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#### **Polar Bear Plunge Day**

— National Day Calendar —



Every year on January 1st, Polar Bear Plunge Day encourages people to take a dip in cold, freezing waters. It's also a day for participants to kick off the New Year by raising money for local charities. The day is also known as Polar Bear Swim Day.

Have you ever dived into a swimming pool or lake, only to find the water too cold? It's not a very pleasant experience. However, thousands of people every year intentionally plunge into icy waters. In some areas, the water is as cold as 34 degrees. Many of these brave souls do it just for fun. Others do it to raise money for charity.

Some even say there are health benefits for taking the plunge into cold water. Some of these benefits include:

- · Boosts the immune system
- Activates the endorphins and provides a natural high
- Improves circulation
- Burns calories
- · Reduces stress
- Provides an opportunity to socialize and make new friends

Despite the health benefits, there is a risk of hypothermia. To help prevent this from happening, swimmers should not remove their clothes until just before they jump into the water. They should also wear shoes so that the snow doesn't stick to their feet. This also prevents ice from cutting or scraping the feet. It's also recommended to only stay in the water for a few minutes. Once the swimmers are out of the water, they should dry off and get dressed immediately.

#### How To Observe #PolarBearPlungeDay

The best way to observe this day is to find an event in your area. You can also form your own event and use it as a fundraiser for a local charity. Simply grab some brave friends and family members on New Year's Day and take a dip into the nearest lake or river. No matter how or where you participate, remember to be safe and smart about it. After taking the plunge, share your experience on social media with #PolarBearPlungeDay.

#### Polar Plunge Day History

Peter Pantages is credited for starting the Polar Bear Swim. Pantages, a Greek immigrant to Canada, swam in the English Bay all year round. The English Bay is located northwest of British Columbia. On January 1, 1920, Pantages encouraged a few of his buddies to take a dip in the frigid Vancouver waters with him. The group became known as the Vancouver Polar Bear Swim Club. Pantages died in 1971. However, the tradition he began one New Year's Day lives on. Today, thousands of people take part in part in Polar Bear Plunges around the world.

#### **Community Calendar**

Early Explorers & the Fur Trade, Wednesday, January 18th, 6pm, lecture at Fort Sherman Chapel, 332 N. Hubbard Ave., CdA. Hosted by Museum of North Idaho, a chance to learn about fur trade and early explorers in CdA region at the turn of the 19th Century from reenactor Mark Weadick. Open to public and free, extra parking across the street at NIC Boswell Hall parking lot.

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Long ago, I was looking for a simple recipe that was special enough to



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This brittle is a scrumptious candy the whole family will love.

give as a gift but inexpensive enough that I could actually afford to make enough to give away. And while I've always been a fan of brittles and toffee, I never thought I could make them myself. I figured I would have to navigate complicated directions and, worse yet, try to find my candy thermometer. It must be in a drawer somewhere. But no! This recipe is so undemanding you can make it anytime you have a half-hour to spare.

Due diligence, here's your warning; This is not a recipe for the kiddies to make. When you boil sugar and butter together, they become like molten lava, hot and sticky, so please use

#### HOLIDAY CRACKER BRITTLE

Total Time: 30 minutes Yield: About 40 pieces

2 sleeves of saltine crackers l cup brown or white sugar, or a combo

1 cup (two sticks) butter — no substitutions

1 bag (12 ounces) semi-sweet chocolate chips

Optional toppings — nuts and/or sprinkles

Preheat oven to 400 F. Line a large, rimmed baking sheet with

foil or parchment paper. Leave an overhang of foil when you line the baking sheet so the cracker brittle is easy to lift and remove. Next. spray your foil or parchment with cooking spray so it willingly comes off the brittle. Did I mention it's sticky?

Cover the baking sheet with a single layer of saltine crackers, placing them as close together as possible, breaking some if necessary to cover the entire pan. Set aside.

In a saucepan on medium heat, melt the butter and sugar together, stirring frequently to avoid burning the mixture, until the sugar is dissolved and it's smooth and bubbling. Allow the mixture to boil for 3 minutes.

Carefully pour the butter mixture over the crackers and quickly spread evenly with an offset metal spatula or the back of a spoon. This is incredibly

hot, so be very careful.

Bake at 400 F for 5 minutes. It will be very bubbly. Watch that it doesn't burn. Remove from oven and allow to cool slightly.

Now, you could stop right here and have a lovely treat. But if you're adding chocolate pieces, immediately sprinkle them evenly over the hot brittle so they will melt. Using an offset spatula or the back of a spoon, spread the melted chocolate evenly over the brittle. If you're adding more toppings, sprinkle them evenly over the chocolate while it's still warm. Let this cool completely to room temperature, and it will harden. Break it into pieces and serve, or package as a gift.

This recipe lends itself to wonderful variations. A personal favorite is to substitute graham crackers for the saltines. You can also use buttery rich, round crackers or even vanilla cookies. Any kind of chocolate chips will work, like milk chocolate, semisweet, dark, white chocolate or a mix.

You can also vary the toppings with nuts, coconut, chocolate-coated candies or crushed peppermint candies for an infinite number of variations.

Some favorite combinations are white chocolate and peppermint; milk chocolate with almonds and coconut; and dark chocolate, peanuts and pretzels. This is a real empty-out-thepantry candv.

All of us at Divas an a Dime wish you happy holidays and a very merry Christmas!

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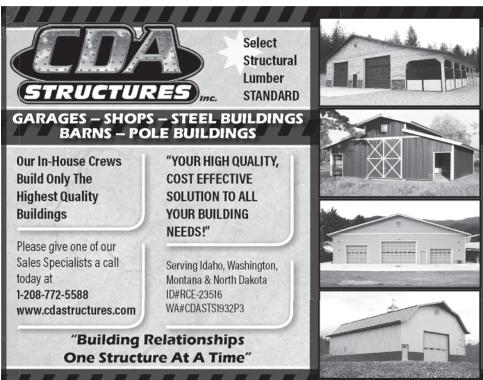
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DEAR DR. ROACH: I suffered a lower back injury in 2001, with crushed and bulging discs in the L2, L3, L4 and L5 vertebras. After over a year of physical therapy and drugs, my pain doctor tried an epidural injection, which did not work, and then suggested I try something new at that time called a radiofrequency ablation (also called a lumbar facet rhizotomy). It's done as an outpatient surgery and may have to be repeated.

works great; I even get up and drive myself home! I've learned to limit my activities, so as to not cause more damage due to my disabled pain receptors.

I have been pain- and drug-free for almost 20 years. The treatment usually lasts nine to 14 months, and when I feel the nerves starting to fire again and cause me pain, I just schedule the procedure and have them ablated again.

Whenever I see somebody walking funny due to back pain, I mention this procedure to them. Several of them have come back and thanked me for saying something.

Doctors don't seem to promote this procedure, and I don't understand why. It's clearly another

option besides surgery and addictive medication. It's been a win-win for me, as opposed to surgery.

Please help promote this wonderful yet "unknown" procedure. I'm still living an active normal life at 64, 20 years after I was told I may end up in a wheelchair. - M.T.

**ANSWER:** Radiofrequency ablation of the nerves in the back has been used since the 1970s in people with intractable back pain. The procedure uses an electrode that heats the nerves in the facet joints of the back, stopping pain conduction. This is done when the treating physician is sure that the pain is coming from these particular nerves, called the lumbar medial branch nerves. This procedure is not appropriate for all types of back pain. Typically, the physician will perform a block using an injection. and if this is successful, but short-lived (as is often the case), a radiofrequency ablation is considered.

When it works, a year of relief is typical (sometimes shorter or, for a few, up to three years) before the nerve fibers regenerate, at which point the procedure can be repeated. Burning or numbness around the injection site is the most common adverse effect.

Effectiveness rates in the published literature range I've done so many that I opt for no anesthesia. It from 50% to nearly 100% in small trials of carefully chosen subjects. However, a large randomized trial of this procedure in subjects who were being treated with an exercise program and psychological support did not show a significant improvement in pain or

> I agree with you that this procedure is safer than surgery, and while I'm glad it's worked for you, the evidence of benefit from the highest-quality trials is

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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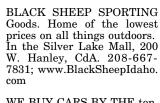




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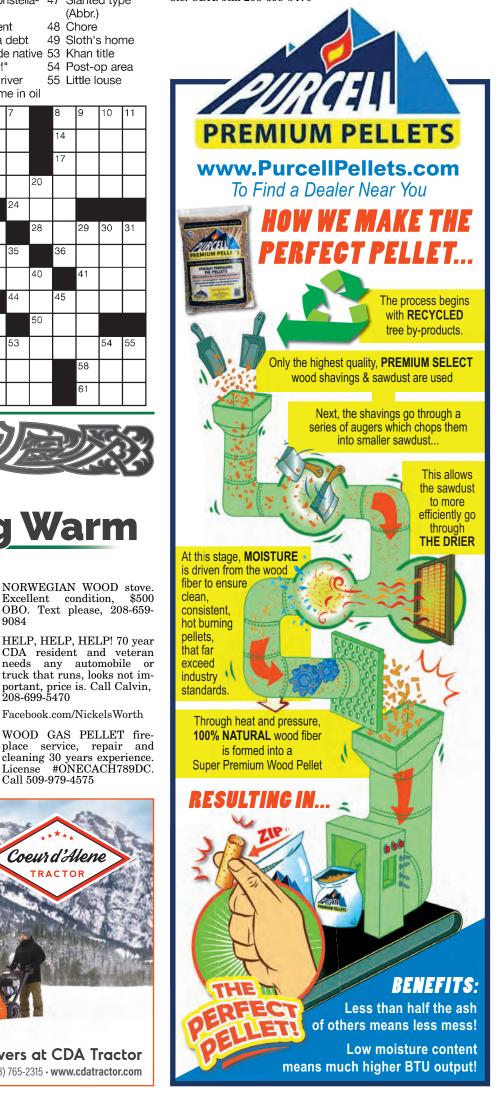
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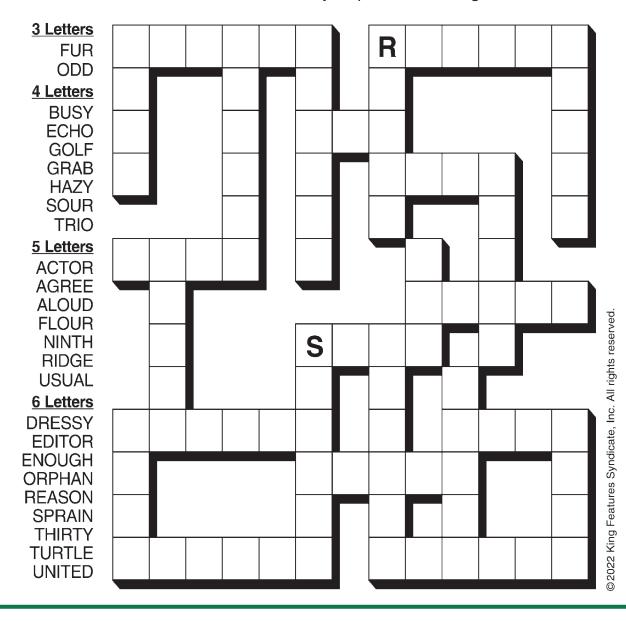


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- 4 grapefruits
- scoops vanilla ice cream
- egg whites (1/2 cup) at room temperature
- teaspoon cream of tartar
- cup sugar 1/2
- teaspoon vanilla extract

#### One hour or more before serving:

- 1. Prepare grapefruit by cutting evenly in half crosswise. Use a grapefruit knife to cut out fruit sections. Place in a bowl and drain juice (enjoy drinking it for a snack). If grapefruit is rather tart, add some sugar. Cover and refrigerate.
- 2. Remove and discard membranes in six of the halves to form hollow "bowls," and discard the two remaining grapefruit halves. (You are using 6 halves for the dessert, but the fruit from 4 grapefruits to have ample servings.)

3. Pre-scoop ice cream in six rounds on a tray lined with wax paper or plastic wrap. Place back in freezer.

#### 15 minutes before serving:

- 1. Heat oven to 400 degrees F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper or foil. Ask one of your kids to spoon the refrigerated grapefruit pieces evenly into the six grapefruit "bowls" and set them on the baking sheet.
- 2. In a mixing bowl, beat the egg whites with an electric mixer set at low speed until frothy and foamy. Add the cream of tartar. Increase speed until soft peaks form. Start adding the sugar slowly, a tablespoon at a time. Let your kids watch as the mixture changes and enlarges, and glossy, stiff peaks form.
- 3. Set an ice-cream round in the center of each fruit-filled bowl. Immediately spoon the glossy, stiff meringue on top and seal edges around the cut grapefruit rim with a butter knife. Bake in the middle of the oven for 5 minutes, or until meringue is golden.
- 4. Serve immediately on dessert plates.

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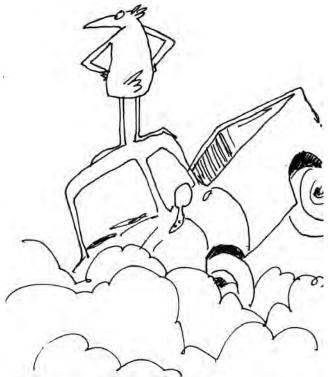
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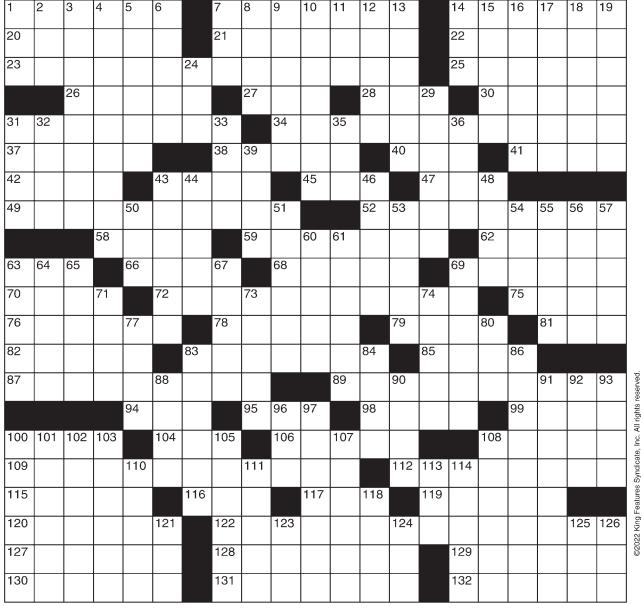
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#### Expert Ice Fishing: F&G Staff Share Their Tips So You Can Catch More Fish

— Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game —



These tips will not only help you catch fish, but make your outing more comfortable

Ice fishing can be pretty darned simple. Drill a hole, drop a baited hook and wait for a fish to bite. It really can be that simple if you're just starting. But like all fishing, there are more ice fishing skills you can learn to catch more fish, and those skills can come from trial-and-error experience, or learning from experts.

If you're brand new to ice fishing and want to learn more, including ice fishing safety, see our ice fishing webpage at idfg.idaho.gov/fish/ice-fishing.

It should come as no surprise that Idaho Fish and Game fisheries biologists like to fish, and they're pretty good at it. Fortunately for novice and experienced anglers, they're also willing to share their knowledge.

We asked biologists and other Fish and Game staff to share some of their best ice fishing tips to make your next trip more productive, and they delivered. So without further rambling, here they are:

#### Preparing to go and picking a fishing spot

Rig your rods and tip-ups while you are still at home. It's always easier in the warmth of your house rather than on the ice. A five-gallon bucket works well to keep rods/tip-ups organized, and a sled is a great way to transport your gear onto the ice. Andy Dux, Panhandle Regional Fisheries Manager

Download a boating navigation app with maps of the lake you are fishing. Maps often show bottom contours of the lake (like a topographic map) so you can identify major features like points, humps, ledges or flats where fish might congregate. The map can also give you an estimate of the water depth. *Martin Koenig, Sportfishing Program Coordinator* 

Checking depth with a lead depth finder, or some electronic depth finder and keep your bait within 12 inches of the bottom. When moving to a new location, refresh your bait, or changing jigs. *Patrick Kennedy, Upper Snake Regional Fisheries Biologist* 

Keep moving and drilling new holes unless the bite is steady. Fish often concentrate in one area, or move slowly in schools. You may catch a fish within the first few moments of fishing a new hole, and then you won't catch anything else for a long time. You can return to the already-drilled holes later and try again to see if a new fish or school has moved into the area. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 

If you're unfamiliar with where you're fishing and don't know where fish are likely to be, start shallow and work your way to deeper water. Drill new holes every 15-20 minutes or so if you don't get bites and keep going. *Patrick Kennedy, Upper Snake Regional Fisheries Biologist* 

Fish tend to bite better at the beginning of low pressure weather systems, so watch winter weather patterns and time your fishing trip with one. *Eric Stark, Natural Resource Program Coordinator* 

#### Fishing tips

Whether fishing for trout, perch, or other species, try some jigs or hooks with bait, and some with only a jig head. And try different jig types to see if fish key in on a particular style or color. Sometimes the largest fish can be caught on the smallest of micro-jigs. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 

Fishing with worms is always a good bet, but you only need a small piece (1-2 inches) to catch most

panfish and trout. Cutting a worm into usable chunks is much easier with a small pair of scissors. *Martin Koenig, Sportfishing Program Coordinator* 

Put out several tip-up rigs with a chunk of night-crawler on a hook suspended a few feet under the ice in lakes with trout. It can be incredibly effective way to catch trout, and kids (and kids at heart) love to race for a flag when a fish hits it. *Matt Corsi, Fisheries Research Manager* 

When it comes to terminal tackle, smaller is better. Use small hooks and small baits. Keep in mind that fish are not as active under the ice as they are during open water conditions. They are cold, and everything slows down including appetite. Also, the food available to fish under the ice is often small in winter, so stick to smaller offerings, which can still catch the lunkers. *Brett High, Upper Snake Region Fisheries Manager* 

When you suspect there are fish around you, but don't see them on the fish finder, try "ringing the dinner bell" by repeatedly dropping a jig into the muddy bottom of the lake to stir up as much mud as you can. It can wake up the fish and get them biting. Jordan Messner, Southwest Regional Fisheries Manager - McCall

Learn how to set up a couple of slip bobber set ups with micro jigs. Even kids can see the subtlest of bites. *Joe Kozfkay, State Fisheries Manager* 

When fishing is on fire, it can be hard to manage multiple rods, but there's no reason not to do it. But when the bite is slow, you can maximize your coverage by maximizing the number of rods you have out. The limit is five per angler. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 



Use a double-surgeon's knot to fish multiple hooks. This is a very easy knot to learn and is an easy way to add a second, or third hook without the need for extra tackle. Cut an 18-inch section off your line, and tie in the double surgeon's knot. Then tie a jig to the "tag" of the surgeon's knot that faces the end of the line. Add a second jig to the very end of the line below it. Fishing two smaller jigs on the same line can help reach the bottom quicker, and can help detect light bites by keeping the line a bit tighter. Plus, you can fish different colors, depths, or baits at the same time to figure out what's working more quickly. *Martin Koenig, Sportfishing Program Coordinator* 

If using multiple rods, actively fish one of them. Fish will often hit the jigged rod more than the stationary sets, but there are also times when a stationary presentation does better. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 

Vary your jigging style from less active to more active, or bigger lifts to smaller lifts, until you find a movement pattern that seems to work best. Sometimes fish like to hit your jig when you are lifting it, so try frequently lifting the jig several feet at a time, then go back to the start and try again. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 

Vary your depth of jigging; most people jig at or near the bottom, but there are times, especially with trout, when mid-column, or even surface fishing (just under the ice) works better. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 

If you are fishing multiple rods and can only jig one of them, periodically switch which rod you are jigging, or at least make the rounds to move them all a little bit with a couple jigs of the rod. If one rod isn't working well with active jigging, switch to actively jigging another rod. Sometimes you will see a bite on a stationary rod that you just jigged a few times

and set back down. Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist

Vary the jigs between big and small, flashy, colorful, or drab. Tip these lures with different bait too, such as wax worms on one rod, night crawlers on another rod, then meal worms, power bait, etc. *Patrick Kennedy, Upper Snake Regional Fisheries Biologist* 

When attempting to land a big fish, stick your ice fishing rod into the ice hole to prevent the line from breaking off on the the sharp ice at the bottom edge of the hole. *Eric Stark, Natural Resource Program Coordinator* 

#### Tips for staying warm and comfortable

Bring a small hand towel to keep your hands clean and dry, which is key to staying warm. Drying your hands after drilling holes, cutting bait and handling fish will make a huge difference. *Martin Koenig, Sportfishing Program Coordinator* 

Wear a ball cap or similar brimmed hat under a beanie. The bill from the ball cap will provide shade if it's sunny, and help keep out snow off your face and eyes. *Martin Koenig, Sportfishing Program Coordinator* 

A pop-up hunting blind is almost as good as a tent built specifically for ice fishing. Use a propane heater for extra warmth and to escape the wind. *Joe Kozfkay, State Fisheries Manager* 

Single-use air-activated hand & feet warmers/heat packs to keep warm. They can extend your time on the ice, or help you warm up you get chilled. *Patrick Kennedy, Upper Snake Regional Fisheries Biologist* 

Bring a backpacking stove or similar small, portable stove. You can use it to make hot drinks or heat soup to help you stay warm, and also use it to dry and warm your hands if they get wet and cold. *Roger Phillips, Public Information Supervisor* 

#### Other great ice fishing tips

Your smartphone is useful for many tasks. You can photograph your catch, and if fog or a snowstorm hits, you can also use it to call for help, or navigate back to your car. Just remember to keep it close to your body so the batteries don't drain as fast. *Martin Koenig, Sportfishing Program Coordinator* 

If you aren't using a power auger, drill holes with a partner, standing on opposite sides of the auger and both doing the turning. Hand-drilled augers work great, but it is much easier to drill a hole with two people turning the auger than doing it solo. Even grade-school aged children can make a big power difference compared to drilling solo. *Kevin Meyer, Principal Fisheries Research Biologist* 

Make sure you have one ice scooper per kid, or the little heathens fight over it all day. *Joe Kozfkay, State Fisheries Manager* 

Ice fishing with your kids can be a lot of fun, and is a great way to get them outside in the winter months. Just remember that it's about them, and not you. Besides dressing them in proper gear and bringing a pole for them, remember to bring good snacks, hot cocoa, and a fun, patient attitude. If the weather turns extra cold or windy, or fish aren't biting, don't be frustrated when your kids want to go home or do something else. They won't always want to stay on the ice for hours on end like you might. Make it a positive experience, and they will want to go again and again. Jennifer Jackson, Southeast Regional Communications Manager



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#### A Cheat Sheet For Stretching Meat

As the cost of food continues to rise, most families are looking for ways to save money on groceries. One

way is to reduce the amount of meat you purchase. Here are some tips to serve less meat (chances are your family won't even notice).

When you make your family's favorite meaty meals, use less meat than the recipe calls for and bulk up recipes with veggies. You can add beans to chili, zucchini to lasagna, and celery, onion and carrot to meatloaf.

Serve dishes centered around familiar non-meat protein, like bean and cheese enchiladas (recipe below),

vegetable lasagna, macaroni and cheese or grilled cheese sandwiches with tomato soup. Breakfast for dinner is always a hit.

When you reduce the meat in casseroles, soups, sauces and pasta, ensure the meat you use is flavorful. Items like ham, bacon and sausage are great examples of a little bit going a long way. Remember, there are sausages made from turkey, chicken and vegetables.

Plan meals around their favorite vegetables. Does your family like corn? Make corn chowder. Like broccoli? Serve broccoli and cheese casserole. Like potatoes? Serve loaded baked potatoes with cheese and veggies.

Save dough with dough. Everyone

loves pizza with lots of cheese and veggies. Fill calzones with tomato, spinach and mozzarella. Make pot pies or hand pies with vegetable-based fillings.

Embrace the bean. Explore recipes that use garbanzos, black beans or lentils as the protein source. Beans don't have to look like beans when you make falafel or bean burgers.

If meatless dinners don't work for you, go meatless for other meals, like oatmeal for breakfast or vegetable-based soups, salads, peanut butter or cheese sandwiches for lunch.

Here's an easy recipe for a family favorite.



Serve dishes centered around familiar nonmeat protein, like bean and cheese enchiladas.

BEANY CHEESY ENCHILADAS Yield: 4 servings Time: 25 minutes

- (20 ounce) can enchilada sauce, or recipe below
- (soft taco size) flour tortillas
- (16 ounce) can refried beans cups Mexican blend or cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1. Preheat oven to 375 F.
- 2. Lightly grease a 9- by 13-inch baking pan. Spread 1/2 cup of the enchilada sauce in the bottom of the pan.
- 3. Place 1/4 cup each of beans and cheese in a tortilla and roll it up like a burrito. Place in the pan. Repeat with remaining tortillas. Place them side by side and squish them together.

4. Spoon remaining sauce over the enchiladas. Sprinkle remaining cheese over the top. Place in oven for 15 minutes or until it's all bubbly and

Serving suggestion: lettuce, tomato, sour cream and green onion.

#### DIVA PATTI'S **ENCHILADA SAUCE**

This quick and easy recipe makes 3 cups of sauce for less than a dollar.

Yield: 3 cups Time: 15 minutes What You'll Need:

- cup vegetable oil
- cup all-purpose flour
- tablespoons chili powder cups water
- teaspoon ground cumin
- (8-ounce) can tomato sauce teaspoons kosher salt
- teaspoon garlic powder

Have everything measured before you start, as this goes fast and you don't want to burn your flour and oil once you start.

In a 2-quart saucepan on medium, heat oil. Whisking constantly and vigorously, add flour and cook for 1 minute. Add chili powder and whisk quickly to incorporate. Add water slowly and whisk. Add remaining ingredients; bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes.

I'll end with my No. 1 tip — don't talk about it. Just make the changes and chances are they'll just happily eat what's on their plate.

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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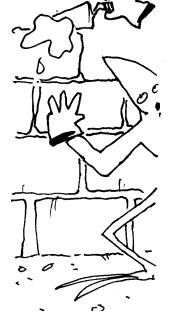
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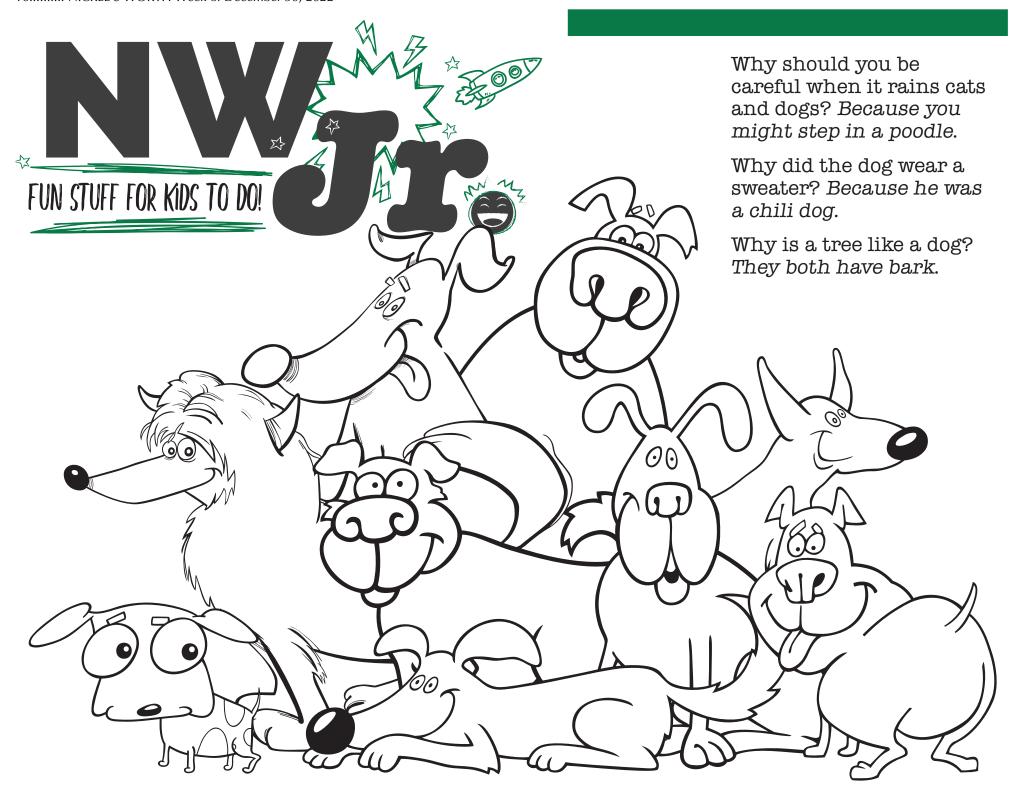
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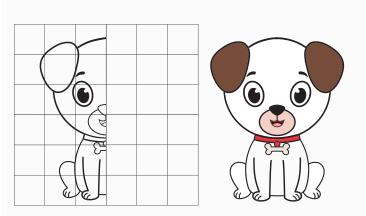


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MISSING: TWO WALKER hounds, disappeared from our Kidd Island Bay home on December 11th. Male is black and white, female is tan and white. Please call with any info., 208-667-8958

HAVE SOMETHING to sell/trade? Looking to buy? Try the Nickel's Worth, it works! 208-667-0651 or www.nickels worth.com

#### DO YOU HAVE A DOG OR CAT WHO NEEDS TO BE SPAYED OR NEUTERED? SECOND CHANCE PET RESCUE INC. Offers discount spay/ neuter vouchers to help reduce the cost of your pets surgery. Call 208-818-0210 or email gigig@roadrunner.com

### **Pets**



CHOCOLATE ENGLISH labradors, December 16th, genetically tested, OFA certified and AKC registered parents. Puppies come with limited AKC registration, health records, first shots, dew-ormed and microchipped. \$250 non-refundable deposit, \$2250 owed at the time of pick up. Classicenglishlabrad xors@gmail.com, 509-828-5473 Greenacres

MINI AUSSIE MALE puppies available, first shot given, and wormed. \$800. Please contact me at 509-831-1626 if



AKC FRENCHIES, champion lines, cream/ white/ platinum, 10 weeks old, ready now for delivery in Spokane area, starting at \$2000. Blue Ribbon on AKC MP. 509-828-0561 Spokane

FRENCH BULLDOGS: Hello, we have 5 beautiful pups, AKC registered with health paperwork and vaccination records. For pictures or more information: 509-781-1550

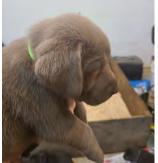
CHRISTMAS PYGMY goats. 6 months old, 1 girl, rest are fixed boys. Make someone very happy. 208-245-2475



AKC PEMBROKE WELSH corgis. Not at risk for DM. Raised and trained at home with family. Puppies come with a starter pack. Additional photos online at nickelswor th.com. Please feel free to reach out for more information. 208-262-6260, Post Falls

PEEKAPOM MALES, \$600. Have had first three puppy shots. 208-699-4177, Rathdrum, ID

BOSTON TERRIER puppies available, 5 females and 2 males. For more information: 509-952-0508. Yakima, WA



AKC REGISTERED LABS, charcoal/ silver, dewclaws removed, dewormed on schedule, shots and vet check before rehoming, well socialized, ready end of December. \$1000; full registration. FB Clearwater Silver Labs, or text/ call 208-305-1177 Grangeville

GOLDENDOODLES sale: Available for rehoming 1/10, born 11/20. Current on shots and vet checked, would make an excellent late Christmas gift. For more in-formation: 509-308-8528 or 509-308-8123

FRENCH BULLDOGS, male, 1 female, are heading to the vet for health checks and first shots! They will be ready in time for Christmas. Text for more information: 509-439-8237



Saint Bernard puppies, 6 males and 2 females available, up to date on vaccines and worming, very smart, loving and eager to please, potty and crate training started. \$900. Text/ call 509-362-6655 Loon L

BICHON POODLE puppies: 4 beautiful males pups ready now for their new homes. Dam is a miniature white poodle with cream ears. Sire a full white Bichon Frise. Hypoallergenic with great personalities, making them the perfect new family member! Vet checked, vaccinated, and wormed. \$900. More information, call or text 509-515-6997. Granger, WA

(2) BEAUTIFUL, HEALTHY, 13 week old male American bully pups available. Lilacs with white-blue eyes, they have their 2nd set of shots with vaccination records included. Ready to go to their new homes for Christmas. For more information: 509-654-5207



Just Like Cats & Dogs



AKC ENGLISH CREAM retriever pups, born November 19th, ready January 14th, both parents health tested, 5 males and 2 females, \$1900. References available. Come pick out your puppy today! Call/ text 509-595-1395. Endicott, WA

PUG PUPPIES: Purebred pups available, first set of given and wormed. They are all very healthy and adorable! \$1500. If interested, contact 509-728-3246

PUREBRED BLACK LAB puppies. Shots given, dewormed; females \$1000, males \$850. Ready for pick up. View photo online at nickelsworth. com. Text Stephen at 208-819-0983, Athol



YORKSHIRE TERRIER puppy, AKC registered, tiny and adorable black male, born September 1st, non-shedding, hypoallergenic, all shots, dewormed, family friendly. Waiting to be your loving companion. Possible free delivery, please ask. Call/ text, 509-991-9079 Spokane

AKC REGISTERED Pembroke Welsh corgi: 1 red and white female and 1 red tri male available, they are super sweet and affectionate. Parents are health tested and cleared. Limited AKC registration. Ready 12/27. Male is \$1400. Female is \$1800. 541-



AVAILABLE THROUGH Mountain Traders: (2) Bel-THROUGH gian Malinois pups \$500. (8) Newfie/ Great Pyrenees cross \$600+. (2) Border Collie/ GSD cross, family in need, negotiable price. Pictures and info at: mountaintraders.net 557-3733

F1 LABRADOODLE puppies available, 4 females, 1 yellow and 3 black. Dam (AKC black lab) and sire (AKC white standard poodle) are on-site. Born 11/1 and ready for a wonderful Christmas present! \$750. 509-901-7491

by Dave T. Phipps



GORGEOUS HOLIDAY AKC Shih Tzu puppies. First shot, worming, health guarantee, \$800. Ready now or reserve. Bred by AKC Breeder of Merit. 208-245-7475, or text 208-660-1562

ADORABLE PUPPIES: I have 1 Coton-Poo and 1 Yorkie-Ton ready for their forever homes. Parents have wonderful temperaments and are quite intelligent. Puppies are playful, loving, and affectionate. Current on vaccines and wormed. Call or text: 509-930-4394



place in best forever homes now. Sweet, smart and loyal, parents AKC registered, 12 weeks, two shots, \$375. Call/ text 208-797-1112 Coeur d'



GOLDENDOODLE PUPPIES for sale. 7 goldendoodle puppies (3 boys and 4 girls); 7 weeks old, will be ready to be taken home soon. Dogs have papers and shots. Ladies \$1500, boys \$1100. Give me a call or text at 208-930-9376, CdA

SPRINGER AND BRITTANY spaniel: Springer is \$500, Brittany is \$750. For more information: 509-781-1736

13 WEEK OLD PUREBRED Labs, born 9/22, looking for their forever home. 9 females; 5 black, 4 chocolate, and 1 black male, wormed and first shots given. \$700. English, 509-907-1723; Español, 509-831-9425

BEAUTIFUL AKC FRENCH bulldog puppies available. All our pups come with 1 year guarantee, shots, wormed, puppy starter kit, and breeder support. \$3000. Text 503-583-5091. www. OceanBlueBullies.org

FRENCH BULLDOGS FOR sale, 3 females, 1 male, 14 weeks old. Up-to-date with vaccines. \$5000. For more information: 323-481-2877 or 818-408-9957



AKC AND ICCF registered Cane Corso puppies bred from Mount Olympus Breed-(MOB Dogs). Fully vaccinated, health guarantee 5 week vet check and cared for with pride. Born December 7th; 5 males, 6 females, \$1500 each. Contact MOB at www.mobdogs.com for more information, pictures and videos of the pups and parents. Call Alyssa 541-212-5273. Located in Pendleton, OR

AKC PHANTOM TOY MALE poodle full registration. Adorable, sweet personality, \$1800. Call or text 208-610-



SHIH TZU PUPPIES, 2 litters available. First litter, 3 males, ready January 5th. Second litter, 1 male, ready January 3rd. All up to date on vaccines and dewclaws removed, \$900. 208-304-7214 Bonners Ferry

MALTIPOO/ MINI POODLE puppies available. For more information, call or text 509-492-1024

BOXER PUPPIES: Purebred pups available, 1 white male, 1 brindle male, and 1 fawn female. Tails docked, dewclaws removed, 1st shots given, and wormed. Ready 12/23, would make great Christmas present. White male is \$1200, brindle male is \$1300, fawn female is \$1400. For more information: 509-367-2473

YORKSHIRE TERRIER puppies ready for their forever homes. 3 boys, 3 girls, view photo online at nickelsworth. Call 406-679-6733, Priest River, or email shyken nedy@yahoo.com for more in-

(3) MALTESE/ MALTIPOOS born November 14th. White puppies, \$1600, \$100 holding fee. 509-919-2274, Post Falls



PUREBRED ST. BERNARD puppies. 2 females, 7 males. First shots, dewormed, \$950, \$250 non-refundable deposit. Deposit goes toward total purchase price. Ready for pick up to new homes Janu-ary 14th. Call or text 208-819-5047, Oldtown, ID

SECOND CHANCE PETS, Inc. All dogs spayed or neutered. Ringo, 7 month old male Australian Cattle Dog mix, short blue merle coat, blue eyes. Penny, 2 year old female Boston Terrier/ Australian Cattle Dog mix, very energetic, playful, friendly dog. Jag, 2 year old male Australian Cattle Dog mix, gorgeous, unique tri-color spot-ted coat, very short hair. Maya, 1-1/2 year old female Australian Shepherd/ Aus-tralian Cattle Dog mix, smart and friendly, well seciolized and friendly, well socialized. Bandit, 6 month old male Australian Cattle Dog mix, very high energy, friendly and well socialized. You can visit scpr.petfinder.com or email idahocoondog@yahoo. com for information

SHEPHERD/ LAB PUPPIES! We have 7 puppies ready for homes beginning of the new year! 5 males and 2 females born 11/9, vaccinated and wormed. \$300. Text Bre: 559-967-5938

SAINT BERDOODLE puppies: Gentle giants, 4 males and 2 females. Smart, intuitive, and wanting to learn. 15 weeks old and ready to go home. High quality, established pedigree. Instagram @sanders\_saint\_berdoodle, or call/ text 509-553-3878



BEAUTIFUL Bernedoodle puppies, ready for their forever homes. Smart, loving, and protective of their family, bell potty training and crate training, vaccines and worming up to date, \$1600. Call or text 509-362-6655 Loon Lake

(2) MALE ENGLISH bulldogs, ready to go. AKC registered, up to date on vaccines, wormed, and microchipped. \$3500. Call or text 910-448-0392. Grandview, WA

HELLO, WE HAVE 5 beautiful French bulldogs available. All pups are AKC registered and current on vaccinations and wormed. Healthy, social, and active little fellas. Questions, please call or text: 509-

(8) MINI AUSSIEDOODLE puppies. Merles, and black and white, ready for forever homes, \$800. Text or call 208-987-0326 or 513-659-1746, baldyviewboxers.weebly.com, Plummer, ID

(3) MALE PUREBRED AKC golden retrievers available, ready 1/6. For more information, call or text 402-641-7184

AKC REGISTERED CANE Corso puppies available. Female brindle, male fawn, 7 weeks old, wormed, 1st shots given, vet checked. For more

BERNESE MOUNTAIN dog/ Airedale puppies, ready now. Females and males, shots and wormed. Please call 509-675-1767 or 719-217-8054 (cell phone). Located north of Spokane

#### **Childcare**

AUNT STEPHANIES Childcare has availability for pre-school and child care, Monday-Friday, 5am-7pm. Call Stephanie at 208-641-7787, CdA

### **Pets**



TOY AUSSIES. Two girls, 2 lbs. at 9 weeks old. Both parents full health tested, up to date on shots and worming, super cute babies. We also have mini Aussies, probably about 15 lbs. Call or text 509-475-4880, Spokane

BEAUTIFUL Goldendoodles. Best Christmas present ever. Puppies will be ready January 17th to go home to their forever family. Select your puppy now. With deposit, we will hold your choice of pup until they are ready to leave their mother. AKC registered golden retriever mom and AKC registered standard poodle dad. Very socialized, \$1500 with first set of shots and exam by vet. Hurry and call 208-691-8348 before they are all taken



BEAUTIFUL GOLDEN mountain dog puppies, available January 12th, asking \$500. Please text Nick, 509-842-4619 Nine Mile Falls

SILVER LAB PUPPIES. WE have 7 adorable pups available for their forever homes. Parents are AKC and both have amazing temperaments, \$800. 208-719-6608

AKC YELLOW ENGLISH Lab puppies: Whelped 11/25, ready to go 01/22. Dam has been classroom dog since 7 months old. Hunting lines in both dam and sire. Pedigree and health checks complete. Sweet temperaments, perfect for families or hunters. \$500 to reserve your pup. 406-579-9283



FOUR PUREBRED MALE golden retrievers. 14 weeks old, had vet checkup, first two shots, \$1300 each. 406-242-0188, located in Trout Creek, MT

BOXERS PUPS, AKC registered. Champion bloodlines, tails docked, dewclaws removed, parents on-site, 3 year health guarantee. 509-844-4299

BLACK SHEEP SPORTING Goods. Home of the lowest prices on all things outdoors. In the Silver Lake Mall, 200 W. Hanley, CdA. 208-667-7831; www.BlackSheepIdaho. com AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD puppies ready now. Merles, lots of color, first shots, tails and dewclaws done, \$400. 208-964-2508

MINIATURE POODLE puppies. 1 black and white and 2 white with tan, \$700. 208-267-3850



THREE KITTENS FOR adoption. We are hoping to adopt them to someone who can take all 3 since they are so close. They are approximately 6 months old and incredibly sweet. They've had their first vaccines and will be fixed by the end of the month. We live in Kootenai County. Please contact Sarah if you are interested, sarah62179@gmail. com or 208-964-3840

AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD puppies. 9 weeks old, up-to-date with shots and worming, well socialized. Parents onsite, \$800-\$900. 208-699-4008

GOLDEN RETRIEVER dark red female. Not spayed, crate and potty trained. Never been around cats, no small kids, born 10/14/21, \$500. 303-385-3584, Spokane



AKC SCOTTISH TERRIER puppies, born October 14th, parents on site, raised in loving home. Dewormed, current vaccines, healthy, happy and full of personality, \$1200. Call 509-680-4661 Kettle Falls

TEN BORDER COLLIE pitbull puppies. Six females, four males, super great with children or children with special needs! Dewormed, will come with first shots, \$300 with room to negotiate. 208-245-4031, St. Maries

AKC REGISTERED Brittany pups. Parents are excellent gun dogs and family dogs. \$1500 each. 208-610-7159, Clark Fork, ID

BABY PITTIES BORN 10/15 ready for their forever homes. Rehoming fee to ensure good homes and absorb some of the costs. All shots and well check. See photo at nickels worth.com. Spokane Valley, WA, 509-701-3760



AKC WELSH PEMBROKE corgi puppies, tri-colored, first vaccinations, paper trained, limited AKC Reg., \$1000, possible trade? Ready now, delivery possible, located in Spokane. Call or text, 208-304-3503

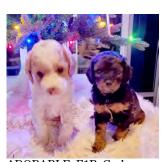


CHRISTMAS SPECIAL \$500 cocker spaniel puppy, 10 months old, 1 male, up to date shots/ dewormed. 6 Persian kittens, 1 male, 5 females, \$800. 509-362-2786 Spokane Valley

CAT WRANGLERS! BLUE, 5 year female DSH Blue Russian; Donnie, 9 year male DSH grey and white; Felix, 5 year DSH female brown tabby and white; Adele, 7-9 year DSH female white with brown tabby; Morgan, 1-2 year DSH female brown tabby and white; Nora, 4-5 month DSH female grey tabby and white; Jolee 4month DSH female black with white locket: Joev. month DMH male black Chantilly; Felix and Buddy, 9 month DMH male tuxedos; Mini, petite 18 month DMH female tuxedo; Royal Mama Cleopatra, 2 year DMH fe-male tuxedo; Butler, 13 year DSH male solid black; Eva, 1 year DMH female dark tabby; Hemi, 6 month DSH female dilute torti; Phyearrah, 6 month DSH female torti, polydactal; Weiss, 6 month DMH female Siamese mix; Norah, 6 month DSH female marble tabby; Tomato, 6 month DSH female silver tab-by with white; Meatball, 6 month DSH female silver tabby; Frank, 6 month DMH male silver tabby; Two older males: one orange tabby and other black; Butler and Jeeves, 10 week DSH male tuxedo kittens. Text or call 208-446-7131 and leave message for adoption info



AKC LHASA APSO puppies. Come with health guarantee and from 26 year committed breeder. Low shedding, intelligent, entertaining comedic family guardians, \$2000. See additional photos at nickels worth.com. Text 607-435-1634 or www.absosengkye.com, Naples, ID



ADORABLE F1B Cockapoos. Raised in our loving home, ENS training. Up-to-date worming, shot. \$1000, for rare tri-colors, taking \$300 deposit now. 208-930-0094, CdA, ID



LABRADOODLE PUPPIES. F1b, medium size, family raised, super friendly, vet checked, shots, 14 weeks and ready to go. Ideal family dogs, cuddly and charming. \$700. Call or text 509-339-5698, Colbert.



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERDS Two red tri females, one red merle male. Tails, dewclaws, first shots and worming included. \$650, \$250 nonrefundable deposit included in price. Ready to go, 509-279-3199, 509-276-5689



CHRISTMAS PUPS. SOFT coated wheaten and whoodle puppies, hypoallergenic, non-shedding, up-to-date on shots and worming, 1 year health guarantee. In top 10 most friendly dogs lists. 208-245-1263, www.FunWheatens.



BEAUTIFUL SILVER LAB puppies, 5 males, 4 females available, both parents are silver Labs. They will come dewormed, first round of puppy shots and Neopar shot, \$800. 208-610-7938 Bonners Ferry

PUG PUPPIES FOR SALE: Very healthy, playful, super cute, and ready for their loving new homes. 3 females, 2 males, they have the most adorable personalities! First shot given and wormed. \$550. For serious inquiries, contact me at 541-561-8815



AKC LAB PUPPIES. 2 yellow puppies available, male and female. Parents on-site, dam is fox red, sire is black. Great pedigree, shots and wormer, ready now, \$500. Call 208-255-9851 or email: northern nomad54@gmail.com



STANDARD POODLE, male, parents tested, DNA clear. Limited registration, \$700. Texts ok, 509-690-8425 Rice ANNOUNCE YOUR wedding or anniversary in the Nickel's Worth with a color picture for free! For details, call 208-667-0651. We're on Facebook: www.facebook.com/nickels worth and online at www.nickelsworth.com



GOLDEN RETRIEVER puppies ready for new homes now. Born 11/1, AKC registered. Great family dogs, \$1500. Call or text 406-544-6362, St. Ignatius, MT

GERMAN SHORTHAIR puppies, price reduced! Shorthair pointers for sale, 10 weeks old. Sire is AKC registered, dam is purebred but not registered. First round of shots given, wormed, tails docked, dewclaws removed, and vet checked. \$400. Call or text 509-961-0155. Yakima, WA



ADORABLE RAGDOLL kittens, just turned five weeks this last Sunday. Eating soft kitten food, doing very well with litter box; just the cutest little furballs when they look at you with those bright blue eyes and it just melts your heart! \$500 each with \$100 non-refundable deposit. Give me call, set up an appointment, come see for yourself. Live in Post Falls and awaiting your call, 208-660-0467



BASSET HOUND PUPPLES, AKC reg., females and males, lemon, brown, black, and tricolor available. Ready now, \$1250. Please call 509-675-1767 or 719-217-8054 (cell phone). Located north of Spokane



3 males, 2 females, tails docked and dewclaws removed, vet checked, will have first shots and worming. Ready now, \$1500. 208-816-1642, Fenn



GOLDEN RETRIEVER, Mario. 17 weeks old, up-to-date on all shots and deworming schedule, \$600. 208-620-7258

FRENCH BULLDOG puppies ready now! One 12 week old male and a litter of 8 week old male and a litter of 8 week old males and females, as well as 1 adult female Frenchie available. Come with shots, microchipped, wormed, vet checked, and limited AKC registration. Parents on premises. Sociable, funny, adorable pups, ready now to make an excellent Christmas gift. \$2500-\$3000 for pet only, full rights also available. Text or call 509-833-2241 for more information



AKC REG. YELLOW Labrador retriever puppies, ready now. America's favorite breed for decades, adorable puppies, playful and loving, parents excellent hunters and good with children. Vet checked, first shots and dewormed. Light in color, with full registration. Healthiest, strongest litter in 17 years, only two boys left, \$800 each. 509-385-9827, Deer Park

ALLIANCE OF THERAPY Dogs is looking for special dogs! Does your dog share smiles and bring joy to people young and old alike? Please consider being a part of our organization, an International Registry of Certified Therapy Dog Teams. Please go to www.TherapyDogs.com for more information



BASSET HOUND PUPPIES. Bring yours home during the holidays! Our puppies come vet checked, vaccinated, dewormed and socialized. We love our dogs and are looking for responsible homes for them. For more pictures and information, please contact 208-446-7880 or welcomehomebas sets@gmail.com



ELITE FRENCHIES, OUR puppies are ready for their forever homes. They are current on shots, worming and have been microchipped. They are raised in our home as part of the family, \$3500. Please call or text 509-990-9899 Davenport

### **Antiques**

DON STIVERS AND MORT Kunstler prints. Over 50 different serial numbered prints. Unframed and stored flat in original covers. 509-703-3937, Worley

### **Pets**



SILVER AKC LABRADOR Retrievers. Ready 12/17 for Christmas. First shots, trained. dewormed, potty Males, females, and 1 white female available, \$1250. Call now to reserve, 208-216-9745, Athol, ID

AKC GOLDEN RETRIEVER puppies ready for Christmas! Both parents on-site, vet checked, shots, wormed. 509-995-8317 Loon Lake



AKC COLLIE PUPPIES, perfect companions, two males, baby Lassies! Born August 20th, first shots, limited registration, \$1000 each. Call, no texts, 509-319-6164 Cheney

SHOSHONE PET RESCUE! Popper, Coco and Anna are lifelong roommates whose mom is moving into a nursing home. They would like to stay together but understand it may not be possible. Popper and Anna are 10.5 years and Coco is 12.5 years, Schnauzer mixes; D-Dog, 7 year male Husky; Flynn Ryder, 9 week male Pitbull mix; Paradise, 8 year female Husky/ heeler/ cattle dog mix; Darrin, young male black shepherd/ Husky; Tammy and George, young adult female and male St. Be rnard/ pointer mixes; Poppie, year female Aussie/ Dachshund mix, adorable; Alvee, gorgeous 1 year male Siberian Husky with special needs. More info at www.spr. petfinder.com or call 208-512-



AKC BOXER PUPPIES born 8/26. 2 females (flashy fawns) and 1 male (plain fawn) remain. Vet checked and all healthy/ normal. Parents are on-site, family pets and all live indoors. Pups are well socialized, handled regularly and get a lot of play time, \$1500. Rathdrum, 208-964-



male puppy, looking for his forever home, born August 24th and ready now, all shots and worming, we can deliver. Please text, Moses Lake 509-750-2358

PUREBRED CHIHUAHUA puppies for sale. 8 weeks old and ready to go! 7 puppies available, 4 are really tiny, \$800 for the girls or \$700 for the boys. Contact 208-640-6363. Spokane



GOLDEN RETRIEVER 1/4 yellow Lab puppies, eight weeks on December 22nd, first shots and dewormed, males and females available, \$600. 509-220-3179 Nine Mile

HALF PUG HALF MINI schnauzer male puppy. Absolutely great temperament, best of both worlds! He has shots, wormed, \$600. Call/text, 509-475-0442, north of Spokane

CAVA COCKADOODLE puppies; Cavalier, cocker spaniel, and poodle. So very cute and ready to go 1/15. \$1500, taking deposits now of \$500. 509-305-0423, text only



SERENE PRAIRIE Frenchies, licensed and vet approved! Our puppies are vet checked, microchipped, up to date on vaccinations and worming. Our puppies are out of champion, health tested bloodlines. They have been raised in our home, well so-cialized, and well on their way with potty training. We offer lifetime 24/7 breeder support for our families and a written 24 month health written 24 month health guarantee. Your puppy comes with a "welcome home bag." Call/ text 509-939-7186 www. SereneFrenchBulldogs.com

AKC REGISTERED Belgian Malinois. These pups will be ready January 6. Our dogs are all bred for competition, protection and law enforcement as well as great family dogs. \$2000 for limited registration and \$3000 for full registration. 2 year health guarantee and all puppies will be up to date on shots, worming and vet certification at time of purchase. Please call for photos and more information. Will deliver within 300 miles Tri-Cities 509-308-6335 Benton City



WE NEED TO MAKE sure Max and Rex are adopted together, either for Christmas or afterwards, to get into their forever home. Please give our foster person a call at 509-710-1800

ADORABLE REGISTERED Yorkies. First shots and worming, 7 weeks old, \$1500. 509-828-9370

### **Never Let The Sun Set On** A Dirty Firearm

- Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game -



As big game hunting season winds down, don't forget to clean up those firearms before stowing them in the gun safe

Another season in the books. You and your trusty firearm spent countless roaming the mountain slopes and drainages that Idaho is known for and likely in all kinds of weather.

For all the times your firearm's had your back (literally), now is the point in the year when you have its back. Whether you hunted the forests of the Panhandle, the dry sagebrush seas in the southern portion of the state, or somewhere in between. vou and your firearm earned some much-needed R&R. Your muscles will recover with some time off; but stashing a dirty gun for months can cause all kinds of problems next time you go to use it.

Here's a quick and easy guide (and reminder) to clean your firearms and condition them for next season.

#### Preparation

Before you run downstairs and take every clamp and screw off your firearm, do a little housekeeping. Pick out a suitable, clean work area with ample space to set aside parts and tools.

Make sure your workstation is well-lit and has good air flow, since you'll be working with cleaning

A sturdy table is a must. Resting your prized firearm on a stack of cardboard boxes is a surefire way to break some expensive features. Also be sure that the table is not one that hosts the family at dinner time. Gun cleaning solvents are greasy and can be toxic, so don't clean your firearm on, say, the same table to process your game meat.

#### Know how your firearm works

Being a responsible firearm owner is more than just knowing where to point the muzzle and when to squeeze the trigger. Firearm assembly can vary from manufacturer to manufacturer, so making sure you have an updated copy of the firearm's manual is important in understanding how to take things apart, or even more importantly, how to put them back together. A lot of pride went in to building that firearm, and you should dedicate the same amount of pride to caring for it.

#### Elbow grease

It's time to get to work. Whether the bulk of your time was spent hunting deer with a rifle or grouse with a small-gauge shotgun, the principle is always the same. Different firearms, however, require different strategies when it comes to cleaning, but the tools and concept is roughly the same.

#### Tools you should have in your cleaning kit:

- Cleaning rod
- · Bore brush (that matches the caliber of your firearm)
- · Pull-through bore cleaning tool
- Cleaning jags (slotted and form-fitting for holding) patches)
- · Cloth patches
- · Utility brushes

- · Cotton swabs
- Gun oil
- Cleaning chemicals, including bore cleaners, action cleaners, and lubricants

HOT TIP: You might want to consider picking up a cleaning kit specific to the caliber of firearm you own. Not only does it save you time picking out tools individually, but most come with a case that keeps your tools tidy.

Cleaning a firearm can differ pretty greatly depending on the type of firearm, the type of ammunition fired through it, the length of the barrel, type of receiver, etc. But to keep things simple, here's a boiled down guide focusing on the basics using common cleaning tools.

- 1. Before you do anything, make sure the firearm is unloaded. Then remove the magazine.
- 2. Clean the firearm's barrel and chamber. Using either a brush or pull-through bore cleaning cable that matches your firearm's caliber, gently slide the brush or pull-through tool down the barrel from chamber to muzzle. Do this a few times and you will notice flakes of carbon and metal fouling – the result of pushing relatively soft metal or metal-cased objects down a relatively hard bore — exiting the barrel at the muzzle.
- 3. Now the barrel is clear of metal fragments and debris but still needs to be cleaned. Apply a few drops of bore solvent to a fresh patch (a square piece of lint-free fabric, usually made of cotton). Slide the moist patch through the barrel using a cleaning jag that matches the caliber of your firearm until it comes out the end of the barrel. Do not pull the patch back through the barrel, as this brings dirt and debris back into the nowwet barrel. The jag holds the patch in place like a scrunched up bowtie while the patch slides down and cleans the barrel.
- 4. With the barrel moistened by the cleaning solvent, give the firearm 10-15 minutes for the solvent to break down any remaining sediment.
- 5. Once time has passed, take a bore brush and scrub the inside of the barrel.
- 6. Toss the old, dirty patch and replace with a clean new one. Run the dry, clean patch down the barrel several times. You may have to repeat this process with additional clean patches. Continue running the cleaning rod through the barrel until the patches no longer show any dirt.
- 7. Next, apply light lubricant to a bore cleaning tool and run the tool through the barrel to further clean and prevent corrosion.
- 8. The firearm's barrel should now be cleaned. Be sure to wipe down the outside of the firearm as well, including the barrel's exterior and the feed
- 9. Carefully inspect the action and remove any debris, gunk, oil residue, etc. so it's clean and operates smoothly. Re-oil with a light lubricant if needed, but don't over do it or it could gum up the action, especially in freezing weather.

Now that you have tidied up your firearm's barrel, repeat the same steps above for your firearm's action. Whether your firearm is a pump-action, bolt-action or slide-action, cleaning the action is just as important as cleaning the barrel.

You may need to pick up some smaller brushes and tools specific to cleaning your firearm's action, which can vary greatly. Be sure to check out your firearm's manual for the best instructions on cleaning its action.

#### Until next season

Most hunters don't care if their firearms look pretty, they just want them to shoot right. Taking pride in your firearm is part of being a responsible hunter. You'll feel a lot better heading into the off season or reaching for that trusty firearm come next season with a clean, well-taken care of rifle or shotgun sitting in your safe. Maintain a properly cared for firearm and it will have your back for many more hunts in the future.

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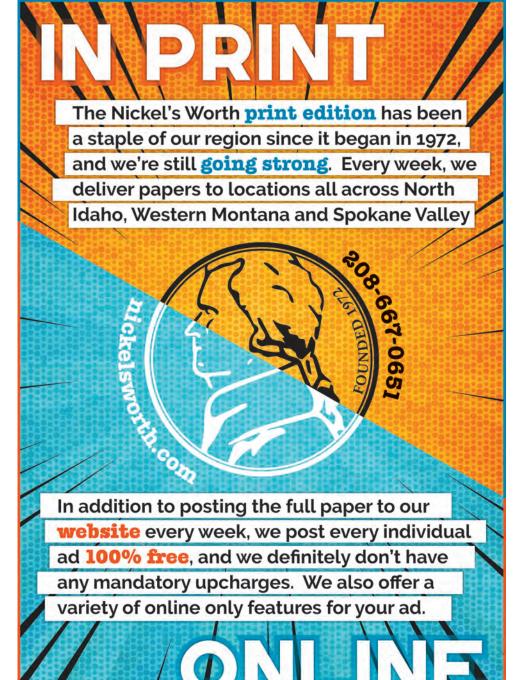
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### Antiques & Collecting By Terry and Kim Kovel

### Campeche Chairs

When decorating a room, it's fun to include something out-of-the-ordinary. Perhaps you can find an unusual lamp or a modern painting, or a piece of furniture in a unique style. Try something new and go to an auction to see what's selling.

Neal Auction Company's recent auction was selling different styles of antique furniture, including a Campeche chair. It looked a lot like some modern chairs, but it had a single piece of leather curved to make the back and seat on a simple wooden frame. The back was tipped just enough to make it a perfect place to nap. The legs were upside-down capital C's, one on each side with a center stretcher. It was a perfect conversation piece.

The name "Campeche" comes from its use in the city of Campeche, Mexico, where it was popular in the late 18th century. Historians thought the name came from campeche wood, but most were made of mahogany. Looking up the chair's history takes talent because it is also called a "Spanish chair" or a "butac" (a shortened form of other words, "butaca" or "boutaque," used for the chair). Some call it the "planter's chair." Thomas Jefferson had one of these chairs he called a "Campeachy."

The chairs, similar to earlier X-frame chairs, were popular in Louisiana and shipped to New Orleans. They were used in Philadelphia by the 1830s and in London by about 1845. Some modern artists, including silversmith William Spratling, were creating similar pieces in the 1950s. The chairs are still being made and sold in the U.S. today.

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This Campeche chair is made of mahogany with a small, circular inlay of a lighter wood. It was estimated to be worth \$5,000 each.

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This all-purpose fondue recipe is versatile. You can use wine, beer or apple cider as your liquid base. Add your cheese of choice, a little cornstarch to ensure your fondue won't separate, and you've got luscious fondue.

When you think of traditional cheese fondue, you may think of Swiss cheese as the principal ingredient. In my quest to keep things frugal as well as fabulous, I learned that inexpensive Swiss cheese from the deli doesn't melt properly into the wine; it stays stringy and clumpy. I tried several varieties and ended up with clumps of gooey cheese bathing in milky wine. Not very Diva. So rather than breaking the bank on good (read: expensive!) Gruyere or Emmental cheese, we're using other, more affordable cheeses.

The cheeses that work best are any variety of cheddar (yellow or white, mild, medium or sharp), muenster, Monterey jack, pepper jack, Colby or a mix of those varieties.

Be sure to use a dry white wine or beer that you'd enjoy drinking. My taste-testers liked the aromatic "boozy" essence brought by the alcohol. Apple cider was delicious with all the combinations I tried. It added a lovely fruity note but was less complex in flavor. Bear in mind, nearly all the alcohol will evaporate as the fondue cooks. So, no worries about the kiddies getting blotto before bedtime.

For a white cheese fondue (pictured), use 3 cups white cheddar mixed with 2 cups muenster. It's mild flavored enough to let the essence of the wine shine. The wines I suggest include dry Riesling (taste-test winner), or chenin blanc.

If you choose beer as your liquid, use medium or sharp cheddar and add a little dry ground mustard for some zing. To spice things up, try an IPA beer with pepper jack cheese.

#### EASY CHEESY FONDUE

Yield: 6 cups fondue Time: 20 minutes

1 1/2 cups dry white wine, beer or apple cider

5 cups shredded cheese 1 tablespoon cornstarch

Optional ingredients: 1 clove garlic, minced, 1/8 teaspoon grated nutmeg, 1/4 teaspoon pepper, 1 tablespoon brandy or kirsch.

In a heavy-bottomed saucepan over medium-low heat, bring your liquid of choice to barely a simmer. Aim for 150 F. Don't boil the fondue!

Meanwhile, toss the shredded cheese and cornstarch until it's evenly dispersed.

Reduce heat to low and slowly add

the cheese, one small handful at a time. Stir each addition until it's melted before adding the next handful. Repeat until all the cheese is melted. If you're adding any additional ingredients, stir them in now.

When all the cheese is melted, transfer the mixture to a fondue pot set on low. Alternatively, you could use a small crockpot set on low. Serve immediately.

Dippers can be as simple or as elaborate as you desire or your budget requires. Cubes of bread, roasted potatoes or steak fries, slices of apple and pear, red bell pepper, broccoli florets and smoked sausage are classic.

For a variety of affordable breads, haunt your local bakery's "oops, we baked too much" racks in advance of your party.



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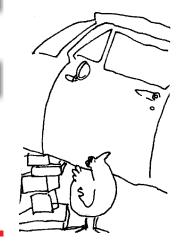
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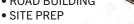
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### KOVEL **Antiques & Collecting**

By Terry and Kim Kovel

#### **Redware Pottery**

A strange redware pottery item was listed in a recent auction as a cup. But it looked more like a squat 2-inch vase with a large opening on one side. The auction catalog called it a "19th century glazed redware slip cup," estimated at \$200 to \$400. But even with a picture we were baffled. How was a slip cup used? Or was it just a typo in the caption for a sipping cup?

We kept looking at pictures of redware until we finally found the answer. The cup is used when decorating pottery with slip, a liquid the consistency of toothpaste that was forced through a quill tube to create raised line and circle decorations. This slip cup was probably made by the Singer Pottery in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, about 1830. About four quills were poked into the open space in the side so four lines could be drawn on a piece of pottery at once. The auction slip cup sold for \$649.

I'm having trouble finding a value for an antique RCA Victor console radio, model K-81, built in 1939. Can you help me?

RCA was founded in 1919 when General Electric bought the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America (known as American Marconi) and renamed it the Radio Corporation of America. The company made radios for General Electric and also some for Westinghouse. The company name became the RCA Corporation in 1969. RCA's model K81 has a broadcast band and two shortwave bands, and the console has push buttons to preset stations. It has eight vacuum tubes. Transistor radios became popular in the late 1950s, and the last radios with vacuum tubes were phased out in the 1960s. Old tube radios in good working condition sell for \$100 to \$150.

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This unusual redware vessel is called a slip cup and was used for decorating pottery. It sold for \$649 at Conestoga Auctions.

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Doll, Kathe Kruse, girl, plastic swivel head, painted features, human hair wig, stuffed cloth body, tab jointed arms, disc jointed legs, marked "U.S. Zone Germany" and "Kathe Kruse," 19-1/2 inches, \$190.

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Furniture, blanket chest, Chippendale, pine, painted, hinged lid, three drawers on bottom, ogee feet, painted initials "ML / FR" and date "1786," 29 x 48 x 22 inches, \$2,760.

Looking to declutter, downsize or settle an estate? Kovels' Antiques & Collectibles Price Guide 2022 by Terry and Kim Kovel has the resources you're looking for.

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#### **Community Calendar**

New Year's Eve Firework Show, Potluck And Bonfire, Saturday, December 31st, Blanchard Grange, 36 Mason Rd., Blanchard. Presented by Wyatt's Wish, a community celebration. 4pm bonfire, take a Christmas tree to burn and camp chair to sit in. 5pm potluck, take a food dish to share with others. 6pm fireworks show. All are invited free! Ouestions, call 509-671-3666.

New Year's Eve Celebration, Saturday, December 31st, 8pm, at Rathdrum City Hall (outside), 8047 Main Street. All are invited to this community celebration! Enjoy party favors, raffle prizes, photo booth, music and the ball drop at 9pm.

Polar Bear Plunge, Sunday, January 1st, noon, Sanders Beach (Lake Coeur d'Alene), east end of Lakeshore Drive, CdA. Go jump in the lake, of course it's free, all are welcome!

Free Ski/ Winter Access Day, Saturday, January 7th, at Farragut State Park, 13550 Hwy 54, Athol. Enjoy the park's winter wonderland on the trails via snowshoes or cross country skis. Visitor Center open daily 9am-6pm. Call 208-683-2425 for info.

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