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Senator takes on campaign spending

By DANIEL SIMMONS-RITCHIE
The World

WASHINGTON — Fearing the growing influence of political attack ads, an Oregon senator is pushing for stronger laws on campaign donations.

Pitch man

Read Wyden's proposal: www.wyden.senate.gov/campaign-finance-reform

Ron Wyden, a Democrat from Portland, is proposing legislation that would require sources of political spending and donations to be reported almost immediately to the public.

At present, donations in federal elections are reported quarterly. That means donations made in the final weeks of an election — when spending is heaviest — remain hid-

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Music gives worldwide adventure

COOS BAY — “You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose,” Dr. Seuss wrote in his book “Oh, the Places You’ll Go!”

PEOPLE OF THE WORLD



TIM NOVOTNY

“I knew that I wanted music to be a part of my time at Yale. I auditioned for the Glee club, which is the big 80-voice

The advice is for everyone, but it's proven particularly true for one local grad, especially if you factor in a certain degree of musical talent that led him down some rather adventuresome paths.

Markus Boesl graduated from Marshfield High School in 2010 and headed to the Ivy League with his diploma and a passion for singing. Landing at Yale University, he found no shortage of outlets for his singing ability.

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LAKE SIDE MAIL BOAT



By Alysha Beck, The World

Eliska Jacobsen delivers the mail via boat along Tenmile Lake in Lakeside. The mail boat is essential to some residents whose homes are only accessible by boat.

Women of rustic route carry on

By DANIEL SIMMONS-RITCHIE
The World

LAKESIDE — The wind reached 150 mph as the storm landed. Farther down the coast, the gale plucked trees from the ground like toothpicks.

It was Columbus Day 1962, and Marj Kilpatrick didn't know what was coming. The driver of one of America's only mail boats was doing what she did best: delivering the mail, rain or shine.

So far, Kilpatrick had felt more of the former. Tenmile Lake's surface was dimpled with rain, light gusts tussled the Fir trees. Kilpatrick clutched the side of her cedar vessel as she pulled up to her last mailbox. She was motoring back to her own lake-front home, feeling confident, when the wind roared and the waves struck.

“There were two walls of water coming at me,” Kilpatrick said, now 85, pressing her wrinkled hands into a “V”.

Kilpatrick did the only thing she could do: She ducked. Water rushed over her. She was soggy but unscathed.

For more than 60 years, Kilpatrick and a few hardy souls have battled the elements to deliver mail to the 50-odd residents of Tenmile Lake.

The mail boat is still a lifeline to these people. Some homes can be reached only by boat, others only by winding backroads.

But while the winter weather can get rough, drivers past and present say, at its best, the job is a tour-de-force in relaxation.

Eliska Jacobsen has operated the route for the past three years. She has red hair and speaks with a clipped Czech accent.

“Sometimes, it's so peaceful,” she said. “I'm just glad to be able to be out there. You see the fog when you're driving through there. It's beautiful!”

As her 16-foot boat pulls away from the launch, Jacobsen casually spins the wheel. Her outboard motor kicks a white tail over Tenmile's glassy surface.

Most days, Jacobsen sees more animals

than people. Ospreys and bald eagles fight over trout in summer. Bears and beavers paddle between the lake's fingers.

As Jacobsen pulls up to a mailbox on a pier, a golden labrador runs to her boat.

“Hey, how are you?” Jacobsen says, reaching for dog treats. “Good boy. You have to sit! Sit down.”

Jacobsen immigrated to America in 1985. She lived in California and Alaska before visiting Lakeside with her husband. The pair fell in love with Tenmile and bought a cabin by the water's edge.

Jacobsen's husband found work as a barge operator for Sause Bros. He insisted that Jacobsen get out into the community too.

They discovered the post office was looking for a new mail boat operator. Jacobsen

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See video of Eliska Jacobsen and the mail boat in action at <http://tinyurl.com/ctfamwb>



The Associated Press

Work continues in preparation to shift the existing Sellwood Bridge over to temporary supports, allowing a new bridge to be built in its old footprint above the Willamette River, Dec. 18 in Portland. That move is planned for mid-January.

Replacing Willamette bridge means moving it

■ Engineering project is 'once-in-a-lifetime' event

By DANA TIMS
The Associated Press

PORTLAND — Given Jason Kunkle's passion for bridges, he is planted on the perfect professional perch — high above the Willamette River amid the cross-braced mesh of the Sellwood Bridge's aging steel truss.

In three weeks, Kunkle and a team of engineers, supervisors and skilled workers will culminate months of preparation by activating 10 hydraulic jacks that will lift the 3,400-ton bridge

two inches off its concrete piers. In the 12 hours after, they plan to seamlessly pull off one of the longest bridge moves ever attempted.

“If you love bridges, this is what it's all about,” said Kunkle, a foreman with Stayton-based Slayden Construction, which formed a joint venture with Sundt, an Arizona contractor, to tackle the \$307.5 million replacement of the Sellwood Bridge. “It's a once-in-a-lifetime project.”

Challenging facets fill the construction project list. One is the extensive in-water work of sinking long steel columns for both a traffic detour bridge and a work bridge just upstream, which contractors will use as a staging plat-

form to build the permanent structure.

No single aspect of the project, however, rivals the slow-motion drama of the planned Jan. 19 “translation” of the bridge: Stout metal “cradles,” lifts and a dizzying system of hydraulics will scoot the bridge deck from its current alignment to the piers that will cradle its temporary incarnation as a detour bridge.

“It's a critical part of the entire operation, and it has taken lots of planning,” said Ed Wortman, a retired Multnomah County engineer who was brought back in a temporary, part-time capacity to review work done by other designers and contractors. “Always in the backs of

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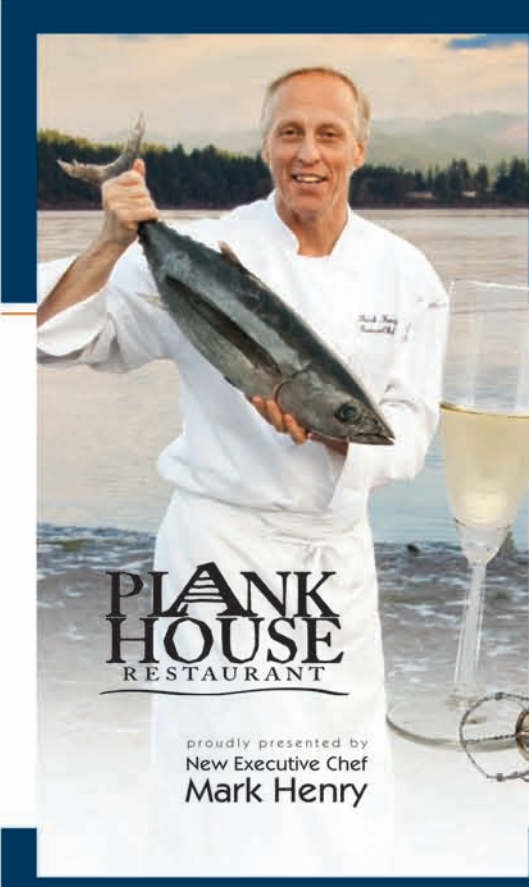
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One is 18. One is not.

Rise in underage sex crimes causes concern for high school staff, students

**BY ASHLEY BARBIAN
AND SARA BIRNER**
The Marshfield Times

COOS BAY — Masked faces and flowing gowns filled the Marshfield High School gym May 16, 2011. One particular freshman had spent hours getting ready for the event. It was her first prom and she had been asked by a junior. She had never considered the masquerade would change her life permanently.

"The night all seemed so unreal," said Lauren, a current student whose name has been withheld to protect her identity.

After the dance Lauren proceeded to leave with her friends.

"I left with people I trusted because I had heard the stories of after prom from my older sister," Lauren

said. "I never could have imagined I would be the person the stories were about."

Lauren later accompanied her friends to a party. There was underage drinking and drug use, and Lauren ended up participating.

"Everyone was doing it [drugs] and I wanted them to be impressed with me because I was a freshman," Lauren said. "Somehow I ended up away from my friends with an older boy I didn't know."

Lauren was raped at the party. The boy was 18 and she was 15.

Oregon's age of consent is 18. Engaging in sexual intercourse with a minor is considered rape if there is three years age difference. Laws are not gender specific.

"I couldn't remember most of the night," Lauren said. "So, at first he was

Contributions

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charged with rape in the third degree."

According to Lauren, the perpetrator's friends harassed her for the charges she pressed.

"Because I couldn't remember the night," Lauren said, "it made everything twice as worse for me."

Lauren's experience is one of a number of cases of sexual misconduct that have occurred involving Marshfield High School students and the local community in recent years. A Marshfield basketball coach pleaded guilty to third-degree rape June 26 after having a sexual relationship with

a 15-year-old Eugene girl. Spencer Shimota, 19, and two other teens, Chay Gilbert, 18, and Jacob Frasier, 17, were charged in April for multiple sexual encounters they had with a 13-year-old girl.

Even closer to home, as was the case with Lauren, MHS students or graduates have been accused, and in some cases convicted, of sexual misconduct with fellow students under the age of 18.

Marshfield guidance counselor Wes Ferrin has seen this trend develop during his time working at MHS.

"Marshfield has had a larger percentage of [sexual misconduct with minors cases] than anywhere I have worked," Ferrin said. "Over the past several years, there has always been at least one per year."

In October, MHS held an all-

school assembly over a two-day period to provide information regarding sexual misconduct in relation to minors. A panel of local professionals who deal with such cases provided information about the consequences of illegal sexual activity involving minors.

According to Lauren, sexual abuse cases involve multiple court appearances, prosecution and social downgrading in school. The consequences can be severe and lifelong.

Lauren believes what she went through will always be a part of her, but she does not regret pressing charges.

"The things I went through during the case have made me the person I am today," she said. "I would be in a completely different place right now if it wasn't for this case."

Thefts & Mischief

COOS COUNTY

Dec. 26, 10:34 a.m., theft of license plates and vehicle registration from glove box, Rainbow Lane.

Dec. 26, 6:02 p.m., man arrested for domestic assault, 90900 block of Windy Lane.

Dec. 26, 8:31 p.m., criminal trespass, 88200 block of North Bank Lane.

Dec. 26, 11:12 p.m., theft of subwoofer and license plates from vehicle, Bastendorff Beach Park.

NORTH BEND

Dec. 26, 9:43 a.m., theft of gas from vehicle, 1700 block of Arthur Street.

Dec. 26, 11:34 a.m., theft of guitar from vehicle, 2000 block of Sheridan Avenue.

Dec. 26, 1:17 p.m., criminal mischief to vehicle, 3500 block of Broadway Avenue.

Dec. 26, 4:32 p.m., woman arrested

for meth possession, Mill Casino-Hotel, 3201 Tremont Ave.

Dec. 26, 5:32 p.m., burglary to a business, 2000 block of Public Square Court.

Dec. 26, 6:13 p.m., theft from storage unit, 2100 block of Hamilton Street.

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Dec. 26, 8:16 a.m., theft of gas from vehicle, 300 block of

South Cammann Street.

Dec. 26, 9:19 a.m., burglary, 1600 block of Newmark Avenue.

Dec. 26, 9:45 a.m., criminal mischief and theft, 2100 block of Newmark Avenue.

Dec. 26, 12:25 p.m., criminal mischief, 200 block of South Marple Street.

Dec. 26, 5:16 p.m., man arrested for criminal trespass and theft, Fred Meyer, 1020 First St.

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Cheers & Jeers

Moving along

Cheers to backers of the Egyptian Theatre, who have put together \$100,000 in local donations toward renovation. That's nearly half the \$225,000 they need to attract grants that will, in turn, cover the bulk of the cost. It's going to happen.



No excuses

You already know whether you'll be drinking on New Year's Eve, right? And you already know you have to get home afterward. Jeers to you if poor planning leads you to drive drunk. Designate a driver. Call a cab. Whatever it takes to wake up alive Wednesday.



Pass the crab

Dungeness crab will open the season at \$2.30 a pound Monday. That's a strong start, and the market could drive the price higher.



A high price pinches consumers a little, but it's great for the Charleston fleet. Cheers.

Y'all come back!

Cheers to the visiting high school basketball teams, their families and their fans. The Bay Area is proud to host you. We hope you'll have a great time, and we hope you'll remember us when you plan your next vacation.



Never enough

Jeers for insistent negativity. Outgoing Coos County Commissioner Cam Parry proposes a "water bank" that theoretically might earn the county \$1 million a year. The criticism in response? It might yield as little as \$12,000 a year. Well, how much will the county earn by doing nothing?



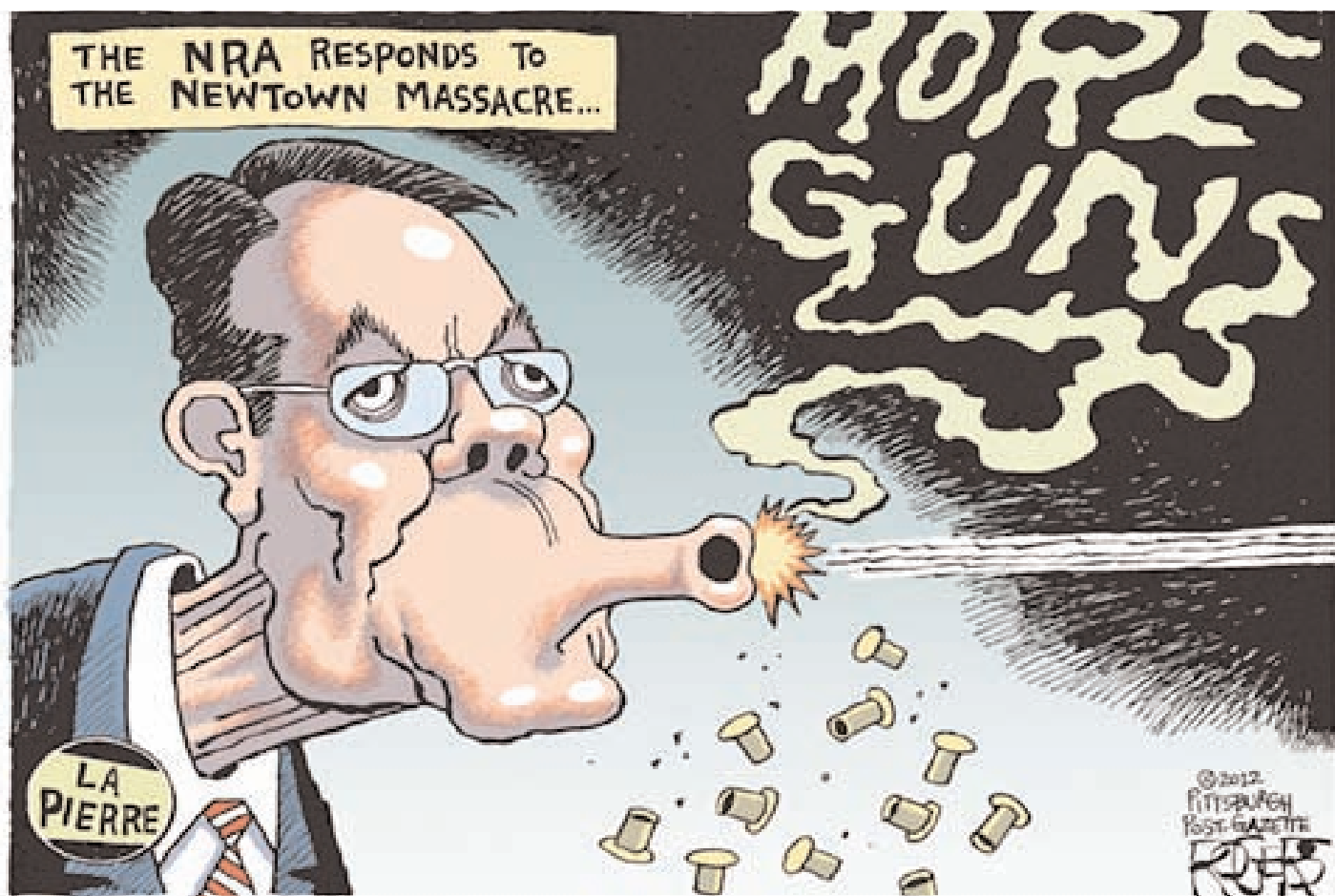
Joy of music

The fine arts flourish in small communities because enthusiasts donate their time, money and passion. Cheers to the Oregon Coast Music Association, which will kick off its 2013 season with its annual poster party Friday night.



Remembering the fallen

U.S. military death tolls in Afghanistan as of Friday:
2,165



Public Forum

We can't afford to pay for extra holiday pay

I cannot believe it! With the fiscal cliff looming, everyone taking a hit on their taxes and the budget mess we are in, the president gives all federal workers an extra paid holiday — with the exception of postal workers, who will probably be paid time and a half, or double time — just because 28,257 people signed an online petition requesting it.

The number of people requesting the paid holiday is a fraction of the federal workers. What a can of worms to open. Next it will be a three-day weekend, then a four-day weekend, and on and on. Just because a petition was signed and sent.

I'm one citizen who is very concerned about the debt we are in, and the deeper it is getting.

Joyce Clark
 Coos Bay

'Cliff' is overspending, inefficiency and greed

In reality, the so called fiscal cliff is the edge of a huge hole created by an overspending Congress, coupled with the inefficiencies and self-serving attitudes of federal agencies, and the greed of public employee's unions.

An across-the-board spending cut of 5 percent per year for the next five years for all federal spending would be appropriate and go a long way toward fixing the current economic situation created by our political leaders.

Paul Merz
 Charleston

We have not finished counting the bodies

Newtown, Conn. — 28 killed.
 Afghanistan — still counting.

Monica Schreiber
 North Bend

Kudos

Thankful for Coquille Fire Department

This holiday season, my family is thankful for Coquille firefighters. Last summer we had a fire at our house, and the Coquille Fire Department was quick to respond, especially Chief Waddington. Our brave firefighters were able to save our home, which is the greatest gift anyone can ask for. We will forever be grateful for the men and women in the Coquille Fire Department.

Bailey Moody
 Coquille

Gratitude for officers' response to burglary

There are not enough good things to say about the kindness, courtesy, respect, consideration and efficiency of the officers that were involved at the burglary at my home. The expertise in the way they handled it, and this 74-year-old distraught lady, is

astounding. It has been a hard three years at our house with my husband's illness, without too many bright spots. To have this happen devastated me. Then, Deputy Doug Miller showed up. There is no way to express how much his courtesy and respect meant to me. He is a shining example of the kind of people we need in this world, not only on the police force, but in everyday life.

The fast recovery and arrest will hopefully slow down some theft and drugs in our community. These officers are a bunch of astounding people, including the other officer, the dispatcher who showed courtesy and great concern. Thank you, thank you.

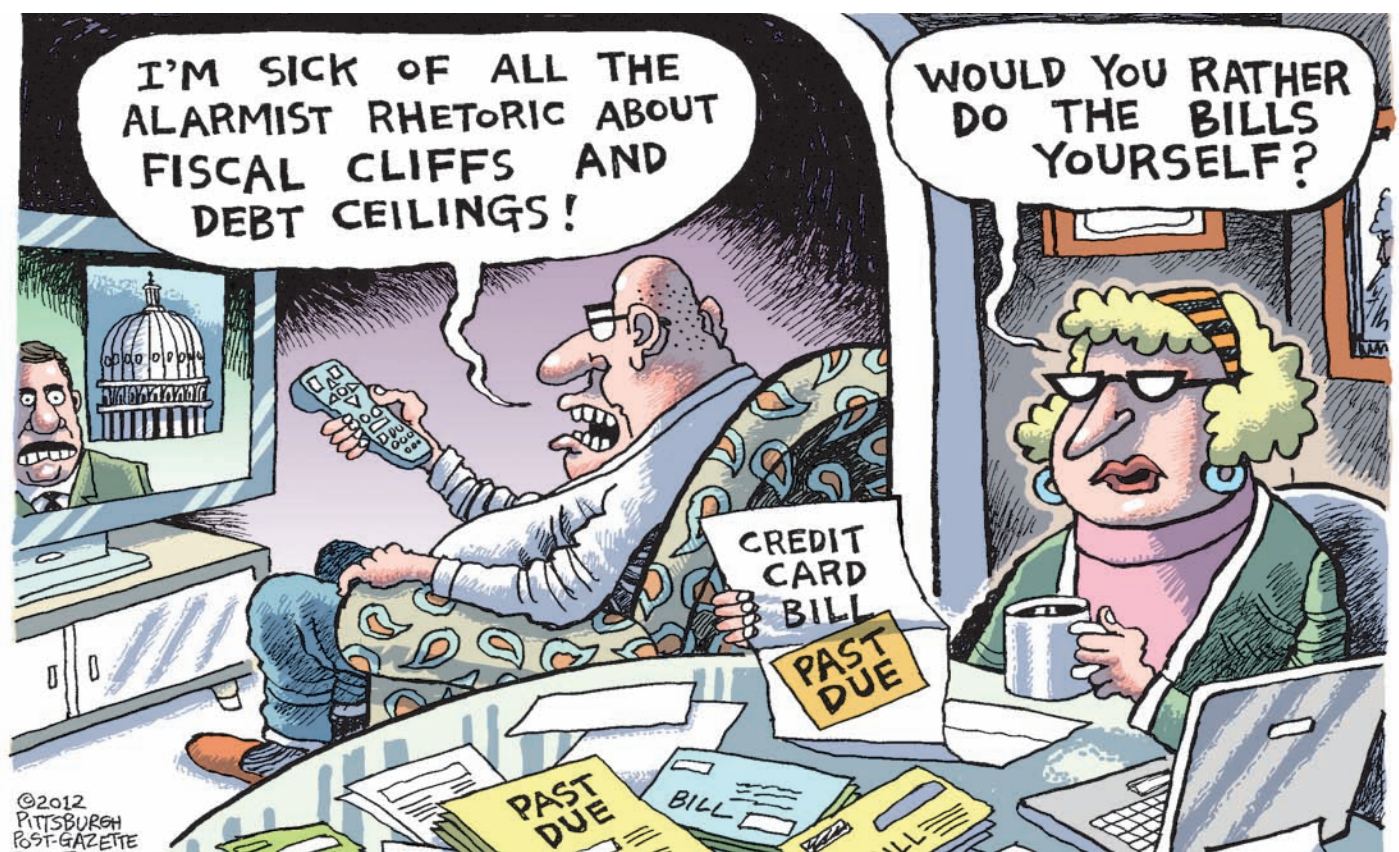
Zella Raney-Clark
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Meat-free holiday as happy as a heart attack

"Here's the problem. When she comes to eat at our house, we serve meat and vegetables — plenty of vegetables. She can eat all the vegetables she wants, and she never has to touch the meat. Which is fine — there's more meat for the rest of us. But when we go to her house, she serves only vegetables."

My friend Jackson has just returned from his vegetarian sister-in-law's house, where she hosted the holiday meal as she does in alternating years. "There's never any meat at her

place," he says. "It's not fair!" "Is she a good cook?" I asked. "Yes, but you're missing the point. Why is it that we bend over backward to accommodate her by serving mashed potatoes and creamed corn and cranberry sauce, but she never makes the tiniest bit of meat for us? It's not like we serve just meat at our house. You can be a vegetarian and still find plenty to eat. We have potato chips and corn chips and guacamole and fried mozzarella sticks and doughnuts and sticky buns..."

"Wow, you are really bending over backward," I interjected. "It's not as if you had all that stuff lying around your house anyway!" "Once again, you're missing the point. I'm not saying she has to go out and slaughter a cow

just so I can have a piece of meat, but come on! Would it kill her to put a little chicken on the table for the holidays? I'm not even asking her to cook a turkey or a ham — just a chicken. Not even a big one. A chicken is practically a vegetable anyway. It's like a vegetable with legs."

"Yes, it's hard to believe that someone who wouldn't hurt a fly won't cook you a chicken. So I guess you had to fill up on chips and dip."

"If only. She doesn't have anything like that. It's all pieces of cauliflower and broccoli with hummus and olives and little bits of gooey cheese that a friend of hers makes."

"It's a wonder you survived. It's a surprise you didn't turn into a cannibal after going a whole day without meat."



JIM MULLEN
 Humorist

"That's the holiday spirit. The good news is we all know what to get you for Christmas next year," I said. "The Spam Gift Collection." *Jim Mullen's newest book is called "Kill Me, Elmo: The Holiday Depression Fun Book." You can reach him at JimMullen-Books.com.*

Obituaries



Nancy Grant

Nancy Jean Grant

June 21, 1945 - Dec. 14, 2012

A memorial service for Nancy Jean Grant, 67, of Lake Oswego, will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Parish, 650 "A" Ave., in Lake Oswego. A reception will be held following the service at Oswego Lake Country Club, 20 Iron Mountain Blvd., in Lake Oswego.

Nancy was born June 21, 1945, in Long Beach, Calif., the daughter of David Jackson "Jack" Grant and Virginia Conrad Grant. Nancy was 3 months old when the war was over and her family returned home to Coos Bay. In Coos Bay she attended Saint Monica Catholic School and in 1963 graduated from Marshfield High School. Nancy attended the University of Oregon where she was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority.

After graduating from the University of Oregon in 1967, Nancy traveled extensively in Europe. After completing her travels, she worked for the Camp Fire Girls in Coos Bay. She returned to Europe in 1973 and for five years worked for the Department of Army in Germany. She moved to Lake Oswego in 1978 and began working for Villa St. Rose, which is now Rosemont School for Girls, part of Morrison Child and Family Services. She retired in 2008.

Besides her love for travel, Nancy was an Oregon Ducks fan, an avid reader and had a great love for all animals. She will be greatly missed by all her family and friends whom she cared so deeply for her.

Nancy lived in Lake Oswego for 34 years.

She is survived by her brothers and their wives, Bob and Barilynn of Boulder, Colo., and Bill and Jan of Battle Ground, Wash.; sister and brother-in-law, Mary Jane and Randy Hargens of Lake Oswego; nieces, Jennifer, Dania and Erica; nephews, David, Drew and Brian; and great-nieces, Kara and Kristin.

She was preceded in death by her father, DJ "Jack" Grant; and most recently her mother, Virginia Conrad Grant.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Oregon Humane Society, P.O. Box 11364, Portland, OR 97221.

Arrangements are under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131.

Sign the guestbook at www.coosbayfh.com and www.theworldlink.com.

Kay Metcalf

Jan. 4, 1941 - Dec. 20, 2012

Kay Metcalf, 71, of Coquille was born Jan. 4, 1941, in Shawano, Wis. She died Dec. 20, 2012 at Sacred Heart Medical Center River-Bend in Springfield.

Kay was married to Calvin Metcalf who passed on in 2007. She had worked in the office of the Coquille Valley Hospital for several years. She also worked in Coquille at the medical clinic.

Her hobbies were sewing, gardening and old cars.

Kay is survived by her daughter, Angela Akins and husband, James of Springfield; grandsons, Christopher Akins of Springfield, Michael Akins of Portland, Thomas Akins of Springfield and Robert Akins of Springfield; and son, Leslie Metcalf of Vancouver, Wash.

Sign the guestbook at www.theworldlink.com.

Jean Bryant Chandler

Nov. 2, 1921 - Dec. 26, 2012

Jean Bryant Chandler, 91, a longtime resident of Florence and Coos Bay passed away in her sleep Dec. 26, 2012. At the time of her passing she was residing at Lake Oswego Hospice House in Lake Oswego.

She was the youngest born to Tony and Elsie Bryant, joining three sisters, Nina, Reva and Loa. She grew up in the Fern Ridge Lake area and attended Junction City High School and the University of Oregon. During World War II she served the Allied efforts by working as a parts runner at Paine Field Airport in Everett, Wash., and a punch card operator for the U.S.

Army in Madison, Wis., before returning to Florence.

She married Donald G. Smith in 1947, a former U.S. Army Air Force pilot, and gave birth to the first two of five children, Shelley in 1949 and Mark in 1950. Her first husband was killed in a car accident in 1954. Four years later, she married Sydney L. Chandler, an attorney. The family moved to Coos Bay in 1961 and three more children joined the family: David in 1959, John in 1962 and Paul in 1964.

Bill was trained as a jew-



Jean Chandler

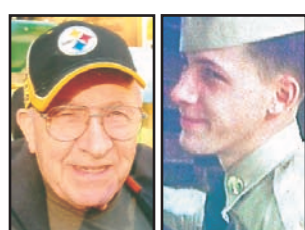
William Lawrence Baumgartner

Aug. 30, 1932 - Dec. 21, 2012

At his request, no public services will be held for Bill L. Baumgartner, 80, of Coos Bay. Private cremation rites were held at Ocean View Memory Gardens in Coos Bay.

Bill was born Aug. 30, 1932, in Pittsburgh, Pa., to Rupert P. Baumgartner and Marguerite (Church) Baumgartner. He passed away peacefully Dec. 21, 2012, at his home in Coos Bay.

After high school, Bill served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany from 1950 to 1953. He attended college in Missouri. Bill moved to Alaska in 1964 with his young family, where he



William Baumgartner

worked as a civil engineer for the state Department of Transportation in Juneau and city engineer of Soldotna. After retirement in 1987, Bill split his time between his summer cabin at Whale Pass, home in Juneau and snowbird roost at Coos Bay. In 2009, he and Sarah moved permanently to Coos Bay.

Bill loved to hunt, fish and travel. He volunteered his time for public service, most recently as EMT and volunteer fireman in Whale Pass and Coos Bay.

Bill is survived by his wife,

eler, but settled into the role of housewife and mother in Coos Bay. A lifelong lover of art, she served on boards and committees for the Coos Bay Art Museum. She was a member of Coos Bay's Progress Club, Friends of the Library, and many social groups, including her beloved bridge clubs - one of which actually played bridge. She also loved tennis, both as a player and spectator.

A world traveler, Jean made trips to France, England, Turkey, Italy, Malta, Mexico, and many other ports of call. It was during a trip to the Philippines with her sisters in 1974 that she befriended Ador Batac, a young Filipino who worked as a waiter at the hotel at

which they were staying. Jean and her sisters took an interest in the enterprising lad, and decided to give him money for his college education. Mr. Batac eventually became a bank vice president and was able to provide college educations for his own children. He credits "Mom Jean" with being a sort of patron saint that helped him to attain a better life. Other examples of her legendary generosity, with both time and money that demonstrated her unwavering faith in mankind, are too numerous to list.

Her husband Sydney passed away June 16, 1991, and soon after she moved to Florence to be closer to her sisters and old friends. Jean continued to travel, volun-

teer, and make generous donations to community organizations like the Florence Senior Center. She herself was diagnosed with vascular dementia disease in 2008 and moved to Beaverton where she lived at Maryville Memory Care Unit.

Jean is survived by her five children, three daughters-in-law, Cynthia, Cathy and Barbara; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and many, many dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Nina in 1972, Reva in 1997 and Loa in 1999.

The date for a memorial service to be held in Florence is pending.

Sign the guestbook at www.theworldlink.com.

Lorryann Gay Edwards

Jan. 19, 1950 - Dec. 13, 2012

Private family services will be held for Lorryann Edwards, 62, of North Bend at Sunset Memorial Park. Cremation rites were held at Ocean View Crematory in Coos Bay. There will be a celebration of life at a later date.

Lorryann was born Jan. 19, 1950, in North Bend, the daughter of Otto and Mary (Haptonstall) Witt. She died Dec. 13, 2012, in Coos Bay.

She graduated from North Bend High School and completed a two-year business degree at Southwestern Oregon Community College. Her first job was at Ashworth's Ice Cream parlor and her last was at Motel 6 in housekeeping.

She married and had one daughter, Kathrine Ann Edwards. She was interested in many things. She wrote a children's book "Crysta" about a fairy. She gifted us all with her watercolor paintings. Lorryann pieced together quilts and worked in

the garden. She especially loved to go camping over the Fourth of July weekend with all the cousins and friends. They built themselves a camp city, ate, swam and played games like cribbage. She did love a campfire.

Lorryann is survived by her sisters, Evvonne and Bud Harshman, Kathleen Newton and Julie and Jack Lohrke; nephews and nieces, Tracy and Jim Jones, Joe and Carol Harshman, Carla and Pat Foust, Dawn and Mike Tenbroeck, Shonna Ridings and Chris Brown, Stacey and Ryan McCausland, Hayden McCausland and Jake and Josh Lohrke; her cat, Dakota; and many beloved cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and daughter, Kathrine Ann Edwards.

Lorryann was loved by her family and we will miss sharing our lives with her.

Arrangements are under the direction of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

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worked with Ernie in his meat market. She later worked at Farr's Hometown Hardware in Coquille and was the secretary in the principal's office at Coquille High School for 23 years. She retired at the age of 62 in order to care for Ernie who was in poor health. She continued to live in the family home in Coquille until 2008 when she moved to the Catered Care unit at Baycrest Village in North Bend. In order to be closer to her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, in March 2012 she was moved to her Portland adult foster home where she lived the last nine months of her life.

Harriet was very creative throughout her life span. She did paintings on canvas, wood, rocks, pumpkins and gourds, etc., she worked with ceramics, crocheted, made

button necklaces, etc. Her paintings on pumpkins and gourds were appreciated by family, friends and others in the Coquille community. While at Baycrest she took up doing ink drawings on cups and paper plates.

Harriet is survived by her children, Kay and husband, Dale Brown and Don and wife, Elizabeth Wallace, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and three infant siblings, and her husband, Ernie.

Arrangements are under the direction of Amling/Schroeder Funeral Service - Coquille Chapel, 541-396-3846.

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Lamoine "Red" T. Reiland

Dec. 24, 1935 - Dec. 23, 2012

At his request no local services will be held for Lamoine "Red" T. Reiland, 76, of Bandon. Private cremation rites were held at Ocean View Memory Gardens in Coos Bay.

Red was born Dec. 24, 1935, in Mattadore, N.D., to Bernard and Lucy (Haus) Reiland. He passed away Dec. 23, 2012, in North Bend of natural causes.

Red was a wonderful father, grandfather and friend. His life touched many people, leaving great memories for all to share. Red has joined his wife, Margaret, in

heaven's eternity. He will be missed by many and thought of often.

Red is survived by his sons, David Reiland of Bandon, and Charles T. Reiland of Phoenix, Ariz.; daughters, Darlene Thomas of Phoenix, Ariz., Debbie Marshall of McAlester, Okla., Linda Rippey of Bagdad, Ariz., Mary Kay Hinojos of Phoenix, Ariz., and Theresa Garcia of Phoenix, Ariz.; brothers, Dennis, Harold and Jim; and sister, Diane.

Red was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Margaret.

Memorial contributions in Red's name may be sent to 1145 Third St., N.E., Bandon, OR 97411.

Arrangements are under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131.

Friends and family are encouraged to sign the guestbook at www.coosbayfh.com and www.theworldlink.com.



Red Reiland

Irene Laura Quick

July 28, 1915 - Dec. 25, 2012

A memorial service for Irene Laura Quick, 97, of Coos Bay, will be held at a later date.

Irene was born July 28, 1915, in Astoria. She passed away Dec. 25, 2012, in Coos Bay, at Bay Area Hospital after a short illness.

She attended schools in the Bay Area, graduating from Marshfield High School, and later graduated from Eugene Business College. Her long professional career as a legal secretary began with the law office of McInturff & McInturff, a short time with Menasha Plywood Corporation, then

as secretary to Joe McKeown, and later, Andy Newhouse.

Irene was a member of the Business & Professional Women, the Legal Secretaries Association, and P.E.O. She was a dedicated volunteer at the Charleston Information Center and the Coos Bay Public Library. She also was an active volunteer airplane spotter at the airport following World War II.

During her retirement, Irene enjoyed her life at the beach, travels about the United States, Canada, Hawaii and Europe.

Irene is survived by her two nephews, David Quick and Beth, and Dean Quick and Cheryl, along with four great-nieces and two great-

nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Minnie and Gene Dean; and three brothers, Jack, Lee and Lloyd Quick.

In lieu of flowers donations are suggested for the Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association, c/o Susan Watson, Treasurer, 290 S. Fourth St., Coos Bay, OR 97420. Irene was very proud of the fact that she walked all the way from North Bend to attend the opening of the theater in October 1925.

Arrangement under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 541-267-4216.

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Shane Alan Smisek

Jan. 7, 1959 - Dec 23, 2012

A memorial service for Shane A. Smisek, 53, of Coos Bay, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at Coos Bay Chapel, 685 Anderson Ave., in Coos Bay with pastor Gary Shults, of Summer Community Church, presiding. Private cremation rites were held at Ocean View Memory Gardens.

Shane was born Jan. 7, 1959, in Truckee, Calif., to Leo and Betty Smisek. He passed away Dec. 23, 2012, in Coos Bay surrounded by his loving family.

Shane was the owner/operator of Shane's Upholstery in Coos Bay. On June 9, 1979, he



Shane Smisek

married the love of his life Pamela Ann Johnson, together they raised three boys: Josh, Pat and Jesse. He enjoyed fish-

ing, camping and spending time with his wife, kids and grandchildren. He was a great man who will be dearly missed and equally celebrated.

Shane is survived by his adoring wife, Pamela Smisek; three sons and their families, Josh, Pat and Jesse; four grandchildren, Jordan, Isabella, Aaliyah and Rynne; and eight siblings, Anthony, Christina, Cindy, Mary, Michael, Michelle, Milton and Sandy.

Arrangements are under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131.

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DEATH NOTICES

Today's death notices and funerals will appear on Page A8.

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The family requests an environment free of flowers and fragrances, in deference to family members with allergies and chemical sensitivities.

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April 2, 2012
Marshfield's Drew James makes a dive for a fly to left field during their home baseball game against Siuslaw.

Faves

A few favorite photos from Senior Photographer Lou Sennick



Sept. 22, 2012

Pugsley gets a whiff of fame off the microphone during the Mutt Strut Pet Owner Look-Alike contest in Mingus Park. She and her handler, Leah Webb, dressed as colorful clowns for the contest, all in a day of fun with dogs to benefit Coos County Retired & Senior Volunteer Program.



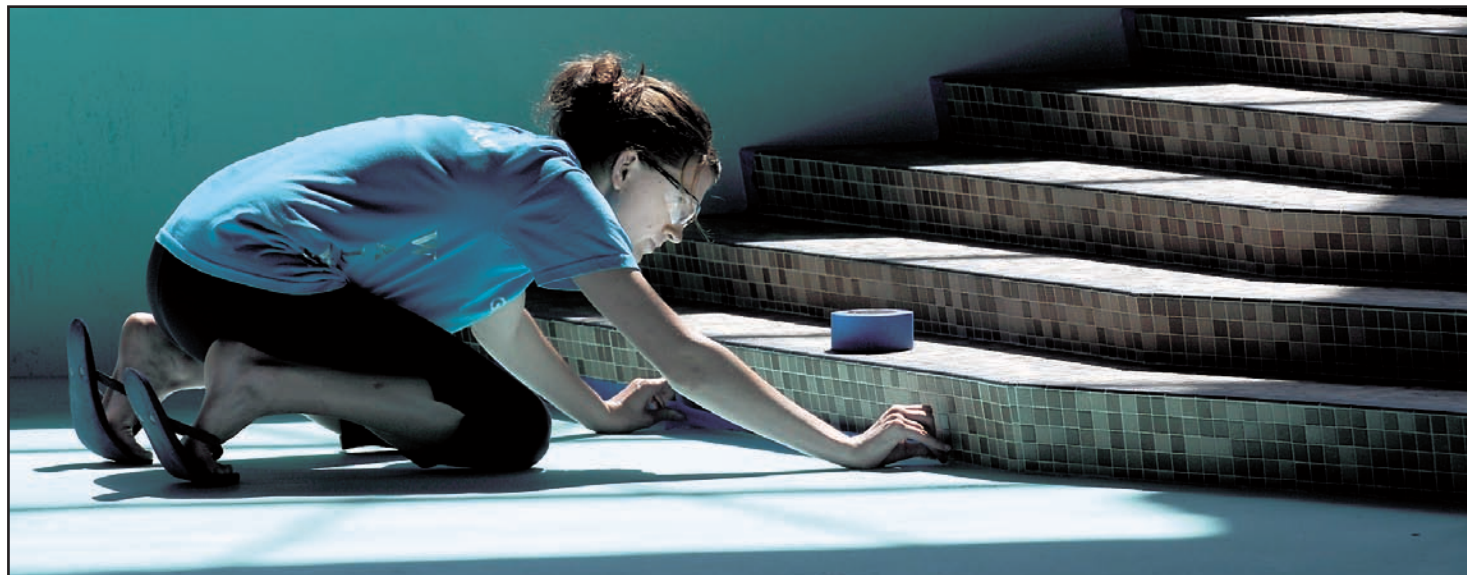
May 16, 2012

Josh Martin comes down from the top of a climbing wall set up outside the Marshfield High School gym. The Oregon Army National Guard set up several pieces of equipment inside and out for their traveling Physical Health Advantage Training. A group of Army National Guard members in Oregon travel around to schools in the state to promote health and fitness and do some recruiting. The message they give out to the students is it is OK to sweat in school.



Sept. 21, 2012

After his last "search" training exercise, Franklyn gets a special cake made from dog food. The cake is in honor of the bloodhound's retirement from search and rescue work for the Coos County Sheriff's Office.



Sept. 5, 2012

Amy Walker puts down some painter's tape at the edge of the pool stairs. She and several others were getting the North Bend Municipal Pool ready for a new coat of paint and other annual maintenance work on the facility. Chris Richmond, pool manager, said they repaint the entire pool every three years, and this was one of those years.

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Oct. 18, 2012

Ryan Whiteman welds metal brackets at American Bridge near Reedsport. The brackets are to be used in a building retrofit project the facility is working on.



Nation and World

Obama, top lawmakers meet over fiscal cliff

WASHINGTON (AP) — The end game at hand, President Barack Obama and congressional leaders made a final stab at compromise Friday to prevent a toxic blend of middle-class tax increases and spending cuts from taking effect at the turn of the new year.

Success was far from guaranteed in an atmosphere of political mistrust — even on a slimmed-down deal that postponed hard decisions about spending cuts into 2013, and pessimism vied with optimism in a Capitol

where lawmakers grumbled about the likelihood of spending the new year holiday in the Capitol.

“The clock is ticking,” Sen. Max Baucus, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said in remarks on the Senate floor as Obama and congressional leaders were meeting several blocks away at the White House. “My message to them is simple. We can do this. We can get this done, and we must,” added the Montana Democrat.

Congressional Democrats said Obama was ready with a

revised offer to present.

But that drew a denial from a person familiar with the talks, who said the president would review his proposal from a week ago, when he urged lawmakers to preserve tax cuts for most while letting rates rise above incomes of \$250,000 a year. At the same time, Obama said lawmakers should extend unemployment benefits for the long-term jobless. The person was unauthorized to discuss the private meeting publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The meeting lasted a little over an hour and neither the president nor the four lawmakers spoke with reporters before or immediately after the session.

The guest list included two Republicans, House Speaker John Boehner, and Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell; as well as Democrats Harry Reid, the Senate Majority Leader, and Rep. Nancy Pelosi of California, her party's leader in the House.

The same group last met more than a month ago and emerged expressing opti-

mism they could strike a deal that avoided the fiscal cliff. At that point, Boehner had already said he was willing to let tax revenues rise as part of an agreement, and the president and his Democratic allies said they were ready to accept spending cuts.

Since then, though, talks between Obama and Boehner faltered, the speaker struggled to control his rebellious rank and file, and Reid and McConnell sparred almost daily in speeches on the Senate floor. Through it all, Wall Street has paid close atten-

tion, and in the moments before the meeting, stocks were trading lower for the fifth day in a row.

The core issue is the same as it has been for more than a year, Obama's demand for tax rates to rise on upper incomes while remaining at current levels for most Americans. He made the proposal central to his successful campaign for re-election, when he said incomes above \$200,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for couples should rise to 39.6 percent from the current 35 percent.

Health of George H.W. Bush ‘improving’

HOUSTON (AP) — Former President George H.W. Bush remained in intensive care at a Houston hospital on Friday but his condition continues to improve, a spokesman said.

“The President is alert and, as always, in good spirits — and his exchanges with doctors and nurses now include singing,” family spokesman Jim McGrath said in a brief statement.

The 88-year-old Bush, the nation's oldest living former president, was admitted at Methodist Hospital in Houston on Nov. 23 because of a bronchitis-related cough, after spending about a week there earlier in November for the same condition.

The cough was mostly resolved by the time he was moved to intensive care on Sunday for treatment of a fever that doctors were having difficulty controlling.

“The Bushes thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes and, like their doctors, are cautiously optimistic that the current course of treatment will be effective,” McGrath said.

On Thursday, a longtime Bush aide tried to quell concern about Bush's condition by saying the former president likely would advise well-wishers to “put the harps back in the closet.”

Jean Becker, Bush's Houston chief of staff, said the former president would likely be in the hospital for a while, noting his age and that “he had a terrible case of bronchitis which then triggered a series of complications.”

Becker said “most of the civilized world” contacted her after word spread that Bush had been placed in intensive care unit.

“Someday President George H.W. Bush might realize how beloved he is, but of course one of the reasons why he is so beloved is because he has no idea,” Becker said in the at-times lighthearted statement that made multiple references to jokes and the former president's sense of humor.

Updates on his health are being limited out of respect for the family, she said.

Trains play role in Plains oil boom

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Energy companies behind the oil boom sweeping the Northern Plains increasingly are turning to trains to move their crude across the U.S. The move comes as pipeline plans stall and existing pipelines can't keep up with demand.

Delivering oil by rail to refineries thousands of miles away on the East, West and Gulf coasts costs more. But it can bring increased profits — of \$10 or more a barrel.

It also means a steady parade of trains carrying the hazardous material rumbling out of North Dakota and Montana and across the country.

Experts and federal regulators say rail transport is less safe than pipelines. That's raised concerns the proliferation of oil trains could lead to a major derailment and spill.

Companies say they are making track upgrades and other improvements.



The Associated Press

President George Bush congratulates Desert Storm commander Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf in 1991 after presenting him with the medal of freedom at the White House in Washington.

Desert Storm commander Norman Schwarzkopf dies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Truth is, retired Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf didn't care much for his popular “Stormin' Norman” nickname.

The seemingly non-nonsense Desert Storm commander's reputed temper with aides and subordinates supposedly earned him that rough-and-ready moniker. But others around the general, who died Thursday in Tampa, Fla., at age 78 from complications from pneumonia, knew him as a friendly, talkative and even jovial figure who preferred the somewhat milder sobriquet given by his troops: “The Bear.”

That one perhaps suited him better later in his life, when he supported various national causes and children's charities while eschewing the spotlight and

resisting efforts to draft him to run for political office.

He lived out a quiet retirement in Tampa, where he'd served his last military assignment and where an elementary school bearing his name is testament to his standing in the community.

Schwarzkopf capped an illustrious military career by commanding the U.S.-led international coalition that drove Saddam Hussein's forces out of Kuwait in 1991 — but he'd managed to keep a low profile in the public debate over the second Gulf War against Iraq, saying at one point that he doubted victory would be as easy as the White House and the Pentagon predicted.

Schwarzkopf was named commander in chief of U.S. Central Command at Tampa's MacDill Air Force Base in

1988, overseeing the headquarters for U.S. military and security concerns in nearly two dozen countries stretching across the Middle East to Afghanistan and the rest of central Asia, plus Pakistan.

When Saddam invaded Kuwait two years later to punish it for allegedly stealing Iraqi oil reserves, Schwarzkopf commanded Operation Desert Storm, the coalition of some 30 countries organized by President George H.W. Bush that succeeded in driving the Iraqis out.

At the peak of his postwar national celebrity, Schwarzkopf — a self-proclaimed political independent — rejected suggestions that he run for office, and remained far more private than other generals, although he did serve briefly as a military commentator for NBC.

Officer who shot '66 UT sniper dies

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Austin police officer who helped stop Charles Whitman's 1966 sniper rampage from atop the University of Texas tower has died.

Houston McCoy fired two blasts from his shotgun to bring down Whitman, who killed 16 people during nearly two hours of terror on the UT campus. Wayne Vincent, president of the Austin Police Association, said McCoy died Thursday in the rural West Texas town of Menard.

McCoy was 72 and had been battling a terminal illness for the past year. Whitman wounded dozens of others before McCoy and fellow officer Ramiro Martinez made their way to the observation deck. Martinez also fired on Whitman.

Vincent called McCoy a good police officer who “answered the call” unsure whether he would live upon reaching the top of the tower.

Russia ready to meet with Syrian coalition

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's foreign minister says Moscow has proposed talks with the main Syrian opposition coalition, despite previous Russian criticism of Western countries' recognition of the group.

Sergey Lavrov told a news conference on Friday that Russia has contacted the Syrian National Coalition for Opposition and Revolutionary Forces through the Russian Embassy in Egypt and “we expressed readiness to conduct a meeting” with coalition leader Mouaz al-Khatib.

The statement comes in the wake of comments by officials, including President Vladimir Putin, that suggest

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Russia is resigned to its longtime ally Syrian President Bashar Assad losing power.

The opposition coalition was formed in November and recognized by Western countries as legitimate representatives of the Syrian people. Russia has criticized such recognition as running counter to agreements to seek political transition in Syria.

Strike likely averted at East Coast ports

NEW YORK (AP) — The union for longshoremen along the East Coast and Gulf of Mexico has agreed to extend its contract for 30 days, averting a possible strike that could have crippled operations at ports that handle about 40 percent of all U.S. container cargo, a federal mediator announced Friday.

The extension came after the union and an alliance of port operators and shipping lines resolved one of the stickier points in their months-long contract negotiations, involving royalty payments to the longshoremen for each container they unload.

Negotiations will continue until at least midnight Jan. 28. Some important contract issues remain to be resolved, but the head of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, George Cohen, said the agreement on royalties was “a major positive step forward.”

“While some significant issues remain in contention, I am cautiously optimistic

that they can be resolved in the upcoming 30-day extension period,” he said.

The terms of the royalty agreement were not announced.

Major ports that would have been frozen included the massive terminals serving New York City overseen by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, and critical seaports in Savannah, Ga., Houston, and Hampton Roads, Va.

Longshoremen on the West Coast have a separate collective bargaining agreement.

Experts: trained police needed for schools

WASHINGTON (AP) — The student's attack began with a shotgun blast through the windows of a California high school. Rich Agundez, the El Cajon policeman assigned to the school, felt his mind shift into overdrive.

People yelled at him amid the chaos but he didn't hear. He experienced “a tunnel vision of concentration.”

While two teachers and three students were injured when the glass shattered in the 2001 attack on Granite Hills High School, Agundez confronted the assailant and wounded him before he could get inside the school and use his handgun.

The National Rifle Association's response to a Connecticut school massacre envisions, in part, having trained, armed volunteers in every school in America. But Agundez, school safety experts and school board members say there's a huge difference between a trained law enforcement officer who becomes part of the school family — and a guard with a gun.

Stocks

Stock	Last	Chg	Stock	Last	Chg
AT&T Inc	33.32	-.34	FootLockr	31.80	-.15
Alcoa	8.50	-.12	FordM	12.87	+.11
Altria	31.09	-.31	Gannett	17.61	-.30
AEP	42.21	-.43	GenCorp	8.99	-.04
AmlntGrp	34.58	-.39	GenDynam	67.88	-1.14
AplndtIT	41.05	-.26	GenElec	20.44	-.25
Avon	13.98	-.16	GenMills	40.06	-.52
BP PLC	41.22	-.40	Halliburtn	34.01	-.59
BakrHu	39.93	-.14	HeclaM	5.63	-.13
BkofAm	11.36	-.11	Hess	51.28	-1.17
Boeing	74.69	-1.14	HewlettP	13.68	-.36
BrMysq	31.90	-.24	Howllntll	62.92	-.82
Brunswick	27.49	+.04	Idacorp	42.38	-.59
Caterpillar	86.81	-.85	IBM	189.83	-2.88
Chevron	106.45	-2.07	IntPap	38.91	-.71
Citigroup	39.01	-.24	JohnJn	69.48	-.61
CocaCola S	35.97	-.45	LockhdM	91.34	-1.49
ColgPal	104.04	-1.23	Loews	40.18	-.31
ConocoPhill	57.07	-.83	LaPac	18.56	-.15
ConEd	54.93	-.49	MDU Res	20.89	-.31
CurtisWrt	32.00	-.45	MarathnO	29.81	-.51
Deere	84.55	-1.39	McDnlds	87.58	-.53
Disney	49.15	-.38	McKesson	95.89	-.53
DowChm	31.62	-.50	Merck	40.64	-.56
DuPont	44.71	-.36	NCR Corp	24.99	-.06
Eaton	53.09	-.54	NorthSo	61.07	-.15
EdisonInt	44.77	-.21	NorthropG	66.76	-.98
			OcciPet	75.38	-1.56
			OfficeMax	9.29	-.21
			Olin	21.24	-.16
			PG&E Cp	39.71	-.31
			Penney	18.97	-.55
			PepsiCo	68.02	-.65
			Pfizer	24.89	-.25
			Praxair	107.90	-1.68
			ProctGam	67.15	-.82
			Questar	19.36	-.14
			RockwAut	82.02	-.72
			SempraEn	70.19	-.55
			SouthCo	42.33	-.35
			Textron	24.12	-.18
			3M Co	91.78	-.86
			TimeWarn	46.93	-.49
			VadCorp	26.99	-.58
			TriContl	15.86	-.12
			UnionPac	123.54	-1.08
			Unisys	17.00	-.24
			USSteel	23.03	-.61
			VarianMed	69.62	-.60
			VerizonCm	42.90	-.58
			WellFargo	33.91	-.27
			WalMart	67.61	-.58
			WellsFargo	33.91	-.27
			Weyerhsr	27.58	-.42
			Xerox	6.69	-.10
			YumBrnds	64.72	-.74

Financial snapshot

	WEEK'S CLOSE	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Average rate paid on banks money-market accounts (Bank Rate Monitor)	0.11%	0.11	0.13
91-day Treasury Bill Yield	0.01%	0.05	0.02
10-year Treasury Bond	1.70%	1.76	1.88

Commodities

DJ UBS Commodities Indexes	139.08	139.26	140.68
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Stocks

	12,938.11	13,190.84	12,217.56
Dow Jones Industrial Avg.	12,938.11	13,190.84	12,217.56
S&P 500	1,402.43	1,430.15	1,257.60
Wilshire 5000 Total Market	14,741.91	15,026.59	13,189.93

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NORTHWEST STOCKS

Stock	Mon.	Fri.	Mon.	Fri.	
Safeway	18.02	17.70	Skywest	12.81	12.30
Starbucks	53.69	52.64	Starbucks	53.69	52.64
Starbucks	53.69	52.64	Sterling Fnd.	20.32	20.07
Umpqua Bank	11.89	11.57	Umpqua Bank	11.89	11.57
Weyerhaeuser	28.39	27.58	Weyerhaeuser	28.39	27.58
Xerox	6.98	6.69	Xerox	6.98	6.69
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South Coast

BOESL Belgium gives major welcome

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mixed choir ... but I thought I might as well do a capella too," Boesl said.

But you don't just "do" a capella at Yale. This is a university that takes their unaccompanied singing seriously, with no shortage of groups or interested singers on campus.

At the top of the charts is a group with a historic past and a mysterious name.

Boesl says that as he made his way through an a capella "rush" process. The Spizzwinks(?) — and, yes, the question mark is included in their name — really started to stand out.

"I ended up auditioning for them and getting in."

Founded in 1914, The Spizzwinks(?) are the oldest underclassmen a capella group in the country. They also travel. Extensively.

Since joining the group, Boesl has had the opportunity to sing in New Zealand, Germany, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, England, Paraguay, Brazil, Turkey and South Africa.

"Other groups travel, but we travel the most of the underclassmen groups," he said. "The Spizzwinks(?) make a promise when you join the group that during your time, during your three years, you will travel to all six continents and you'll visit every member's home town."

Which is what is bringing them to Coos Bay on Monday, Jan. 7.



By Lou Sennick, The World

Marshfield High School graduate Markus Boesl will be returning to his alma mater with other members of the Spizzwinks(?), a choir from Yale University where he is attending now.

The group will perform at the Marshfield High School Auditorium at 7 p.m., with a repertoire ranging from traditional folk songs to pop music hits. It is part of their draw and part of the singing challenge.

"We do aim for a very, very high level of musicality. We really try to have a repertoire that is sort of accessible to all ages so we can sing to retirement homes and elementary schools and all kinds of stuff in the middle," said Boesl on a recent visit home for the holidays before taking off to start their next tour in San Francisco.

They have had their share of singing for rather elite audiences during his time with the group.

"We've sung at the White House, sing at a lot of consulates abroad."

But Boesl says it is the

memories of singing to the much less famous that tend to stay with him longer.

"I remember we were in a little town in Belgium, fairly poor town and none of us spoke very good French, and we did this concert with this girls' after-school program. In the town there was a little church and they gave us four encores, a standing ovation; and that kind of experience to me is much more valuable than singing for whoever, whatever famous person it is."

Singing is the thing for Boesl. An enjoyment that he credits to his time spent as a student of Ken Graber's in the Coos Bay School District.

"Mr. Graber was my choir teacher for six years, at Sunset and Marshfield, and more than anything instilled the love and passion for music

and performance that I've carried with me," he said.

With Boesl's time with the Spizzwinks(?) winding down and his full-time focus shifting to medical school, he is proud to be able to return home and share that love of music with his hometown.

"I'm really excited to have them here in Coos Bay and share our music with the people in the community I grew up in."

Tickets to the Spizzwinks(?) Jan. 7 concert are available online at spizzwinks.ticketbud.com/coos-bay. They are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, \$12 and \$6 at the door.

If you are ready to tell The World about an outstanding individual in the community, contact reporter Tim Novotny at 541-269-1222, ext. 235, or at tnovotny@theworldlink.com.

MAIL BOAT

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didn't know how to drive a boat but her husband offered to teach. It was a daunting prospect for a woman from a land-locked country.

"We don't have a lot of water over there, like lakes, so I'm not a water person," she said. "So this was totally different for me. I was so scared, really. Praying every time."

She draws up to her last stop: a white mailbox with black numbers. Jacobsen says the job is more of a routine now.

Still, she's uneasy about rumors that the U.S. Postal Service is thinking about cutting the route to save money.

"Everyone say it's going to happen," she said. "It has to happen one day."



By Alysha Beck, The World

Marj Kilpatrick, 85, reminisces about her experiences as the mailboat operator in Lakeside from 1950 to 1966. Kilpatrick says she delivered the mail in all types of weather, including the driving winds and rain of the 1962 Columbus Day Storm.

Ron Schaer, marketing manager for the Postal Service's Portland District, says there's no truth to those rumors.

"The mail boat, being the most economical way to deliver mail to that lake, it's

going to continue," he said. "There's no decision and talk about the mail boat run being eliminated."

Kilpatrick says that's comforting news.

As the years have worn on, she was forced to move from

Oregon's only mail boat, or not

Jerry's Rogue Jets, based in Gold Beach, advertises itself on its website as "Oregon's Only Mail Boat." The boat delivers mail daily to Angess on the Rogue River and gives rides to tourists.

The World contacted the company Wednesday to ask about its slogan. Nick McNair, reservations manager, said he was unaware Lakeside had a mail boat. He said the company would look into changing its slogan.

her lakefront home into town. Peering over the lake from the boat launch, Kilpatrick says, she still misses her mail boat days.

"Since retiring," she said, "I couldn't pick a better job."

Reporter Daniel Simmons-Ritchie can be reached at 541-269-1222, ext. 249, or at dritchie@theworldlink.com.

BRIDGE Aging steel was among first

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our minds is the thought, what might come up that we haven't thought about?"

One thing that has warranted plenty of consideration is the age of the steel. When the Sellwood Bridge opened Dec. 15, 1925, it was one of the first large steel bridges in the Portland area that was fabricated on the West Coast.

Some parts of the bridge — specifically, the steel on the west and east approaches to the main structure — are even older. They are parts of the original 1894 Burnside Bridge that were recycled into the "new" Sellwood Bridge.

Those pieces, however, will be among the first to go when preparations are made for the bridge move. The east and west approaches will be demolished, with any concrete being pulverized and moved elsewhere and the old steel cut up and carted off for melting down and recycling.

"The steel itself will hold up just fine," Wortman said, "as long as the bridge isn't being bent or rotating. We're taking this long, tricky bridge and keeping it perfectly straight as it moves."

Hillsboro-based Omega Morgan will oversee the move. In doing so, the heavy-lift moving company will use much of the same equipment it employed five years ago to move the arch span for the new Sauvie Island Bridge.

Complicating matters is the planned alignment of the

detour bridge relative to the existing span. Although everyone would have loved to deal with a straight downstream push, alignment issues mean the bridge's east end needs to move only 33 feet — half of the 66 feet the span's west end must travel.

To accomplish the feat, Omega Morgan will control five hydraulic jacks pushing the lifted span, with the west-end jacks pushing twice as fast as their east-end counterparts. Integral to success is a special "digitally controlled power jack" capable of adjusting the amount of hydraulic fluid going to each jack.

In Wortman's view, the most likely thing that can go wrong is the weather. Too much wind or ice, he said, could delay the move for a day or two.

Otherwise, the move is expected to go smoothly, with the new detour bridge opening Jan. 24 to accommodate the 30,500 cars that use the span daily.

WYDEN

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den until after votes are counted.

Wyden outlined his plan Thursday in an opinion piece in The Washington Post. He co-authored the article with Lisa Murkowski, a Republican senator from Alaska.

"At minimum, the American people deserve to know before they cast their ballots who is behind massive spending, who is funding people and organizations, and what their agendas are," the pair wrote.

The senators propose that Congress introduce legislation combining the "best elements" of laws in Oregon and Alaska.

While Oregon has strong rules on disclosing donations to candidates, Alaska has strong rules on disclosing spending by "outside groups." Outside groups are those unassociated with a candi-

date's campaign but are running ads in support or opposition to them.

Neither senator is proposing changing limits on donations. At present, an individual or company can donate up to \$2,500 during an election. Outside groups can spend unlimited amounts.

Larry Makinson, a former director of the Center for Responsive Politics, says he supports efforts to improve disclosure laws but he hasn't read the full proposal yet.

"Clearly the devil is in the details and the exact wording will be tested to the limits by every campaign finance lawyer in politics," he said.

He added that it was encouraging the senators are taking a bipartisan approach.

"I think it's going to take a bipartisan effort to get anything through this Congress," he said. "That's going to be a huge block. Everybody looks at campaign finance as a potential fight with their adversary."

Death Notices Funerals

Vallery M. Silva-Allen — 59, of Coos Bay, passed away Dec. 24, 2012, in Portland. Arrangements are pending with Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 541-267-4216.

Elнора A. Byrd — 79, of Coquille, died Dec. 27, 2012, in Coquille. Arrangements are pending with North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Peter J. Tiemeyer — 90, of Arago, died Dec. 28, 2012, in North Bend. Arrangements are pending with Amling/Schroeder Funeral Service - Myrtle Point Chapel, 541-572-2524.

Monday, Dec. 31
Carol J. Wright, grave-site services, 2 p.m., Myrtle Crest Memorial Gardens, 94105 Rink Creek Lane, Coquille. Carol was born Jan. 28, 1942. She died Dec. 28, 2012.

Friday, Jan. 4
Donna S. Lutes, celebration of life, 5 to 7 p.m., Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, Fourth and Elrod, Coos Bay.

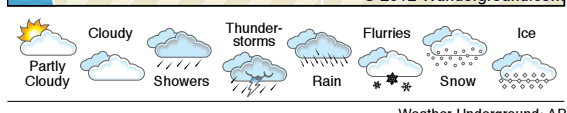
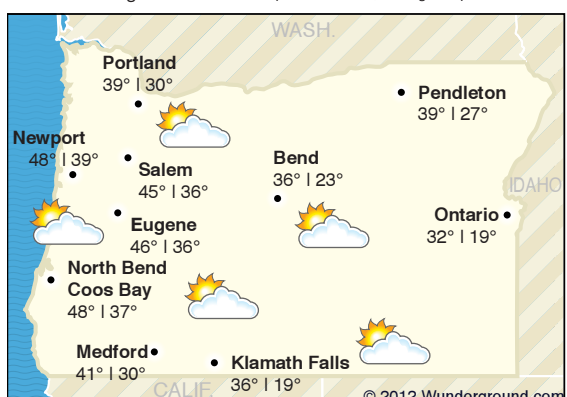
Saturday, Jan. 12
Judith A. Grossman, celebration of life memorial service, 11 a.m., Bay Area Church of the Nazarene, 1850 Clark St., North Bend.

Weather

Oregon weather

Saturday, Dec. 29

Weather Underground forecast for daytime conditions, low/high temperatures



South Coast

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 48.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 36.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50. North northeast wind around 6 mph.

Sunday Night: Patchy freezing fog. Partly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Monday: A 40 percent chance of rain. Partly sunny, with a high near 49.

Monday Night: Slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 37.

New Year's Day: Partly sunny, with a high near 50.

Curry County Coast

Today: Partly sunny, with a high near 53. North wind 6 to 10 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 36. Northeast wind 8 to 10 mph.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 51. North wind around 8 mph.

Sunday Night: A chance of snow after 4 a.m. Mostly clear, with a low around 31.

Monday: A chance of rain and snow. Mostly sunny, with a high near 51.

Monday Night: Slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 39.

New Year's Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near 52.

Rogue Valley

Today: Areas of freezing fog. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 44.

Tonight: Patchy freezing fog after 10 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Sunday: Patchy freezing fog. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 44. Calm wind.

Sunday Night: Patchy freezing fog. Partly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Monday: A slight chance of rain and snow. Mostly sunny, with a high near 45.

Monday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 31.

New Year's Day: Partly sunny, with a high near 42.

Central Douglas County

Today: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 46.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, with a low

around 33. Calm wind.

Sunday: Cloudy through mid morning, with a high near 46. Calm wind.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32.

Monday: Slight chance of rain and snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 47.

Monday Night: Slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 32.

New Year's Day: Partly sunny, with a high near 45.

Willamette Valley

Today: A slight chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 44.

Tonight: Chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 32. Calm wind.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 43.

Sunday Night: Patchy fog. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 31.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 40.

Monday Night: Chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33.

Portland area

Today: A slight chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 43.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 34. Calm wind.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 43. Light north northeast wind.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 34. Light east wind.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 40.

Monday Night: Chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33.

North Coast

Today: Rain likely. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 43.

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 33.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 44. Light and variable wind.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 35.

Monday: A 30 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 43.

Monday Night: Chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Oregon Temps

Temperature extremes and precipitation for the previous 24 hours ending at 5 a.m.

	Hi	Lo	Prc
Astoria	45	42	0.16
Brookings	43	M	M
Corvallis	42	36	0
Eugene	45	36	0
Klamath Falls	24	9	0.02
La Grande	34	21	0
Medford	35	30	0.04
Newport	43	41	T
Pendleton	33	25	0
Portland	43	37	T
Redmond	32	11	0
Roseburg	41	34	0.01
Salem	43	37	T

Local high, low, rainfall

Thursday: High 46, low 43

Rain: 0.02 inches

Total rainfall to date: 54.89 inches

Rainfall to date last year: 37.55 inches

Average rainfall to date: 63.90 inches

The Tide Tables

To find the tide prediction for your area, add or subtract minutes as indicated. To find your estimated tidal height, multiply the listed height by the high or low ratio for your area.

Location	High time ratio	Low time ratio
Bandon	+0:18 .81	-0:06 .84
Brookings	-0:40 .81	-0:30 .91
Charleston	-0:11 .89	-0:04 .91
Coos Bay	+1:20 .86	+1:24 .84
Florence	+0:38 .77	+0:54 .75
Port Orford	-0:28 .86	-0:23 .99
Reedsport	+1:05 .79	+1:20 .75
Umpqua River	-0:01 .81	-0:01 .91

Extended outlook

TODAY
Chance of rain
46/38

SUNDAY
Mostly sunny
50/34

MONDAY
Partly sunny
49/37

NEW YEAR'S
Partly sunny
50/38

LOW TIDE **A.M.** **P.M.**

Date time ft. time ft.

30-Dec 1:50 7.8 12:55 8.8

31-Dec 2:23 7.9 1:33 8.5

1-Jan 3:12 7.53 02:18 7.72

2-Jan 3:47 7.69 3:06 7.18

3-Jan 04:25 7.89 04:04 6.58

LOW TIDE **A.M.** **P.M.**

Date time ft. time ft.

30-Dec 1:50 7.8 12:55 8.8

31-Dec 2:23 7.9 1:33 8.5

1-Jan 08:41 3:26 09:03

0.32

2-Jan 09:33:08 09:39 0.82

3-Jan 10:31 2.81 10:19 1.4

Sunrise, sunset

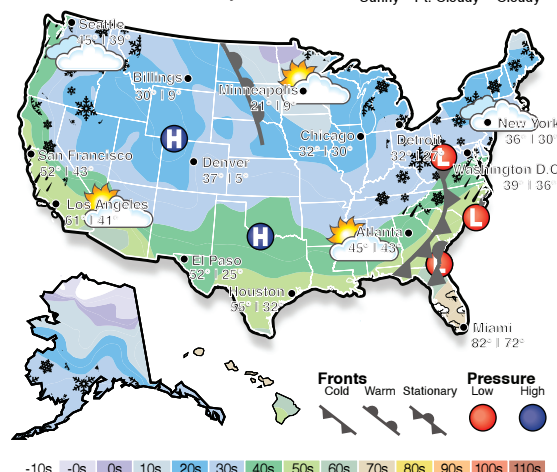
Dec. 23-31 — 7:48, 4:51

Moon watch

Last Quarter — Jan. 4

National forecast

Forecast highs for Saturday, Dec. 29



Temperatures indicate Friday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otk
Albuquerque	37	22	pcdy	
Atlanta	50	31	cdy	
Austin	63	44	.01	clr
Baltimore	42			

Nation

Storm blows through East; 135K in dark in Arkansas

BY HOLLY RAMER
The Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. — A muted version of a winter storm that has killed more than a dozen people across the eastern half of the country plodded across the Northeast on Thursday, trapping airliners in snow or mud and frustrating travelers still trying to return home after Christmas.

The storm, which was blamed for at least 16 deaths farther south and west, brought plenty of wind, rain and snow to the Northeast when it blew in Wednesday night. Lights generally remained on and cars mostly stayed on the road, unlike many harder-hit places including Arkansas, where 200,000 homes and businesses lost power.

By afternoon, the precipitation had stopped in parts of Pennsylvania, New Jersey

and Massachusetts, though snow continued to fall in upstate New York and northern New England. Parts of snow-savvy New Hampshire expected as much as 18 inches.

The Northeast's heaviest snowfall was in northern Pennsylvania, upstate New York and inland sections of several New England states. The storm was expected to head into Canada on Friday, National Weather Service spokesman David Roth said.

While the East Coast's largest cities — New York, Philadelphia and Boston — saw mostly high winds and cold rain, other areas experienced a messy mix of rain and snow that slowed commuters and those still heading home from holiday trips. Some inbound flights were delayed in Philadelphia and New York's LaGuardia Airport, but the weather wasn't leading to delays at other

major East Coast airports.

Forty-two students traveling to London and Dublin were stuck in the Nashville airport thanks to weather in the Northeast. The frustrated students, from universities in Tennessee and Kentucky, were supposed to leave Wednesday and arrive in London on Thursday.

Joe Woolley, spokesman for the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad, said he hopes he can get them there just one day late.

"It's a two-week program, so it's shortened already," he said.

On New York's Long Island, a Southwest Airlines jet bound for Tampa, Fla., veered off a taxiway and got stuck in mud Thursday morning. Officials said there were no injuries to the 129 passengers and five crew members. Though the area received heavy rain overnight, Southwest spokesman Paul Flani-



The Associated Press

Penn State University student Andrew Bachman jumps his sled at Slab Cabin Park, in State College, Pa. on Thursday. The cleanup continues after a major winter storm hit Centre County Wednesday.

gan said it was unclear whether that played a role.

In Pittsburgh, a flight that landed safely during the

storm Wednesday night got stuck in several inches of

snow on the tarmac for about two hours. The Amer-

ican Airlines flight arrived between 8 and 9 p.m. but then ran over a snow patch and got stuck.

No ethics breaches found in Countrywide VIP loans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Ethics Committee said Thursday it found no violations among House members whose mortgage loans went through the VIP section of the former Countrywide Financial Corp., the company whose subprime loans helped cause the foreclosure crisis.

The committee said nearly all the allegations of favored treatment involved loans that were granted so long ago that they fell outside the panel's jurisdiction. The committee added, however, that participation in the VIP program did not necessarily mean borrowers received the best loan deal available — and most lawmakers were not even aware they were placed in a VIP unit.

The actions of unnamed House staff members were harshly criticized. Emails indicated they reached out to Countrywide lobbyists for assistance with their personal loans, but those actions also were too old to remain in the committee's jurisdiction. The panel said that if the incidents had been more recent, the staff members could have faced discipline.

Countrywide was taken

over by Bank of America in 2008. The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee reported in July that Countrywide made hundreds of discount loans to buy influence with members of Congress, congressional staff, top government officials and executives of troubled mortgage giant Fannie Mae.

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January 2013



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Every Thursday Blood Pressure Check, 9:00 - 11:30 am - Spruce Room (BAH).
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Diabetes Talk Group
1st & 3rd Thursday, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
The continued support you need to balance good diabetes self-care.

Preventing Diabetes
Thursday, Jan. 10, 1:00 - 3:00 pm or 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Call 541-266-7927 for more information and to register.
Learning how to make a few simple life changes can slow down & sometimes prevent diabetes.



Wellness Classes...
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Train Your Brain
Every Tuesday (starting 1/8/2013) in January 1:00 - 3:00 pm. To register or for more information please call: 541-266-7927.
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TaiChi for Better Balance
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Hearthside Center, 2625 Coos Bay Blvd., Coos Bay. For more information and registration call Melissa, 850-207-1469.
Initial cost is \$50.00, ask about incentive refund. Come learn gentle motion that can improve your strength and balance.

Stress Reduction
Tuesday, Jan. 22, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
To register or for more information call 541-266-7927.
Learn a proven "Mindfulness" approach to restore hope, well-being & relaxation lost through illness, pain & difficult times.

Body Awareness Class by Kim Anderson
Every Monday & Thursday, 10:00 - 11:00 am
Call 541-756-1038 for more information.
Gentle exercises focusing on breathing, balance, and posture.

One-Hour Stop Tobacco Use Clinic Day Clinics, Every 1st & 2nd Wednesday, Noon - 1:00 pm. Evening Clinics, Every 3rd & 4th Wednesday, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
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Be smoke free in 2012! Instruction & support can help you quit for good this time!

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Moving Forward: Total Joint Pre-Surgery Education
2nd & 4th Monday, 1:00 - 3:00 pm & every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm.
Call 541-269-8076 to register.
This class will help you better prepare for the effects of total-joint surgery & after home care.

Talking Back: Laminectomy, Cervical & Spinal Fusion Pre-Surgery Education
2nd & 4th Monday, 3:30 - 5:30 pm & every 3rd Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Call 541-269-8076 to register.
This class will help you better prepare for the effects of laminectomy, cervical & spinal fusion surgery & after home care.

South Coast Striders
Registration: None, but visit website for details on length of walk and preparation information.
www.coostrails.com
Walkable North Bend, Saturday, Jan. 26, 9:45

Coos Bay Stroke Support Group
3rd Tuesday, 3:30 - 4:30 pm,
Lifecare Center, 2890 Ocean Blvd,
Coos Bay, north dining hall.
Call 541-267-5433 for more information.
This group offers speakers & support for patients, family & friends to assist in living with the challenges of stroke.

Alzheimer/Dementia Education & Support Meeting
3rd Thursday, 1:00 - 2:30 pm.
Call 541-888-0130 for more information.
Come learn & share with others living with Alzheimer's.

Parkinson's Support Group
2nd Wednesday, 1:30-3:00 pm.
Baycrest Village, conference room,
3959 Sheridan Ave., North Bend.
Call 850-207-1469 for more information.
Come learn & share with others living with Parkinson's.

Cancer Treatment Support Group
Bereavement, 9:00-11:00 am, Counseling & Bereavement Education Center,
1620 Thompson Road, Coos Bay.
Call 541-269-2986 for more information.
For those who have, or have had, cancer & those who care for them.

MS (Multiple Sclerosis) Support Group
3rd Wednesday, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Call 541-294-3690 for more information.
Caring & sharing in a friendly atmosphere.

Epilepsy Support
Call 541-756-7279 for more information.

Bariatric Surgery Support Group
2nd Tuesday, 7:00 - 8:00 pm, North Bend Medical Center, upstairs conference room
Call 541-267-5151 x1360 for more information.
Come hear about weight loss surgery and be inspired.

Nicotine Anonymous
Every Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 pm, Alano Club, 1836 1/2 Union Ave, North Bend
Call 541-271-4609 for more information.
Only requirement to attend is the desire to quit.

The Following 3 groups are offered at the Nancy Devereux Center, 1200 Newmark Avenue
Call 541-888-3202 for more information

Dual Diagnosis Anonymous
Please call for more information

NAMI Family to Family Support Group
Wednesdays, 3:00 - 5:00 pm.
This group is to support family & friends who have a loved one with some form of a mental illness.

Depression & Anxiety Support Group
Mondays, 12:30-1:30 pm.
A support group for anxiety, panic, & depression.

Community Meal
Weekly Community Meal at First United Methodist Church
Every Saturday, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm.
123 Ocean Blvd. SE, Coos Bay
Call 541-267-4410 for more information.
In these uncertain times you may need support in finding resources. Please feel welcome to attend. Free or chosen donation.

Moms Program...
Bay Area Hospital
Call 541-269-8258 to register.

Breastfeeding Support Group
Please call 541-269-8258 for more information.
Open to all women wanting support & information about breastfeeding. Sponsored by the Coos County Breastfeeding Coalition.

All About Labor
Monday, Jan. 7, 6:30 - 9:00 pm.
Anatomy of labor, the stages of labor & an overview of fetal monitoring will be provided in this class. Common interventions and what to expect at delivery will also be discussed. Instruction on the immediate postpartum recovery period is also offered.

Comfort Measures for Labor
Monday, Jan. 14, 6:30 - 9:00 pm
Focus is hands-on comfort measures/breathing techniques, water therapy, massage & comfort positioning. Also includes an overview of medications used to control pain.

Big Brother/Big Sister Class
Monday, Jan. 21, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Brothers & sisters-to-be, ages 3 to 10, learn about their new sibling, practice holding & diapering baby dolls, & watch a short video during this fun, fast-paced class.

Newborn Care Basics
Tuesday, Jan. 22, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.
All the basics of baby care will be presented by our experienced Nursery Nurses.

Parenting Transitions
Wednesday, Jan. 23, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.
Call to register. All aspects of parenthood - postpartum depression, dealing with changes and new demands, maintaining healthy relationships, planning for the future & much more.

Labor Epidural Class
Monday, Jan. 28, 6:30 - 7:30 pm.
RN from Labor and Delivery discusses Epidurals & the why, how & when they are used.

Breastfeeding: The Best Feeding
Tuesday, Jan. 29, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.
Information will be provided on basic breastfeeding techniques, how your body makes milk & how your milk helps your baby to grow healthy. Expression and proper storage of breast milk is covered. We are happy to answer your breastfeeding questions. For expectant MOMS and their support person.

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A New Year

In just a few days, we will say goodbye to 2012 and will greet 2013. For many this year could not end quick enough, for others it seemed to go away to quickly.

However you feel about the coming year, recognize that it will come, you cannot stop it. I want you to greet this new year determined to live it in a way that will be life changing. Four things I would like to suggest to you with the first being that you live this new year less for yourself. Being self-centered only creates problems for you. If you seek ways to bless others, you will be most richly blessed.

Live forgiven. Far too many believe they are forgiven but live as though they are not. They carry unnecessary guilt, remorse over past actions, and find daily living a burden. God forgives, so live forgiven.

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Enjoy the New Year, take hold of it and let me encourage you to worship with us Sunday.

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World

Putin signs anti-U.S. adoptions bill

MOSCOW (AP) — President Vladimir Putin on Friday signed a law banning Americans from adopting Russian children, abruptly terminating the prospects for more than 50 youngsters preparing to join new families and sparking critics to liken him to King Herod.

The move is part of a harsh response to a U.S. law targeting Russians deemed to be human rights violators. Although some top Russian officials including the foreign minister openly opposed the bill, Putin signed it less than 24 hours after receiving it from Parlia-

ment, where it passed both houses overwhelmingly.

The law also calls for the closure of non-governmental organizations receiving American funding if their activities are classified as political — a broad definition many fear could be used to close any NGO that offends the Kremlin.

The law takes effect Jan. 1, the Kremlin said. Children's rights ombudsman Pavel Astakhov said 52 children who were in the pipeline for U.S. adoption would remain in Russia.

The ban is in response to a measure

signed into law by President Barack Obama this month that calls for sanctions against Russians assessed to be human rights violators.

That stems from the case of Sergei Magnitsky, a Russian lawyer who was arrested after accusing officials of a \$230 million tax fraud. He was repeatedly denied medical treatment and died in jail in 2009. Russian rights groups claimed he was severely beaten.

A prison doctor who was the only official charged in the case was acquitted by a Moscow court on Friday. Although there was no

demonstrable connection to Putin's signing the law a few hours later, the timing underlines what critics say is Russia's refusal to responsibly pursue the case.

The adoption ban has angered both Americans and Russians who argue it victimizes children to make a political point, cutting off a route out of frequently dismal orphanages for thousands.

"The king is Herod," popular writer Oleg Shargunov said on his Twitter account, referring to the Roman-appointed king of Judea at the time of Jesus Christ's birth,

who the Bible says ordered the massacre of Jewish children to avoid being supplanted by a prophesied newborn king of the Jews.

A painting depicting the massacre and captioned "an appropriate response to the Magnitsky act" spread widely on the Internet.

State Department spokesman Patrick Ventrell expressed regret over Putin's signing and urged Russia to "allow those children who have already met and bonded with their future parents to finish the necessary legal procedures so that they can join their families."

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Renewed violence sends U.S. packing

BANGUI, Central African Republic (AP) — Renewed fighting between government forces and rebels seeking to overthrow the president broke out Friday in Central African Republic's third largest city, a military official said, hours after the U.S. ambassador and his team were evacuated from the capital.

Government soldiers appeared to be in control of Bambari following the clashes, according to military officials. The town is located about 240 miles from the capital and had been under rebel control for five days.

The United States evacuated about 40 people, including the U.S. ambassador, on an U.S. Air Force plane bound for Kenya, said U.S. officials who insisted on anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the operation. The United States has special forces troops in the country who are assisting in the hunt for Joseph Kony, the fugitive rebel leader of another rebel group known as the Lord's Resistance Army. The U.S. special forces remain in the country, the U.S. military's Africa Command said.



A statue by Italian artist Maurizio Cattelan shows Adolf Hitler praying on his knees in Warsaw, Poland, on Friday. The work, "HIM" has been drawing visitors since it was installed last month. One Jewish group condemned the work's placement as "a senseless provocation which insults the memory of the Nazis' Jewish victims."

The Associated Press

Praying Hitler in Warsaw display sparks emotion

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A statue of Adolf Hitler praying on his knees is on display in the former Warsaw Ghetto, the place where so many Jews were killed or sent to their deaths by Hitler's regime, and it is provoking mixed reactions.

The work, "HIM" by Italian artist Maurizio Cattelan, has drawn many visitors since it was installed last month. It is visible only from a distance, and the artist doesn't make explicit what Hitler is praying for, but the broader point, organizers say, is to make people reflect on the nature of evil.

In any case, some are angered by the statue's presence in such a sensitive site.

One Jewish advocacy group, the Simon Wiesenthal Center, this week called the statue's placement "a senseless provocation which insults the memory of the Nazis' Jewish victims."

"As far as the Jews were concerned, Hitler's only 'prayer' was that they be wiped off the face of the earth," the group's Israel director, Efraim Zuroff, said in a statement.

However, many others are praising the artwork, saying it has a strong emotional impact. And organizers defend putting it on display in the former ghetto.

The Warsaw ghetto was an area of the city which the Nazis sealed off after they

invaded Poland.

The Hitler installation is just one object in a retrospective of Cattelan's work titled "Amen," a show that explores life, death, good and evil. The other works are on display at the center itself, which is housed in the Ujazdowski Castle.

The Hitler representation is visible from a hole in a wooden gate across town on Prozna Street. Viewers only see the back of the small figure praying in a courtyard. Because of its small size, it appears to be a harmless schoolboy.

"Every criminal was once a tender, innocent and defenseless child," the center said in a commentary on the work.

Rebels besiege airports in Syria

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian rebels stepped up their siege of a government helicopter base and clashed with soldiers near Aleppo's international airport on Friday, part of an effort to chip away at the air power that poses the biggest challenge to their advances against the regime of President Bashar Assad.

That airborne threat came into stark relief the same day, when a government airstrike on a northern town killed 14 people — most of them women and children, activists said. More than 21 months into Syria's conflict, the Assad regime is counting more than ever on its air force to block rebel gains.

Rebels in the north, a region largely clear of government troops, realize this and have launched campaigns to seize all the area's airports, hoping such a move will protect their forces and the civilians who back them.

This push in many ways represents the mismatched nature of Syria's civil war, with numerous but lightly armed rebels fighting a highly sophisticated army, albeit one badly weakened by defections.

Rebels say they have surrounded four airports in the northern province of Aleppo.

It remains unclear whether rebels will be able to seize any of the air bases soon.

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By Lou Sennick, The World
 Marshfield's Peyton Babb grabs a rebound and heads downcourt against Coquille during the semifinals of the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament on Friday. Babb scored 23 points to lead the Pirates to the victory.

Lack of offense dooms Bobcats in semifinals

BY TIM NOVOTNY
 The World

COOS BAY — Keyed by a 10-4 advantage in the second quarter, North Eugene gained a spot in the girls title game at the 10th annual South Coast Les Schwab Holiday Basketball Tournament.

They held off a feisty but unproductive Myrtle Point Bobcats team 29-19 at the Pirate Palace on Friday afternoon.

Offensive aggressiveness was the difference in the game, with two particular Highlanders imposing their will against the Bobcats.

Sierra Carrier is just a freshman, but the 5-11 post player attacks the paint with the ferocity of an upperclassman and it showed in the semifinals.

As he looked back on her 13 point, 14 rebound performance, head coach Burdy Smith said he was pleased with what he saw out of his post.

"She's a heck of a player and she's continuing to get better every day," Smith said, adding that the freshman still has plenty of room to improve, which must come as some discomfiting news for future opponents.

One of her teammates that is helping accelerate that improvement is the Highlanders' 5-foot dynamo at point guard. Bri Stubbs had her second straight big game for North Eugene, on both ends of the floor.

The senior ran the show offensively, getting the team in the best position to utilize Carrier's talents inside and knocked down a couple of big 3-pointers on her way to 11 points for the game.

She also pestered and hounded the younger Bobcats into numerous mistakes when Myrtle Point was on offense.

"She brings it every single day," said Smith. "You can never question her effort and she is playing at a high level right now."

She will take that effort into the title game against Marshfield at 5:15 p.m. tonight.

The Bobcats on the other hand will be trying to find their offensive swagger in the third place game against rival Coquille.

With no one scoring more than six points for Myrtle Point, and a defensive effort that held the Highlanders under 30 points, there is no doubt where the coaching staff would like to see improvement.

Head coach Marty Stallard said the Bobcats did everything right but make baskets.

But, he also said the players have to take shots to make them and that was what he was disap-

Les Schwab Tournament

Today's Schedule

BOYS
Championship
 Coquille vs. North Bend, 7 p.m.
Third Place
 Molalla vs. Siuslaw, 3:30 p.m.
Fourth Place
 McNary vs. McKay, noon
Seventh Place
 *North Eugene vs. Marshfield, 10:15 a.m.

GIRLS
Championship
 North Eugene vs. Marshfield, 5:15 p.m.
Third Place
 Coquille vs. Myrtle Point, 1:45 p.m.
Fourth Place
 Ashland vs. North Salem, 10:15 a.m.
Seventh Place
 *North Bend vs. Siuslaw, noon
 *Denotes game in Harding Gym

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 North Bend 57, McNary 48
 Molalla 63, North Eugene 60
 Coquille 47, McKay 43
 Siuslaw 46, Marshfield 44, OT

GIRLS
Quarterfinals
 Coquille 51, Siuslaw 27
 Myrtle Point 36, Ashland 35
 North Eugene 56, North Bend 33
 Marshfield 50, North Salem 26

Friday's Scores

BOYS
Semifinals
 North Bend 67, Molalla 49
 Coquille 63, Siuslaw 36
Consolation Semifinals
 McNary 69, North Eugene 59
 McKay 42, Marshfield 29

GIRLS
Semifinals
 North Eugene 29, Myrtle Point 19
 Marshfield 49, Coquille 32
Consolation Semifinals
 Ashland 43, North Bend 29
 North Salem 49, Siuslaw 38

Babb's burst lifts Marshfield

BY JOHN GUNTHER
 The World

COOS BAY — Marshfield's game plan heading into its girls semifinal matchup with Coquille at the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament was to limit the touches of Coquille star Taylor GeDeros.

What the Pirates never anticipated was the pleasant surprise of a torrid start by Marshfield's Peyton Babb.

The Marshfield senior scored the game's first 13 points and sophomore Jade Chavez stuck to GeDeros like glue for most of the night, limiting Coquille's standout to just 13 points and nine rebounds as the Pirates won 49-32.

Marshfield will meet

Midwestern League foe North Eugene in the championship game at 5:15 tonight, while Coquille will face its rival, Myrtle Point, for third place at 1:45 p.m.

Marshfield coach Bruce Bryant praised both of his players for their efforts in the win, especially Babb for the quick start.

"She got us going," Bryant said. "I knew she would."

"I didn't think she'd give us 13 in a row. That was huge?"

Coquille didn't score until

Emily Lack hit a 3-pointer with less than 3 minutes remaining in the opening quarter. By that time, Babb had hit two 3-pointers of her own and had two more buckets off steals, one of which became a three-point play.

"I've been looking forward to this game for a long time," Babb said.

Babb and GeDeros were rivals when they were younger and Babb was in Myrtle Point. It was the first time they met in high school.

The two had been heralded before they got to high school, and both suffered serious knee injuries — Babb when they were freshmen and GeDeros the summer after their freshman year.

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By Lou Sennick, The World

Larry Bowen scores two of his game-high 20 points for Coquille on Friday evening in the Red Devils' semifinal win over Siuslaw.

Red Devils power past Siuslaw in semifinals

BY JOHN GUNTHER
 The World

COOS BAY — Coquille's boys basketball team got the rematch it wanted and a trip to the championship game in the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament.

The Red Devils beat Siuslaw 63-36 on Friday to advance to tonight's championship game and a date with North Bend.

"I think everyone is looking forward to that game," said Coquille's Terrence Edwards, who had 14 points in Friday's win.

North Bend edged the Red Devils earlier this month in Coquille, rallying from a late deficit to force overtime.

"It's nice that we get to

play North Bend again," said Coquille's Larry Bowen. "It's been good motivation since the start of the tournament."

Siuslaw scored first Friday, on a 3-pointer by Sam Johnson. But Coquille then scored nine straight — a rebound basket by

Wilson Hodge, a fast-break hoop after a steal by Matt Miranda, a bucket inside by

Bowen, a free throw from Caleb Owens and another basket by Miranda.

The Vikings briefly cut the lead to two points, but Kevin Mast hit a 3-pointer by Coquille and the Red Devils used an 8-0 run to start the second quarter to go up 22-8 and never led by fewer than 10 points again.

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By Alysha Beck, The World

North Bend's Cam Lucero lays a shot up against Molalla's Bradley Hagaman during the semifinals at the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament.

North Bend returns to final

BY JOHN GUNTHER
 The World

COOS BAY — North Bend's boys basketball team used its best effort of the season Friday to advance to the championship game of the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball

Tournament.

The Bulldogs topped Molalla 67-49, using a sensational first half to build a big lead and then holding off a run by the hot-shooting Indians in the final two quarters.

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Sports

McKay beats Pirates in consolation

By JOHN GUNTHER
The World

COOS BAY — Marshfield's boys basketball team played one good quarter, but then couldn't keep up with McKay in the consolation semifinals at the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament on Friday.

The Scots won 42-29 to set up a pair of matchups between league rivals today. McKay meets McNary for fourth place at noon, while Marshfield and North Eugene meet for seventh place at 10:15 a.m. in Harding Gym.

The Pirates started well in Friday's game and led nearly all of the first quarter. Matt Woods scored on a lob pass from Jake Miles and Tre Burton hit two free throws for an early 4-0 lead and Woods added two more hoops, sandwiched around a bucket by Rylee Trendell that kept Marshfield in front until the Scots scored the final five points of the quarter for a 12-10 advantage.

"I thought first quarter we did some good things," said Marshfield coach Jesse Ainsworth. "We were able to execute things."

"Second quarter, we completely fell apart and third quarter we didn't come out with much energy," McKay capitalized.

The Scots finished the first half on a 15-4 run to blow the game open and led by as many as 20 in the third quarter, getting contributions from everybody on the floor.

By early in the third quarter, Ainsworth pulled all the starters from the game, and went with a lineup that included several players who have spent the past few weeks at the bottom of the bench, but who played with energy.

And in the fourth quarter, that group outplayed the Scots, though it was too late to make much of a difference.

Juan Caballero had a 3-pointer late in the third quarter and Austin Howerton, the one regular in the group, added six points in the fourth.

McKay coach Dean Sanderson, who didn't have as many players on the bench as the Pirates, left various combinations including several starters in during the final quarter, but the Scots still were outscored 8-2.

"We played two pretty good quarters," Sanderson said. "The message we have for the team is we're not going to win many games if we (only) play two good quarters."

The fourth quarter wasn't good for McKay, he said.

"We can't miss any opportunity to get better," Sanderson said. "I thought we wasted eight minutes."

Dillon James had 13 points to lead the Scots and Samuel Harris added seven. Woods had 10 points for the Pirates.

Sanderson, who has just one senior, still has a more veteran roster than Marshfield, and said he expects the Pirates to improve dramatically.

"Marshfield, they're young," he said. They're not physically there yet, but they play hard and they execute.

"They're going to be a pretty good team."

While the Pirates have been playing better with a core group that includes freshmen Miles, Trendell and Justin Cooper, the development of that trio and sophomore Hunter Olson took a step back Friday, Ainsworth said.

"Our freshmen played like freshmen tonight," he said. "They didn't give us a spark."

McNary 69, North Eugene 59: Johnathan Douth had 11 points and Braden Montano added 11 as the Celtics advanced to the fourth-place game against Salem neighbor McKay today.

McNary jumped to a 35-26 halftime lead and cruised to the victory.

Chandler Sand had four 3-pointers and scored a team-high 23 points for North Eugene, which plays Marshfield for seventh place this morning.

GIRLS

Ashland 43, North Bend 29: Hannah Texeria had 15 points and Georgia Williams added 11 as the Grizzlies pulled away over the middle two quarters to win in the consolation semifinals.

Ashland led just 12-1 after the first quarter, but outscored the Bulldogs 28-11 over the next two.

Britni Ring had 12 points for the Bulldogs.

North Salem 49, Siuslaw 38: North Salem outscored Siuslaw 27-15 in the middle two quarters to reach the fourth-place as Cassidy Scott had 15 points, Simone Leaks 11 and Sabrina Pedersen 10.

Alex Dodson had two 3-pointers and 12 points for Siuslaw, which also got 11 from Ashlee Cole and 10 from Lindsey Bottensek.



Photos by Lou Sennick, The World

Ashland's Christina Kuykendall is double teamed by Myrtle Point's Daysha Stidham, left, and Caitlyn Robison during their game Thursday afternoon.

Myrtle Point girls win in final second

THE WORLD

The best girls game in the first day of the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament came down to a free throw with less than a second left on the clock.

Myrtle Point's Caitlyn Robison hit the second of two free throws after being fouled 30 feet from the basket as she hurried downcourt after a steal in a tie game with four seconds to go.

Robison's free throw gave the Bobcats a 36-35 win and capped a frantic final 30 seconds that featured three turnovers by the two teams.

Robison finished with a team-best 14 points, six rebounds, four assists and three steals, and a few other teammates came up with clutch free throws earlier after Ashland had scored 10 points in a row to turn a 32-25 deficit early in the fourth quarter into a 35-32 lead.

Daysha Stidham hit two free



By Alysha Beck, The World

Coquille's Taylor Gederos guards Siuslaw's Meghan Pickell during the opening game of the tournament Thursday. Gederos scored 28 points in Coquille's win over the Vikings.

throws and MacKenzie Findley added another to tie the game and set up the dramatic conclusion.

The Bobcats won despite shooting just under 33 percent from the floor (Ashland was a woeful 26 percent) and committing 20 turnovers (Ashland had 16).

"We found a way," Myrtle Point coach Marty Stallard said. "We'll take the win."

"We persevered. That's the sign of a good team."

Georgie Williams had 11 points to lead the Grizzlies.

Coquille 51, Siuslaw 27: Taylor Gederos and the rest of the Red Devils overcame a slow start to pound the Vikings in their quarterfinal matchup.

Coquille led just 9-7 after the first quarter, but then heated up, especially Gederos, who ended the game with 28 points,

including four 3-pointers. Emily Lack had a pair of 3-pointers and scored nine points for Coquille. Ashlee Cole led Siuslaw with 12 points.

Marshfield 50, North Salem 26: The Pirates used a relentless full-court press early to score the game's first 11 points and never looked back against the Vikings.

Katelyn Rossback led the way for Marshfield with 12 points, five rebounds and three steals.

"It was Rossback's best game for us, (and) a good confidence builder for her," said Marshfield coach Bruce Bryant.

Peyton Babb added nine points and five assists.

Simone Leaks had 12 points for North Salem.

North Eugene 56, North Bend 33: Britni Ring had 20 points, but the Bulldogs didn't get enough contributions from the rest of the team to keep up with the Highlanders.

Bri Stubbs, North Eugene's 5-foot point guard, had 14 points, five steals and five assists and Sierra Carrier also had 14 points in the win.

Siuslaw edges Marshfield in overtime

THE WORLD

Marshfield's young boys basketball team hasn't been in a lot of close games in its winless season.

When the Pirates finally got a chance, they couldn't close the deal Thursday, falling to Siuslaw 46-

44 in overtime on the first day of the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament.

John Dodson had four 3-pointers, including a go-ahead trey in overtime, and scored 16 points to lead Siuslaw, while Jake Thompson added 11 points and nine rebounds. The Vikings battled back from a six-point, fourth-quarter deficit to force overtime.

Marshfield coach Jesse Ainsworth, meanwhile, said the game was a missed opportunity, but part of the growth for his squad, which featured three freshmen and a sophomore on the floor during most of the late moments.

"We've got to learn to win games," Ainsworth said. "That's the next step.



By Lou Sennick, The World

Marshfield's Matt Woods tries to keep Siuslaw's Sam Johnson away from the basket Thursday night during their opening game in the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament.

"The first step was an opportunity to win a game. We haven't been in that position. That was fun. The outcome still stinks."

Jake Miles, one of the freshmen, had 18 points to lead the Pirates.

North Bend 57, McNary 48: The Bulldogs scored 12 straight points in the final 2:15

to beat the Celtics.

Devan Dunagan had put McNary in front 46-45 with a jumper with 2:30 remaining, but North Bend's Cam Lucero found Drew Matthews alone in the corner and he drained a go-ahead 3-pointer.

The Bulldogs added to their lead from there, starting with a three-point play by

Hamilton Mateski, and kept alive hopes of defending their 2011 title.

Lucero finished with 14 points, 11 rebounds and four assists for North Bend and Mateski scored 18 points. Hayden McCowan scored 11 points to lead McNary.

Coquille 47, McKay 43: The Red Devils trailed 36-29 at halftime, but battled back to beat the Scots for the second straight year.

Caleb Owens had 17 points and eight rebounds to lead the way and Larry Bowen put the Red Devils ahead for good with a late hoop and finished with 16 points and 10 rebounds for Coquille.

The Red Devils limited McKay to 14 points in the second half.

Dillon James had 15 points to lead McKay.

Molalla 63, North Eugene 60: Ryan Potter had 32 points, including four free throws in the final minute, as the Indians held off the Highlanders in the quarterfinals.

Chandler Sand had 19 points for North Eugene, which cut a seven-point lead to one and had a chance to go ahead, but couldn't convert.

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Sports

Pirates sweep 3-point honors

BY JOHN GUNTHER
The World

Host Marshfield swept the 3-point shootout titles during the Les Schwab South Coast Basketball Tournament on Friday.

Abby Thrall beat Marshfield teammate Peyton Babb for the girls crown and Jake Miles topped Siuslaw's John Dodson for the boys title.

The girls went first, and Thrall swished home several treys early on the way to knocking down 10 during their 60-second battle.

Babb, meanwhile, only connected on four after hitting at least 10 in all three of the previous rounds.

"I didn't expect to win at all," said Thrall, who admitted she was still shaking with a combination of nerves and excitement after the final.

"I wasn't as nervous (for the final) because I didn't care if she won, since she's my teammate. I would have been happy if either of us won."

Thrall and Babb actually shot at the same time in the first two rounds, because their opponents weren't available. And Babb had more makes each of those rounds.

In the semifinals, Babb knocked out defending champion Britni Ring of North Bend, while Thrall edged Ashland's Georgia Williams.

The boys competition was tighter.

Miles and Dodson both got

on hot streaks late in their minute, each hitting five shots in a row before they ended the round tied at 15. In the extra 30 seconds, Miles came out on top by making seven more, to just three by Dodson.

Miles, a freshman who might be the smallest player in the tournament, said he's been using outside shooting to work on his overall conditioning.

"I've been doing 100 3s a day to work on my legs," he said. "That last 30 seconds, I really felt strong in my legs."

Earlier in the day, he also needed overtime to beat Coquille's Terrence Edwards, before he knocked out McNary's Isaiah Montano in the semifinals. Montana had the most makes in regulation when he connected on 18 shots in his quarterfinal match.

Dodson, meanwhile, also needed overtime in the quarterfinals to beat Molalla sharpshooter Ryan Potter. Dodson edged McNary's Jonathon Douth 11-10 in the semifinals.

3-Point Contest

BOYS

First Round

Jonathon Douth, McNary, d. Ty Roane, North Bend, 19-7
Jorge Garibay, McKay, d. Matt Miranda, Coquille, 12-8
Ryan Potter, Molalla, d. Garrett Litalien, North Eugene, 14-6
John Dodson, Siuslaw, d. Jose Torres, Marshfield, 9-3
Jake Miles, Marshfield, d. Joseph Dotson, Siuslaw, 11-7
Terrence Edwards, Coquille, d. Juan Ochoa, McKay, 14-9
Jack Marquardt, Molalla, d. Seiji Maita, North Eugene, 9-7
Isaiah Montano, McNary, d. Hayden Davison, North Bend, 11-7

Quarterfinals

John Dodson, Siuslaw, d. Ryan Potter, Molalla, 15-14, OT
Jake Miles, Marshfield, d. Terrence Edwards, Coquille, 23-17, OT
Isaiah Montano, McNary, d. Jack Marquardt, Molalla, 18-11

Semifinals

John Dodson, Siuslaw, d. Jonathon Douth, McNary, 11-10
Jake Miles, Marshfield, d. Isaiah Montano, McNary, 14-10

Championship

Jake Miles, Marshfield, d. John Dodson, Siuslaw, 22-18, OT

GIRLS

First Round

Shalah Collicott, North Bend, d. Katey Harvey, North Eugene, 5-3
Georgia Williams, Ashland, d. Daysha Stidham, Myrtle Point, 11-8
Abby Thrall, Marshfield, won by default
Emily Lack, Coquille, won by default
Britni Ring, North Bend, won by default
Michaela Dunn, Ashland, d. Caitlyn Robison, Myrtle Point, 10-6
Taylor GeDeros, Coquille, d. Bri Stubbs, North Eugene, 11-5
Peyton Babb, Marshfield, won by default

Quarterfinals

Georgia Williams, Ashland, d. Shalah Collicott, North Bend, 11-8
Abby Thrall, Marshfield, d. Emily Lack, Coquille, 9-6

Semifinals

Britni Ring, North Bend, d. Michaela Dunn, Ashland, 11-8
Peyton Babb, Marshfield, d. Taylor GeDeros, Coquille, 10-5

Championship

Abby Thrall, Marshfield, d. Peyton Babb, Marshfield, 10-4



Jake Miles is on the way for a Marshfield sweep in the 3-point shootout at the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament on Friday.

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Championship
Abby Thrall, Marshfield, d. Peyton Babb, Marshfield, 10-4



Abby Thrall beat teammate Peyton Babb to take the top girl honors in the 3-point shootout Friday.

Britni Ring, North Bend, d. Michaela Dunn, Ashland, 11-8
Peyton Babb, Marshfield, d. Taylor GeDeros, Coquille, 10-5

Semifinals
Abby Thrall, Marshfield, d. Georgia Williams, Ashland, 7-6
Peyton Babb, Marshfield, d. Britni Ring, North Bend, 11-5

Championship
Abby Thrall, Marshfield, d. Peyton Babb, Marshfield, 10-4

Scoreboard

On The Air

Today
High School Boys Basketball — Marshfield vs. North Eugene, 10:15 a.m., KMHS (91.3 FM).
High School Girls Basketball — Marshfield vs. North Eugene, 5:15 p.m., KMHS (1420 AM).
College Football — Armed Forces Bowl, Air Force vs. Rice, 8:45 a.m., ESPN; Pinstripe Bowl, Syracuse vs. West Virginia, 12:15 p.m., ESPN; Fight Hunger Bowl, Arizona State vs. Navy, 1 p.m., ESPN2; Alamo Bowl, Oregon State vs. Texas, 3:45 p.m., ESPN and KBBR (1340 AM); Buffalo Wild Wings Bowl, Michigan State vs. Texas Christian, 7:15 p.m., ESPN.
Men's College Basketball — Santa Clara at Duke, 9 a.m., ESPN2; UNLV at North Carolina, 11 a.m., ESPN2; Florida State vs. Tulsa, 11 a.m., Root Sports; Kentucky at Louisville, 1 p.m., CBS; Air Force vs. Florida, 1 p.m., Root Sports; Old Dominion vs. Virginia, 2 p.m., NBC Sports Network; Washington at Connecticut, 4:30 p.m., ESPN2; Idaho at Seattle, 7 p.m., Root Sports.
NBA Basketball — Washington at Chicago, 5 p.m., WGN.
Golf — Skills Challenge Day 1, 1 p.m., NBC.
Sunday, Dec. 30
NFL Football — Regional coverage, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., CBS and Fox; Dallas at Washington, 5:20 p.m., NBC.
Golf — Skills Challenge Day 2, 1 p.m., NBC.
Bowling — PBA World Series Chameleon Championship, 10 a.m., ESPN.
Monday, Dec. 31
College Football — Music City Bowl, North Carolina State vs. Vanderbilt, 9 a.m., ESPN; Sun Bowl, Georgia Tech vs. USC, 11 a.m., CBS; Liberty Bowl, Iowa State vs. Tulsa, 12:30 p.m., ESPN; Chick-fil-A Bowl, Clemson vs. LSU, 4:30 p.m., ESPN.
Men's College Basketball — Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 9 a.m., ESPN2; Michigan State at Minnesota, 11 a.m., ESPN2; Indiana at Iowa, 1 p.m., ESPN2; Gonzaga at Oklahoma State, 3 p.m., ESPN2; Harvard at St. Mary's, 5 p.m., ESPN2.
NBA Basketball — Charlotte at Chicago, noon, WGN.

Local Schedule

Today
High School Boys Basketball — Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament at Marshfield: North Eugene vs. Marshfield, 10:15 a.m.; McNary vs. McKay, noon; Molalla vs. Siuslaw, 3:30 p.m.; North Bend vs. Coquille, 7 p.m. Oakland Christmas Tournament: Bandon TBA, Crow Cougar Classic, Pacific TBA.
High School Girls Basketball — Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament at Marshfield: North Salem vs. Ashland, 10:15 a.m.; North Bend vs. Siuslaw, noon; Myrtle Point vs. Coquille, 1:45 p.m.; North Eugene vs. Marshfield, 5:15 p.m. Oakland Christmas Tournament: Bandon TBA, Crow Cougar Classic, Pacific TBA.
High School Wrestling — Gold Beach at Myrtle Point tournament, noon.
Sunday, Dec. 30
Women's College Basketball — College of the Redwoods at SWOCC, 1 p.m.
Men's College Basketball — College of the Redwoods at SWOCC, 3 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 31
No local events scheduled.

High School Results

BASKETBALL	
<i>Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament</i>	
Friday BOYS Semifinals	
North Bend 67, Molalla 49	Molalla 6, 7, 24, 11 — 49
North Bend 12, 19, 16, 20 — 67	MOLALLA (49): Ryan Potter 23, Jack Marquardt 9, Bradley Hagaman 6, Lane Hull 4, Christian Lushenko 4, Colby Green 3, Justin Burke, Tyler Gengler, Luke Munson.
North Bend 67, Ty Roane 22, Hamilton Mateski 21, Cam Lucero 11, Drew Matthews 6, Hayden Davison 5, Zach Barker 2, Wyatt Cunningham, Nick Hossley, Hunter Jackson.	
Coquille 63, Siuslaw 39	
Coquille 14, 12, 18, 16 — 63	Siuslaw 8, 8, 10, 10 — 36
COQUILLE (63): Larry Bowen 20, Terrence Edwards 14, Caleb Owens 13, Matt Miranda 8, Kevin Mast 5, Wilson Hodge 2, Austin Arrant 1, Brandon Bowen, Drew Piburn.	
Siuslaw (36): Jake Thompson 12, Mitchell Butler 8, John Dodson 7, Sam Johnson 5, Billy Jones 2, Joseph Dotson 1, Keenan McClellan 1, Ryan Smith.	
Consolation Semifinals	
McKay 42, Marshfield 29	
McKay 12, 15, 13, 2 — 42	Marshfield 10, 6, 5, 8 — 29

Siuslaw 46, Marshfield 44, OT	
Siuslaw 10, 8, 9, 12, 7 — 46	Marshfield 11, 7, 13, 8, 5 — 44
SIUSLAW (46): John Dodson 16, Jake Thompson 11, Keenan McClellan 8, Ryan Smith 6, Sam Johnson 3, Mitchell Butler 2, Joseph Dotson, Marshfield (44): Jake Miles 18, Matt Woods 7, Justin Cooper 6, Trevor Hunter 2, Rylee Trendell 2, Daylen Boler, Ty Bunnell, Jake Miles, Hunter Olson, Jose Torres.	
McNary 69, North Eugene 59	
McNary 19, 16, 12, 22 — 69	North Eugene 13, 13, 13, 20 — 59
McNARY (69): Jonathon Douth 15, Isaiah Montano 11, Braden Taylor 9, Connor Goff 8, Hunter Christenson 6, Hayden McCowan 6, Devon Dunagan 4, Hayden Gosling 3, Nick McDonald 2, Jon Kiser.	
NORTH EUGENE (59): Chandler Sand 23, Malik Turner 9, Caleb Cohen 6, Matt Ferrenburg 6, Isaiah Alder 3, Seiji Maita 3, Joey Butterfield, Blake Dawson, Garrett Litalien, Riley McCool, Brett Snyder.	
GIRLS Semifinals	
North Eugene 29, Myrtle Point 19	
Myrtle Point 5, 4, 4, 6 — 19	North Eugene 5, 10, 6, 8 — 29
MYRTLE POINT (19): MacKenzie Findley 6, Chelsie Fandel 4, Caitlyn Robison 4, Daysha Stidham 3, Nicole Seals 2, Grace Hermann, Karissa Henshaw, Bethany Meyer, Kenzie Hitner.	
NORTH EUGENE (29): Sierra Carrier 13, Bri Stubbs 11, Bella Laughlin 3, Annaliese Denn 2, Bre Sams-Black, Shelby Keller, Holly Sand, Courtney Gregory, Katherine Jessor.	
Marshfield 49, Coquille 32	
Coquille 8, 12, 10, 2 — 32	Marshfield 17, 11, 8, 13 — 49
COQUILLE (32): Taylor GeDeros 13, Maddy Grant 13, Emily Lack 3, Kaitlyn Hyatt 2, Hannah Royal 1, Makala Edgar, Jessica McElravey, Mikayla Schep.	
MARSHFIELD (49): Peyton Babb 23, Abby Thrall 9, Tracee Scott 8, Jade Chavez 5, Katelyn Rossback 4, Bailly Garrett, Jasmine Meline, Brea Mosieur, Chelsea Pettett.	
Consolation Semifinals	
North Salem 49, Siuslaw 38	
Siuslaw 13, 10, 5, 10 — 38	North Salem 13, 13, 14, 9 — 49
SIUSLAW (38): Alex Dodson 12, Ashlee Cole 11, Lindsey Bottensek 10, Andi Ruede 2, Alex Opitz 1, Meghan Pickell 1, Halee Richards 1, April Lea.	
NORTH SALEM (49): Cassidy Scott 15, Simone Leaks 11, Sabrina Pedersen 10, Natasha Fitzke 7, Mia O'Connell 4, Maggie Rust 2, Bobbi Alosa, Tiffany Rupp.	
Ashland 43, North Bend 29	
North Bend 9, 5, 6, 9 — 29	Ashland 12, 13, 15, 3 — 43
NORTH BEND (29): Britni Ring 12, Jasmine Barker 5, Madison Spence 5, Shalah Collicott 2, Gabby Hobson 2, Rachel Oman 2, McKenzie Edwards 1, Hannah Noble, Emma Powley, Rylie Waddington, Aubree Williams.	
ASHLAND (43): Hannah Teixeira 15, Georgia Williams 13, Sadie Kasiah 7, Frankie Brookins 4, Michaela Dunn 2, McKenna Reed 2, Christina Kuykendall, Carly Walker, Kasidyie Winner.	
Thursday BOYS	
North Bend 57, McNary 48	
McNary 11, 16, 13, 8 — 48	North Bend 7, 17, 17, 16 — 57
McNARY (48): Hayden McCowan 11, Braden Taylor 9, Jonathon Douth 8, Isaiah Montano 8, Devin Dunagan 6, Hunter Christenson 2, Connor Goff 2, Nick McDonald 2, Hayden Gosling, Jon Kiser, Brandon Lao.	
NORTH BEND (57): Hamilton Mateski 18, Cam Lucero 14, Hayden Davison 8, Ty Roane 5, Zach Barker 4, Wyatt Cunningham 4, Drew Matthews 4, Zach Hawk.	
Molalla 63, North Eugene 60	
North Eugene 18, 16, 11, 15 — 60	Molalla 21, 20, 9, 13 — 63
NORTH EUGENE (60): Chandler Sand 19, Matt Ferrenburg 11, Malik Turner 8, Isaiah Alder 7, Joey Butterfield 6, Brett Snyder 6, Caleb Cohen 3, Garrett Litalien, Seiji Maita, Riley Lucier-McCool.	
MOLALLA (63): Ryan Potter 32, Bradley Hagaman 13, Jack Marquardt 11, Luke Munson 3, Justin Burke 2, Christian Lushenko 2, Tyler Gengler, Colby Green, Lane Hull, Dustin Premo.	
Coquille 47, McKay 43	
Coquille 11, 12, 11, 13 — 47	McKay 16, 13, 7, 7 — 43
COQUILLE (47): Caleb Owens 17, Larry Bowen 16, Terrence Edwards 5, Matt Miranda 5, Wilson Hodge 4, Austin Arrant, Kevin Mast, Drew Piburn.	
McKay (43): Dillon James 15, Lorenzo Sterling 9, Micah Sanders 8, Jorge Garibay 7, Juan Ochoa 3, Kristopher Williams 1, Jacob Brustad, Samuel Harris.	

Phoenix 11, 19, .367, 13	
Sacramento 10, 19, .345, 13/12	
Thursday's Games	
Oklahoma City 111, Dallas 105, OT	L.A. Clippers 106, Boston 77
Friday's Games	
Indiana 97, Phoenix 91	Washington 105, Orlando 97
Atlanta 102, Cleveland 94	Brooklyn 97, Charlotte 81
Toronto 109, Miami 99	Detroit 104, New Orleans 97, OT
Denver 106, Dallas 85	San Antonio 122, Houston 116
L.A. Clippers 116, Utah 114	Sacramento 106, New York 105
Golden State 96, Philadelphia 89	L.A. Lakers 104, Portland 87
Today's Games	
Indiana at Atlanta, 4 p.m.	New Orleans at Charlotte, 4 p.m.
Toronto at Orlando, 4 p.m.	Cleveland at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 5 p.m.	Oklahoma City at Houston, 5 p.m.
Denver at Memphis, 5 p.m.	Phoenix at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
Miami at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.	Philadelphia at Portland, 7 p.m.
Boston at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.	
Sunday's Games	
San Antonio at Dallas, 4:30 p.m.	Milwaukee at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
Boston at Sacramento, 6 p.m.	Utah at L.A. Clippers, 6:30 p.m.
Lakers 104, Blazers 87	
PORTLAND (87):	Batum 5-11 0-0 10, Aldridge 12-17 2-2 26, Hickson 0-7 2-2 2, Lillard 4-17 2-2 11, Claver 1-10 0-3, Pavlovic 2-5 0-0 5, Leonard 0-1 0-0 0, Price 2-3 0-0 4, Jeffries 1-4 2-4 4, Barton 5-10 1-2 11, Babbitt 0-3 0-0 0, Freeland 3-4 0-0 6, Smith 1-4 3-4 5. Totals 36-87 12-16 87.
L.A. LAKERS (104):	Bryant 9-18 8-11 27, Gasol 6-9 1-2 15, Howard 7-13 7-13 21, Nash 3-7 0-0 8, Morris 4-6 0-0 8, World Peace 3-7 0-0 6, Hill 4-8 0-0 8, Duhon 1-4 0-0 3, Meeks 3-9 0-0 9, Ebanks 0-2 0-0 0, Clark 0-2 0-0 0, Sacre 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 40-86 17-28 104.
Portland 25, 23, 18, 21 — 87	L.A. Lakers 34, 28, 26, 16 — 104
3-Point Goals—Portland 3-19 (Claver 1-1, Pavlovic 1-3, Lillard 1-4, Price 0-1, Barton 0-1, Smith 0-2, Babbitt 0-2, Batum 0-5), L.A. Lakers 7-24 (Meeks 3-6, Gasol 2-3, Duhon 1-4, Bryant 1-6, Morris 0-1, Nash 0-1, World Peace 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Portland 50 (Hickson 8), L.A. Lakers 62 (Howard 14). Assists—Portland 24 (Batum 8), L.A. Lakers 29 (Nash 10). Total Fouls—Portland 23, L.A. Lakers 15. A-18,997 (18,997).	

Regis Tournament	
Myrtle Point 64, Kingsway Christian 63, OT	
Kingsway 11, 15, 16, 15, 6 — 63	Myrtle Point 22, 17, 8, 10, 7 — 64
KINGSWAY CHRISTIAN (63): Becker 9, Crenshaw 9, Gonzalez 14, Covall 18, Walter 11, Ayden 2, Kuramoto, Danberg.	
MYRTLE POINT (64): Matt Newton 20, Cooper Steyer 14, Taylor Fischer 12, Kyle Seals 8, Brad Larsen 5, Thomas Nathan 5, Trenton Phillips.	

Pro Basketball

NBA	
EASTERN CONFERENCE	
Atlantic Division	W L Pct GB
New York 21, 9, .700 —	
Brooklyn 15, 14, .517 —	5 1/2
Boston 14, 14, .500 —	6
Philadelphia 14, 16, .467 —	7
Toronto 10, 20, .333 —	11
Southeast Division	
Miami 20, 7, .741 —	
Atlanta 18, 9, .667 —	2
Orlando 12, 17, .414 —	9
Charlotte 7, 22, .241 —	14
Washington 4, 23, .148 —	16
Central Division	
Indiana 17, 12, .586 —	
Milwaukee 15, 12, .556 —	1
Chicago 15, 12, .556 —	1
Detroit 10, 22, .313 8 1/2	
Cleveland 7, 24, .226 —	11
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
Southwest Division	W L Pct GB
San Antonio 23, 8, .742 —	
Memphis 18, 8, .692 2 1/2	
Houston 16, 13, .552 —	6
Dallas 12, 18, .400 10 1/2	
New Orleans 6, 23, .207 16	
Northwest Division	
Oklahoma City 22, 6, .786 —	
Denver 17, 14, .548 6 1/2	
Portland 14, 14, .500 —	8
Minnesota 13, 13, .500 —	8
Utah 15, 16, .484 8 1/2	
Pacific Division	
L.A. Clippers 24, 6, .800 —	
Golden State 20, 10, .667 —	4
L.A. Lakers 15, 15, .500 —	9

NFL	
AMERICAN CONFERENCE	
East	W L T Pct PF PA
y-New England 11, 4, 0, .733 529 331	
Miami 7, 8, 0, .467 288 289	
N.Y. Jets 6, 9, 0, .400 272 347	
Buffalo 5, 10, 0, .333 316 426	
South	
y-Houston 12, 3, 0, .800 400 303	
x-Indianapolis 10, 5, 0, .667 329 371	
Tennessee 5, 10, 0, .333 292 451	
Jacksonville 2, 13, 0, .133 235 406	
North	
y-Baltimore 10, 5, 0, .667 381 321	
x-Cincinnati 9, 6, 0, .600 368 303	
Houston 7, 8, 0, .467 312 304	
Cleveland 5, 10, 0, .333 292 344	
West	
y-Denver 12, 3, 0, .800 443 286	
San Diego 6, 9, 0, .400 326 329	
Oakland 4, 11, 0, .267 249 345	
Kansas City 2, 13, 0, .133 208 387	
NATIONAL CONFERENCE	
East	W L T Pct PF PA
Washington 9, 6, 0, .600 408 370	
Dallas 8, 7, 0, .533 358 372	
N.Y. Giants 8, 7, 0, .533 387 337	
Philadelphia 4, 11, 0, .267 273 402	
South	
W L T Pct PF PA	
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Sports

Ault retiring after 28 seasons at Nevada

RENO, Nevada (AP) — Chris Ault raised Nevada football. After 28 years as coach, he felt he had taken the Wolf Pack as far as he could.

Ault announced Friday he was stepping down, leaving as the winningest coach in school history, already a Hall of Famer, and having changed the way teams play offense nationwide.

Under Ault, the Wolf Pack went from Division II to I-AA to I-A, winning at every level with some of the most prolific and innovative offenses in the country.

The 66-year-old won 10 conference championships and took the Wolf Pack to the postseason 16 times, including 10 bowl games in 12 FBS seasons. He finished with a record of 233-109-1.

"It's with great humility and mixed emotions I've decided it's time for me to step down and move on," a tearful Ault said at a news

conference. "Wolf Pack football firmly established a blueprint for success that can be sustained."

Perhaps his most famous contribution came late in his career, when he invented the Pistol offense in 2005, a scheme now employed by hundreds of teams at every level of football.

The Pistol formation has the quarterback in a short shot-gun formation with a running back lined up directly behind him.

"I'm proud that our offense has broadened the landscape of football. That's exciting," Ault said. "It's here to stay, unlike the wishbone (offense)."

He said he reached the decision to step down after consulting with his wife, Kathy, and Nevada President Marc Johnson. He informed his staff and players of the decision Friday morning.

Ault first broached the

subject after Arizona rallied to defeat Nevada, 49-48, in the New Mexico Bowl on Dec. 15. The loss dropped Ault's bowl record to 2-8 and Nevada's season record to 7-6, including losses in five of its final six games.

With most of the Wolf Pack's offensive starters and entire defensive front returning next season, Ault said, the timing was right to turn the program over to a new coach.

"I have focused on leaving the program in the best shape," he said. "I'm sure it'll be a sought-after position."

While he has no plans to return as coach or athletic director at Nevada, he didn't rule out coaching elsewhere. Nevada athletic director Cary Groth is also retiring after this school year.

Ault agreed to a two-year contract extension last February that would have brought his salary to \$535,000 by 2015.

Alamo Bowl, 3:45 p.m. today, ESPN



The Associated Press

Oregon State hope to have its third 10-win season, a mark they could reach by beating Texas today in the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio.

Beavers hope to keep momentum rolling

BY SCHUYLER DIXON
The Associated Press

Oregon State generated the biggest one-year turnaround in school history and could secure its third 10-win season by beating Texas in the Alamo Bowl today.

The Longhorns? They are trying to reverse a three-year slide from the days when 10 wins were just a footnote on the way to BCS bowls.

Beating the 15th-ranked Beavers tonight would be another baby step back to the elite for Mack Brown and company, with still a long way to go. Texas followed a loss to Alabama in the 2009 BCS championship game with a shocking 5-7 record — the only losing season in 15 under Brown — and an 8-5 mark last year that included a Holiday Bowl win over Cal.

Lose to Oregon State, and the Longhorns (8-4) will have a second straight eight-win season and a long offseason to think about a three-game losing streak, too.

"I think that at Texas we want to be 13-0," Brown said. "The standards are higher than eight, and that's what the kids need to understand and our coaches do understand. And we are ready to take that next step and get it back to where it should be."

Mike Riley has had to do a little rebuilding of his own after leading the Beavers (9-3) to 10 wins in 2006 and three more winning seasons after that. Oregon State matched Texas at 5-7 in 2010, then slipped to 3-9 a year ago.

The Beavers are six games better in 2012, beating one Rose Bowl team — Wisconsin — in their opener and almost beating the other — Stanford — on the road. Oregon State brings a little momentum into the Alamo Bowl because Hurricane Isaac turned the original opener against Nicholls State into the finale. So after losing to Fiesta Bowl-bound rival Oregon, the Beavers trounced Nicholls State 77-3.

Quarterbacks Cody Vaz and Sean Mannion split the snaps against Nicholls after injuries led to both being

starters during the season. Riley picked Vaz, a former receiver who has 11 touchdowns and just one interception, to start against the Longhorns.

"It's been a hard decision," offensive coordinator Danny Langsdorf said. "It's probably been more difficult on the two kids. They have been kind of flip-flopping back and forth. But I think our team understands that there's two guys that can go out and win a game."

The Longhorns saved their flip-flopping at quarterback for late in the season. David Ash was named the starter for the Alamo Bowl after starting the first 11 games before he was pulled in a loss to TCU on Thanksgiving. Case McCoy started the finale against Kansas State. Texas officials originally said Ash sustained a rib injury against the Horned Frogs, but Brown acknowledged this week that Ash was actually injured the previous game against Iowa State and made the start against TCU anyway.

The TCU game was the second time McCoy replaced an ineffective Ash. McCoy came off the bench to lead a comeback win against Kansas in October, but Ash kept his job then.

"I think he's done a great job this year," co-offensive coordinator Major Applewhite said of Ash. "Has there been a game or two he wants back? Absolutely. That's usually the case for most players. But I think he's improved from last season."

Applewhite, a former Texas quarterback, is taking over as play-caller and quarterbacks coach with Bryan Harsin leaving to become head coach at Arkansas State. Applewhite was the running backs coach and says any significant changes for the quarterbacks can wait.

"The last thing I want to do is scratch the hard drive and try to change a lot of things that he's really been ingrained in over the last two years," said Applewhite, who was Nick Saban's offensive coordinator his first year at Alabama in 2007. "We'll talk more about that kind of stuff in the spring and where we want to go with the position, how we want to grow."

Longhorns suspend two from Alamo Bowl

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Texas sent home backup quarterback Case McCoy and injured linebacker Jordan Hicks on the eve of the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio for violating team rules, a person with knowledge of the suspensions told The Associated Press.

The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity Friday because the school wasn't releasing the names of the suspended players. The person said the players broke curfew.

Coach Mack Brown addressed the situation during a previously scheduled news conference Friday and referred to a KENS-TV report that police were investigating two unidentified Texas players in an alleged sexual assault at a San Antonio hotel.

"This has been reported: We had a couple young men that broke team rules last night. They have been suspended from the team and they will be sent home," Brown said at a previously scheduled news conference in San Antonio. "They will not be available for the game and I will not address any more questions in that matter."

Sgt. Javier Salazar, a San Antonio police spokesman, said only that detectives are in the early stages of investigating a case of alleged sexual assault in

the downtown area. Investigators are interviewing witnesses and collecting forensic evidence, he said.

"It's a very meticulous process," Salazar said. "As far as these investigations go, it's very early."

A heavily-redacted police report says a 21-year-old woman told police she believed she was assaulted around 2 a.m. Friday after inviting two men to her hotel room. The report shows only that the men are students and that one is 21 and the other is 20. The woman told police that she had had several drinks when she invited the men to her hotel.

The woman said one of the men assaulted her while the other "just stood there and watched," the report said. Police said they observed bruises on the woman's right knee and left bicep.

After talking to police, the woman was taken to a San Antonio hospital, where she was seen by a sexual assault nurse examiner, according to the report. The two suspects also were taken to the hospital and examined by the nurse, the report says.

McCoy, the brother of former Texas star and current Browns quarterback Colt McCoy, has played eight games this season, including one start. He has thrown for 722 yards and six touchdowns.

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Sports

Virginia Tech kicks Rutgers



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Virginia Tech kicker Cody Journell (89) gets the hold from quarterback Trey Gresh (12) while booting the go-ahead field goal in overtime in front of Rutgers defensive back Logan Ryan (11) during the Russell Athletic Bowl on Friday in Orlando, Fla.

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Rutgers' regular-season ended with the Scarlet Knights thinking about what might have been after they lost a BCS bowl berth with consecutive losses.

They will have to wait a little longer to completely wash away that bitter feeling.

On Friday night in the Russell Athletic Bowl, Rutgers dominated the first half defensively, only to see its offense wilt down the stretch as a late turnover and missed field goal cost it in a 13-10 overtime loss to Virginia Tech.

The loss ended a run of five straight bowl victories for the Scarlet Knights and kept them from recording their first double-

digit win season since 2006.

"Two tremendous defensive performances, and one of the better defensive performances I've seen from Rutgers players this season," Rutgers coach Kyle Flood said. "It's unfortunate that we came out on the wrong side of the game, and squander that kind of performance as a result."

Virginia Tech's Cody Journell kicked a 22-yard field goal on the first possession of overtime.

Rutgers (9-4) had a chance to tie it, but Nick Borgese missed a 42-yard field-goal attempt to the right.

"It's frustrating just because of the type of competitor I am," Rutgers linebacker Khaseem Greene said. "That this defense is

and this team is in general. We go out every day to compete, and it's to win. But it's just something we have to learn from."

Virginia Tech (7-6) won its third straight game to avoid its first losing season since 1992.

"Not everything in life is real smooth," Hokies coach Frank Beamer said. "These players worked hard and how they reacted to adversity and to disappointment and when all of them wanted to do better — they kept together."

The Hokies trailed 10-0 at the half, then rallied in the final 30 minutes.

The win also was the Hokies' 12th straight victory over their former Big East Conference rival.



The Associated Press

Texas Tech quarterback Seth Doege (7) dives into the end zone under Minnesota's Michael Carter for a touchdown during the second quarter of the Meineke Car Care Bowl on Friday in Houston.

Texas Tech rallies past Gophers

HOUSTON (AP) — D.J. Johnson returned an interception 39 yards and Ryan Bustin made a 28-yard field goal as time expired to give Texas Tech a 34-31 comeback victory over Minnesota on Friday night in the Meineke Car Care Bowl.

Seth Doege found Eric Ward on a short pass, and he outran a defender for a 35-yard scoring play to pull the Red Raiders even at 31 with just more than a minute remaining.

Michael Carter intercepted two of Doege's passes in the fourth quarter before the tying score, but Minnesota couldn't convert either of the turnovers into points.

The Red Raiders (8-5) got their third straight bowl win to wrap up a month that began with coach Tommy Tuberville's abrupt departure for the job at Cincinnati.

Texas Tech has hired Kliff Kingsbury to replace him, but interim coach Chris Thomsen led the team against Minnesota (6-7).

Kingsbury was at the game, watching from a suite.

Doege threw for 271 yards and a touchdown and ran for another score in front of a crowd that included 1977 Heisman Trophy winner Earl Campbell and former Tech coach Spike Dykes.

Philip Nelson threw for 138 yards and two scores for the Gophers, who were in a bowl game for the first time since 2009.

The Red Raiders returned to a bowl after having their 18-season bowl streak snapped last year.

A 1-yard touchdown pass from Nelson to Drew Goodger gave Minnesota a 31-24 lead early in the fourth quarter.

Texas Tech led 24-17 at halftime, but couldn't do anything offensively in the second half until the last couple of minutes.

It was an ugly game for the Red Raiders, who had 13 penalties for 135 yards and lost the tight end Jace Amaro when he was ejected for throwing a punch.

Jakeem Grant ran for what was initially ruled a touchdown for Tech late in the third quarter.

Amaro threw a punch at Derrick Wells in the end zone on the play and was ejected.

After the penalty, the play was reviewed and overturned. Doege threw an incomplete pass before Tech made a 32-yard field goal.

But the Red Raiders had a false start penalty on the play and had to kick again and this time the Gophers blocked it.

Nelson threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to Devin Crawford-Tufts, who was left uncovered in the end zone, to tie it at 24 early in the third quarter.

Donnell Kirkwood scored on a 3-yard run to leave Minnesota up 17-14 early in the second quarter.

Texas Tech had a first-and-goal at the Minnesota 2 after a pass-interference call on the Gophers. But Texas Tech had to settle for a field goal after a rush for a 3-yard loss and two penalties.

Ohio asserts its Independence in bowl rout

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — Louisiana-Monroe had the better storyline and what amounted to a home-field advantage.

What the Warhawks didn't have was an answer for Ohio's Tyler Tettleton or Beau Blankenship.

Ohio jumped out to a big early lead and cruised to a 45-14 victory over Louisiana-Monroe on Friday in the Independence Bowl, putting a damper on the Warhawks' first trip to college football's postseason since moving up to the Football Bowl Subdivision in 1994.

In his postgame analysis, Louisiana-Monroe coach Todd Berry said he saw plenty of effort. The problem was his guys might have tried a little too hard.

"Guys were trying to make something happen and everybody was trying to make a play instead of playing their responsibilities," Berry said. "There were a lot of busts, not in terms of not knowing how to do something, but in terms of turning a guy loose and obviously that showed."

Tettleton completed his first five passes for 165 yards and two touchdowns to stake the Bobcats to an early 14-0

lead. Louisiana-Monroe was never able to regain its footing.

"Right out the gate they jumped on us and it seemed like we were kind of shell-shocked," Louisiana-Monroe linebacker R.J. Young said.

Ohio broke several Independence Bowl records, including the 31-point margin of victory and 556 total yards.

"It was probably as complete of ballgame as we've played in some time," Ohio coach Frank Solich said. "I think our guys played with great intensity and a great deal of heart. We showed we can play a great game against a really good team like Louisiana-Monroe."

Tettleton finished 14 of 22 for 331 yards, two touchdowns and an interception.

Chase Cochran caught three passes for 162 yards while Tyler Futrell had five receptions for 133 yards. With Tettleton softening the Louisiana-Monroe defense early, Blankenship provided the power offense to seal the game, rushing for 104 yards and an Independence Bowl record four touchdowns.

Tettleton was especially sharp in the first half, completing 9 of 14 passes for 215 yards and two touchdowns as Ohio built a 24-7 lead.



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Ohio's Jordan Thompson (88) and Gersald Moore carry the trophy down field after their 45-14 win over Louisiana-Monroe in the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La. on Friday.

Baylor enjoys a Holiday romp over UCLA

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SAN DIEGO — Glasco Martin ran for three touchdowns, Nick Florence threw for two scores and ran for another, and Baylor overwhelmed UCLA 49-26 in the Holiday Bowl on Thursday night.

Lache Seastrunk rushed 16 times for 138 yards and one score for Baylor, which out-gained UCLA 494-362. The Bears came in leading the nation in total offense with 578.8 yards per game.

Florence's 188 yards passing gave him 4,309 for the season, breaking Robert Griffin III's 2011 school season record of 4,293.

Baylor's defense came up big, too. The Bears sacked Brett Hundley six times, including two by Chris McAllister.

Baylor (8-5) won its final four games and five of six. UCLA (9-5) lost its final three.

The Bruins were never in this one. Baylor raced to a 21-0 lead by early in the second quarter on Glasco's 4-yard run and Florence's TD passes of 8 yards to Antwan Goodley and 55 yards to Tevin Reese.

MILITARY BOWL

No. 24 San Jose State 29, Bowling Green 20
WASHINGTON (AP) — David Fales, who led the nation in completion percentage in the regular season, went 33 of 43 for 395 yards and two touchdowns to lead San Jose State over Bowling Green.

Fales led the drive that set up Austin



The Associated Press

Baylor running back Glasco Martin is lifted by teammates after scoring a touchdown against UCLA during the first half of the Holiday Bowl on Thursday in San Diego.

Lopez's 27-yard field goal with 4:43 remaining, and De'Leon Eskridge's 1-yard run with 2:34 left provided the insurance.

San Jose State (11-2), in the national rankings for the first time since 1975, capped the year with a seven-game winning streak for its first 11-win season since 1940, a remarkable turnaround for a pro-

gram that was 1-12 just two years ago in Mike MacIntyre's first season as coach.

MacIntyre left earlier this month for a bigger payday at Colorado, leaving defensive coordinator Kent Baer in charge for the bowl.

Bowling Green (8-5) had a similar turnaround, improving from 2-10 in 2010 under

coach Dave Clawson. A defense that allowed only 15.8 points per game in the regular season — ninth-best among FBS schools — did a decent job against a San Jose State team that was averaging 35.3 points.

BELK BOWL

Cincinnati 48, Duke 34

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Duke running back Josh Snead fumbled at the Cincinnati 5 with 1:20 left and Brendon Kay threw an 83-yard touchdown pass to Travis Kelce with 44 seconds to go, lifting the Bearcats to an improbable win over the Blue Devils.

Kay threw for 332 yards and his four scoring passes were a Belk Bowl record.

Duke appeared to have the game in hand and was driving for the go-ahead score — and its first bowl victory since 1961 — but the final 80 seconds proved disastrous. With the game tied at 34 and the Blue Devils positioning themselves for a winning field goal, Snead fumbled with 1:20 left and Bearcats defensive lineman John Williams recovered.

Kay then connected with Kelce down the middle for the go-ahead score.

Cincinnati (10-3) sealed it on the next series when Maalik Bomar came crashing into Duke quarterback Sean Renfree, forcing a deflection that Nick Temple returned 55 yards for a touchdown.

Renfree threw for 358 yards — another Belk Bowl record — for the Blue Devils (6-7).

Sports



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Los Angeles Lakers forward Metta World Peace, center, splits between the defense of Portland Trail Blazers guard Sasha Pavlovic, left, and forward LaMarcus Aldridge during the first quarter Friday in Los Angeles.

Clippers beat Jazz for 16th straight win

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Chris Paul scored 29 points, and the Los Angeles Clippers rallied from a 19-point deficit in the third quarter to beat the Utah Jazz 116-114 on Friday night, stretching their winning streak to 16 games.

Ex-Clipper Randy Foye's 3-pointer at the buzzer was contested by Matt Barnes, but no foul was called. Foye finished with a season-high 28 points for Utah.

Paul scored the Clippers' final seven points, most from the free throw line, as Los Angeles extended the NBA's longest winning streak this season.

The Jazz led 74-55 with 8:08 left in the third on a pair of free throws by Paul Millsap. But the Clippers outscored Utah 29-14 the rest of the quarter to pull to 88-84 going into the fourth.

Al Jefferson added 22 points for Utah. Gordon Hayward had 17 off the bench.

Nets 97, Bobcats 81: Brooklyn gave P.J. Carlesimo a victory in his debut and Charlotte a 17th straight loss, getting 26 points and 11 rebounds from Brook Lopez in a rout.

A day after firing Avery Johnson, the Nets played as they did last month, when they were 11-4 and Johnson was Eastern Conference coach of the month. They are just 4-10 in December, a slump that cost Johnson his job, but got back over .500 with ease.

Deron Williams added 17 of his 19 points in the first half and Joe Johnson had 16 for the Nets, who led by 29 points and won for just the second time in seven games.

Hakim Warrick scored 13 points and Ramon Sessions had 12 for the Bobcats (7-22), who shot 38 percent.

Pacers 97, Suns 91: George Hill scored 22 points, including three 3-pointers, and led Indiana over visiting Phoenix.

Paul George had 15 points, and David West added 14 points and seven rebounds for the Pacers, who have won four straight and seven of eight.

Sebastian Telfair had 19 points and six assists, and Marcin Gortat had 15 points and 10 rebounds for the Suns, who have lost four in a row.

Wizards 105, Magic 97: Jordan Crawford scored 27 points, and worst-in-the-NBA Washington showed it can still win a game every once in a while, breaking an eight-game losing streak with a victory over Orlando.

Nene added season highs of 23 points and 11 rebounds and shot fourth-quarter free throws while hearing chants of "R-G-3!" — the new equivalent of "M-V-P!" in a city where Redskins quarterback Robert Griffin III is the new superstar — as Washington won by its largest margin of the season.

Arron Afflalo scored 26 points and J.J. Redick added 23 for the Magic, who have lost four straight since Glen Davis sprained his left shoulder in the final minute of a win over these same Wizards last week. The Magic ended an NBA-best 12-game streak of holding opponents under 100 points.

Hawks 102, Cavaliers 94: Jeff Teague scored a career-high 27 points, and visiting Atlanta scored the game's final nine points to beat Cleveland.

Teague's jumper from the foul line gave the Hawks a 95-94 lead with 2:32 remaining and sparked the run that sent Atlanta to its third straight win.

Kyrie Irving led Cleveland with 28 points, but the Cavaliers failed to score in the final 2:53 after taking a 94-93 lead.

Lou Williams scored 16 points for Atlanta, which is 8-4 on the road. Al Horford added 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Cavaliers center Anderson Varejao, the league's leading rebounder, missed his fifth straight game with a bruised right knee.

Pistons 109, Heat 99: — Will Bynum had 25 points

and 10 assists, leading another spirited performance by the Detroit reserves, and the host Pistons beat short-handed Miami despite 35 points by LeBron James.

Miami was without Dwyane Wade, suspended for a game by the NBA for flailing his leg and making contact with a Charlotte player on Wednesday.

The Detroit reserves, who scored 85 points in a loss to Atlanta on Wednesday, contributed 64 on Friday. Charlie Villanueva had 18, and Austin Daye added 11 to help the Pistons snap Miami's six-game winning streak.

The Heat scored the game's first 10 points and led by 15 after one quarter, but the momentum shifted for good when the Pistons outscored Miami 41-20 in the second.

Chris Bosh had 28 points for the Heat.

Spurs 122, Rockets 116: Tim Duncan, Tony Parker and Manu Ginobili combined to score 84 points, and host San Antonio snapped Houston's five-game winning streak.

Parker had 31 points and 10 assists, Duncan had 30 points and five rebounds, and Ginobili had a season-high 23 points for San Antonio (23-8). Danny Green was 5 for 7 on 3-pointers and finished with 17 points.

James Harden scored 33 points, Chandler Parsons added 24, and Jeremy Lin had 21 for Houston (16-13).

Raptors 104, Hornets 97, OT: DeMar DeRozan scored 30 points, Kyle Lowry had two big baskets in overtime, and Toronto held off New Orleans.

The Raptors, who never trailed in the second half, scored nine of the first 11 points in overtime after blowing a seven-point lead in the last 1:30 of regulation. Amir Johnson scored under the basket to give Toronto a 93-91 lead. Lowry then drove the baseline for a reverse layup and hit a 3-pointer to make it 98-93.

Lowry, coming off the bench after missing seven straight games with a partial triceps tear, had 17 points. Alan Anderson added 14 points for the Raptors.

Nuggets 106, Mavericks 85: Danilo Gallinari scored a career-high 39 points, and Denver spoiled Dirk Nowitzki's first home game since returning from knee surgery by beating host Dallas.

Nowitzki had five points in 17 minutes in his third game back, and the Mavericks lost their fifth straight for the first time since January 2011.

O.J. Mayo led Dallas with 15 points.

Kings 106, Knicks 105: James Johnson made a 3-pointer at the buzzer, lifting Sacramento to a victory over the New York Knicks after blowing an early 27-point lead.

With time running out, John Salmons found Johnson above the top of the key. Johnson's shot left his head just ahead of the final buzzer and helped the Kings avoid a major collapse.

Marcus Thornton scored 18 points, and Johnson had 17 for the Kings.

The Knicks played their second straight game without injured forward Carmelo Anthony (knee), who leads Eastern Conference scorers, averaging 28.5 points per game.

Warriors 96, 76ers 89: David Lee had 25 points and 12 rebounds, one of six Golden State players in double figures, and the host Warriors held off a late charge in the fourth quarter to beat Philadelphia.

Jarrett Jack added 16 points in a reserve role, and Carl Landry had 15 points and 11 rebounds for the Warriors, who nearly blew a 20-point lead in the second half before securing its first win over the Sixers in more than two years.

Surging Lakers rout Blazers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kobe Bryant's streak of 10 straight 30-point games ended only because he spent the fourth quarter on the bench alongside Dwight Howard and Steve Nash in a blowout win.

The way the Los Angeles Lakers are playing lately, Bryant has reason to hope he'll spend less time crumming box-scores and more time riding the pine.

Howard had 21 points and 14 rebounds, Bryant scored 27 points and the Lakers never trailed in their sixth win in seven games, 104-87 over the Portland Trail Blazers on Friday night.

Pau Gasol had 15 points and nine rebounds as the Lakers closed out their 2012 schedule by climbing back to .500 (15-15) in their rocky season. Los Angeles had little trouble rolling past the Blazers, taking a 20-point lead in the first half and methodically dissecting Portland's defense with another fluid offensive performance.

"It was just energy," Bryant said. "We're playing really well. We've just got to keep it going."

The Lakers earned an easy fourth quarter with dominance in the first three, when they resembled the offensive powerhouse everybody expected to see in purple and gold this year.

"I'm a big believer that the ball will find energy," Lakers coach Mike D'Antoni said. "If you put energy on the floor, you end up with a good game."

Nash's playmaking again set an impressive tone for the Lakers, who outrebounded the Blazers 52-44 and took a 27-point lead late while scoring 23 fast-break points. Nash had 10 assists and six points while playing just 27 minutes in his fourth game back from

a seven-week absence with a small fracture in his leg, the result of a collision with Portland's Damian Lillard on Oct. 31 in Nash's second game with the Lakers.

"We're obviously still a new team," Nash said. "It's new to me. I'm new to the offense. We're trying to figure it out. I think we're growing more and more cohesive, but I've got a long way to go."

The biggest impact was made by Howard, who played with noticeable urgency on both ends after a lackluster outing in Denver two days ago, blocking three shots and even hitting four straight free throws when Portland briefly played Hack-a-Howard with the 50 percent foul shooter in the second quarter.

"We just came out and we played hard tonight from the beginning," Howard said. "Our effort was there. We played inside-out, ran the ball, and our defense was real good tonight. And Pau was looking like (Dirk) Nowitzki out there. Pau Nowitzki hit two 3s."

Yes, even Gasol appeared to have little trouble getting open shots — including those two 3-pointers — despite playing with plantar fasciitis in his right foot, a recently diagnosed condition that will only get better with rest. The Lakers have the weekend off before returning Tuesday against Philadelphia.

LaMarcus Aldridge scored 26 points before sitting out the final minutes with a bruised chest for cold-shooting Portland, which lost for just the second time in eight games. Los Angeles' defense held Lillard, Portland's star rookie, to 11 points on 4-for-17 shooting.

"They just outworked us from top to bottom and played harder than us," Lillard said. "And because of how

aggressive they were, they made shots. They scored transition points, and they're not even a running team."

Will Barton scored 11 points for Portland and Nicolas Batum added 10. Aldridge kept the Blazers fairly competitive during the first three quarters, but his teammates combined for 24-of-70 shooting and couldn't keep up after Aldridge sat down.

"It happened on a drive to the basket against Dwight when I tried to dunk it," Aldridge said. "I was exposed, and I got hit on a soft spot on my chest. I came down and I couldn't really breathe. I'm a little sore and I'll probably be worse tomorrow, but I'll be OK."

Portland hosts Philadelphia on Saturday in its final game before the new year.

The Lakers came out with more energy and aggression than they showed in Wednesday's defense-deficient loss at Denver, hitting 14 of their first 21 shots and jumping to a 12-point lead in the first quarter. Los Angeles then made a 12-0 run to a 20-point lead shortly before halftime, with Gasol hitting a 3-pointer from straightaway to cap it.

At halftime, the Lakers retired the No. 52 jersey of Jamaal Wilkes, the Hall of Fame scorer who won three of his four NBA titles with the Lakers. Wilkes, a three-time All-Star with an unorthodox jump shot, choked up while thanking his teammates and fellow Lakers greats including Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Jerry West, Elgin Baylor and James Worthy, who all joined Wilkes for the ceremony.

Wesley Matthews, the Blazers' fourth-leading scorer with 15 points per game, missed his third straight game with an injured left hip.

Nets will give P.J. a chance as coach

NEW YORK (AP) — Mikhail Prokhorov said Friday he decided to fire Avery Johnson last week, but now wants patience with interim coach P.J. Carlesimo.

A day after dismissing Johnson after just 28 games, Prokhorov said he won't rush into a coaching search, insisting he wants Carlesimo to have a chance to lead the Brooklyn Nets out of their slump.

The Russian billionaire cut short a vacation to British Columbia to travel to New York, where he plans to meet Saturday with Carlesimo. But even with big names such as Phil Jackson potentially available and Prokhorov vowing to spend whatever it takes to build a championship team, he said repeatedly that Carlesimo was the head coach.

Prokhorov did say that if the Nets do look for a new coach, he would be personally involved. He wouldn't discuss anyone by name, even joking he had never heard of Jackson, the 11-time champion coach.

"Now P.J. is the head coach and if it becomes necessary, you know who the usual suspects are," Prokhorov told reporters at halftime of the Nets' 97-81



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Brooklyn Nets interim head coach P.J. Carlesimo talks with MarShon Brooks (9) on the sidelines in the second half against the Charlotte Bobcats on Friday.

victory over Charlotte.

Johnson led the Nets to an 11-4 start, winning Eastern Conference coach of the month honors for November. But they were just 3-10 in December before Friday, had been blown out of their previous two games, and Prokhorov said the Nets were lacking team spirit.

Still, deciding Johnson would be fired last week means Prokhorov had made up his mind even before the lackluster Christmas performance at home against Boston that preceded a rout Wednesday in Milwaukee.

"I think we have very talented players but they are capable of much more than what we have seen in the recent weeks," Prokhorov

said. "I respect Avery and really I wish him well, but sometimes chemistry just isn't right. It happens."

"I think the main question is why we were unable to bounce back and to play like champions," he added.

Prokhorov added around \$300 million in payroll this summer and has set the expectations high, saying he believes the Nets can reach the Eastern Conference finals. Though it's believed he wouldn't back away from paying top dollar for a coach, he left open the possibility that he may already have the guy he wants.

"P.J. is the head coach and just I think we have a lot of trust in him and really I want him to lead the team,"

Prokhorov said.

The Nets played with energy under Carlesimo after forward Gerald Wallace had criticized the team following Wednesday's 108-93 loss in Milwaukee in Johnson's last game.

On Thursday, general manager Billy King dodged a question about a report that the Nets planned to reach out to Jackson, whom ESPN.com reported was the Nets' top candidate.

"I haven't really thought about it," point guard Deron Williams said about the Jackson reports following the Nets' morning shootaround at their practice facility. "Right now, you know, P.J. is our coach. This caught me off guard, so I have no clue."

Sports



By Alysha Beck, The World

North Bend's Drew Matthews guards Molalla's Ryan Potter during the semifinals of the Les Schwab South Coast Holiday Basketball Tournament on Friday. Potter had 23 points, but the Bulldogs won 67-49 to reach the championship game today.

BULLDOGS

Roane hits early treys to build lead

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"That's the best game we've played all year — there's no question about that," said North Bend coach Tom Nicholls.

North Bend will defend its title against Coquille at 7 p.m. tonight.

The Bulldogs never trailed Friday and went ahead for good when Ty Roane hit back-to-back 3-pointers to break a 4-all tie early in the first quarter. That was a sign of things to come for Roane, who finished 5-for-6 from behind the arc and scored a game-high 22 points.

North Bend led 12-8 early in the second when Hamilton Mateski scored inside to spark a 19-5 run to finish the first half. Along the way, Mateski had two 3-pointers and Roane added another as North Bend went in front 31-13.

"I thought we came out real hot,"

"I thought we did some really good things in the first half. We came out ready to play. We shot the ball better."

Tom Nicholls

North Bend head coach

said Roane, before being corrected by his teammate.

"We came out like we should," Mateski said. "We've been coming out flat."

Nicholls had the same assessment.

"I thought we did some really good things in the first half," he said. "We came out ready to play."

"We shot the ball better."

While Mateski and Roane were providing the bulk of the scoring in the opening two quarters, the entire Bulldog squad was doing a solid job defensively against Molalla. North Bend limited Molalla's 6-foot-7-

inch center Bradley Hagaman to six points, four rebounds and two blocks before he sat most of the second half.

That's when Molalla made its big run, primarily from outside.

Ryan Potter, who scorched North Eugene for 32 points in the opening round of the tournament, hit his first four shots of the third quarter, including two 3-pointers, and Jack Marquardt got into the act with three more treys as Molalla whittled what was North Bend's biggest lead at 39-18 down to nine points by the end of the third quarter.

"I don't think we played worse

defense in the second half," Nicholls said. "They started making plays."

But North Bend stemmed the tide.

Drew Matthews forced a big turnover early in the fourth and converted a three-point play.

Molalla pulled back within 51-42 before Cam Lucero scored off a turnover and then Roane hit a 3-pointer and was fouled shooting another three and connected on all three free throws.

The Indians never recovered from that spurt.

"All teams have their run that they make," Roane said. "We knew that they were going to have that."

"The big thing is once they have their run, you have to have yours," Mateski added.

Mateski finished with 21 points for the Bulldogs and Lucero added 11 points, four rebounds, four assists and three steals.

Potter had a game-high 23 and Lane Hull had 10 rebounds for Molalla, which meets Siuslaw in the third-place game today.

COQUILLE

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The Red Devils put the game away for good with a big run in the second half, when they started taking care of their biggest weakness in the opening two quarters — letting Siuslaw get too many offensive rebounds.

"The first half was worse," Edwards said of Coquille's rebounding. "We got a talking to at halftime and it got better."

Meanwhile, the Red Devils exploited Bowen's skills inside and a general height advantage on the Vikings.

"We very much concentrated on getting the ball inside," Coquille coach Dan Cumberland said. "It was pretty effective tonight."

"We knew we had an advantage there."

Bowen finished with 20 points, to go with nine rebounds and five assists. Owens added 13 points and five rebounds and was one of three other Coquille players with multiple assists.

Siuslaw got 12 points and 14 rebounds from Jake Thompson, as well as eight points from Mitchell Butler, but couldn't compete with Coquille's inside game or overcome its own woeful outside shooting — the Vikings were just 2-for-25 from 3-point range and 13-for-52 overall.

Siuslaw will play Molalla in the third-place game today.

Coquille, meanwhile, will try to find a way to beat North Bend.

"We played good, but we can get a lot better," Edwards said, adding that among the team's goals will be focusing "on finding the open man and having less turnovers."

The turnovers were a big problem in the first meeting with North Bend, but Cumberland was encouraged by his team's effort Friday.

"I thought we did a much better job of ball handling tonight," he said.

PIRATES

Marshfield girls reach final

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The long-awaited matchup went perfect, Babb said.

"It was fun," she said. "We had a fire under us from the beginning. It was really good."

Babb finished with 23 points, 12 rebounds, six steals and three assists. Of course, she didn't have an opponent draped over her throughout the game. And she wasn't upset that Bryant picked Chavez for that role Friday.

"Jade is an amazing defender," Babb said. "Our coach was smart to put her there."

Chavez said she wanted the role of primary defender in Marshfield's box-and-one scheme.

"Taylor's really tough," she said. "She's a really good player."

But she struggled to get good looks against Chavez.

After scoring 28 points in a quarterfinal win over Siuslaw, GeDeros rarely got open shots, unless they were from well behind the 3-point line. She scored nine of her points from the foul line.

Maddy Grant filled some of the void for the Red Devils, scoring 13 points of her own and grabbing 15 rebounds. But the Red Devils never were able to make up the early 13-point deficit.

The closest they came was 29-25 when Grant scored a put-back bucket midway through the third quarter.

Babb followed that with a 3-pointer and the Pirates put the game away in the fourth,



By Lou Sennick, The World

Jade Chavez makes a leaping pass over Kaitlyn Hyatt of Coquille during Friday's game.

when Coquille scored just two points.

Abby Thrall had nine points on a trio of 3-pointers and Tracee Scott added eight for Marshfield, which also got big buckets outside by Chavez and Katelyn Rossback.

"We had timely shooting when we needed it," Bryant said. "We had more balanced scoring tonight, which we have to have. When we do that, we usually play pretty well."

"Our confidence is building," added Babb. "We need this tournament to build our confidence. We have a young

team." Coquille coach Tim GeDeros said he wasn't discouraged by his team's effort.

"We were down 13 and we didn't lose our composure," he said. "To be down and slowly battle back and chip away, that's what you want."

Coquille had chances to cut into Marshfield's lead, but shot just 11-for-24 from the foul line and 3-for-20 from 3-point range.

"We needed that game," Tim GeDeros said. "We didn't roll over. We just kept battling and battling."

"Marshfield played a good game."

MP boys place third at Regis tourney

THE WORLD

Myrtle Point's boys basketball team captured third place in the Regis Tournament on Friday, beating Kingsway Christian of Washington 64-63 in overtime.

The Bobcats built a 39-26 halftime lead, only to see the game go to overtime.

"Tonight started great

and then things started to unravel," said Myrtle Point coach Dave Larsen. "You've got to give Kingsway credit. They did a great job."

But the Bobcats held on in overtime, when they outscored Kingsview Christian 7-6.

Matt Newton had 20 points in Friday's win and was named to the all-tournament team. Cooper Stalder

added 14 and Taylor Fischer 12.

In the first round Thursday, host Regis beat the Bobcats 42-34 in a game that Myrtle Point trailed by just three points in the final two minutes.

Newton had 10 points and Brad Larsen had a great game at point guard with eight assists and several steals.

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Thursday, Jan 10th

We will spin a wheel every half hour starting at 12:30pm till 5:30pm, we will announce that we will be spinning the wheel 1 minute prior to spin. We will call out a color then a number, if you are on the right color and numbered dot, you win a gift card worth the amount specified at time of spin. Employee must verify number and color. Must be 18 years old by 1-10-13 to be eligible. Only one winner per household. Must have ID for proof of age and address.

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All funds go to North Bend High School's Baseball and Career Exploration Class.
Purchase tickets from North Bend Baseball Player and/or from Career Exploration Students.
Drawing will be held on Jan. 11th at 12pm.

COOS BAY GROCERY OUTLET *bargain market*

Community

On the lookout

Susan Baughman, from Florence, is the whale watcher on duty Wednesday at the Umpqua River Lighthouse overlook. She joins many other volunteers along the Oregon Coast for the winter whale migration count as grey whales head from Alaska to Baja California to have their calves. In the spring, they will migrate back to their Alaskan waters. The watchers are at the locations from 10 a.m. till 1 p.m. through Sunday. Beside helping to keep count, they also will answer questions about the giant sea mammals' life and travels.



By Lou Sennick, The World

Births

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Isaac Tyler Mayes was born at 2:26 p.m. on Dec. 12, 2012, weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces. Parents are Vincent Mayes and Britany Sadler of Coos Bay.

Bently James Williams was born at 3:24 p.m. on Dec. 12, 2012, weighing 6 pounds, 15⁷/₈ ounces. Parents are Thomas Williams and Brittney Converse of Bandon.

Aadhya Ongole was born at 4:48 p.m. on Dec. 12, 2012, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces. Parents are Bhaskar and Bhavani Ongole of North Bend.

Sydney Rose Jones was born at 5:25 p.m. on Dec. 13, 2012, weighing 8 pounds, 2¹/₄ ounces. Parents are Matthew and Roxanne Jones of North Bend.

Curtis James Huff was born at 1:49 p.m. on Dec. 14, 2012, weighing 8 pounds. Parents are Benjamin and Teresa Huff of Coos Bay.

Holdyn Lee Vitek was born at 5:14 p.m. on Dec. 14, 2012, weighing 9 pounds, 4¹/₂ ounces. Parents are Christopher Vitek and Amanda Coffield of Reedsport.

Gabriel Conner Scott was born at 4:34 a.m. on Dec. 15, 2012, weighing 7 pounds. Parents are John and Courtney Scott of Coos Bay.

Auggie James Stevens was born at 8:02 p.m. on Dec. 15, 2012, weighing 8 pounds, 3 ounces. Parents are Austin and Whitney Stevens of Coquille.

Maggie May Musgrave was born at 2:01 a.m. on Dec. 16, 2012, weighing 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Parents are Alfred and Terri Musgrave of Coos Bay.

Enedina Jean Jacobs was born at 6:23 a.m. on Dec. 16, 2012, weighing 5 pounds, 12²/₈ ounces. Parents are Donald and Michelle Jacobs of Coos Bay.

Logan James Norris was born at 8:04 a.m. on Dec. 17, 2012, weighing 6 pounds, 9⁷/₈ ounces. Parents are H.W. Norris and Theresa Perkins of Coos Bay.

Jamin Joshua-Daniel Burch was born at 5:21 p.m. on Dec. 17, 2012, weighing 8³/₈ pounds. Parents are Jacob and Cassie Burch of Coos Bay.

Madiyn Gayle Swenson was born at 11:48 p.m. on Dec. 17, 2012, weighing 8 pounds, 4 ounces. Parents are John and Kambria Swenson of Bandon.

Finley James Preston was born at 9:11 a.m. on Dec. 18, 2012, weighing 7 pounds, 7¹/₂ ounces. Parents are Nicholas and Siobhan Preston of North Bend.

Ireland Grace Kirchgessler was born at 5:26 p.m. on Dec. 18, 2012, weighing 9 pounds. Parents are Randy and Jasmine Kirchgessler of Bandon.

Gavin Thomas Cernovich was born at 4:54 a.m. on Dec. 19, 2012, weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces. Parents are Adam and Angela Cernovich of Coos Bay.

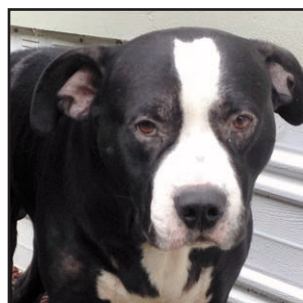
Brayden David Gregory Fischbach was born at 1:12 p.m. on Dec. 19, 2012, weighing 6 pounds, 5 ounces. Parents are Damon Fischbach and Haylea Kwiatkowski of Coos Bay.

Esperanza Josefina Onate-Vazquez was born at 10:49 a.m. on Dec. 21, 2012, weighing 7 pounds, 12²/₈ ounces. Parents are Carlos and Delaina Onate-Vazquez of North Bend.

Pets of the Week



Kali



Moose

Pacific Cove Humane Society

Pacific Cove Humane Society is featuring a kitten and dog of the week, available for adoption through its "People-to-People" pet-matching service.

■ Kali is a beautiful, fluffy 6-month-old spayed calico teenage kitten that is looking for her forever home, as are her three siblings: Jake, Puffin and Bibbs. These darling fluffy kittens are all very shy, but their foster dad is working hard to socialize them since he rescued after they were abandoned.

■ Moose is a very sweet 6-year-old black and white pit mix that will be neutered soon and is recovering from a skin condition. He's very laid back and loving, not an aggressive bone in his body. He gets along with other dogs and people of all ages. He hasn't been around cats, but would probably just ignore them.

Evaluation required. For information about adoptions, call 541-756-6522.

Community to celebrate finish of safety project

CHARLESTON — The Oregon International Port of Coos Bay and Coos County invite the residents of Oregon's Bay Area to Charleston for a celebration at 11 a.m. Jan. 10, to commemorate the completion of the Boat Basin Drive Bike/Pedestrian Safety project. The gathering will be held at the Charleston Marina RV Park recreation room. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

The county Road Department, Port staff and community members worked for nearly a decade to obtain funding for the project, succeeding in raising \$1.3 million to install sidewalks, streetlights, landscaping and a new road surface. Engineers also designed a new

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storm drain system to reduce flooding and improve water quality. Community members and property owners worked patiently with the construction team throughout the busy 2012 tourist season to alter sidewalk designs and guide traffic, leading to a successful collaborative project.

The Jan. 10 celebration will include entertainment provided by the Wild Women of Charleston, awards and an opportunity to share stories and envision next steps to partnering for future projects to improve

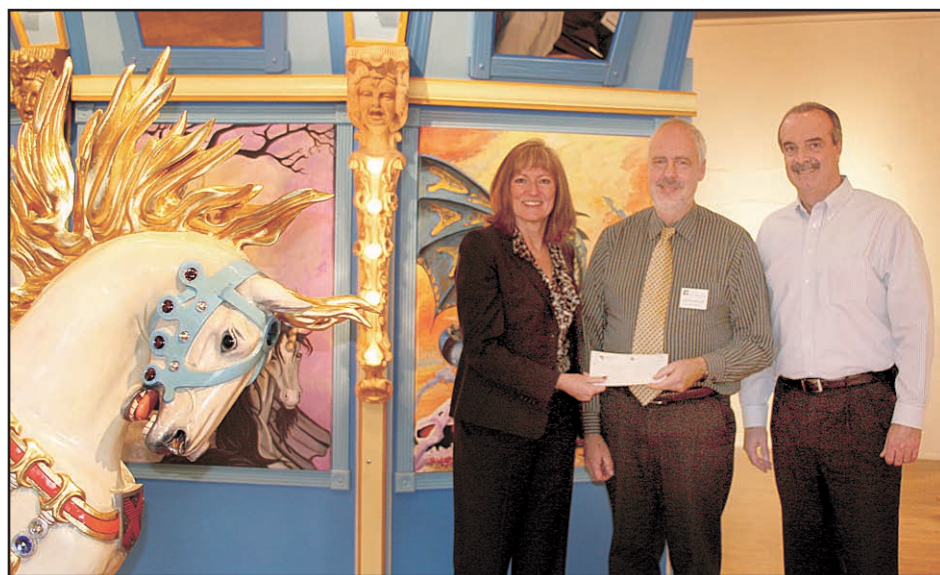
Charleston.

Tree pick up service

COOS BAY — The Coos Bay Fire Department will be picking up Christmas trees throughout the city Jan. 5. Each year in an effort to remove dangerous trees from homes and businesses, the Coos Bay Fire Department picks up trees and disposes of them.

This year the fire department will start at 9 a.m. on Jan. 5. Have your tree by the street before 9 a.m. It is not necessary to call for pick up. Donations of a canned food may be left with the tree. All donations will be given to a local food bank. For information contact the Coos Bay Fire Department at 541-269-1191.

Powering creativity at the museum



Contributed Photo

The Pacific Power Foundation has awarded a \$2,000 grant to Coos Art Museum to help support its 2013 exhibition season. Angela Jacobson and Monte Mendenhall of Pacific Power Foundation present a check to Steven Brooks, center, surrounded by the Ken Means' Carousel exhibition at Coos Art Museum.

Meetings

WEDNESDAY

Coos Bay City Council — 7 p.m., council chambers, city hall, 500 Central Ave.; regular meeting.

THURSDAY

Coos Bay Public Works and Development Department Tree Board — 4 p.m., manager's conference room, city hall, 500 Central Ave.; first quarter meeting.

MONDAY, JAN. 7

Reedsport City Council — 5:30 p.m., conference room, city hall, 451 Winchester Ave.; work session.

Reedsport City Council — 7 p.m., city hall, 451 Winchester Ave.; regular meeting.

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Coos Art Museum - 6-8pm

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Sat., Jan. 5th - 6pm

A House Concert with a Classical Twist

Please contact the OCMA office at 541-267-0938 or staff@oregoncoastmusic.com for location as space is limited. \$25 minimum donation.

Sun., Jan. 6th

Winter-lude

with the Zephyr Trio and Flute/Piccolo/Oboe
NB Presbyterian Church - 2pm

There will be a reception immediately following the concert.

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How about a Venza with your panini?

BY GAIL ELBER
The World

There's a new cafe in Coos Bay. You can buy a car there, too.

Coos Bay Toyota's renovation is nearly complete, with a grand opening set for the first week in February.

Lee Hawthorne, who owns the dealership with his brother Guy, said that in 2006, Toyota encouraged all its dealers to remodel their dealerships in line with a package of corporate standards.

But Hawthorne took it a step further. A typical Toyota dealership, he said, looks like a "mausoleum" — not a place where customers want to spend a lot of time. Hawthorne envisioned something more "like a VIP lounge in an airport."

Joe Slack of HGE Inc. in Coos Bay was the architect, but Hawthorne takes credit for the design.

In the showroom, there's a cafe that serves panini, ice cream, and espresso drinks. Lunch customers are welcome, even if they aren't shopping for cars. There's a soundproof kids' room with toys, games and cartoons. The waiting area has a fireplace, a TV, and Internet stations. Looking at the tasteful appointments, you might think you were relaxing at a ski lodge instead of waiting for an oil change.

The renovation has also created more space for offices and some new service areas. Although the service department remains in a

separate building behind the sales office, customers' cars are now washed in a covered bay instead of outside. Customers will drop off their cars in a bay in front of the service writer's desk, and a new oil-change and lube facility has been built.

The Hawthornes are spending \$2.5 million on the renovation, with the help of a loan from Toyota. That's a big project around here, but it's peanuts compared with what some industry analysts are calling a trend toward "Taj Mahal" dealerships. Before the 2008 recession, manufacturers gave dealers incentives to undertake renovations whose cost soared to \$20 million to \$50 million in affluent markets. The high standards have been blamed for inflating car prices and driving dealers out of business in the recent lean years.

In contrast, Coos Bay Toyota has been thriving, boosted by its "business development center" — an office where employees field inquiries from out-of-town buyers. Since 2007, the dealership has grown from 18 employees to 44. Hawthorne said a third of the dealership's sales come from the Web now, as people search for particular vehicles. For example, they recently sold a red-and-white 1996 Ford F-150 to a company in Kansas that has a fleet of them, and sent a Toyota Solara convertible to a woman in San Diego who wanted an exact replacement for her totaled car.

As an incentive for the remodel-



By Gail Elber, The World
Guy, left, and Lee Hawthorne are close to completing a renovation of their dealership, Coos Bay Toyota, that includes a cozy cafe.

ing, Toyota will send the dealership an extra 300 cars a year, Hawthorne said. That's a lot of cars to sell, but Hawthorne, who started the dealership in 1980 and was joined by his brother soon thereafter, is bullish on Coos Bay's prospects. "We're making an investment in this community knowing it's going to grow," he said. "We're betting on the future."

Reporter Gail Elber can be reached at 541-269-1222, ext. 234, or at gelber@theworldlink.com.

Name the cafe

The public is encouraged to stop by Coos Bay Toyota at 2001 N. Bayshore Drive and enter a suggestion for the name of the new cafe in the showroom. Each entrant will earn a dollar's worth of credit to the cafe, and the winning entrant will get a television.

Co-owner Lee Hawthorne said several people with long memories have already suggested "Duke's," in honor of the drive-in restaurant that used to occupy a building that became part of the dealership.

Act quickly to appeal IRS levy

Q: I just received notification the IRS has levied my business bank account. What should I do?

A: A levy is a legal seizure of your property to satisfy a tax debt. The Internal Revenue Service levies only after it has unsuccessfully tried to collect taxes due. Typically, the IRS has assessed the tax due and sent you a "Notice and Demand for Payment"; you neglected or refused to pay the tax; and the IRS sent you a "Final Notice of Intent to Levy and Notice of Your Right to a Hearing" at least 30 days prior to the actual levy.

The IRS recommends, "If your property is levied or seized, contact the employee who took the action. You may also ask the IRS manager to review your case. If the matter is still unresolved, the manager can explain your rights of appeal to the Office of Appeals."

If you have a tax adviser, contact him or her immediately to assist you in the appeal process since your time to appeal the decision is limited. Your tax adviser may be able to help you get some of the levied funds released to operate your business. If you owe the taxes, you will be required to set up a payment plan with the IRS to clear any taxes due in a reasonable amount of time. Once the payment plan is in place, it's crucial you make payments as agreed or communicate with the IRS why your payment will be late. Otherwise, the IRS may be forced to take more drastic action up to or including criminal prosecution.

If you believe the levy was an error, you must request a conference with the manager of the IRS employee who issued the levy. This must be done quickly. You have only a few days to file a form 9423 "Collection Appeal Request," which is part of the appeal process if you cannot resolve your disagreement with the collection manager. Once again, your tax adviser can assist you through this process.

Unpaid taxes are often a symptom of a much deeper business problem. Take the time to review financial statements and create a cash flow budget. Strategize ways to increase cash flow either by increasing revenue or decreasing costs. Look for the sources and uses of funds that led to the cash flow shortfall; too much inventory, slow accounts receivable collections, insufficient sales, theft, debt too high, payroll too high, etc. Work with a financial adviser to implement changes needed to turn the business around.

Arlene M. Soto is the director of the SWOCC Small Business Development Center, www.BizCenter.org. She can be reached at 541-756-6445, asoto@socc.edu, or at 2455 Maple Leaf, North Bend, OR 97459.

DOWN TO BUSINESS



ARLENE SOTO

Eastside landmark stays in the family

When Tom and Teri Craig bought the TNT Market in Eastside in December, 1982, their parents were incredulous. Tom Craig can still imitate their reaction: "You're doing what? Moving to a place with 10 percent unemployment?"

Thirty years later, we're back to 10 percent unemployment, but the Craigs have built TNT Market into a business that does 10 or 15 times the vol-

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GAIL ELBER

ume it did in 1982. In January, they'll be passing on their store to their daughter and son-in-law, David and Traci Elst.

The Craigs took the Eastside mainstay from the early days of convenience stores, when a "mom and pop grocery" resembled a miniature supermarket, to the modern era of grab-and-go foods and counters designed for quick scanning. Craig said he expects the Elsts to expand the store's fast-food offerings.

But the store still has a broad range of grocery offerings, which is helpful for Eastsiders who don't drive. It's also a boon to anglers heading up the river. "We have the best of both worlds — a strong community around us and lots of

flow-through traffic," Craig said.

Traci works at North Bend Medical Center, but David has been the market's night manager for seven years. When the Elsts take over, the Craigs plan to enjoy some RV travel, but they'll make occasional cameo appearances behind the counter.

A treat for women

"Christmas is over, it's time to treat yourself," says the Facebook invitation to "After Hours with Thrifty Sisters," an event at which women can "shop and unwind" starting at 6 p.m. Jan. 11. Rachael Davidson and Mindy Madsen, owners of the boutique at 63336 Boat Basin Road in Charleston, will have deals on their consignment clothing and handmade accessories as well as vendors of Scentsy, Paparazzi Jewelry, Pampered Chef, ThirtyOne and Sexy Mojo. There'll be prize drawings during the evening. Find them on Facebook for updates, or call 541-808-2775.

Business is soft

Since The Blanket Lady, Lyn Pinney, moved from Pony Village Mall to 201 Broadway in Coos Bay in July, she's added much more than blankets to her store. She's got works by local artists, including photos and cards by Mureen Walker, cards by Vivian Morgan, pottery by Robert Celentano, and wood carvings by Baltazar "Shorty" Reyes. She also has some of the gift lines that Fiddlesticks used to carry, such as wind chimes and plaques; look for wind socks as spring approaches.



By Gail Elber, The World
Lyn Pinney, owner of The Blanket Lady in downtown Coos Bay, snuggles with one of her plush polyester blankets.

But it's still mostly about the blankets. Mere words and photographs cannot do justice to the ineffable softness of Pinney's top-of-the-line blankets. She also has rugs made out of the same uncannily soft polyester material and sheets made of polyester that is said to imitate the feel of high-thread-count cotton. Having a hard day? Stop in and pet one of the blankets. You'll feel better.

Reading her rapturous descriptions of her latest blankets on her Facebook page might also brighten your day, and you'll learn something about good Facebook marketing by watching Pinney connect with customers and gauge the effectiveness of her other advertising. She's having an end-of-the-year sale right now, so now might be the time to find a blanket of your own to pet: 541-260-3222.



By Alysha Beck, The World

From left to right, Tom Craig, Teri Craig, Aspen Elst, Willow Elst, David Elst and Traci Elst stand in the TNT Market in Eastside Coos Bay. The Craigs will sell the store to their daughter, Traci, and son-in-law, David on January 1.

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Planning a kid-friendly New Year's Eve

BY LAURA JOFRE
The Associated Press

How do you make a New Year's party that the whole family can enjoy?

For years, I barely acknowledged New Year's Eve to my three kids so they wouldn't know they were missing anything. I either went to some flashy grownup event or skipped it and went to bed. In the morning, I explained about the date change.

Last year, though, our family attended a party at a friend's, and it was genuinely heartwarming. I began to think it was worth making an effort to mark the holiday, together, at home.

New Year's is not just for adults. A small party is doable and relaxing; think about inviting extended family or close friends and their children.

"Parents feel more comfortable with their kids around," says Selvi Rudge, a mother of three in Larchmont, N.Y., who often invites friends and kids for New Year's. "And having the kids there just makes the celebration better."

Preparing with some simple crafting and cooking projects can make everyone

feel part of the holiday.

1. New Year's poster — Take an 18-by-24-inch poster board and label it, "What I want to do in 2013." It can be simple, with a lot of room to write, or it can be decorated by kids who know their way around a poster board. Tape it up somewhere central — I like the refrigerator — and keep washable markers nearby. Write in an entry or two, whether resolution-like ("I want to take up jogging") or wishful thinking ("I want to explore the Amazon"). The poster can be a family project or it can be opened up to guests as a less-formal guest book at this less-formal party.

2. Table top — Table dcor can be kid-constructed and reusable, and it does not have to look childlike or chaotic. A great idea from Sabrina James, style director at Parenting Magazine, is to paint inexpensive plastic chargers (the larger plates that go under dinner plates) with black chalkboard paint, then have the kids decorate the plates with white chalk. They can draw stars or write guests' names or "2013" — even toddlers can scribble. "It all stays black and white, it still looks sophisticated, and the kids have a hand in

decorating the table," says James.

3. Making some noise — Of course there must be noisemakers. James suggests this fresh take: Paint small, empty raisin boxes with silver or gold paint — spray paint is easiest — and then decorate them with small gems or sequins. Fill the boxes with dry pasta or rice, and tape a Popsicle stick to the back. The noisemakers can sit in vases around the table. Kids will be proud of their contributions, and you'll be happy to have them as attractive table decorations.

4. Food — To avoid holiday feast fatigue, a New Year's feast should consist of foods the family actually likes. You're not tied to tradition, so focus on old family favorites, or on foods that some cultures say bring good luck. According to Epicurious.com, cooked greens symbolize money and good fortune; pork means prosperity. Don't eat anything that moves backwards, like lobster. My teen-age daughter likes to bake a holiday cake and get creative with frosting. Baking infuses the air with cheer and allows kids to participate. Limit how many



The Associated Press

A New Year's cake baked and decorated by Laura Jofre daughter.

sprinkles or frosting colors you offer; adult guests don't always enjoy a crunchy inch-thick layer of purple sugar.

5. After-meal activity — Karaoke is a new tradition for our family; we learned it from the friends who held last year's party. Systems range in price from less than \$100 to more than \$1,000, and can be rented, too.

Whether you rock the oldies or attempt to rap, the kids are just as entertained as the adults. And they will want their turn, so make sure your song list includes some current hits or favorites they know.

Finally, do you or don't you keep the kids up til midnight? Go for it, but be prepared to send them to bed or say goodnight early if they

fall apart.

And they may. But the karaoke, other kids and special treats may keep them fueled and happy enough to see the ball drop. And then you will have another family memory tucked away, and maybe another entry for the 2013 poster: I want the whole family to ring in the new year together again in 2014.

Felt can add texture, warmth, fun to winter days

BY KIM COOK
For The Associated Press

It's that time of year when texture, character and warmth define the most successful decor. The perfect time for felt.

This season has seen a variety of creative, decorative felt items for table and tree. You'll find it sewn, lasercut, appliqued or otherwise manipulated to create eye-catching fashion accessories, charming toys and sculptures, and chic items for the home.

Or you can try your hand at felt-making and crafting yourself. (More on that later.)

In Portland, designer Alison Comfort offers a woody wonderland of little felt pumpkins, acorns, mushrooms, nests and forest animals — small sculptures that might add charm to a holiday table — at her Etsy.com shop, www.etsy.com/shop/houseofmoss.

"There's something so dear and precious about starting with a natural material in its raw state, using a simple tool and my own hands, and transforming it," she says.

There are guides online for making felt candy canes, but if you aren't crafty and still love the look, consider Land of

Nod's delicious-looking versions; here too, round ornaments in felt stripes or gathered layers. All would look cute on a kids' tree. www.landofnod.com

At Crate & Barrel, lasercut felt placemats with seasonal motifs, felt ball garlands, and a collection of tree ornaments including gingerbread men, Swedish style birds and owls add homespun charm. A felt pillow with applique partridge in a pear tree might make a welcome hostess gift. www.crateandbarrel.com

The nature of felt — soft, pliable and able to take on a

variety of colors — makes it terrific for crafting, not only for designers but for creative amateurs.

"Felt is one of my favorite materials. It's an extremely easy material to work with because, unlike most fabrics, it's non-woven, so it won't unravel and doesn't require hemming," says Jodi Levine, designer-at-large for Martha Stewart Living.

April Tatom of Louisville, Ky., sells felting supplies on her website, www.feltorama.com.

When she decided to try her hand at appliqued clothing for children and experimented with various fabrics, "I found that nothing matched the lush texture of felt. It just beckons to be touched and adds a cozy dimension to any project. There's no 'right' or 'wrong' side to it. Felt toys are wonderfully tactile for little fingers and visually stimulating for kids of all ages."

For her own kids, Tatom recently completed a felt "picnic" set complete with a

lunchmeat-, cheese- and lettuce-filled baguette, and a cookie for dessert. She also recreated one of her son's favorite book characters, Lowly Worm, from Richard Scarry's "Busytown."

Food is a popular subject for felt crafters, often as soft children's toys but sometimes so realistically rendered that it's elevated to something more artful.

Roving, a washed and carded wool with a texture similar to cotton candy, is the basis for many sculpted felt creatures and items. The fiber is pulled into strands that can be formed and poked with fingers or needles into shapes. Many of the animals on Etsy and in stores are crafted this way; it's easy to manipulate roving and no sewing is required. Check out www.livingfelt.com for supplies and kits.

Alternatively, a method called wet felting uses hot, soapy water and agitation to enmesh wool or other fibers so tightly that they cannot be pulled apart.

Additional online sources for wool and wool-blend felt, Levine says, include: www.purlsoho.com, www.achildsdream.com and www.commonwealthfelt.com.

Or you may not have to buy anything at all if a common laundry mishap occurs.

"If you've ever shrunk a wool sweater, scarf or hat, you've created felt," Levine laughs.

Check the closet for sweater castoffs, then machine-wash and dry them on hot settings and get crafting. Projects like pillow covers, patchwork blankets and pouches are on www.marthastewart.com.

In the felting community, that method, which uses yarn rather than roving, is called "fulling."

Martha Stewart's site also has instructions for making little felt mitten clips, mini stockings and mice ornaments, tree skirts and gifts, as well as some easy kids' projects.

Children also might enjoy making little felt animals with EK Success' penguin or snowman craft kits. www.eksuccess.com

For first-time felt crafters, Tatom offers these tips:

■ Invest in high-quality felt so it will hold up over time.

■ Use a rotary cutter for larger cuts and small embroidery scissors for details. Rotary cutters save time, give precise results, and are also available in scallop and zigzag designs.

■ Experiment with different types of felt. Each has benefits: recycled eco-felt (created from recycled bottles), 100 percent wool felt (rich texture), wool-blend felt (affordable, versatile), bamboo felt (ultra-soft).

■ Don't create a machine-washable project without first testing a swatch of the felt in the washer.



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Alison Comfort is inspired by the forest floor to create realistic natural forms like mushrooms, pebbles, moss and acorns. Using eco-friendly wool helps her tie the organic elements of the craft together.



A mushroom made with wool.



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Patents and trademarks: My plants broke the law

BY LEE REICH
The Associated Press

The intricacies of plant patenting came home for me this past year with a shipment of strawberry plants.

Strawberry plants send out runners, thin stems on the ends of which new plants form, which themselves take root and bear fruits and send out more runners. Those daughter plants forming at the ends of runners are useful for filling in a strawberry bed as well as for transplanting elsewhere to make a new bed.

But these particular plants that I bought last spring were a patented variety (Chandler). So transplanting those daughter plants would constitute a crime.

How about just letting the plants root by themselves? OK, but only for fruit production to fill in my strawberry bed. Propagation of any plant produced asexually (that is, not by seed) just to make new plants is forbidden under the Plant Patent Act of 1930.

The only exceptions are plants propagated by edible tubers — white potatoes, for example. Growers of white potatoes evidently were vocal enough back when the Act was being drafted to press for the right to save and replant

their own potato tubers.

The beginnings of plant protection

Some might argue that the Plant Patent Act was too long in coming. If it had been in place earlier, then Stark Brothers Nursery, which bought propagation rights to the original Red Delicious apple for \$3,000 in 1894, would not have had to erect a cage around the original Red Delicious tree. That cage only stopped people from using the original tree for propagation, however; once Stark Brothers started selling trees, those trees could be used by anyone to propagate new ones.

On to seeds, even genes

The 1930 legislation was broadened, in 1970, with the Plant Variety Protection Act.

It meant that seeds, which are sexually produced when pollen fertilizes eggs, could now also be protected by patents — so-called utility patents. That's the same kind of patent used for, say, a new and better stapler or dog whistle or — more recently and controversially — genes.

To be offered patent protection, a seed variety must not have been sold in the U.S. for longer than a year, or elsewhere for longer than four years. The variety must also reproduce reliably and be distinct.

Distinctiveness has always been a potential bone of contention, especially since DNA fingerprinting can now be used to unlock a plant's genetic code, some of which is just "junk," not expressing any trait.

Patents are valid for about 20 years, after which anyone can propagate the plant for sale or otherwise. Someone could even then produce hybrid seeds, produced by crossing specific parents, because patents, available for anyone to see, spell out exactly how a product is made.

What's in a name?

Enter trademarks. Whether or not a plant has been patented, it could be assigned a trademark name. What's more, that trademark is assigned to a company or individual, who could put that name on any of their plants, even a few different ones. A patented variety also could be marketed under more than one trademark.

A patented plant is one thing and a trademark name another. Patents have a limited life; trademarks can be renewed indefinitely, which makes them useful. If you start selling some outstanding patented plant under a trademarked name, people will continue to buy it under that trademark even after the



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"Lawbreaking" Heritage birches dot the landscape in Bryn Mawr, Pa. The variety name under which this plant was patented is Heritage; it was later trademarked Heritage. That's a no-no: a variety and trademark name must be different.

patent expires. Other people could propagate the patented plant, but could not sell it under your trademark.

A plant label stating "PPAF" (plant patent applied for) means, for plants, the same thing as "patent pending" for anything; "PVR" (Plant Variety Rights) means the plant has been patented. A plant may be patented, though, without it stating so on its label. Names of trademarked plants are followed by a symbol that looks like "R" with a

circle around it.

I recently learned that three birch trees I planted have broken a rule about patenting and trademarking. They are Heritage birches. The variety name under the patent is Heritage, and the plant was later

trademarked Heritage.

That's a no-no: a variety and trademark name must be different.

Oh well, I'm not the one who broke the rule, and the plant is pest-resistant and beautiful despite its brush with the law.

U.S. new home sales jump to fastest pace since April 2010

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sales of new homes rose 4.4 percent in November from October to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 377,000, the Commerce Department said Thursday. That's the fastest pace since April 2010, when a federal tax credit boosted sales.

New-home sales have also increased 15.3 percent over the past year. The improvement comes from depressed levels. Sales remain below the 700,000 that economists consider healthy.

Steady job gains this year and ultra-low mortgage rates have boosted sales of both

newly built and previously occupied homes. More people are looking to buy or rent a home after living with relatives or friends during and immediately after the Great Recession.

Another big reason for the rebound is the excess supply of homes that were built during the housing boom has finally thinned out. Only 149,000 new homes were for sale at the end of last month, according to the report. That's just above a record low of 143,000 in August.

Still, the market is steadily improving and that has lifted builder confidence to its high-

est level in 6 years, according to the National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo survey released last week. The pace of home construction is nearly 22 percent higher than a year earlier, according to government data. Builders are on track this year to start work on the most homes in four years.

Home prices are also increasing. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller national home price index released Wednesday increased 4.3 percent in October compared with a year ago. That's the largest year-over-year increase in two and a half years. And prices rose for the

12-month period in 18 of the 20 cities tracked by the index.

Sales of previously occupied homes rose to the highest level in three years in November, the National Association of Realtors said last week.

Though new homes represent only a small portion of the housing market, they have a disproportionate impact on the economy. Each home built creates an average of three jobs for a year and generates about \$90,000 in tax revenue, according to statistics from the National Association of Home Builders.

Should we be so 'organized'?

Are people's lives so chaotic and cluttered that they need organizers?

I'm not talking about the folks who have held onto their baby teeth — and every jelly jar and empty shampoo bottle that's come their way since.

I mean the average Joe and Jill with too-stuffed clothes closets and jumbled garden tools in the garage.

I'm continually amused by closet organizer ads with "before" and "after" photos.

The first always shows a standard 1960s bedroom closet jammed hanger-to-hanger with shirts and dresses and a couple of hundred shoes on the floor. Maybe some wadded quilts stuffed among shoe boxes and purses on the shelf.

The "after" photo is of the same closet, now featuring whatever "system" of enameled wire or laminated chipboard is being peddled in the ad.

It shows about a fourth of the previous closet's clothing (now suddenly with inches of space between the hangers), only six pairs of shoes (arranged on the new matching shoe rack) and NONE of the quilts or shoe boxes or purses.

I've always wondered whether there might be a heap of stuff just out of camera range, likely piled on the bed, while the new owners of the "system" wait for the photographer to leave.

I'm told professional organizers always insist their messy employers first thin down their stuff.

Give it away, they say. Throw it away, move it to an attic storage locker ... whatever. But get it out of the way.

If people can part so easily with the Hawaiian shirt they bought for an ill-advised luau-themed party or the pants they'll never wear again — no matter how much yogurt and celery they eat — do they really need a "system" to organize what's left?

That said, I confess I actually did install such a "system" in my bedroom closet shortly after I bought the new-new house. I'd have

built one myself — for quite a bit less money — but it would be months before the shop was up and running, and I didn't want to wait.

The "system" just about doubled my hanging space and gave me several shelves to arrange shoes and boots on, which was the real reason for the installation. Getting the shoes up higher means I can vacuum the floor under them. I've always hated having shoes on the floor.

I also have something of a "system" for keeping my garage clutter-free.

It's not one of those made from slate-gray chipboard panels with routed grooves from which you can hang all manner of specialized hooks and shelves and racks (available only from the grooved-chipboard manufacturer, by the way).

My "system" is called nails.

Strips of 1-by-2 railing are nailed to the bare studs along the long west wall — one about seven feet off the floor and others at four feet and two feet.

Into the upper two strips are driven about a hundred nails, carefully spaced and sized to fit the handles of my

post hole diggers, snow shovels, leaf rakes, lawn edger, pitchfork, etc.

The railing set at two feet holds in place the myriad scraps of lumber that I've squirreled away between the studs.

Above it all, a 20-foot extension ladder rests on plywood shelf brackets (sans shelf), and the wheelbarrow hangs from a very large nail driven into the end wall.

My garden tools are similarly arranged in a foot-deep locker that's built into the outside wall of the workshop, just steps away from the vegetable garden.

I blatantly stole the idea from a magazine photo of a similar tool shed built into a privacy fence.

It was not, however, an ad for a "system."

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We would like to help you in getting your message spread in our community.

Please contact us at 541-267-6278

Don't jeopardize future for two rooms

Dear Mary: My husband and I just found out we're expecting our third child. We would like to add on to our home. My husband found out that he can take out a loan from his 401(k) at a super-low interest rate, then have the amount deducted from his paycheck every week to pay back the loan to his account. It sounds too good to be true — and that's making me nervous.

EVERYDAY CHEAPSKATE



Mary Hunt

I don't want to jeopardize our future for an extra two rooms. He thinks I'm being too worrisome. Is he

right? — *Doti, email*

Dear Doti: Most 401(k) plans allow this, but the conditions can be severe. First, there's the matter of double taxation. The money in his account has never been taxed. Those are "before-tax" dollars. If he takes a loan, he will be repaying that money with "after-tax dollars." For every \$1.00 he borrows he'll have to earn \$1.28 or more to net \$1.00 in his paycheck to repay the loan. Interest is on top of that. When he withdraws those same dollars in retirement he'll pay taxes on them again.

Then there's the matter of life's uncertainty. If he leaves his employer for any reason before the loan is repaid, the entire balance will immediately become due. If you can't do that, the loan balance will be converted from a loan to a cash withdrawal. He'll get socked with a 10 percent penalty, plus the IRS and state tax collector will be knocking on your door to collect taxes on that "cash withdrawal."

And if that's not enough, you must consider the potential loss of investment growth. Overall, borrowing from his 401(k) may be so troublesome this should be your last option, not your first.

Dear Mary: You are my last resort! Please help. I bought a lovely cedar-lined wood chest at an auction about 10 years ago. Unfortunately, I have not been able to use it for storage of anything due to the brutal smell of mothballs. Obviously, the former owner used them, and I cannot rid the chest of this terrible smell. When we first purchased it, we left it outside with the lid open for weeks and weeks. That didn't help at all. Can you suggest anything? — *Joanne, email*

Dear Joanne, I'd like to wring the neck of the guy who invented mothballs in the first place. I'm with you. That odor is worse than moths. As for your problem, it's a tough one for sure. The only thing I know that will get rid of that odor is a product called Nok-Out (NokOut.com), which has worked for me on various odors in wood.

Another option is to sand down all of the cedar lining with fine grit sandpaper. Vacuum away all of the dust.

This will renew the cedar fragrance. Hang in there. I know you'll find the solution. Just don't give up.

Do you have a question for Mary? Email her at mary@everydaycheapskate.com, or write to Everyday Cheapskate, P.O. Box 2099, Cypress, CA 90630.

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To find out more about Mary and read her past columns, please visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

- ACROSS**
1 Humerus neighbor
5 Film terrier
9 Dice spot
12 "Aquarius" musical
13 Zodiac beast
14 Bunion site
15 Fuel cartel
16 Guess
18 Overly rushed
20 Taj —
21 Luau welcomes
22 "My gal" of song
23 Keyboard sound
26 Cookbook ams.
30 Picture border
33 A Great Lake
34 Ms. Teasdale
35 Gouda cousin
37 Elevator name
39 Web suffix
40 — Horne of jazz
41 Brainy club

- DOWN**
1 Oops! (hyph.)
2 Boutonniere's spot
3 Dorothy, to Em
4 Frigid region
5 A Baldwin
6 Bro's sib
7 Little one
8 Feminine side
9 Egyptian god
10 Teeny bit
11 Flake off
17 Soda fountain treats

- Answer to Previous Puzzle**
STONE LADLE
SPIRIT BABIED
OUTAGE RIATAS
CRONE FACT
LUAU EROS
SPA LANE ARP
CHALET GAMER
RESTS COWBOY
AAH AHAB EOS
GRAB OUSE
RUSK TAPED
ENTIRE SHRUBS
BEADED TEAPOT
BOGEY URBAN
- 19 Large cay
22 Flock of geese
24 Bakery lure
25 Write up a speeder
27 Pouch
28 Old hand
29 Miss Kitty's barkeeper
30 The "Velvet Fog" Tormentor
31 Lemon drink
32 Bronzed
36 Port near Hong Kong
38 Mach 1 breakers of yore
42 Nanny from abroad (2 wds.)
44 Hand out
46 Kind of strength
47 Lent a hand
48 Heavy-metal band
49 Jungle warning
50 Post-kindergarten
51 Otherwise
52 Burton and Tebow
54 Mexican Mrs.
55 Pacino and Unser

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"First there's January, then it's February, then Marchuary..."

SUDOKU

Difficulty: 4 (of 5)

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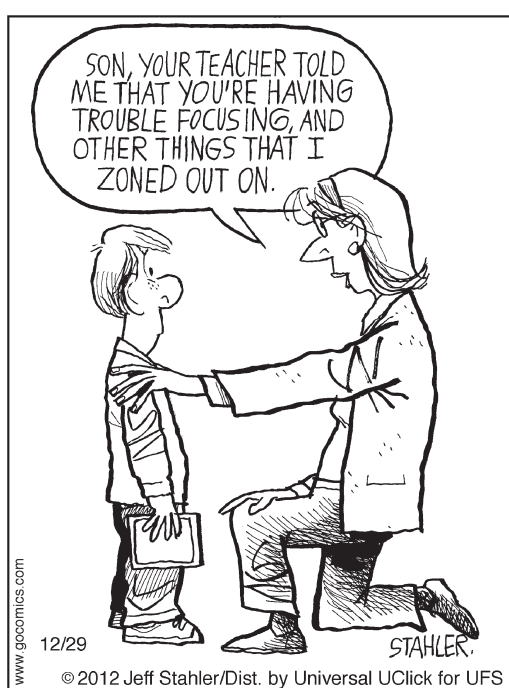
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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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3	6	8	4	1	5	7	9	2
4	2	1	8	9	3	6	5	7
8	3	5	6	7	4	1	2	9
7	9	6	1	5	2	4	3	8

HOW TO PLAY: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

MODERATELY CONFUSED



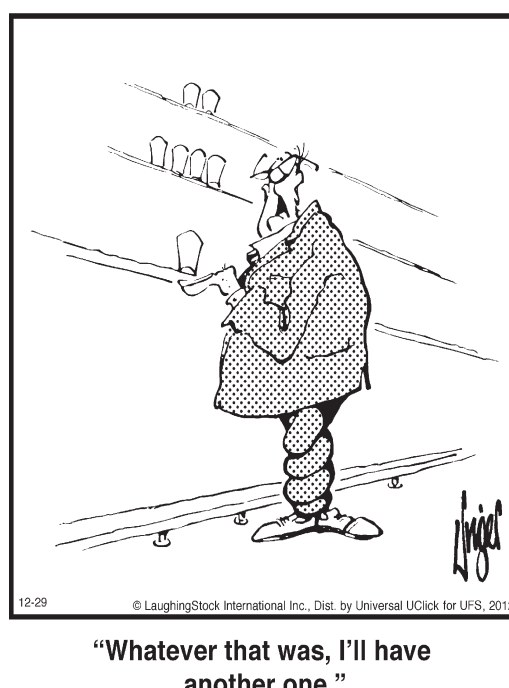
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KIT 'N' CARLYLE



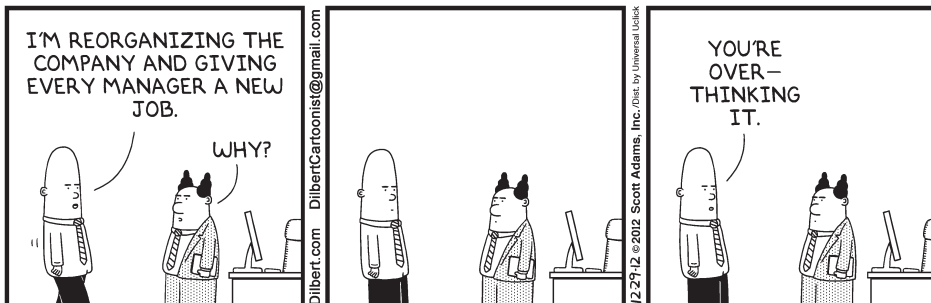
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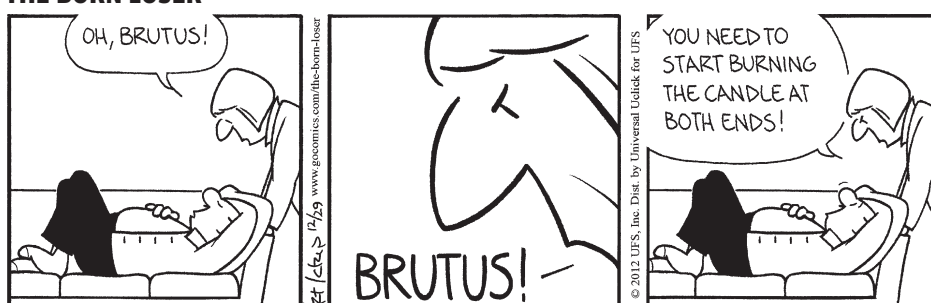
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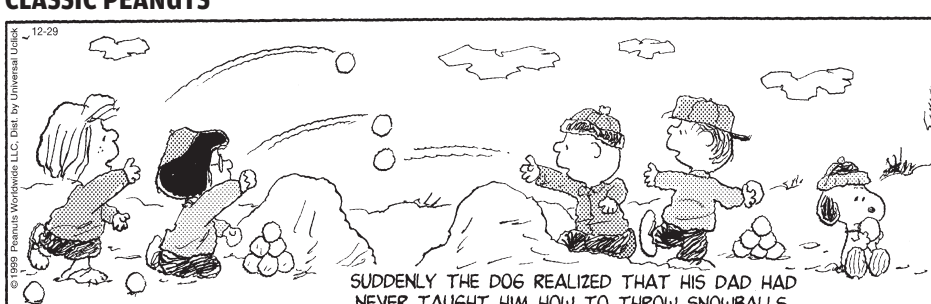
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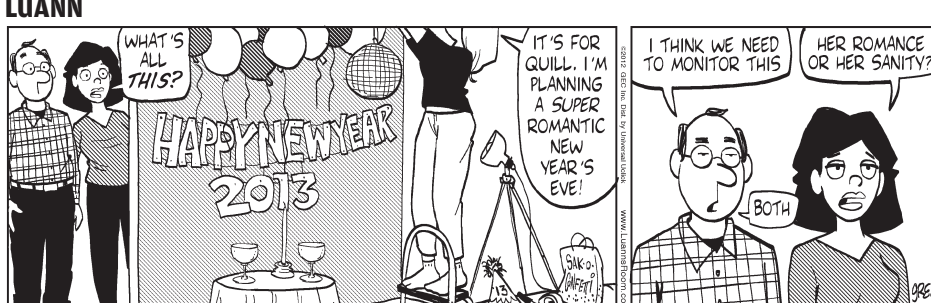
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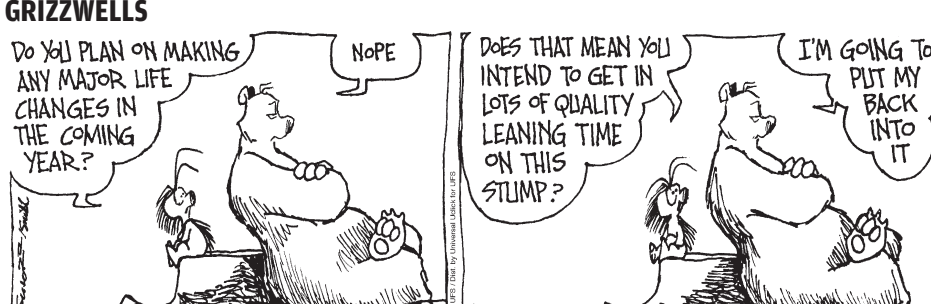
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Employment 200

201 Accounting



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202 Admin./Mgmt.

Controller

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204 Banking



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- *Loan Closer / Funder
- *Underwriter

207 Drivers

BOBTAIL DRIVER WANTED: Apply at Ron's Oil Co. 541-396-5571

211 Health Care

RN'S NEEDED

Full-time-ED RN-Nite Shift Per Diem ED RN—Variable Shifts Per Diem Med/Surg RN-Variable Shifts.

Apply at Southern Coos Hospital in Bandon, OR at ihellman@southerncoos.org or 541-347-4515 EOE and Tobacco-Free

213 General



A leading manufacturer of marine closures located in Gold Beach Oregon, is accepting applications for a **Manufacturing Engineer**

Appropriate candidates will have a minimum of 3-5 years of experience planning, directing, and coordinating manufacturing processes. You are a team player and communicate well with others. Supervision of employees is a plus and an engineering degree is preferred. Salary range for this position is \$18.61-\$27.91 per hour depending on experience with an excellent benefit package and bonus program. Applications are being accepted until December 31, 2012. For information on how to apply, please visit www.freemanmarine.com. Freeman Marine is an equal opportunity employer with a drug free workplace.

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227 Elderly Care

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302 Business Service

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304 Financing

SSEASY QUALIFYING real estate equity loans. Credit no problem. Oregon Land Mortgage. 541-267-2776. ML-4645.



403 Found

Found Specials

For Items or Pets without/or with photo: 6 lines, Free for one week May rerun if necessary. All specials will appear in The World, Bandon Western World, Umpqua Post, The Link, Online & Smart Mobile. All specials are category specific. There are no refunds on specials. Starts October 1, 2012 541-267-6278

Found: Older male Cocker Spaniel dog on the West end of Libby Dr. Charleston end. Blonde w/ tan markings. Call to identify 541-294-3876

404 Lost

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Lost: Black and white cat, long haired female. Glassgow area. Please leave message if know answer. 541-756-7986

406 Public Notices

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To submit a bid or for more details, submit your full name, contact phone number, insured vehicle information and at least once reference to:

Blind Box 23247
The World Newspaper
P.O. Box 1840
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

407 Personals

Personals Special

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426 Cake Decorating

Jobs Wanted Special

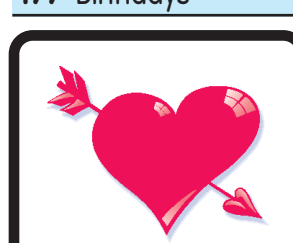
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501 Commercial

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601 Apartments

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Rentals / Real Estate 4
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604 Homes Unfurnished

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610 2-4-6 Plexes

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Clean & Quiet! Coos Bay
2 bdm, 1.5 bth.. River view, w/ deck, \$599 mo. Available now. Reedsport 1bdm, 1 bth. Pet friendly \$425Mo.W/S pd. Pictures upon request. Please call **541-991-2166**.

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Other Stuff 700

701 Furniture

ENGLISH OAK washstand \$325; church pew \$325. New prices! 541-347-5053, leave message.



Matching China Hutch
and Table w/4 chairs, Excellent Condition \$400, obo. 208-830-4091

701 Furniture

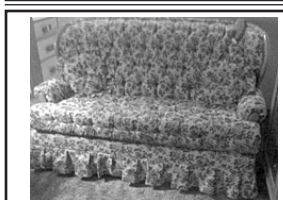
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rocking love seat. In very good shape. Burgundy floral print. Asking \$150. 541-756-8430

704 Musical Instruments

TAKAMINE LTD-2000. Acoustic-electric Guitar with AD-1 pre-amp \$900.00. Call 541-266-7449

707 Tools

FOR SALE: Craftsman 5 HP chipper/shredder, starts easy, runs great, \$200. 20 pieces 1/2 inch by 20 ft. re-bar \$5 each. 541-281-5258.

709 Wanted to Buy

BUYING JUNK AUTOS
No title needed, will pick up, up to 100 miles from Coos Bay. Will pay up to \$200 per automobile. **541-260-9447**

710 Miscellaneous



Local artist Mary Carlton has 2 of her 1,000 limited edition winter/spring prints on sale at her home for \$40.00 each. Cards made from her personal paintings also. Nice for gifts at a low price. Phone 541-756-1715 or 93493 Sunset Ln, NB.

Cemetery Plot for sale at Sunset Memorial Park, Coos Bay. \$1000 value, selling for \$700. Firm. Call 760-567-7785.

RED LEATHER overstuffed chair with ottoman \$300. Squire bass guitar & Peavey amp \$175. 801-864-2766, or 541-329-0231.

710 Miscellaneous

RARE GIFTS - Costco, Dec. 2012, barely used Nikon D90 professional digital camera, complete, manuals, DVD, lenses, etc.; (pd. \$1600). Small exterior chip one lens casing. \$600 OBO. 530-518-0761. Port Orford.

RARE GIFTS - see to appreciate: 1960's professional camera, complete, carrying case, original manual, lenses, etc. \$400; new 4-volume leather bound Liturgy of Hours \$100. 530-518-0761. Port Orford.

Sale: 625 Commercial Ave. Coos Bay. Preview at 8am Sunday. Sale starts at 9am. Files Cabinets, Chairs, work benches, desks ect..

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Ed Koch, former mayor of New York City, said, "In action, be primitive; in foresight, a strategist."

It requires foresight to see the strategy necessary to make this six-spade contract. What should South do after West leads the club king?

When North raised to three spades, promising some points (usually 4 to 7), South used Roman Key Card Blackwood. North showed one key card (an ace or the spade king). Then South asked for specific kings,

North		12-29-12	
♠	J 5 4 3		
♥	7 4 2		
♦	9 4		
♣	A J 8 3		
West		East	
♠	—	♠	8 7
♥	K 8 6 3	♥	J 10 9
♦	8 6 5 3 2	♦	Q J 10 7
♣	K Q 10 4	♣	9 7 6 2
South		North	
♠	A K Q 10 9 6 2	♠	A K Q 5
♥	A Q 5	♥	A K
♦	A K	♦	5
♣	5	♣	5
Dealer: South Vulnerable: Neither			
South	West	North	East
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
5NT	Pass	6♠	All pass
Opening lead: ♣ K			

North denying any. (Note that the heart king would make a grand slam sure, but the club king would not.)

South has two possible heart losers. He also has only 11 top tricks: seven spades, one heart, two diamonds and one club. So at first glance it looks as if declarer needs the heart finesse to work. However, assuming West has the club queen behind his king-lead, he is a candidate for an end-play.

South, though, must have the foresight to ruff a club at trick two, and not to ruff with the spade two. South needs three dummy entries (two for club ruffs and one for the endplay), which must be the club ace and two in trumps. After the club ruff, declarer takes his spade ace, overtakes a middle spade with dummy's jack, ruffs another club high, cashes his top diamonds, and plays the spade two to dummy's four. With the preliminaries complete, South calls for the club jack and discards his heart five.

West is trapped, forced either to lead away from the heart king or to concede a ruff-and-sluff (South ruffs on the board and sluffs his heart queen).

your intuitive processes could start playing tricks on you. Rely solely on your logic.

MONDAY, DEC. 31, 2012

Not only are improvements in your financial situation indicated in the year ahead, but it looks like your social life will also be picking up considerably. You won't have anything to complain about.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Someone who is deeply interested in you but isn't demonstrative might once again quietly do something nice for you. Be more alert.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — You're likely to make an extremely good impression on someone you meet. This could be the start of a close bond and a special relationship.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — A certain endeavor will give you a real sense of achievement. You'll like the way you handle things, and you'll gain the admiration of others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Perhaps more than you may realize, you've become extremely popular with your peers lately. Something really nice might happen to make you recognize this fact.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Instead of waiting and hoping something good will happen, take control of your destiny, and work hard to make important changes occur.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Don't be reluctant to make a rather difficult decision, especially if you have the necessary vital facts at your disposal. Just do what you believe is best for everybody.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — The new year indicates a great deal of improvement concerning your financial interests, but, of course, you must be alert in order to take advantage of these winds of change.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Even if your desires are of a material nature, you must first focus on the human relationships involved. This might entail taking a circuitous route to get what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — There are still plenty of opportunities to break through certain avenues that you have either missed or ignored. Check out every possibility that comes your way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Because your chart indicates that you will be quite popular with members of the opposite gender, this could turn out to be a rather extraordinary day for you. Make the most of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If you are in need of a special favor, your chances of getting it are pretty good, but you must first ask for help. People can't read minds, so don't expect them to automatically know your needs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — News you've been anxiously awaiting is on its way, and it's likely to be good. If you have to go out, check all your sources of incoming info as often

as you can.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2013

What you've learned from experience can be effectively used to your advantage in the year ahead, if you're brave and canny. Knowledge has much power, as you'll be able to prove.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Should you find yourself involved in an incident where you're tempted to respond to pettiness with the same, do your best to rise above temptation and instead act responsibly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — By sizing up business situations realistically, you'll quickly discover that you don't have to bargain from weakness. Don't give the other party an edge that isn't there.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — A pleasant surprise might be in store, when you discover that someone whom you thought unaware of your existence instead has some very nice things to say about you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Appearances won't matter so much at present, but a good performance will really count. You'll have little to fear if your efforts and industry live up to your promises.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — If a wily antagonist tries to pull something cute over you in front of your friends today, let this person know immediately that you're onto what s/he is trying to do.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Opportunities could be lurking in unexpected places. Don't hesitate for one minute to transform something questionable into what you always knew it could be.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Speak up and say what you believe needs to be said, and not just what you think others want to hear. Sincerity serves a constructive purpose, while evasion causes problems.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — An adversary who usually succeeds using shifty tactics will be no match for you. You'll be ready for this person's guile and will easily circumvent his or her schemes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Arousing the spirit of cooperation in others is something you do best when you're fully engaged. Don't hesitate to go after the support of some enthusiastic allies if you need it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — When you are motivated by unselfishness, any arrangement you take on is likely to turn out a success. This is because you gain strength from giving and not taking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You are able to easily adapt to unfamiliar people or groups. Anyone who lacks your talent will be eyeing you with envy for your skill.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Allowing yourself to be intimidated by uncertainties or challenges will only cause more problems, especially where your work or career is concerned. Stay strong.

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Flooding can cause tremendous damages

Dear Tom and Ray: Can you help my sister's family? They were victims of Hurricane Sandy this fall, and although their cars are running, they did get saltwater up to the electrical system in both vehicles. Their mechanic said the cars are totaled, and there's nothing to be done. Is he correct, or can you help? BIG thanks! – Sue

TOM: If what you mean by "up to the electrical system" is up to the fuse box at the top of the engine compartment, he probably IS correct.

RAY: Water can do a tremendous amount of damage to a car. It can wreak havoc on computers and safety and electrical systems. It can lead to early corrosion and rust inside the engine and among the relays and wiring under the dashboard. It can result in a mold odor so vicious that even my brother would notice it.

TOM: Possibly. **RAY:** That's why insurance companies often total flooded cars. Replacing all of the waterlogged parts simply costs more than replacing the whole vehicle.

TOM: We wrote an article about dealing with, and avoiding, flooded cars after the hurricane. You can read it at our website, www.cartalk.com.

RAY: Your relatives should call their insurance company and report the incident right away. You want the adjuster to come out and look at the cars while the fish are still swimming in them. If he agrees that the cars are not worth repairing, he'll declare them totaled and offer a settlement. Like \$14.

TOM: But they can refuse that and negotiate what they think are reasonable values for the cars after researching

CAR TALK



TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

the prices of similar cars on used-car shopping sites.

RAY: If they don't have comprehensive insurance, then I suppose they can keep driving the cars for now, as long as the cars' basic mechanical components and safety systems are working. But at some point, they're going to be driven out of the cars by an endless series of electrical failures and the smell. So buy them a crate of Lysol Citrus Meadows Scent and wish them luck for us.

Will driveway scraping scrap Prius-buying plan?

Dear Tom and Ray: I have a wonderful car, a '97 Saturn that gets great mileage and has been reliable all this time. But it's beginning to signal me that it's time for a replacement. I'd like to get a Toyota Prius, but my curb cut is just steep enough that everyone I know who drives a Prius scrapes when they turn into my driveway. So, my questions are: (1) Would frequent scraping on the front of the car damage it? And (2) if the scraping would cause damage, can I have the car raised a couple of inches somehow so it doesn't contact the sidewalk every time I

drive in and out? This probably sounds pretty stupid, but I really don't know anything about car bodies, so I'd appreciate your advice. Thanks! – Peter

TOM: Frequent scraping certainly can cause damage, Peter.

RAY: It really depends on what's being scraped. Lots of cars have a plastic wind deflector under the front bumper to improve mileage. If that's all you're scraping, it would be of no mechanical consequence – until it fell off. And even then, it still might not be of much consequence.

TOM: But if you were scraping, say, the oil pan, that could cause problems. Then you could tear it open one day as you were backing out of the driveway, lose all of your oil, seize the engine and then have to go out and buy yourself a cheap replacement car, like a used '97 Saturn.

RAY: So this requires some specific investigation, Peter. Explain to your Toyota dealer that when you test-drive the new Prius, the route is going to have to include a trip up your driveway.

TOM: When you turn into your driveway (go very slowly), if you hear a scrape, you then can get out and watch and try to determine what's scraping.

RAY: The Prius is designed with mileage in mind, so my guess is that what's scraping probably is some plastic shielding that improves airflow underneath the car. But since this car starts out low to the ground for aerodynamic purposes, you also could be risking a more important component. So my advice would be: If it scrapes, look for a different car.

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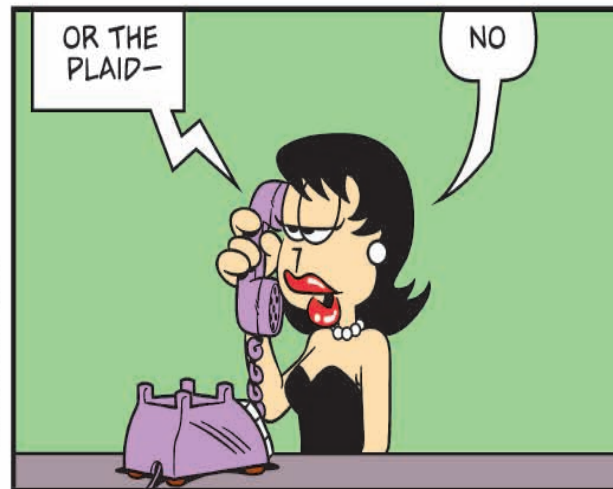
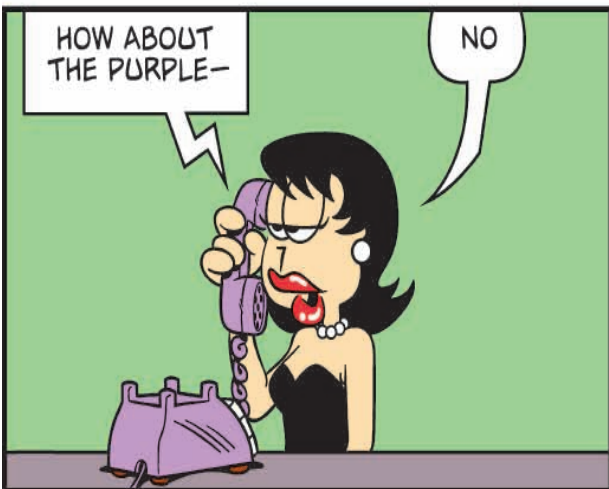
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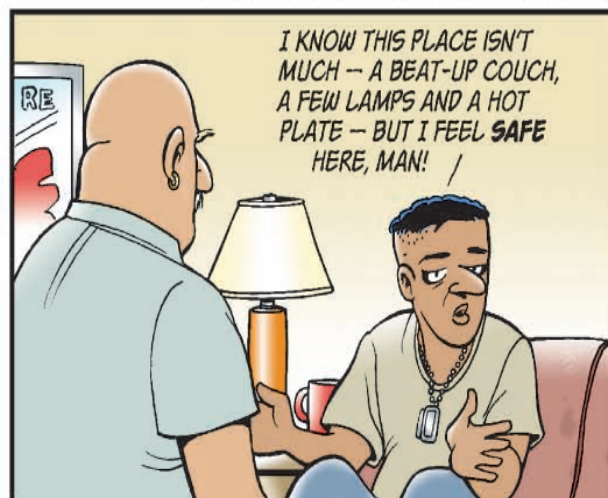
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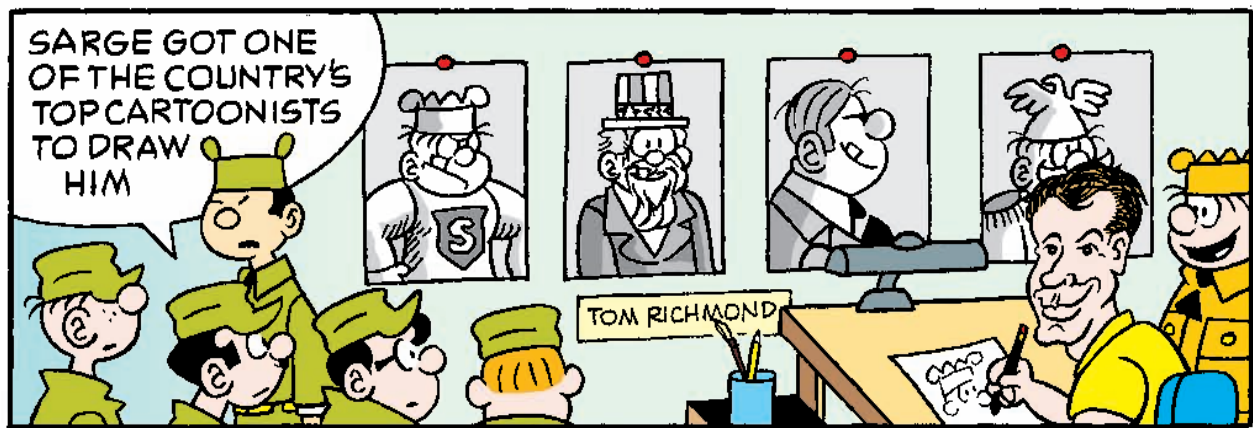
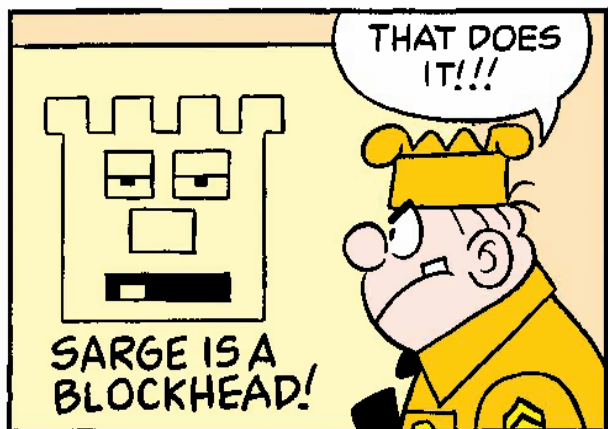
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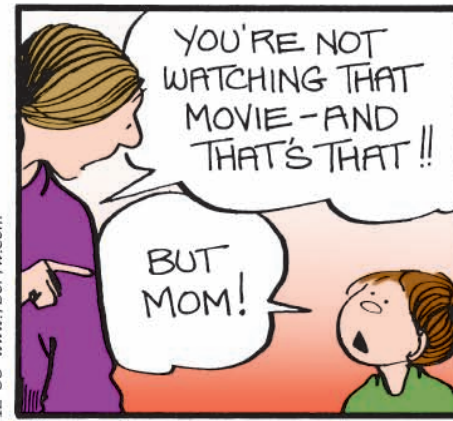
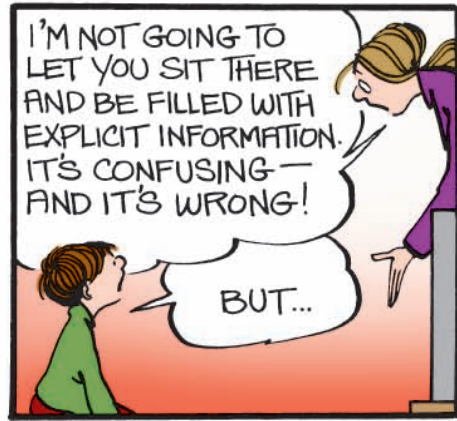
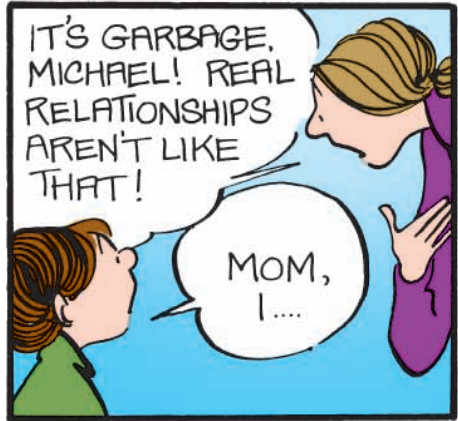
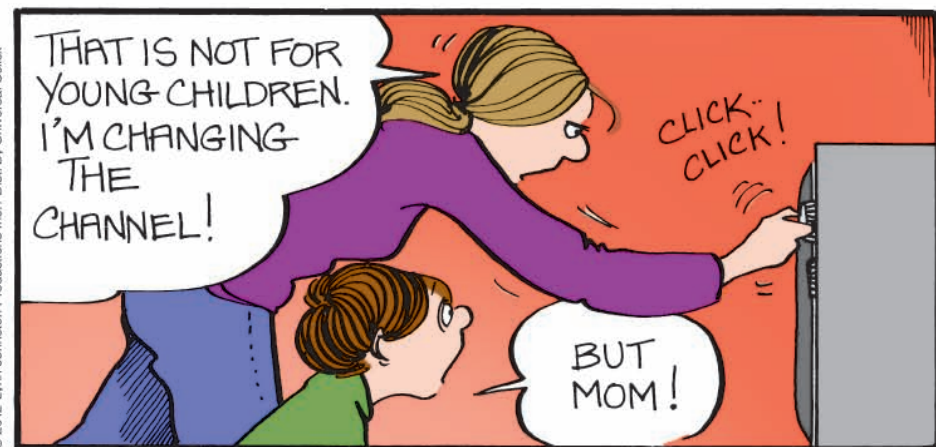
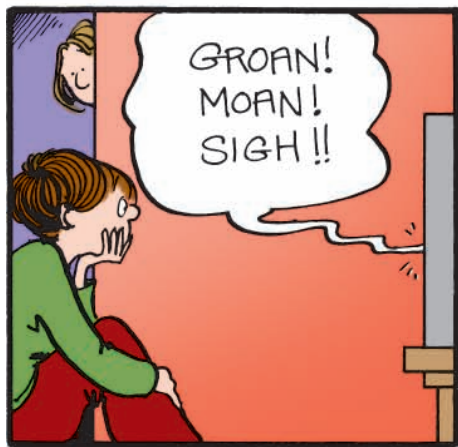
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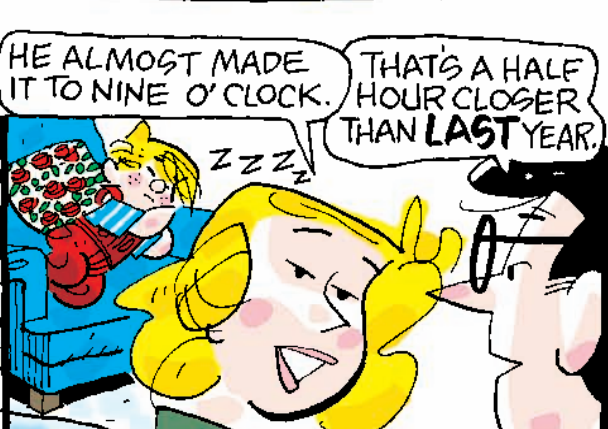
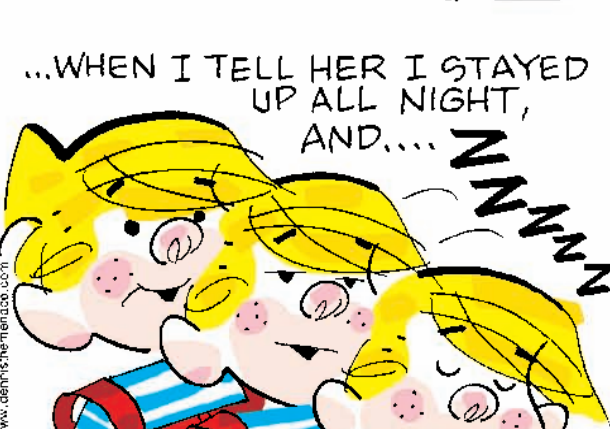
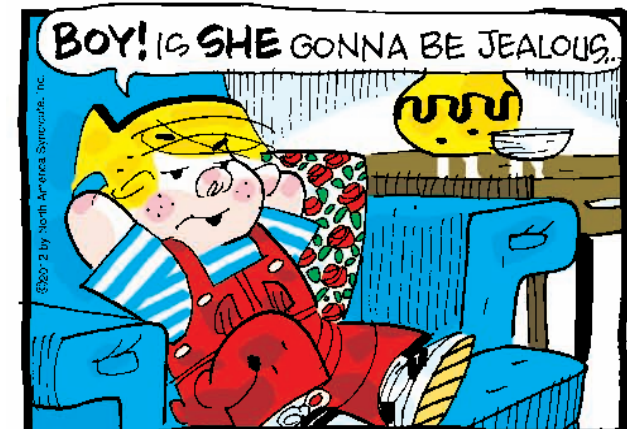
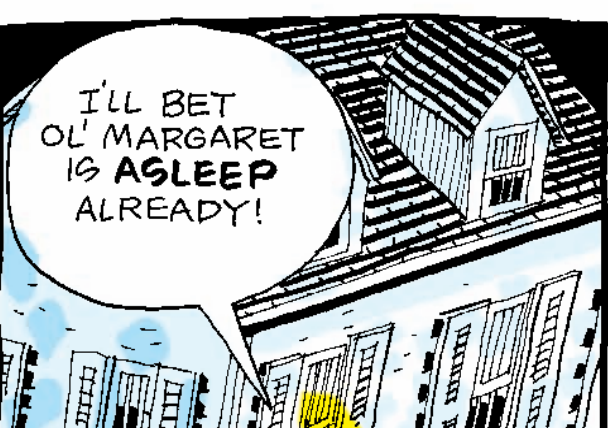
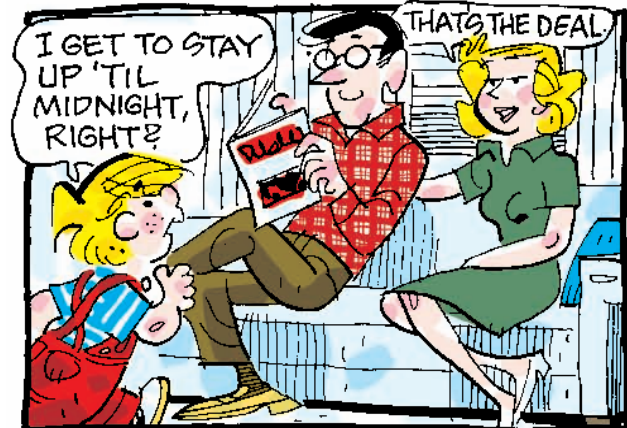
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Thursday Evening January 3, 2013. Grid of TV shows from 7:00 to 11:30 PM across various channels like KEZI ABC, KCBY CBS, etc.

Critic's Choice

Saturday 8 p.m. on KEZI: Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire. Sunday 9 p.m. on KCBY: The Good Wife.



Monday 8 p.m. on KEZI

New Year's Rockin' Eve Celebrates Dick Clark: The show must go on, even if the man who put his name on it four decades ago is gone.

ries, in which elderly folks play pranks on the younger generation, opens with this installment in which a gentleman has a strong reaction to a street musician, a patient in an ambulance attempts to escape, a supermarket shopper steals items from other people's carts, a man on a mall bench has an attack of gas, and another falls asleep riding an electric scooter.

Thursday 10:01 p.m. on KCBY: Elementary: Sherlock and Joan (Jonny Lee Miller, Lucy Liu) investigate the death of a luxury hotel's general manager whose body is found inside a machine in the facility's laundry.

Friday 10 p.m. on KCBY: Blue Bloods: Danny (Donnie Wahlberg) struggles to hold it together after his son Sean (Andrew Terraciano) is severely injured in a bicycle accident.

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Monday Evening December 31, 2012

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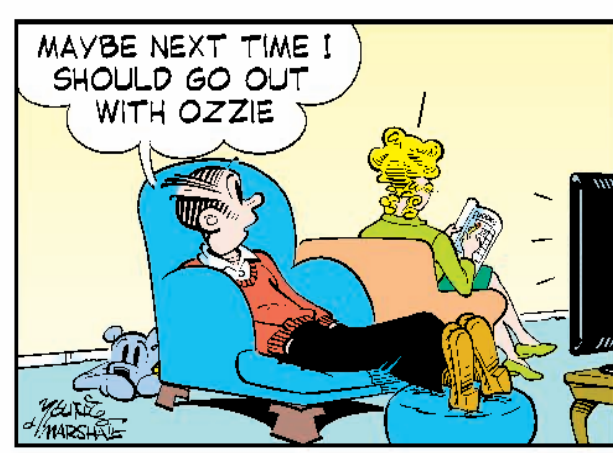
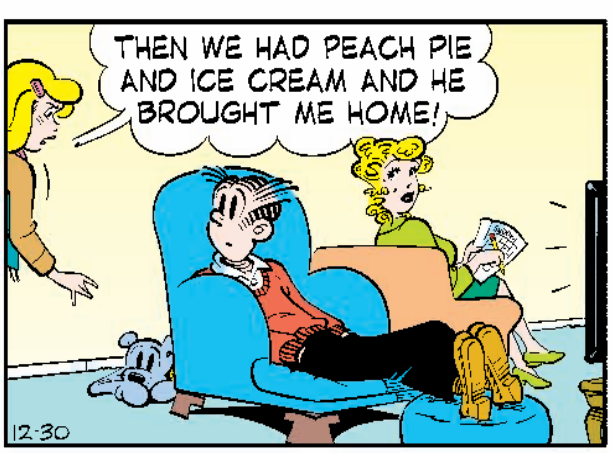
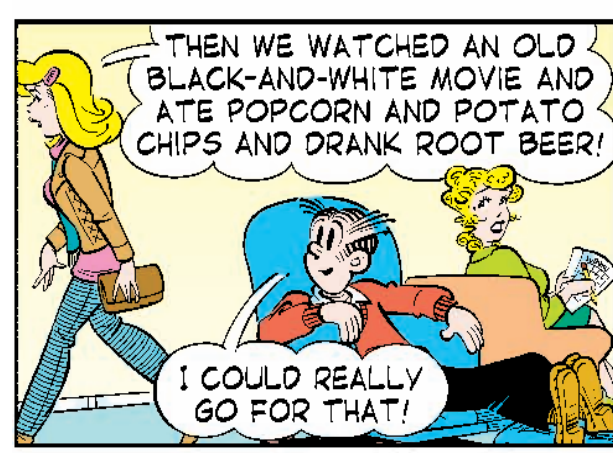
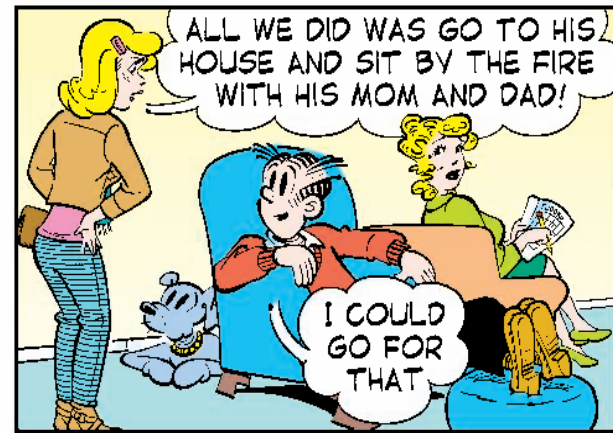
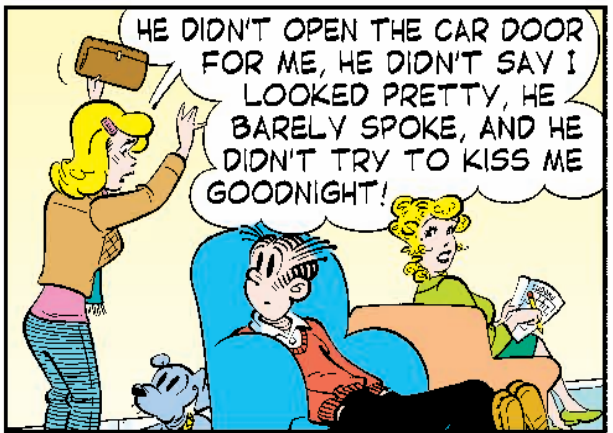
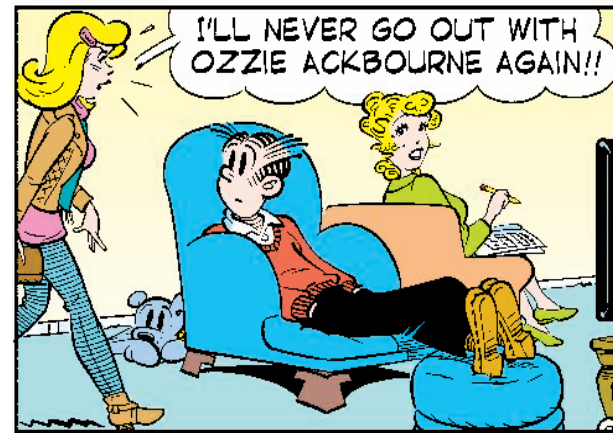
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Friday Evening January 4, 2013

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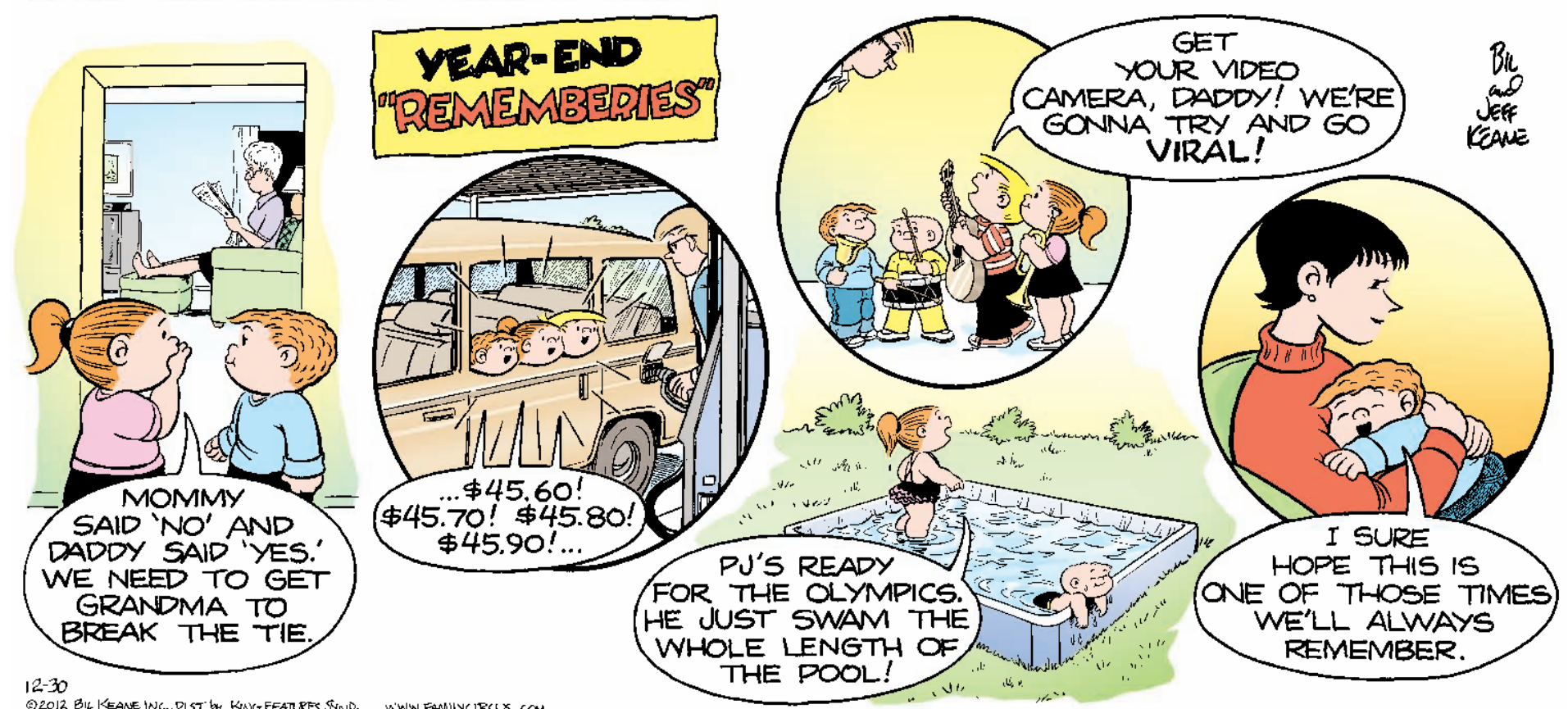
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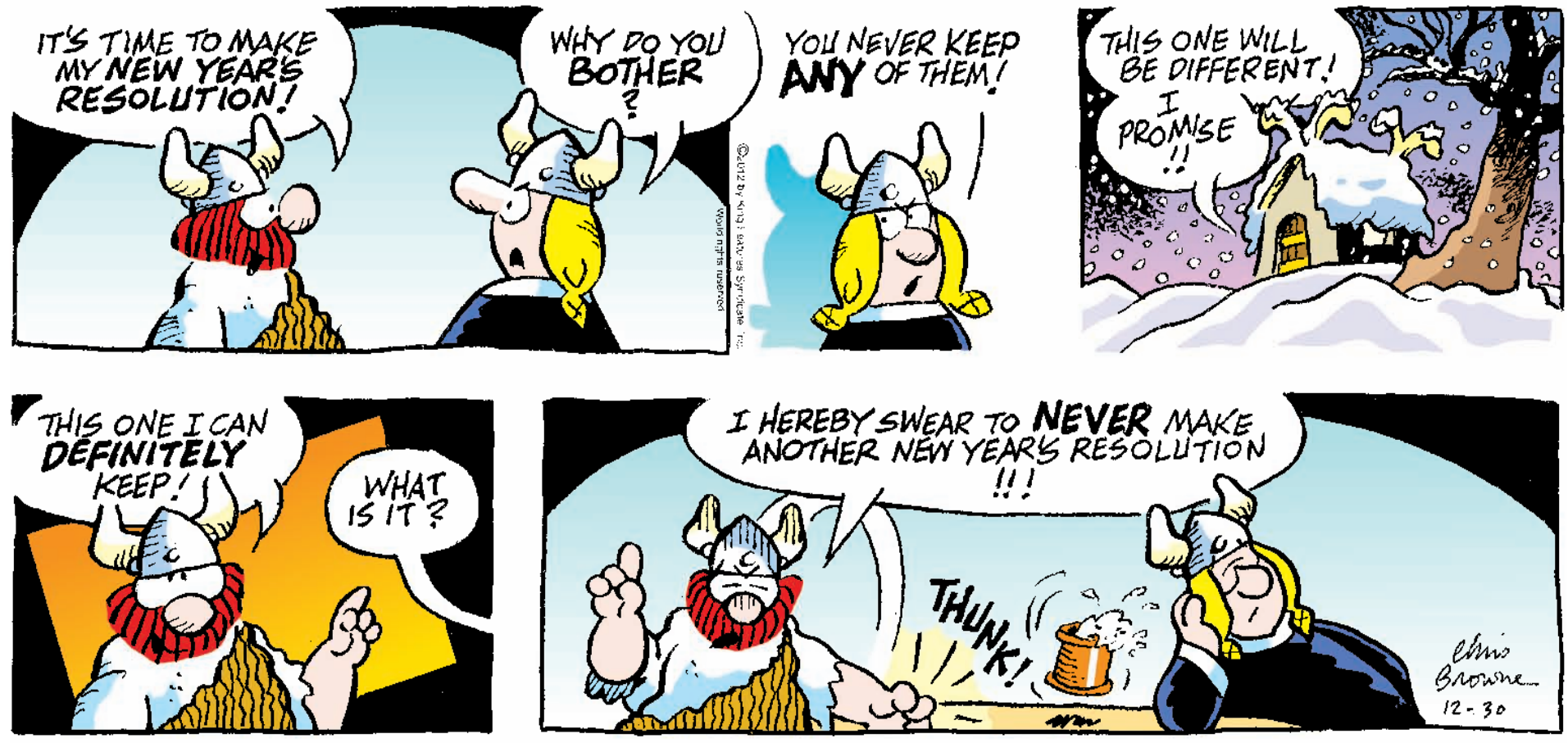
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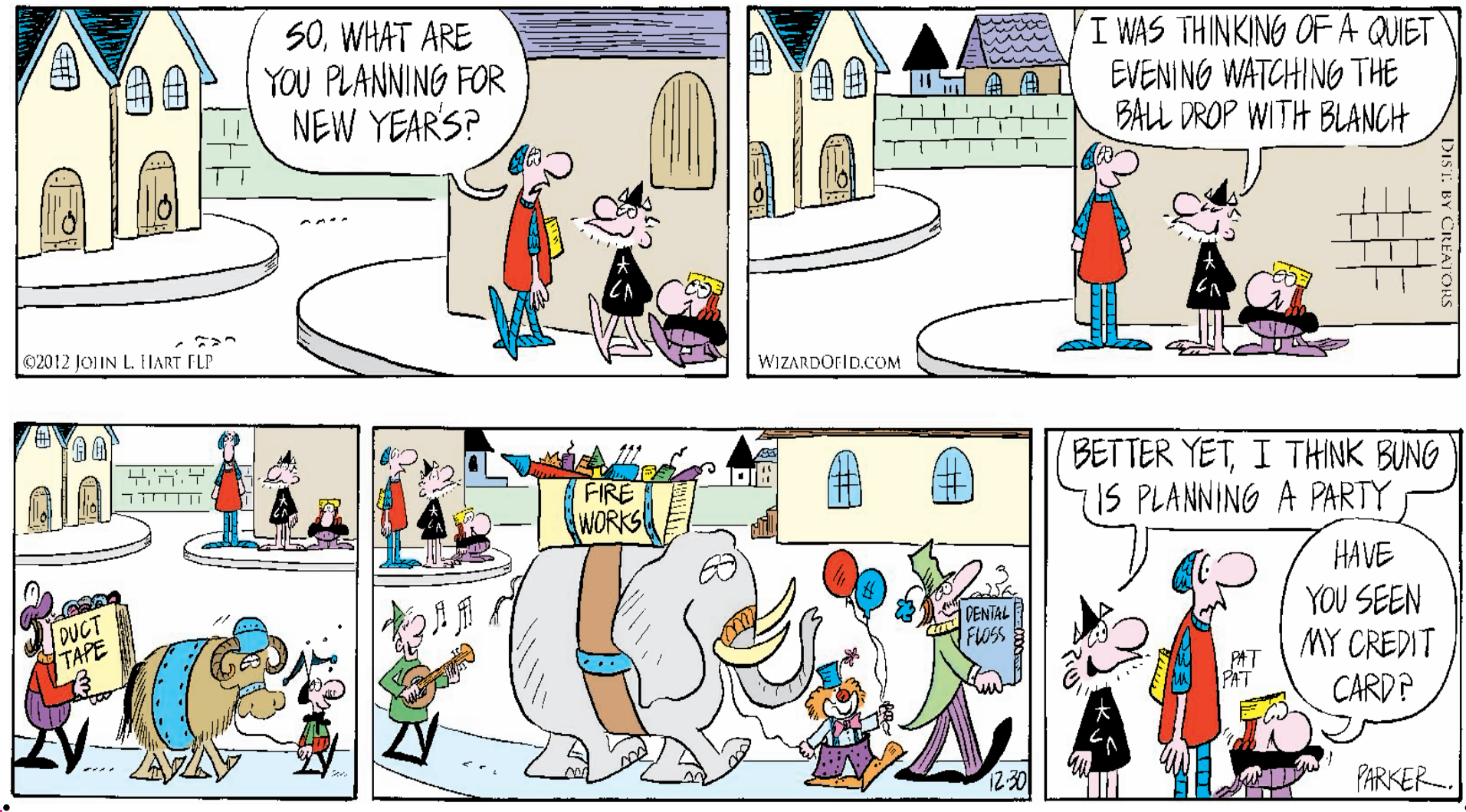
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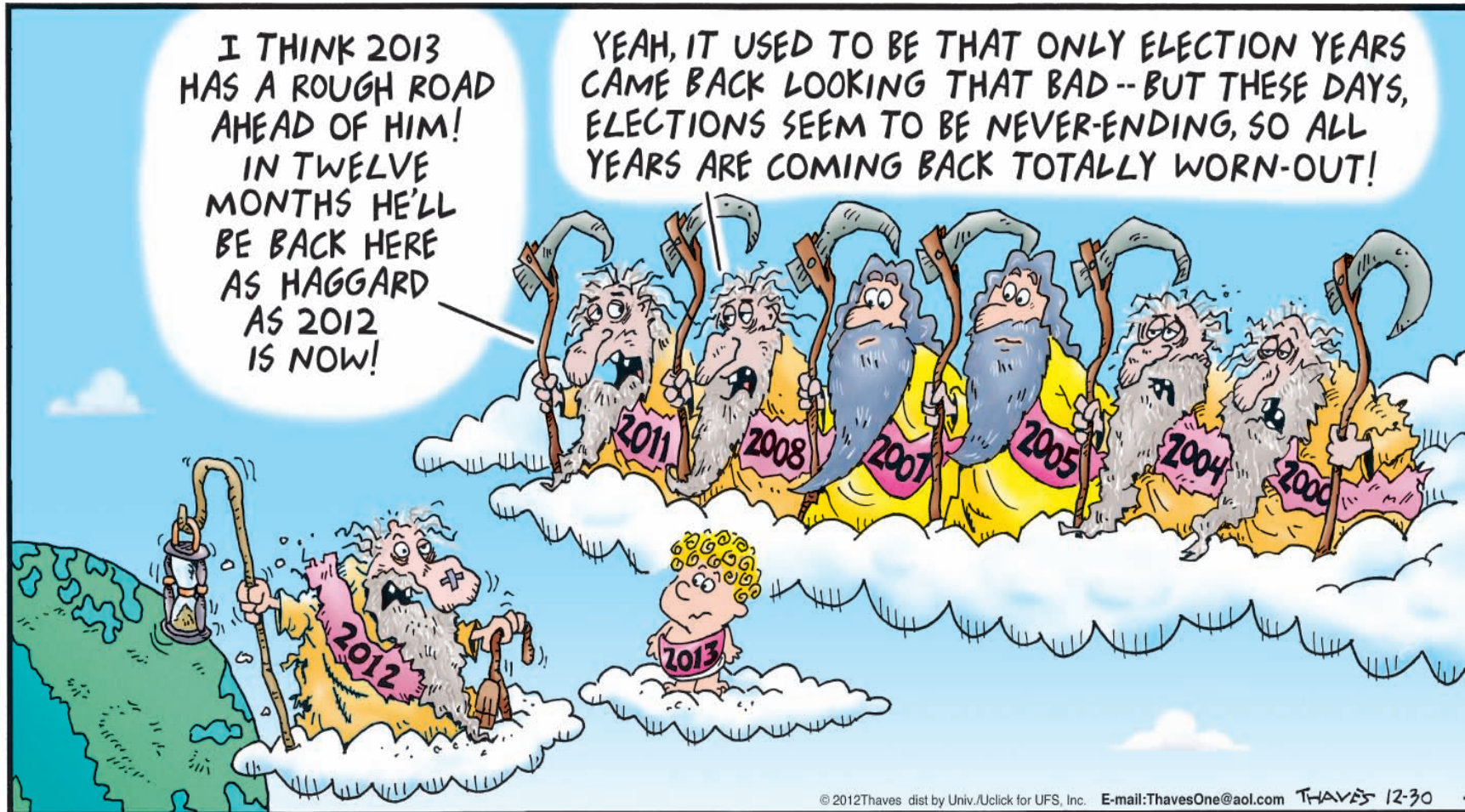


WIZARD OF ID

BY PARKER & HART



FRANK AND ERNEST



ZITS

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN



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BORN LOSER

BY ART & CHIP SANSOM

