberingALife.com and other ways to keep memories alive are available to provide guidance and comfort as needed.

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BEST BITES



Make Slow-Cook Applesauce for a Tasty Fall Treat

It wasn't exactly a pretty picture when an unexpected snowfall blanketed the Twin Cities on a weekend a few years back. We simply weren't ready for the cold temps and a whiteout of fall colors at the very same time that our World Series hopes were dashed when the Yankees triumphed over the Twins with a three-game sweep.

Since we were feeling and acting noticeably glum in our household, it was a moment to step up to the plate with the familiar adage that I had repeated to the kids when they were young and the lemon of life had just turned sour on their hopes and dreams: "OK, you guys, when life gives you lemons, make lemonade."

But we don't grow lemons in Minnesota, so we proceeded to do the next best thing. We rooted through the closet for mismatched mittens and hats, went out in the backyard to our spindly apple tree, picked our last 10 apples from snow-laden branches, and collectively mused, "So, when life gives you 10 juicy apples, turn them into applesauce!" And this is exactly what we did.

For a change of pace, we put aside our traditional stovetop recipe and instead sliced and diced all 10 apples and tossed them in the slow cooker with some water, sugar, and a dash of cinnamon. It was a success!

As the apples sputtered and gurgled to their own rhythm, the sweet and fragrant apple-cinnamon

aroma permeated every room of our house. As for life lessons, once we put a positive spin on the situation, we enjoyed cozy indoor time together, and we were no doubt the better for it.

You don't need a "when life gives you lemons" moment to reap the benefits of this yummy and aromatic recipe. Just count up 10 apples, and you're on your way to a special fall treat. Here's what you'll need to turn the apples into 5-6 cups of tasty home-made applesauce:

10 larges apples, peeled, cored and sliced, or cut into chunks

1/2 cup water

1/4 to 1/2 cup sugar

1 teaspoon cinnamon

Pinch of nutmeg (optional)

Stir ingredients together in a slow cooker. It should be about 3/4 full. Set on the low setting and cook for about 8 hours. Mash with a potato masher before serving for a smoother mixture, if you wish.

Enjoy on hot breakfast cereal, granola, pancakes and waffles in the morning, as a snack in the afternoon, or over vanilla ice cream for dessert after the evening meal.



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— Spokane American Italian Club —

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A cherished Spokane tradition, the fundraiser brings together friends, families, and supporters to celebrate Italian heritage while raising funds for scholarships, international exchange students, and women and children in crisis.

Guests will enjoy a three-course Italian dinner, including homemade spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread, and dessert. The event will also feature live music, raffles, a silent auction, cannoli and a bake sale, offering guests a chance to take home local gifts and prizes while supporting meaningful causes.

"This event is truly the heart of what we do. It's about sharing our heritage through food and fellowship and ensuring that our fundraising efforts make a real difference in our community." -Kimberley

Asay, President of the Spokane American Italian Club.

Founded nearly 60 years ago, the Spokane American Italian Club is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has served the region for decades, promoting Italian culture, community involvement, and educational support. The club's charitable initiatives have helped provide scholarships to local students, assistance to families in crisis, and opportunities for cultural exchange.

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About the Spokane American Italian Club

The Spokane American Italian Club is a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving Italian culture, fostering community engagement, and supporting education and charitable causes throughout the Inland Northwest. Through events, classes, scholarships, and service projects, the club continues to honor its heritage while enriching the local community.

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A Quick and Dirty Guide to Elk Hunting This Year

Part 1 of 2

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —

The point of this quick and dirty elk hunting forecast is to help guide hunters who may be picking up the rifle or muzzleloader later in the season.

Sure, some might argue that the peak of elk season spans the first and last days of September while you traipse around the woods with a compound bow in your hand, listening for bugles. I'm not going to dispute that; however, there are several opportunities throughout the fall to go after elk, and the point of this quick and dirty elk hunting forecast is to help guide hunters who may be picking up the rifle or muzzleloader later in the season.

For those looking for regional-specific elk info, head to the bottom of this article—but hold off just a second. While elk conditions and populations can vary from region to region, there are a few general truths to elk hunting I'd like to highlight before diving into more localized information.

First off, a little background for context.

If you recall, the drop in elk harvest two seasons ago was a bit of a head-scratcher. Anecdotally, we heard reports from experienced elk hunters who were not finding elk in their usual spots during fall and suspected that maybe a combination of hot temperatures and scant precipitation might have been a significant factor. Fish and Game's Deer and Elk Coordinator Toby Boudreau said the dip in statewide harvest did not reflect a dip in the overall elk population, but it would possibly take another year to know for sure.

And now, a year later, that's exactly where we're at, and Fish and Game biologists believe the statewide elk population is healthy and relatively stable.

"While things vary from elk zone to elk zone, statewide elk populations tend to stay relatively stable from year to year," said Boudreau.

Environmental conditions can sometimes have misleading observations when it comes to the perception of populations. For example, rain was plentiful in August 2023, which led to fantastic summer range conditions for elk. Combined with a mild fall, elk didn't necessarily feel the need to lock up their summer vacation homes and head to lower habitat, so the effect (in hunters' minds, at least) was the perception of fewer elk on the landscape.

Year	Harvest
2015	24,230
2016	21,681
2017	22,762
2018	22,526
2019	20,532
2020	22,776
2021	20,566
2022	20,982
2023	18,588
2024	20,896
10 YEAR AVG.	21,522

In reality, the elk were still out there in 2023; just not on the same landscape as you. General season hunters typically have the option of getting higher in elevation for those elk, but hunters with controlled hunt tags may not have had that option, so many of those tags went unfilled.

Okay, so what about this year?

Over-winter survival and collar data concluded in May, indicating excellent conditions for Idaho's elk heading into summer. Remember that every year, Fish and Game wildlife biologists collar and track deer and elk survival throughout the winter, paying especially close attention to that data in April and May when the animals are at the end of their rope nutrition-wise.

While elk, hardy as they are, tend to fare better than deer, it's always cause for celebration when their survival numbers stay relatively high. With yet another mild winter in 2024-'25, elk herds across the state will continue to grow, as Boudreau forecasts bigger herds this fall than last.

"Seasonal factors like mild winters and spring moisture are how you get healthy herds," Boudreau said. "This year, we're anticipating earlier antler growth among bulls and fuller-bodied calves and cows."

Dry conditions from September through the end of October, for instance, could mean fewer food options available on the hillsides, forcing herds to head for greener (and higher) pastures.

But, and I'll leave you with this, the flipside to that is a mild summer. Summer was a mild one; you could count the number of triple-digit days on one hand, with most days sticking to the 80s and 90s, depending on where you are in the state.

In years past, summers with higher average temperatures have noticeably played a role in elk distribution. Recall that head-scratcher season of '23? That's exactly what happened that year. But this year, considering it's been on the milder side, we should expect more predictable behavior.

For now, look forward to another average to above-average season in the mountains chasing after Rocky Mountain elk. And as we've said before, average is pretty darned good because the 10-year average is historically high compared with the long-term average (see the graph above).

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Last Year's Numbers

- Total elk harvest in 2024: 20,996
- 2023 harvest total: 18,568
- Overall hunter success rate: 24%
- Antlered: 12,610
- Antlerless: 8,390
- Taken during general hunts: 13,170 (19% success rate)
- Taken during controlled hunts: 7,830 (42% success rate)

First off, a little background for context.

Regional Elk Hunting Outlooks

Panhandle Region – Units 1, 4, and 6 remain top-tier elk units in the state, promising hunters another productive fall season. The past two winters in the Panhandle Region were relatively mild, with below-average snowfall across winter range. This lighter snowpack likely made it easier for elk to travel and access forage throughout the season.

In Unit 4, overwinter elk calf survival was notably strong, holding steady at 90% during the past two winters. Winter ended early again, and spring arrived ahead of schedule in 2025, accelerating snowmelt at lower elevations and prompting an early green-up in the mountains. However, spring remained fairly dry, leading to forage drying out by July.

Clearwater Region – Harvest numbers and success rates saw a slight uptick last year in the Palouse Zone. Populations appear stable or slightly increasing. These trends are expected to continue into the 2025 season, supported by expanded antlerless muzzleloader opportunities in Units 8 and 11A.

In the Dworshak Zone, 2023 hunter success rates reached a five-year high, and total harvest was comparable to recent years. However, surveys suggest that elk populations in the zone have declined over the past decade. In response, Fish and Game collaborated with sportsmen in 2024 to form the Dworshak Elk Working Group, which included representatives from various user groups in the region. The group provided recommendations to the Fish and Game Commission, resulting in adopted changes for the 2025-2026 seasons. Hunters are encouraged to review the Idaho Big Game 2025 Seasons and Rules for more information on these changes.

Unit 14 continues to serve as the stronghold for the Elk City Zone, with growing elk populations supporting the majority of the zone's elk, harvest, and hunting activity. In contrast, elk numbers in Units 15 and 16 remain below long-term averages. Elk numbers and harvest remain relatively low in the Lolo, Selway, and Hells Canyon zones. However, recent improvements in calf recruitment offer a more optimistic outlook for future seasons. Strong elk numbers have also been observed in specific areas within these zones, suggesting localized potential for improved hunting opportunity.

Southwest Region (McCall) – Elk herds remain at/ or above objectives in most of the region, except for the Middle Fork Zone, which is still below objectives. Wildlife staff surveyed the Weiser River and Brownlee zones last winter.

Elk numbers in both those zones were well above management objectives, leading to several hunting season changes. The quota was removed from the Weiser River Zone B tag, and general hunting opportunity was added on a Brownlee B tag. Controlled hunts for both youth and adults were added in Brownlee and Weiser River units. It is important to note that elk in both zones can be challenging to hunt in areas with a mix of private and public lands, as elk will often seek refuge on private lands with limited hunting access.

Southwest Region (Nampa) – Back in 2021, a population survey in the Boise River Zone revealed that both cows and bulls were exceeding population objectives. Starting in 2023, the season for the Boise River B Tag was extended to begin earlier on Oct. 27. Hunter success rates have remained fairly consistent since the hunting season was extended.

Both general season and controlled hunt tag holders should still have plenty of opportunity this season. Harvest metrics will be carefully monitored to ensure the Boise River Zone's population stays within target levels.

Starting this fall, Unit 38 was added to the Boise River B tag to address ongoing depredations. Unit 38 has minimal suitable elk habitat, and nearly all elk are on private agricultural lands. Hunters should not consider this hunt unless they have secured permission to access private lands beforehand.

The Sawtooth Zone was last surveyed in 2023. Estimates of overwintering bulls showed a decline, while cow numbers increased compared to the previous survey in 2017. However, it is important to remember that much of the huntable population migrates into the Sawtooth Zone in the spring.

Over the past five years, our staff have noticed a slight decline in overall hunting success rates. However, last year was a notable exception. Hunters who waited out the fires during the 2024 season experienced a noticeable bump in success. It's likely that the large fires displaced elk from their usual hiding places, making them easier for hunters to find.

Elk hunting in the Owyhee Zone, which is limited to controlled hunts, will continue to offer hunters excellent chances to harvest mature bulls this fall. These herds are stable and/or growing, which allows for controlled hunt antlerless opportunities in the zone aimed at slowing population growth.

Salmon Region – Hunters should see good harvest opportunity again this season because most of the elk zones are either at or above objective. The region experienced an average winter with good survival rates. The summer has been hot and dry in the lower elevations with scattered moisture events occurring throughout the higher elevations.

The Salmon Zone remains within management objectives, but has experienced a slight decline in elk numbers in portions of the zone. In response to reduced counts, the department has reduced cow harvest opportunities in some units. Those looking for bulls during the any-weapon season may experience less elk in the field than in years past.

Elk numbers in the Middle Fork Salmon River appear to be holding steady but will still be in low densities across the wilderness. Hunters in this low-density landscape are encouraged to use their optics and boots to cover as much ground as possible to locate small herds of elk and be successful in harvesting a bull.

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Veteran's Appreciation Dinner, 5:30pm-8:30pm Fri. 11/14. At Mountain Lakes Bible Church, 2215 N. 7th St., CdA. Buffet table features lasagna or pasta primavera, salad, bread, dessert. Also drawings, improv comedy show and silent auction. Provided by American Legion Post #14. Free but donations are welcome. RSVP to 909-921-1340 (Jerry Staub).

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Thanksgiving Meal, 1pm-4pm Sat. 11/22. At American Legion Post #143, 1138 E. Poleline Ave., Post

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Thanksgiving Art

Thanksgiving is a holiday steeped in Americana, and what captures that better than the classic cover illustrations of The Saturday Evening Post? Illustrator J.C. Leyendecker, who was born in Germany, studied art in Paris and opened an art studio with his brother in Chicago, created some of the magazine's most famous holiday covers, including the annual New Year Baby.

A study for "Peeling Apples," his Thanksgiving-themed illustration for the cover of the Nov. 28, 1925, issue, sold for \$13,200 at an auction by Bruneau & Co. Leyendecker's original art is quite valuable; in 2021, his painting for "Beat-up Boy, Football Hero," which graced the Nov. 21, 1914, The Saturday Evening Post cover, sold for a record \$4.1 million.

The "Peeling Apples" study is clearly unfinished, with visible grid lines and parts left without paint, but it still has appeal. The unfinished spots provide a glimpse of the work that goes into the illustration. Like a Thanksgiving meal, it looks like a labor of love.

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Artist J.C. Leyendecker's illustrations often capture the simple things we're thankful for—like a home-cooked meal and family to enjoy it with.

(ndga.net), American Carnival Glass Association (myacga.com) or International Carnival Glass Association (internationalcarnivalglass.com).

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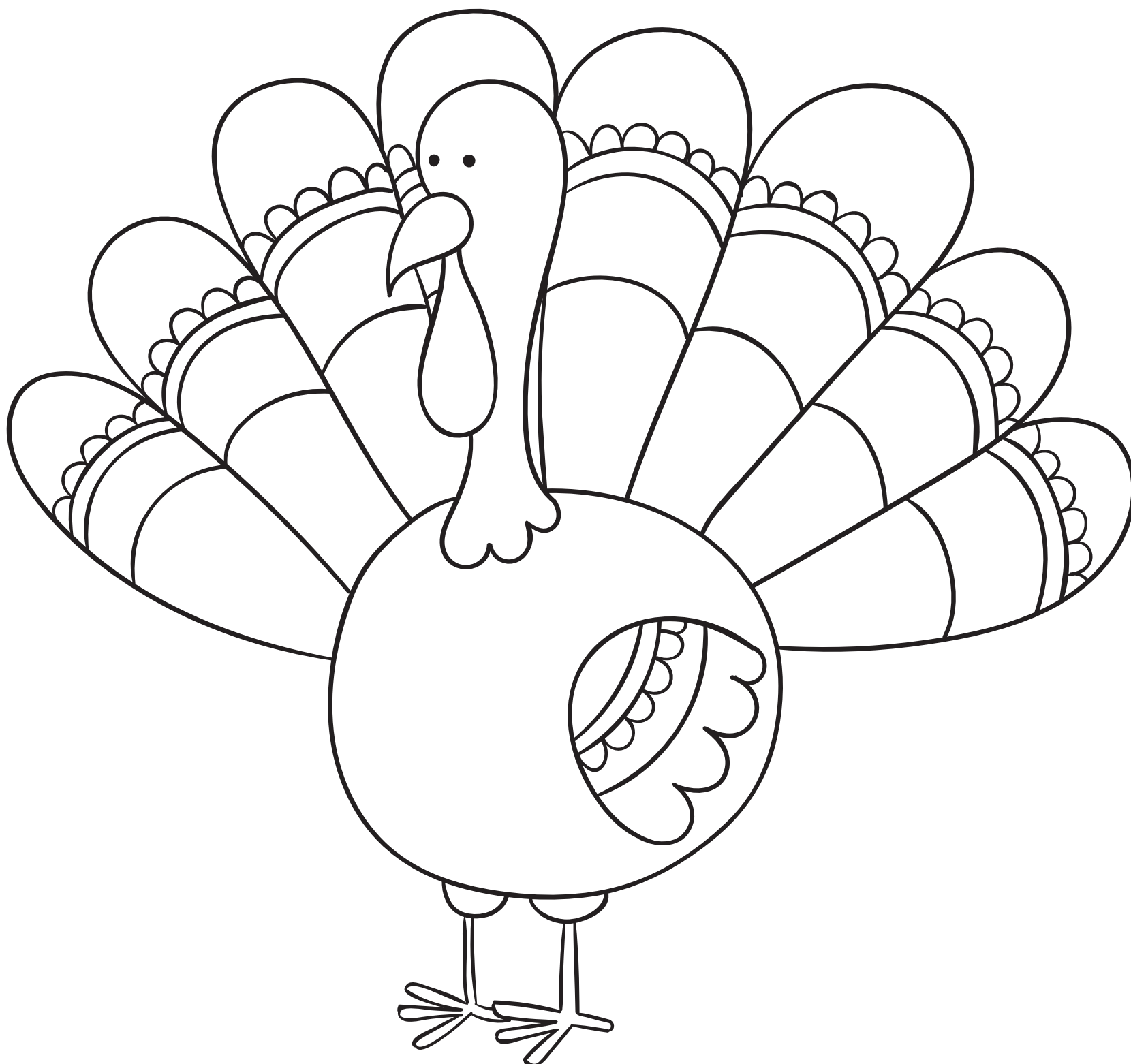
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Quick Facts: Affectionate, indoor/ outdoor, talkative

Meet Blue! Blue is a happy, 8-year-old gentleman weighing in at 88 pounds. He may be a little shy at first, but once he feels comfortable, he'll greet you with a wagging tail and the biggest smile. Blue loves spending time with his people-lounging nearby, soaking up ear scratches, and enjoying belly rubs. He'd thrive in a calm, quiet home where he can be the center of attention-he prefers not to share his space with other dogs or cats. Blue recently enjoyed a foster stay with one of our wonderful volunteers. She shared that he loved gardening alongside her, running through sprinklers, and staying close by her side. If he lost sight of her, he'd look around until he found her and happily trotted back over-proof of how devoted this boy can be! He's a gentle, affectionate companion who would love to join you in your daily activities and then wind down together at home. Come meet Blue and see just how special he is!

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Art Walk, 5pm-8pm Friday, Nov. 14th, in downtown CdA. Free and open to all ages, stroll the sidewalks for an immersion into an evening of art, music, and festive fun! See art demonstrations, sip wine and enjoy live music!

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Advanced Care Planning Workshop Wednesday, Nov 19th, 1-2:30 pm, for veterans at Coeur d'Alene VA Clinic, 915 W. Emma Ave., Room CDA-159, CdA. In case of serious injury or illness, create advance directive documents such as "Durable Power of Attorney" & a Living Will. Gain understanding of healthcare decisions & share concerns with other veterans. Provided by I CARE/U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs. Register by calling 509-434-7983. Also: Dec 17, Jan 21 & Feb 18.

Music: Bridges Home + Joanne Heinz, 6pm Saturday, Nov. 15th, at Create Arts Center, 900 W. 4th, Newport, WA. Celtic, Bluegrass, Roots, and original music. Tickets online or at the door: www.createarts.org, 509-447-9277

Winter Driving Safety Class Saturday, Nov 15, 10 am-noon, at ISP District Office, 615 W. Wilbur Ave., CdA. Taught by ISP troopers & snow plow operators, learn how to prepare vehicles, handle icy roads, & stay safe. Suggested for teens, new drivers, & those new to Idaho winters. FREE of charge, & also receive a 10% discount for tires from Les Schwab. Also offered: Dec 6 & Dec 13. Register online at itd.idaho.gov/travel.

Fall Symphony Concert, 7pm Tuesday, Nov. 18th, presented by Panhandle Symphony Orchestra at Lake City HS, 6101 N. Ramsey Rd., CdA. Free and all are welcome!

Theater: "Little Women", various showtimes, 2pm and 7:30pm, Nov. 21st-Dec. 7th, at Lake City Playhouse, 1320 E. Garden Ave., CdA. Come see this timeless classic come to life on Coeur d'Alene's oldest

stage. Tickets available at: www.lakecityplayhouse.org

Winter Blessing, 2pm Sunday, Nov. 23rd, at Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel in the upstairs conference area, 37914 S. Nukwalqw Rd., Worley. A celebration of Native American traditions with live dance competitions, including Horse Tail and Short Fringe styles. Also storytelling, complimentary fry bread and huckleberry jam. All are welcome to this free event!

Kids' Movie at the Library, Tuesday, Nov. 25th, 2pm, at CdA Library, 702 E. Front Ave. Enjoy free popcorn while watching "Fantastic Mr. Fox" (PG-13) on the big screen of the Community Room. This is an adventure story about a wily fox trying to outsmart three mean-spirited farmers and is based on the classic book.

Thanksgiving Community Meal, Thursday, Nov. 27th, at 208 Recovery Community Center, 1121 E. Mullan Ave., Ste. 201, CdA. Offering warmth, connection and comforting food to those in recovery, those supporting a loved one, or simply needing a place to belong for Thanksgiving Day. More info., 208-261-1015.

Coeurly Q's Square Dancing, 6:30pm-8pm every Thursday, at Harding Family Center Gym, 411 N. 15th St., CdA, enter from west side parking lot. First lesson of the season begins for Modern Western Square Dancing. Dance in a group of 8 to patterns directed by a caller to music which can be rock, classical, pop or country. Held every Thursday. More info - contact Donna Seil at 208-772-9802, email dseil125@gmail.com

Lighting Ceremony Parade, 5pm Friday, Nov. 28th, in downtown CdA. For the 33rd year, Coeur d'Alene Downtown Association presents the holiday parade on Sherman Avenue, beginning at 8th and Sherman, then traveling to the intersection of Gov't Way and Northwest Blvd. Marching bands, dancing, music, and festive floats lead the way to the lawn of The CdA Resort for carols and a countdown to an unforgettable fireworks display, compliments of Hagadone Corporation as 1.5 million lights sparkle in downtown CdA.

Holiday Concert, Sunday, Nov. 30th, 2pm, at CdA Library, 702 E Front Ave. A local brass quintet, CdA Brass, will provide the joyful sounds of holiday classics, toe-tapping tunes, and singalongs for all ages. Light refreshments.

Courtesy of Coeur d'Alene Insider. For more extensive calendar, visit: www.cdainsider.com/calendar

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Pets of the Week: Sammy and Stanley

— Second Chance Pet Rescue —



Hello everyone, it's me, Sammy!! Yes, I'm still here in Rescue, still waiting for you to see me and apply to adopt me!! I know you're out there, I've been waiting so patiently for the right person to realize I'm the ONE they've been looking for!! From my foster mom: "This handsome boy is a sweet and silly English Bulldog/Boxer mix looking for his forever family!"

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Hello everybody, it's me, Stanley!! Yep, I'm still here in Rescue. I know, I know it's so hard to believe. I'm a very special boy with some food allergies, but that shouldn't deter

you from opening your home to my endless love and silliness! I love to play, wrestle, snuggle, romp around and nap. About in that order! I like to act rough around other big dogs, males especially, but really it's all a show. But because they sometimes get offended, I'll need a home without a big dog that might hurt me. I love all people, am potty trained and have pretty good basic manners. I prefer a home where I can sleep in bed with you and go everywhere you go, I don't really like to be left alone. I've had several homes in my short years on this earth and I'm hoping the next one is my forever one. Could that be you?

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AKC LABS BORN 9/6/25, will be big! Parents on site. Silver, charcoal, light yellow, \$1000. Additional photos at nickelsworth.com. Located in Athol, ID, 208-561-1418

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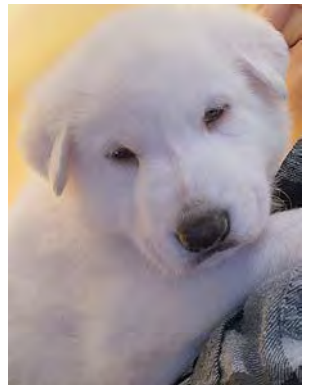
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ALASKAN MALAMUTE: One male Alaskan Malamute puppy available. 10 weeks old, vet checked, vaccinated, dewormed. Very sweet boy looking for his forever home. For more info and price please text or call 509-899-7164

BEAGLE PUPPIES: Tricolor Beagle puppies, current on their shots and wormings and ready for their new homes. \$750. Please call Donny or Jackie for more info, 509-941-9977



WHITE GERMAN Shepherd puppies. 2 males born 9/20/25, ready on 11/15/25. 1st shots and wormed. Absolute loves! \$1200. Mom and dad both AKC, parents on site; parents' hips and elbows excellent. Additional pics at nickelsworth.com. Call 208-967-2422, Rathdrum, ID

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CAUCASIAN SHEPHERD puppies! Born 8/20/25; purebred but unpapered. Mother is American bred and father is from Macedonia; both gentle giants and great with kids and other pets. Available around October 10th, 2025, \$1000. 208-818-1964, Sandpoint, ID



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TOY AUSSIE GIRLS: Female Toy Aussies looking for new homes. 1-4 years old. Opal and Dixie don't get along with each other or other small females. They are both great with small male dogs, all large dogs, great with kids, and cats. Dixie is particularly good with rabbits, and is OK with chickens. Echo is very gentle and submissive, gets along with all other dogs, but is just scared of everything-flees from her own shadow. Have had to separate all of them for their own safety and realize that is no life for them. Opal and Dixie each need to be the only female dog and would do best with a male dog for a companion. They are very affectionate dogs that love people, but should not go together. They are outdoor dogs, a good fence is a must. Call or text 509-634-0692



Jacoby is a 4 month old domestic short-hair. He's a very shy boy and will need lots of patience and time to adjust but once warmed up to you, he is the best kitty. He is just a baby! Please be patient with him as he learns and grow! Before considering adding him to your life, please make sure you have the appropriate amount of time, space, and resources available to care for him for his lifetime.



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Pets of the Week: Vallarta and Krueger

— Priest River Animal Rescue —



Meet Vallarta, a sweet young cat with a heart as warm as her tropical namesake. Though she may seem shy at first, Vallarta's gentle nature shines through once she feels at home. She loves to find a peaceful spot to curl up and purr, offering comfort and companionship. Vallarta greets you softly at the door, her quiet presence a soothing end to any day. Her affectionate and loyal personality makes her a wonderful companion for anyone seeking a loving friend. Bring Vallarta home and enjoy the warmth, gentle cuddles, and love she brings into your life.



Phone: 208-448-0699 | Email: pranimalhouse@hotmail.com
Website: pranimalrescue.org | Address: 5538 Highway 2, Priest River, Idaho

Our hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11:00am to 4:00pm. Walk-ins are welcome to see the adoptable animals. We have a wonderful Critters Thrift Store full of hidden treasures.



Krueger is a gentle 7-month-old puppy with a calm, reserved personality. He's a bit shy at first, but responds well to basic commands and is nearly housebroken. Coming from a tough background with his brother, Krueger thrives on patient attention and gentle introductions to new experiences. He's especially good with children and would do best in a nurturing home that allows him to grow at his own pace. Rescued from a Dollar Store parking lot, Krueger is now seeking a loving family where he can receive care, patience, and the chance to become a happy companion.





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\$509,900 MLS #25-8093

West Cda area: 3 bedroom, 2 bath Rancher in Cda, 1631 sq ft. 2 car garage plus bonus RV garage, 44 ft long 14 ft front door plus mop sink with hot and cold water. 12 ft deep roll out power awning to fully enjoy the evenings. Listing is just off Atlas Rd, 1/4 mile north of Seltice. Minutes to schools, shopping and the Spokane River.



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Pets As Gifts: Yay or Nay?

Things to think about as the holiday season approaches

— Monica Thomas —



For all you animal lovers out there, is there anything cuter than a baby animal, especially the domestic, cuddly sort? Besides being absolutely adorable, having a beloved pet often increases the production of serotonin and dopamine (two of our bodies' happy chemicals), which is especially important as our INW weather turns cold, grey, and much less sunny. According to studies, oxytocin, another happy neurochemical, is released between humans and dogs when they gaze into each other's eyes. And owners of fish have found that their heart rate decreases and muscles relax when watching their aquatic friends swim around their tanks. Some studies have even revealed that humans who have an animal companion live a longer life than those who don't.

While there may not seem to be many downsides to owning a furry friend, there are some very serious points to consider before adopting or purchasing an animal, especially a dog or a cat who tend to have longer lifespans.

Cost. Nurturing any life form takes care, time, and cost, whether in the form of fresh soil and fertilizer, or food, litter, and vaccinations. Some animals, like humans, even end up with unforeseen medical problems which have to be taken care of, the same as any other family member. While it may not seem like much all at once, things add up over time, so make sure you've budgeted long term for the additional expenses before you adopt or shop.

Allergies. This is a personal one for this writer. My husband and I discovered after bringing our brand new baby boy home from the hospital that he was extremely allergic to our bonded pair of cats. It was a heartbreaking decision to have to say good-bye to our furry family members. Fortunately, we found a wonderful family who was able to take them together and provide a new loving home. But many aren't as lucky and are surrendered instead to shelters with the hope someone else might take on the responsibility of rescuing them.

Time. Any new pet needs a significant time commitment for care and training, which is only the beginning. This includes a dedication spanning several years; there are even some dogs and cats who have lived upwards of 20 years! I've had countless conversations with pet owners who ended up surrendering their dog after a year or two because they didn't realize going into the commitment how much time had to be dedicated in training. Depending upon the animal, time could be as little as an hour a week to clean a tank or terrarium or several hours for obedience training for a rambunctious puppy.

Emotional connection. We aren't the only ones who get attached to our pets. Time and again, my own animals, as well as the pets of friends, have proven just how dedicated and loyal they are to their humans. Sadness and depression are easy to see in a dog's eyes, and of course there are stores like "Homeward Bound" which detail the journeys pets have made to be reunited with their humans. Whether to a lesser or greater degree, they have emotions just like we do. And unlike humans, they don't have our communication abilities. So how do you explain to an animal that keeping it just isn't working out, or that the animal has grown too old for you to keep, or that your family didn't end up enjoying the animal due to its high level of maintenance? Whatever the reason, the animal won't understand; all they know is the human(s) they adore aren't there anymore. The lucky ones find new families; the unlucky ones... well, know that not all shelters are the no-kill kind.

Do your homework. Small or large, short-haired or long-haired, working animal or chill pet. The varieties are nearly endless, so it shouldn't come as a surprise that different pets have different needs, and the same is true for various breeds of cats and dogs. A Pomeranian will obviously have different needs for happiness than a Husky, which has different needs than a herding dog like an Australian Shepherd or cattle dog, all of which of course will have vastly different needs than a cat, bunny, reptile, or parrot. Take the time to research what your chosen pet will need from you in the long run before bringing it home or presenting as a gift.

This article isn't intended to make anyone who has had to surrender an animal feel guilty. It is, however, intended to caution individuals and families as we head into the next 6 months of gift-giving holidays. Please consider the seriousness of the commitment of a new animal before bringing a new puppy home for your kids on Christmas, or a kitten for your sweetheart on Valentine's Day, or a baby bunny or duckling around Easter. In terms of breeds, if allergies aren't an issue, please consider adopting from a shelter; most are already full to bursting with lonely animals just waiting for a forever family to love them! The Nickel's Worth Pets section always features a couple pets from various local shelters, so skimming through the pages is a great place to start!



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— National Day Calendar —



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A large number of people affected by diabetes is a source of concern for global health care workers. Awareness, education, action, and research all can make a difference. In many cases, Type 2 diabetes is preventable.

Ways to Prevent Type 2 Diabetes:

- Eliminate sugar and refined carbs
- Work out regularly and avoiding a sedentary lifestyle
- Make water the primary beverage
- Maintain a healthy weight
- Quit smoking
- Eat a high fiber diet
- Optimize Vitamin D levels
- Take natural herbs, such as curcumin and berberine, that increase insulin sensitivity

Type 2 diabetes is not preventable for everyone. However, making healthy choices provides the best chance of not getting it. In the United States, 9 out of every 10 cases of diabetes can be avoided if the above lifestyle changes are implemented. Families, schools, workplaces, communities, and healthcare providers can all work together to make healthy choices easy ones.

While Type 1 diabetes is not as preventable, it can be managed well with insulin injections. Managing Type 1 diabetes might also require frequent blood sugar monitoring, eating healthy foods, exercising regularly, and maintaining a healthy weight. Education is key to learning how to manage symptoms of Type 1 diabetes.

How To Observe #WorldDiabetesDay

To observe this day, many healthcare professionals, companies, celebrities, and politicians host a variety of activities to spread awareness about diabetes. To participate:

- Learn more about both Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes by visiting www.worlddiabetes.org.
- Find out how to get screened for diabetes.
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World Diabetes Day History

The International Diabetes Federation (IDF) was founded in 1950 in Amsterdam. Together with the WHO, the IDF created World Diabetes Day in 1991. The goal was to raise awareness of the rising threat of diabetes around the world. In 2006, the day became one of the official United Nations Days. World Diabetes Day is held on November 14th each year to commemorate the birthday of Sir Frederick Banting who co-discovered insulin in 1922. Today, this day is observed in 170 countries and territories.

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Lighting The Way Candlelight tours at Lewis & Clark Caverns just one destination for winter Park visitors

— Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks —

Need an idea to keep your Christmas company entertained and challenged, with maybe a little education thrown in? Take them on a candlelight cave tour at Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park. The tour provides an intimate look at cave formations, known as speleothems. Visitors will visit Decision Rock, the Cathedral Room, the Pit, Garden of the Gods, the Brown Waterfall Room and the Paradise Room.

The 2-hour, 2-mile tour gains an elevation of 300 feet, ascends more than 100 stairs and descends about 500 stairs. Hikers should expect the route to be wet and slippery.

Tours are schedule for Dec. 19-21 and again from Dec. 26-28. **Tickets will be available to purchase online on the Monday after Thanksgiving (Dec. 1);** they will not be sold at the park visitor center.

What to expect:

- Candlelight tours follow the entire developed cave route, with a 3/4-mile uphill walk on a potentially icy and snowy path to reach the cave entrance. Visitors must complete this within 30 minutes to be eligible for the tour. Participants are encouraged to be prepared for winter conditions on roads and trails at the park.
- Walking the 3/4-mile underground trail involves turning, bending, duck waddling and a slide. The first half will use the cave lights, and the second half will use the glow of candle lanterns.
- The tour concludes with a flat, half-mile walk

back to the visitor center on a potentially icy or snowy path. The total walking distance is 2 miles.

- During the tour, visitors will pass near hibernating bats. White-nose syndrome, a fungus that affects bats but not people, has reached Montana. Bat mortalities from the disease have exceeded 80 percent in some areas. Managers are requiring precautions from visitors to reduce additional stressors to this fragile cave resource. Visitors cannot bring any clothing or other items that have been to another cave or mine in the past five years.
- All tours are by a trained guide. No self-guided tours are available. The cave has an average temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit and over 90 percent humidity year-round, regardless of outside weather. Most areas are dimly lit, and some are narrow and enclosed. Visitors should consider bringing a warm jacket, good walking shoes and bottled water. Pets, strollers, backpacks and purses are not allowed.
- Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park is about 15 miles southeast of Whitehall, along Montana Highway 2. For more information about the park, click here or call 406-287-3541.

A link to purchase tickets will be posted on the FWP website on Dec. 1. For more information, visit fwp.mt.gov/stateparks/lewis-and-clark-caverns

Many Montana State Parks have a lot to offer during the colder, darker months. While some parks close in November, many offer shelter from the cold at their visitor centers. Those include Bannack, Chief Plenty Coups, First Peoples' Buffalo Jump, Lone Pine, Makoshika, Pictograph Cave and Travelers' Rest.

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Idaho Fish And Game Recognize 2 Hunter Education Instructors On 45 Years Of Service

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



Idaho Fish and Game is pleased to announce that two hunter education instructors in the Clearwater Region were recently recognized for 45 years of service to the program. David Owsley of Orofino and Mike Hallisey of Deary were the recipients of this prestigious recognition.

Both David and Mike were officially certified as hunter education instructors in 1979, the first year that hunter education became mandatory for all new hunters in Idaho. Unfortunately, early records from the program were often not maintained, so their accomplishments cannot be fully acknowledged. Despite that, these two instructors are collectively responsible for certifying more than 3700 students since the mid-late 1980s. During that time, David taught 114 classes in the Orofino area, while Mike taught 39 classes in the small town of Deary.

The work these gentlemen did for the hunter education program was entirely voluntary. Collectively, they donated over 3000 hours of their personal time to the program, and that does not include the work donated by assistant instructors and guest volunteers that helped with their classes. When receiving his award, David commented that, "My wife supported and helped me with every class I taught. She is just as deserving of this award as I am!"

While Mike and David never received any monetary compensation for their work, Fish and Game recognizes that their efforts influenced a great many lives and brought many new safe and responsible hunters into the fold. Not surprisingly, as they retire from teaching hunter education, their shoes are being filled by former students that they taught over 30 years ago.

The hunter education program would not be what it is without the dedication and hard work of volunteers like Mike and David. The Idaho Fish and Game sincerely thanks both of them and the hundreds of other volunteer instructors that teach classes every year.

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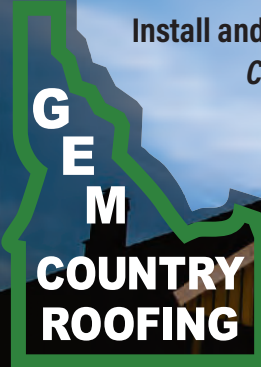
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Extending its effort to help people prepare for disasters, those partnerships are continuing to grow.

Earlier this year, United Way Worldwide and Verizon launched United We Prepare in 14 regions across the U.S. The pilot aims to create resilient communities that are ready for disasters and boost awareness of preparedness best practices through workshops and local education campaigns.



“We help our neighbors prepare for disasters before they strike, offering practical tools, clear plans and the confidence that comes from being ready for the unexpected,” said Marcus Coleman, vice president of community resiliency strategy at United Way Worldwide.

Coleman, whose career has focused on disaster preparation and resilience for more than 15 years, leads the team that supports the organization’s global network that prepares for and responds to disasters.

“We are here for the long haul,” Coleman said. “After disasters and public emergencies fade from the headlines, we help communities recover and rebuild. United Way is creating stronger, more resilient communities where neighbors face challenges together, lift one another up and thrive.”

As part of this work, United Way developed a Disaster Preparedness Guide – a curated list of preparedness tips and best practices from leading experts.

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3. Assess needs

Build an emergency kit for home and a “go bag” for the car. Keep a charged power bank in each. Add medical information. Ask yourself and others in your household questions about medical needs, animal care, shelter, food, water, clothing and more.

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5. Engage your support network

Now that you’ve taken these steps, make sure your family has done the same. Check in with your closest friends and extended family to share these tips. Discuss who may need extra help and designate someone to get to them in an emergency.

To read the full version of these preparedness tips and for more disaster preparation information, visit UnitedWay.org.

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People may see anglers wading streams during frigid weather and wonder "what are they doing?" The short answer is probably catching fish.

Late-fall and winter fishing are often overlooked on Idaho's rivers and streams because many people don't want to deal with the cold, but trout and whitefish remain fairly active. In fact, late-season fishing has some advantages because many streams are at their lowest levels and fish are concentrated. Many rivers are also nearly empty of anglers, so you get your pick of prime fishing spots.

Find the right river or stream

Spring-fed rivers and streams, and those fed by dam releases often fish well during winter months because temperatures tend to be slightly warmer and more stable.

Rainbow trout are a favorite winter quarry, and where you find them, you will often find whitefish. Whitefish school up in the fall and typically spawn in November, so where you catch one, you're likely to find more. (Read more about catching whitefish at idfg.idaho.gov/press/anglers-dont-overlook-catching-whitefish-idahos-rivers-and-streams.) You will find trout and whitefish in similar places you find them other times of year, but in late season, they often favor deeper, slower water, although you can still catch them in riffles as well.

Also remember that while fish remain active during winter, they're still cold-blooded, and they may be a little sluggish. They're unlikely to aggressively chase food, but they will take it, or a good imitation of it, when it's placed in front of them.

Tweak your techniques

Winter fishing doesn't require any special tactics, just figure out where the fish are and what they're likely to be feeding on. Drifting bait or fly fishing with nymphs are often your best tactics. If you see dimples on the water, it may be fish rising to feed on insects, which will likely be tiny midges or mayflies, and fish will rise to a well-presented dry fly.

Try different sections of the river and try to figure out where fish are holding and feeding. After you catch a fish, seek out similar water, but remember, fish may move around during the day. But where you find them one day during winter, they're likely to

remain nearby, so keep those places in mind when you return.

Fly anglers should not overlook streamers. They can look like a big, easy meal when presented slowly, but don't expect trout to vigorously chase them like during summer. Even dead drifting a streamer can be effective.

Fish spook easily in low, clear water, so be stealthy. Walk softly, don't immediately wade into the middle of a fishing hole, and wear drab colors. Repeatedly cast into likely looking water before moving on. You may be surprised that you can catch multiple fish in a fairly small area, so cast and drift (or slowly retrieve) your bait or fly numerous times before moving to the next spot.

To find places to fish, check Fish and Game's Fishing Planner. While many of Idaho's waters are open to fishing year round, some are limited to catch-and-release fishing during winter, so double check the regulations.



Here are late-season fishing tips:

- Sleep in:** There's rarely a need to be there at first light. You will usually have better fishing late morning to early afternoon when the water warms a few degrees.
- Stay close to home:** Winter is a good time to explore your local trout fisheries, or rediscover them.
- Plan short trips:** There's no getting around the effects of cold weather, and eventually it will take its toll. Plan to fish for an hour or two and call it good. If you can last longer, consider it a bonus.
- Bring hand warmers:** Your hands are most likely to get wet, and they can easily get chilled. A hand warmer will quickly rewarm them. An extra pair of gloves is also a good idea because one pair usually gets wet.
- Think about traction:** Rocks are slippery when wet, and more slippery when icy. Wading boots with cleats are a good option. It's also good to have a set of dry clothes in your vehicle in case you take an unexpected plunge.
- Keep your feet warm:** Probably goes without saying, but you may be wading in water that's barely above freezing, so wear thick socks or two pairs. If your feet get cold, you will be uncomfortable. You can also use chemically heated insoles in your boots or waders.
- See it as adventure:** Things will look and feel different, but the trip will be rewarding if you appreciate those differences. Catching a few fish never hurts, either.

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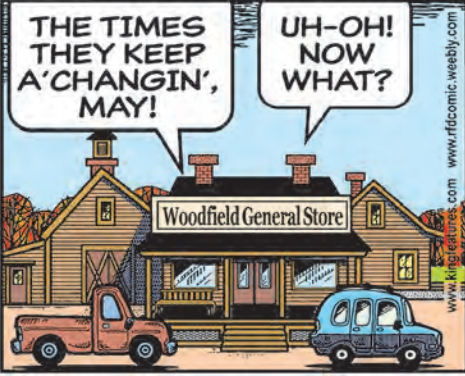
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Events around the country celebrate Take a Hike Day. Local, state and National Parks support hiking events encouraging us to enjoy a hike. Be sure to wear good shoes, take a snack and bring a buddy, but get out there and enjoy the fresh air, scenery and get a little exercise to boot!

HOW TO OBSERVE NATIONAL TAKE A HIKE DAY

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- Fit - Can you say blisters? Make sure the boot is comfortable. Test them out by walking a few laps around the store. If they rub anywhere or slip around, try another size.
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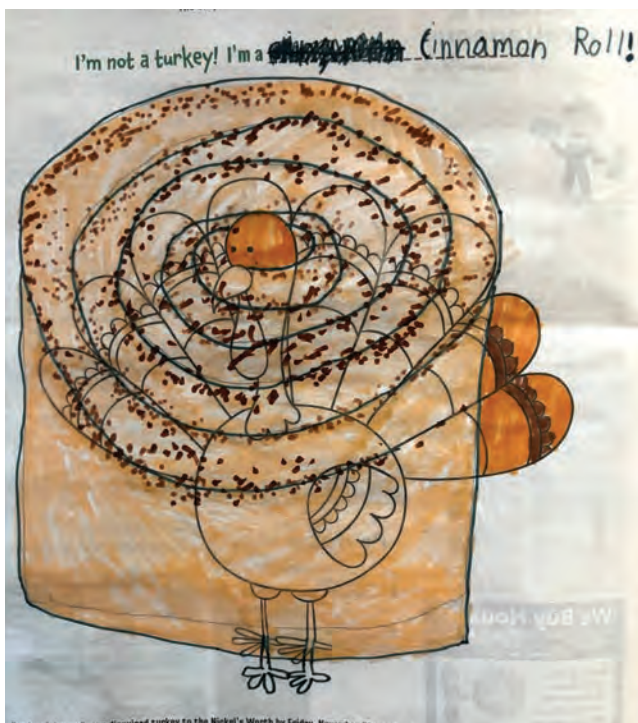
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F&G and Private Lands: Part 2

Depredation prevention can keep landowners content and big game herds abundant

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



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A couple sits inside a pickup late on a winter night when most people are warm and safe indoors. The wind whistles and snowflakes the size of moths fly by their windshield as they scan the darkness with a spotlight for telltale glowing eyes of an elk herd coming to feed on a haystack.

A few blasts of an airhorn deter the elk, but not for long. The elk grow braver as they're tempted by hay. More blaring horns keep them at bay, but it goes on all night, and the elk eventually give up and go back from where they came. The people protecting the haystack are Idaho Fish and Game volunteers who care deeply about wildlife and endure a sleepless night in frigid conditions to protect wildlife and a rancher's haystack.

This is another situation that occurs in Idaho as Fish and Game, sportsmen, volunteers and landowners work to balance healthy, abundant big game herds with protection for farmers and ranchers from damage caused by wildlife. It's a tricky balance that requires a variety of tools and manpower, much of which goes unseen and unnoticed by people not directly involved.

Balancing big game and private land conflicts

The vast majority of Idahoans enjoy and appreciate wildlife, and that includes landowners who enjoy elk and deer on their property, even if they cause some inconveniences, or eat some of their crops. But when that inconvenience starts to affect their financial stability, Fish and Game has to take action.

Wildlife doesn't recognize property boundaries, and many of Idaho's big game herds spend at least part of their year on private lands, often during winter when higher elevations are covered by snow, or during seasonal migrations. Fish and Game tries to maintain landowner support for wildlife on private lands in a variety of ways, both nonlethal and lethal, preferably nonlethal.

The priority is to prevent conflicts on private lands from occurring in the first place, and the best way to avoid damage is often to ensure public lands can support abundant big game herds. Fish and Game's overarching philosophy is to manage wildlife populations that can be supported by natural habitat, except in unique and emergency situations.

Fish and Game manages over 400,000 acres of habitat on its wildlife management areas, but that's less than one percent of Idaho's public lands. The agency also partners with federal, state, and other land managers to improve, protect, and maintain healthy wildlife habitat on far more acreage.

For example, after large wildfires in Southwest Idaho in summer 2024, Fish and Game worked with public land managers to immediately plant beneficial forage plants so migrating deer and elk would have food during winter and be less attracted to nearby agriculture lands.

To keep wildlife on wildlands and out of crops, Fish and Game staff in each region has numerous programs that work with landowners to troubleshoot problems caused by big game animals. They have a variety of methods at their disposal to build short-term or long-term solutions. However, the work is never really done, because what attracts one herd, another herd will also find attractive.



Fencing

Sometimes, the best solution is to make the food inaccessible to elk and deer. Herds may spot an easy meal and decide to take advantage of it, so to prevent it, Fish and Game can loan temporary fencing materials to keep them out, and hopefully, the animals move along.

Where herds repeatedly return to haystacks and other stored crops, Fish and Game has cost-shared with the landowner to build permanent stackyards where a landowner can safely store their hay. These provide long-term solutions because an easy food source is inaccessible, so animals must go where they can find food, preferably in natural habitat on public lands.

Hazing

The scenario at the start of this story is repeated dozens of times each winter by Fish and Game staff, volunteers, landowners and their workers. Big game animals can be persistent, so people use flashing lights, air horns, and other deterrents to haze herds away from where they're causing damage.

Typically, the animals leave the area (at least temporarily), but may move to adjacent properties, so Fish and Game and volunteers devote many hours (and sleepless nights) to deter animals' intent on returning to places where they're unwelcome.

Lure crops

In specific locations, Fish and Game will plant wildlife forage crops on its land in an attempt to lure wildlife away from adjacent agriculture lands. Fish and Game may also enter into "continued use agreements" with landowners in advance to allow wildlife to reside on their property and keep them away from nearby private lands when depredations are likely to occur.



Temporary, emergency feeding

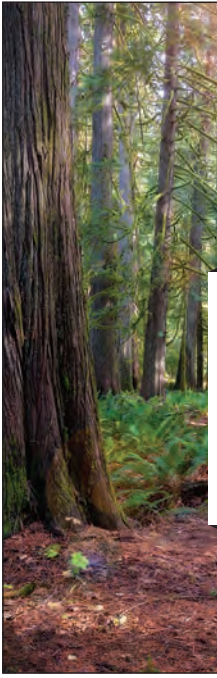
In infrequent cases, typically during unusually harsh winters when winter range is covered with deep snow, or wildfires burned winter ranges and robbed them of forage, Fish and Game may temporarily feed big game to keep them away from private lands.

This is done sparingly and with abundant caution because feeding can create problems of its own, including luring more animals to the area, habituating animals to return the following year (and often in greater numbers), and spreading disease. Fish and Game is very judicious about feeding big game animals during winter unless it's absolutely necessary.

Sometimes, it's still not enough

Big game animals in search of food can be extremely persistent, and resistant to hazing and other deterrents. When problems continue, lethal measures – typically public hunting – can reduce the problem, as well as provide a family with a freezer full of game meat.

Fish and Game has a variety of ways to administer hunts to solve persistent depredation problems, and you can read in Part 3 about depredation hunts and other special hunts.



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The Pheasant Stocking On WMAs Has Started And Continues Into December

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



Hunting pheasants on Fish and Game's wildlife management areas is a popular fall tradition for upland bird hunters. To support this tradition, pen-raised pheasants are stocked at 24 sites across the state (including several WMAs) beginning in September and continuing into December.

Fish and Game will stock nearly 29,000 pheasants in total this year at locations in every region of the state. Hunters can see a full list of where and when pheasants will be released statewide on the Pheasant Stocking Program webpage at idfg.idaho.gov/hunt/pheasant/stocking.

The pheasant stocking schedule shows how many birds will be released at your favorite WMA. Exact release times and dates are not published in order to give everyone a fair chance of harvesting a pheasant.

On busy areas such as Fort Boise, Montour, and Sterling WMAs, most birds are often harvested within a day or two of being released. On C.J. Strike WMA, some stocked birds usually survive a little longer, but hunters will have to work through heavy cover to find them.

NOTE: Statewide, the daily bag limit is three roosters, of which only two can be harvested on Upland Game Bird Permit Release Areas.

Know the rules where pheasants are stocked

All pheasant stocking areas fall under the same rules as Wildlife Management Areas where pheasants have been stocked in the past, which include:

- The two pheasant daily bag limit, and six pheasant possession limit apply.
- Each Upland Game Bird Permit allows the take of six pheasants, and multiple permits may be purchased.

- When a pheasant is reduced to possession, the hunter must immediately validate the permit by entering the harvest date and location in non-erasable ink and remove a notch from the permit for each pheasant taken.
- Shooting hours are from 10 a.m. to one half hour after sunset, during the pheasant season, with the exception of the Clearwater Region, where shooting hours are from 8 a.m. to one half hour after sunset and online sign-up is required.
- Youth hunters under 18 with a hunting license or passport do not need an Upland Game Bird Permit and may harvest their own bag and possession limit.
- All upland game bird hunters are required to wear at least 36 squares inches of visible hunter orange above the waist during pheasant season (a hunter orange hat typically meets this requirement). This includes all upland game bird hunters on Upland Game Bird Permit Release Areas, not just those pursuing pheasants. This is not a requirement for upland game hunters who are hunting other sites.
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Pheasant hunting rules, including shooting hours and bag limits, are different for hunting outside of areas where pheasants are stocked. Those rules can also be found in the 2024-2025 Idaho Upland Game, Turkey and Furbearer Seasons and Rules booklet (idfg.idaho.gov/sites/default/files/seasons-rules-upland-game-2024-2025.pdf), and are largely unchanged from previous years.

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**Steve Wenig Joins
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Spokane, WA — The Spokane Symphony is proud to announce the appointment of Steve Wenig as its new Executive Director. Wenig brings more than two decades of arts administration experience to the role, including a decade of senior leadership as Vice President and General Manager of the Oregon Symphony.

During his tenure in Oregon, Wenig spearheaded a multi-year growth initiative that diversified the symphony's concert offerings, resulting in significant increases in both attendance and revenue. He also led the expansion of the orchestra's education and community engagement programs, deepening its impact across the region.

Prior to his work in Oregon, Wenig served as Director of Community Partnerships with the Houston Symphony, where he helped forge meaningful connections between the orchestra and the broader community.

Wenig holds degrees from The University of Hartford and the University of Michigan, and brings a deep commitment to artistic excellence, organizational growth, and community collaboration.

"I'm honored to join the Spokane Symphony as its next Executive Director," says Wenig. "The Symphony and its home, the beautiful Fox Theater, are true cultural treasures of the Inland Northwest.

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The Spokane Symphony Board of Trustees, musicians and staff are thrilled to welcome Wenig and look forward to a new chapter of artistic innovation and community engagement under his leadership.

"I am delighted to welcome Steve Wenig to the Spokane Symphony family. His unwavering commitment to community engagement aligns perfectly with our mission to harness the transformative power of music to inspire and uplift the lives of people across our region," says Music Director James Lowe.

"As we celebrate the Spokane Symphony's 80th anniversary, we are thrilled to also welcome a new Executive Director. After an extensive search process, I'm delighted to introduce Steve Wenig to the Spokane Symphony family," says Board of Directors Chair Carol Nelson.

"Steve brings a wealth of experience, energy, and a deep commitment to community engagement, education, and musical excellence — all central to our mission of Bringing the Power of Music to Life. With Steve's leadership, we look forward to an exciting year ahead and a bright future for the Spokane Symphony." Carol continues.

About the Spokane Symphony

In its landmark 80th season, the Spokane Symphony redefines its purpose with a fresh vision: Bringing the Power of Music to Life.

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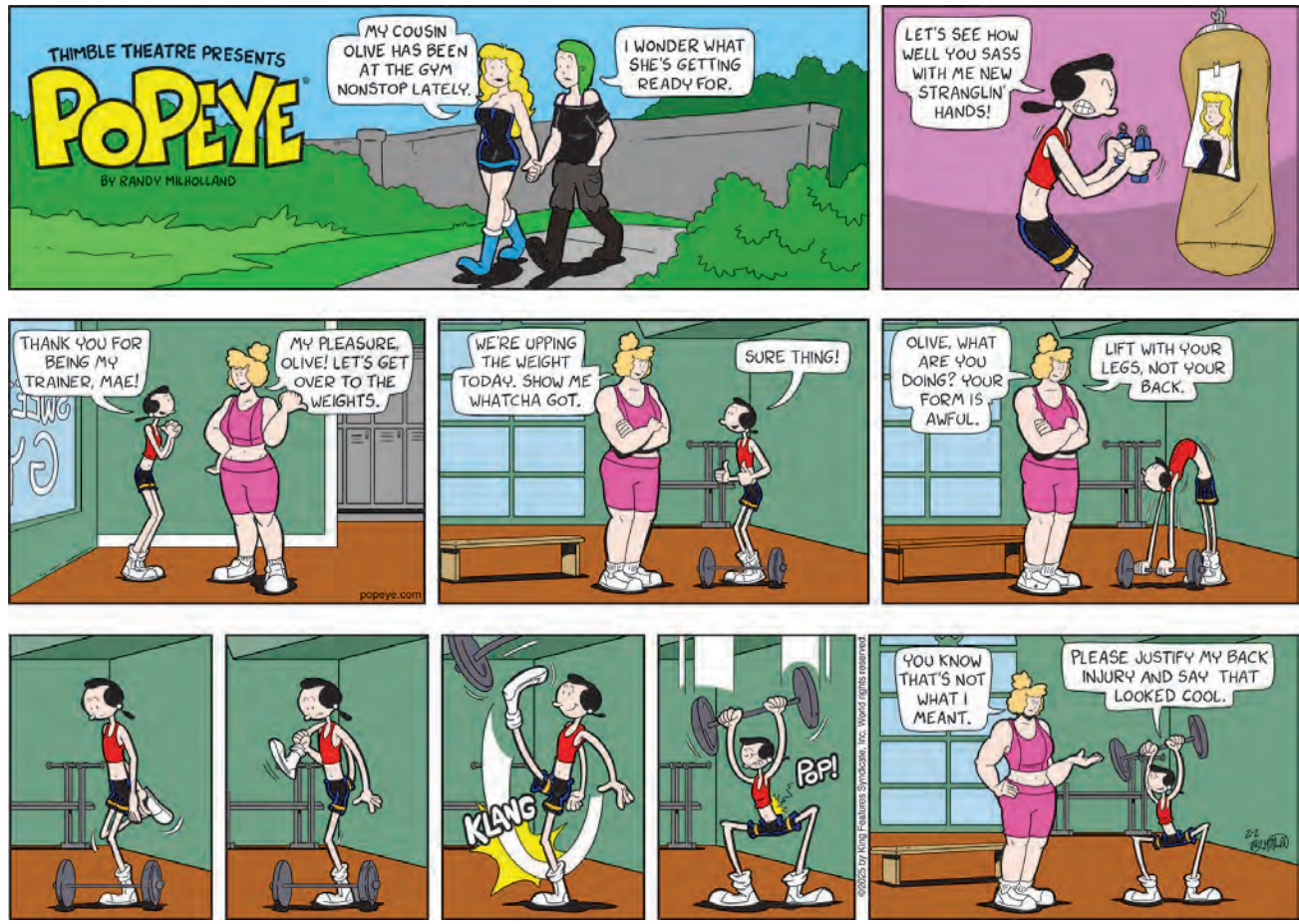


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