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Want to help your community?

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very year, we make the case on this page for our readers to shop locally. That's always an important message, and this year is no exception.

As we head into the holidays this year, our local retailers face tremendous uncertainty about the direction of the economy, as well as the continuing pressure from big box stores and the giant online retailers.

The decisions we all make on how and where to spend our holiday dollars will determine the futures of many of our community-minded local businesspeople. With that in mind, we urge everyone to make their purchases with the interests of their community in mind.

Before heading to a Walmart or Target, or clicking on Amazon this holiday season, take a few moments to think about how your local retailers can meet your needs. They often provide something that's unique, as opposed to the mass merchandizing of the big retailers.

And many locally-owned retailers in our region have excellent websites, which can make your shopping experience easy and fun. You can shop locally and shop online at the same time.

Before you purchase from one of the big online retailers, ask yourself how much they contribute to your community. Do they build new stores that provide construction jobs for your neighbors? Do they maintain facilities that pay property taxes in your community? Do they hire local residents,

providing wages that circulate in your town? Do they contribute to your hometown sports teams or other local fundraising efforts?

If the answer to these questions is no, then why would you send your dollars to a company that doesn't return the favor?

For those who still enjoy shopping in-store, our smaller, locally-owned retailers are always your best bet. In many cases, the owners or employees there are friends and neighbors and they're going to go out of their way to make your shopping experience a good one. In many cases, they'll be happy to special order just the right gift for that special someone.

More importantly, the dollars we spend at our locally-owned shops make a difference in our communities. Main Streets struggle as retail dollars that used to be spent in locally-owned shops, restaurants, and other businesses are increasingly ending up in the pockets of huge chain or online retailers. While big box retailers do at least provide a few jobs locally, they don't pro-

vide the same community impact as retailers with local ownership. What's more, numerous studies have shown that these big chain retailers often displace as many jobs as they create. They also bring with them new demands on community infrastructure and a variety of other public services, that local property owners must pay for.

Big chain retailers don't spend much in the local economy. When they build a new store, they don't employ local architects or planners, since each store is essentially a clone of all the others. They use national suppliers for the building materials they use in construction and for the products they eventually sell. They don't use the local ad agency, or the insurance broker on Main Street. They don't use a local accountant and they rarely advertise in local newspapers.

Locally-owned businesses do all of these things, and because they do, the money you spend with a local merchant works its way throughout the area economy, creating a "multiplier effect"

that benefits all of us.

When we shop online or at big chain retailers, we also contribute to the loss of local identity. The big box stores and big chain restaurants all look and feel the same wherever you travel. It's local businesses that provide our communities with their unique flavor.

All of which makes our point. Our locally-owned small businesses contribute to the character and the economic vitality and diversity of our communities and our local economy. They absolutely deserve our support.

In the past, we've highlighted that point by stressing special events, like Small Business Saturday, set this year for Nov. 26. While it's good to focus on our small, locally-owned businesses on a special day, we'd like to encourage everyone to make a commitment to an entire holiday season focused on small business. They make a difference and we can, too, when we spend our money where it matters!





Special area events this holiday season

Details for many of our area's traditional holiday events were not finalized by our press time, so please check the Timberjay for the most up-to-date information.

ELY- Thursday, Nov. 24 - Festival of Trees sponsored by Northwoods Partners. Bidding for trees and wreaths opens at 5 p.m. at Grand Ely Lodge. Holiday Boutique, tree displays, Memorial Tree, and silent auction run through noon on Sunday, Dec. 4.

COOK- Thursday, Nov. 24 -Community Thanksgiving Meal, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., St. Mary's Church Social Hall.

ELY- Thursday, Nov. 24 - Join the Ely Folk School on Thanksgiving for a community potluck from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. This annual tradition is a great way to celebrate the community-centric day, even if you do not have holiday traditions in Ely yet. Perhaps this will be your new tradition! Bring something to share, though it is not required. 209 E Sheridan St.

ELY- Thursday, Nov. 24 - Shine Bright Ely! Ely businesses are busy decorating their storefronts and windows for our 3rd annual Shine Bright Ely holiday lights event starting on Thanksgiving evening and running through the end of December. Visit participating businesses and enjoy their holiday decorations. Maps available at the Ely Chamber of Commerce.

ELY- Friday, Nov. 25-27 - Small Town Christmas - shop local and small business all day Friday thru Sunday.

ORR- Friday, Nov. 25 - Wendyl's Wonderland, at the Orr Center old cafeteria, located at 10960 Hwy. 23. A walk thru a life-size children's book about thinking and caring for others when needed most. A gift shop accompanies the wonderland with a festival of trees to be auctioned off on Saturday, Dec. 17. Read the story before you go at www.wendylswonderland.com/about.



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Holiday Events

COOK- Friday, Dec. 2 - Virgie Hegg Hospice Partners Lights of Love Tree Lighting, City Park Gazebo, time to be announced.

ORR- Saturday, Dec. 3 - Virgie Hegg Hospice Partners Lights of Love Tree Lighting, Orr Center, time to be announced.

TOWER- Saturday, Dec. 3- Christmas Craft Show, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Tower Civic Center.

EMBARRASS- Saturday, Dec. 3 - Holiday Boutique, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., and Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11 a.m., at Timber Hall.





Holiday Events



ORR- Saturday, Dec. 3 - Orr Snow City Christmas Festival and Craft Show, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Orr Community Center. Pancake breakfast to benefit the Orr Fire Department, lunch, Santa, and parade. Visit the City of Orr Facebook page for more.

COOK- Sunday, Dec. 4 – Santa's Workshop presented by Cook Friends of the Parks, 3-6 p.m., Cook Community Center. Santa, sleigh rides with horses, pictures with Santa, food and treats, activities, and crafts to-go.

TOWER- Sunday, Dec. 4 - Virgie Hegg Hospice Partners Lights of Love Tree Lighting at the Tower Civic Center. Time to be announced.

SOUDAN- Monday, Dec. 5 – Tower-Soudan Area Singers holiday caroling, 7 p.m. Breitung Community Center.

COOK- Thursday, Dec. 8 - North Woods School Junior/Senior Holiday Band Concert 7 - 9 p.m.

EMBARRASS- Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 8-10 - Woodland Christmas at the Nelimark Homestead, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. all three days. Handcrafted and ethnic gifts, baked goods, coffee and conversation.

BABBITT- Saturday, Dec. 10 - Hayride with Santa and Mrs. Claus, 4-8 p.m., Babbitt Municipal Building. Caroling, hot dogs, cocoa. Free event, donations appreciated.

Party, 1 – 3 p.m. Grand Ely Lodge. Kids can meet Mrs. Claus and participate in various activities. More details available at Ely Chamber of Commerce, ely.org.

ELY- Saturday, Dec. 10 - Ely Folk School Holiday Party, 209 E Sheridan St., 2-5 p.m. Free outdoor community gathering - dog sled rides, bonfire, Ojibwe snow snakes (game) demonstrations, winter bowling and more. Snowshoes available courtesy of Piragis Northwoods Company. Glögg, hot cocoa and snacks provided. More info at lucy@elyfolk-school.org or 218-235-0138.

COOK- Monday, Dec. 12 - North Woods School Junior/Senior High Holiday Choir Concert, 7 - 8 p.m.

TOWER- Monday, Dec. 12 – Tower-Soudan Area Singers holiday caroling, 7 p.m. Lake Vermilion Cultural Center.

TOWER- Thursday, Dec. 15 - Tower-Soudan Elementary School Winter Music Concert, 1:30 p.m.

EVELETH- Thursday, Dec. 15 - Mesabi Community Band Presents A Holiday Concert, 7-8 p.m. Eveleth Auditorium, 413 Pierce St., Eveleth. Admission is a free will offering that will help cover band expenses.

ELY- Thursday, Dec. 15. Ely High School Holiday Band Concert at Ely High School Washington Auditorium at 7 p.m., Free will donation.

ELY- Saturday, Dec. 17 – A Hometown Holiday Concert and Caroling, 7 p.m. Vermilion Fine Arts Theater, 1900 E Camp St. Come hear local singers celebrate the most wonderful time of the year! Then you can join in and carol with us as we fill the hall of the theater with holiday spirit!

EMBARRASS- Saturday, Dec. 17 - Ice Candle Lighting at the Embarrass Cemetery. Holiday Gathering follows at Embarrass Town Hall, 4-6 p.m.

TOWER- Monday, Dec. 19 – Tower-Soudan Area Singers holiday caroling, 7 p.m. Sulu's Espresso Cafe. Chili available during performance.





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Use your imagination when it comes to Christmas decor

ecorating is one of the joys of the holiday season. Families often decorate together, and such traditions may include dressing the Christmas tree and hanging holiday lights around the house.

A day spent making homemade ornaments is another great way to decorate and spend quality time together as a family during the holiday season. Though families can let their imaginations run wild when making ornaments at home, the following are some great starting points that can serve as springboards for holiday crafting sessions.

Snowmen: The holiday season simply wouldn't be the same without snowmen. Homemade snowmen can be made out of ping pong balls, which are the ideal size when making ornaments for the Christmas tree. Those who want to go a little bigger can glue wiffle balls or large polystyrene balls together or create their own papier mâché snowmen to display on man-



tles or on console tables in a fover or hallway.

Santa Claus: Another staple of holiday decor, Santa Claus has inspired many a DIY holiday ornament over the years. A paper plate Santa Claus with a cotton ball beard glued on can make for a fun Christmas craft, especially for young children who can't wait for the big guy to appear on Christmas Eve.

Reindeer: Santa would not be able to get the job done each Christmas Eve without his trustworthy team of reindeer. Popsicle stick reindeer projects can be fun for kids of all ages and a great way for youngsters to recognize the efforts of Dasher, Dancer, Comet, Cupid, and, of course, Rudolph, among others.

Cookie cutters: Family baking sessions are a holiday tradition for millions of people. Though that often leads to batches upon batches of tasty cookies, it also means families tend to have a surplus of holiday cookie cutters around the house. Surplus

cookie cutters tend to be discarded or relegated to the miscellaneous items drawer in kitchens, but a more awe-inspiring fate can await them. A coat of paint, some glitter and a little bit of string or twine is all families need to transform their extra cookie cutters into colorful tree ornaments.

Holiday decorating sessions can be made even more fun when families take time to craft some DIY decorations together.









Another Norman Rockwell moment crashes and burns

all me old-fashioned, but I've always enjoyed the iconic images created by Norman Rockwell. From idyllic to ironic, they capture a vision of life here in America that speaks of a simpler time, that I suspect, most of us would love to have back.

Over the years, particularly in my days as the father to a young son, I tried to capture my own Rockwellian moments. They invariably went



MARSHALL HELMBERGER

awry.

Since it's that time of year, I recall another late November day, just after Thanksgiving, back when our son Max was maybe six or seven. I had been largely shirking my duties as the purveyor of Christmas in our household and I was thinking that year I would make amends by bringing Max on a tromp through the woods in search of a Christmas tree.

My wife Jodi is Jewish, a fact that has never prevented her from heading up Operation Santa in Tower, which has grown over its 30-plus years to serve well over 150 local kids every year. It's about as much Christmas as anyone can be expected to take, so "doing Christmas" at our house had always been my job. I had mostly failed at it up to that point, but I certainly had my own fond memories of the holiday growing up and figured someone had to at least try to make a go of it for Max.

Our Christmas tree adventure was



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pretty typical of my Norman Rockwell moments gone awry. Perhaps it was the addition of our dog, Lichen, to the mix. She was about a 60-pounder, mostly elkhound, and had a penchant for pulling hard on the rare occasion we ever had her on a leash. At one point, we got her a harness figuring we might be able to put her to work sometime. It mostly just sat in the closet gathering dust, but then I had the bright idea to hook the dog up to our Christmas tree and have her pull it out of the woods for us.

Lichen, as usual, was totally enthused for a traipse through the woods and obviously suspected nothing of my plan despite the fact she was suddenly wearing her harness. There were a few inches of snow on the ground, which made it pretty much perfect for dragging a

After about a half hour of wandering through our woods, we found a tree that looked pretty good. It was pretty big, more than I would have cared to drag home myself, but given that we were now using dog power, I figured we didn't need to be so discerning.

So, I cut the tree with the

buck saw I'd brought along and wrapped a rope around the trunk. Then I hooked the rope to Lichen's harness and we all turned toward home. "Come on, Lichen," I said. The dog took off, for about three feet, until the slack in the rope went taut and the dog stopped dead in its tracks. "Come on, Lichen!," I called with a bit more insistence.

The dog just stood there, looking at me as if to say, "Are you nuts?"

I pulled the tree a bit myself, mocking enthusiasm for the task. But Lichen wasn't buying it for a second. The

dog that could pull like Buck from Call of the Wild whenever it was inconvenient, was suddenly barely able to walk.

Max, who was normally loquacious, was happy to just watch in silence as Dad's big idea crashed and burned.

So, we unhooked the dog and I dragged the tree out to the road myself, which was more work than I'd bargained for. We tossed it in the back of the pickup and headed

I wish I could report that that was the end of my iqnominy, but we got home only to find that the tree was clearly too large for the space available in our small log cabin. What's more, the old Christmas tree stand, which I'd tucked away in the garage, seemed to be missing at least one critical part. That left me to trim away good portions of the tree to get it to fit, leaving it more like a Christmas bush than a tree. And the tree stand, which I managed to jury-rig after a fashion, never held the tree

My Norman Rockwell moment looked more like a scene from National Lampoon. I felt a bit like Chevy

We've done Hanukkah ever







Making Christmas Eve special for Kids

hristmas Eve is viewed differently by different people, even those who live under the same Santa-ready roof. Adults may see Christmas Eve as crunch time when they must prepare food for the next day or set up presents for their children to open in the morning. Children, on the other hand, are focused on Santa's visit and little else.

Parents naturally want to make Christmastime as special as possible for their



children, and that may involve ensuring that Christmas Eve is just as memorable as Christmas Day. The following are some ways to impart more magic into Christmas Eve celebrations.

Bake fresh cookies

Children like to leave out a plate of cookies and a glass of milk for Santa.

That makes Christmas Eve a perfect time to whip up a fresh batch of cookies. Explore different recipes to come up with a unique offering each year.

Read a Christmas story

Watching television or looking at a tablet or mobile phone before bed can be too stimulating when it's time for





children to wind down for sleep. Choose a holiday tale or tales that can be read as a Christmas Eve bedtime story. Reciting the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas ('Twas the Night Before Christmas)" is a great way to set the Christmas Eve mood.

Make a batch of 'reindeer dust'

Why should Santa's reindeer be left out when it comes to receiving treats? Reindeer dust, made from a combination of oatmeal, rice cereal, dried fruits, and glitter (if desired), is purported to attract Santa's reindeer and provide them a nibble at the same time. Plus, it's generally safe for other animals in the yard to eat.

Go caroling

Caroling may not be the norm, but some families may want to revive it. Close-knit communities can organize family-centric caroling opportunities and roam the cul-de-sacs and other pedestrian-friendly areas singing popular songs.

Christmas Eve is a great time to embrace various traditions that help to

make the season even more special.

Take a drive to see the lights

Holiday displays are increasingly popular and there are almost certainly some dramatic ones somewhere nearby, particularly if you live in town. Taking a ride around the community to check out your neighbors' displays can be an excellent way to make the long December nights special.

Open a special gift

Some families open many of their presents on Christmas Eve, which is quaranteed to make the evening a hit with the kids. But even for families who traditionally open their gifts on Christmas morning, a special gift from Mom and Dad on Christmas Eve will make it a memorable time.

Watch a Christmas show or movie

The possibilities here are endless, but remember to select a show or movie that appeals to the sensibilities of kids. "It's a Wonderful Life" may be classic, but it's not going to keep young viewers enthralled. "A Charlie Brown Christmas"

or an animated version of "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas" might be better for younger kids. For slightly older kids, it's hard to beat "Home Alone."

Add some popcorn and hot apple cider to the mix and you've got the makings of an evening sure to please kids and adults!

Read a Bible story

After all, the birth of Jesus is the reason for the season. Reading the story of his birth is a good way to help kids remember that it isn't all about the presents.





Christmas in Alaska

ome for the holidays is one of the most heart-warming phrases to many of us. At the mention of the words our minds are instantly filled with memories of our favorite people and traditions. For me, Thanksgiving is the runner-up to Christmas but the beginning of many traditions such as watching all of my favorite Christmas



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movies like Rudolph,
Holiday Inn, and Miracle on 34th Street.
Many people make
the annual trek into
the woods to harvest
a Christmas tree or
enjoy going caroling
with church groups
or friends. Let's not
leave out the joy of
eating favorite cookies and other holiday
food specialities.

For 54 years, I spent my Christmas Eve birthday and Christmas day at my parents' home in Hoyt Lakes. This tradition ended in 2012 when my widowed mother passed away and we sold the home in Hoyt Lakes.

1980 was the only other year I had not been home for the holidays, because I was living in the Goldstream Valley just north of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Everything about Christmas was different that year. I remember the reoc-



curring feelings of melancholy for those holiday weeks, being so far away from my parents, siblings and home town.

My husband at that time was working as a log home builder for Rustic Alaska Homes. We were renting one of the owner's small log cabins nearby. We had built the two-story cabin and got the roof on in the fall, just after the cranberry harvest as the temperatures were dropping in September. We wore many layers right up until the roof was on, with the rapid change of the season

pushing us to work hard and fast. The windows had to be covered with six-milometer plastic because we did not yet have glass. The cabin was heated with a barrel stove and furnished with items we found at garage sales. It had electricity but no running water and there was a stove and refrigerator, so I was living in style! I remember my kitchen with its plywood countertops that I covered in clear shelf liner very fondly. My cooking kettles and frying pans hung from a log joist above, and rough board shelves





were under the counter for storage. I sewed cotton curtains and hung them on dowels to keep the dust out. We had a sink, but it had a slop bucket underneath to catch the waste water that we had to go pour in the woods when the bucket got nearly to the point of overflowing, which happened more than once.

As the days grew darker and colder, I spent time working on Christmas gifts to mail to my family in Minnesota. I began by painting a gold pan with a scene of our rustic cabin in the woods, and I successfully mailed it to Minnesota before the oil paint was entirely dry. I had taught myself to knit with the help of random women I would question at the grocery store if I got stuck reading my directions. I found a McCall's magazine with a pattern for knitting a teatime granny doll as a gift to myself that year. Her entire body is knit and stuffed with fiber-fill and she has all knit clothing including pantaloons, an under skirt, dress, and bonnet. She has been with me since then, sitting in a rocking chair or another cozy place reminding me of hibernating during that Christmas in Alaska when the temperatures got so cold that car tires froze flat to the snowy ground and thick ice fog made travel difficult.

The long dark winter days were spent in creative pursuits. I wrote letters to my family back home that were always very detailed, telling them about the things that we were doing up north, such as the Christmas day snowshoe picnic we took out into the woods on a frozen pond. We had splurged on some hotdogs and Speas apple juice and I wore the beautiful Ice-



landic Lopi wool sweater that my mother had knit for me.

I yearned so deeply to be back in Hoyt Lakes with my brothers and

sister-in-law, going last-minute shopping and playing our favorite board games, telling silly stories and laughing, opening gifts and all the things we had always done together. I did make the best of being so far north but it was very difficult.

For my Christmas Eve birthday dinner that year we went into Fairbanks to have a wonderful pizza at the Blue Marlin Restaurant on College Road. Going out to eat at restaurants was a rare occurrence for us then. I loved that pizza because it had beer in the crust, which gave it such a great flavor, and I have never again come across pizza like that. We put up a simple Christmas tree that we cut from the woods and decorated with crochet snowflakes I made, popcorn and cranberry strings, too. I had met a woman friend nearby who was very skilled at healthy



cooking and baking her own bread, and I learned much from her including to jog and exercise. We would drive about four miles from our cabin to the University of Alaska where we could jog in the hallways and take showers, but did not go every day.

Living a more rustic life has peaceful advantages but takes more time and planning to accomplish tasks. We hauled our water from the small town of Fox, located at the other end of Goldstream Valley. You could see cars parked by the spring including our rusty, navy blue 1966 Delta 88 Oldsmobile parked next to someone's Mercedes-Benz, for example. Many people did not have wells in the Fairbanks area because the water table was so deep and they were costly to afford. So there we were, all lined up on the snowy road at Christmastime filling up our big water jugs. I never shied away from having fun





cooking and entertaining friends in our cabin despite the fact that there was no running water. It just took a long time to do the dishes and you had to make sure that slop bucket didn't overflow!

On one holiday dinner event, I set a big stump outside the front door with a lovely fabric cloth on it, and even had a guest book and pen sitting in a fancy glass cup for folks to sign with. I had my dog back then and her name was Fairbanks, just like the city. It was embarrassing to go outside and call for her, however! She added so much fun and company during the

long days of those Alaska winters. Some days Fairbanks and I would sit by the heat of the barrel stove listening to the



public radio station and the program out of North Pole, Alaska, called Trapline Chatter, where messages were sent out to

people who lived in "the bush" and did not have telephones. We didn't have a phone, so when we wanted to call somebody we would go down to the office at Rustic Alaska Homes, strategically wade through the yard of leashed, barking sled dogs, and use the phone there.

Sometimes burly loggers sat inside the dimly lit office on stumps or chairs among old equipment, stacks of newspapers, items hanging from the dark ceiling. There was a small gas stove that you could barely see amongst the clutter and it always had a pot of coffee on it. We did not have any computers or any televisions, either, so there was plenty of time to do hand projects and read, paint, play guitar, and go for walks in nature.

Living a rich life really has nothing to do with how much money you have. I wish everyone the happiest of holidays as you enjoy family, friends, and those memories and traditions.





Movies that are perfect for families

arious traditions take center stage during the holiday season. One of those traditions may be sitting down and enjoying any of a number of timeless Christmas movies or even newer holiday films that are quickly becoming favorites.

Film fans have their own ideas about the best films to watch during the holidays, but the following movies are some kids and adults can enjoy together.

"The Polar Express" (2004): A young boy enjoys a magical adventure to the North Pole aboard the Polar Express train. He learns about the true spirit of the holidays and the value of bravery and friendship along the way.

"The Muppet Christmas Carol" (1992): Charles Dickens' classic story about a bitter miser might be a little frightening for young children to enjoy in its more theatrical offerings. However, when the Muppet characters tell their



version of the classic tale, the story becomes much more family-friendly.

"A Boy Called Christmas" (2021): Based on the book by Matt Haig, this movie is a reimagined take on Father Christmas. It focuses on Nikolas as he goes on an adventure to find a magical town called Elfhelm.

"Jack Frost" (1998): When a father dies in a car accident, he comes back to life as a snowman in his son's front yard. Jack learns to keep his promises and make things right with his son — things

he wasn't capable of doing as a human.

"Christmas with the Kranks" (2004): The Kranks decide to forgo their annual Christmas party and plan a vacation since their daughter will be out of town. But when said daughter decides to come home after all, chaos sets in as the couple tries to figure out how to put together an extravaganza at the last minute.

"Beauty and the Beast: The Enchanted Christmas" (1997): The Beast does not favor the holiday season, so Belle must change his mind on the matter in this animated Disney offering.

"Elf" (2003): As a youngster, Buddy was magically transported to the North Pole and raised by Santa's elves. As an adult, he's determined to find his real dad in New York City and uncover a way to fit in.

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Gifts from your holiday kitchen: candy-making for beginners



Start a new holiday tradition with these simple recipes

rirst a disclaimer. I did not grow up celebrating Christmas, because my family is Jewish. Our solstice-time holiday was Hanukkah, the Festival of Lights, where we ate potato latkes (fried potato pancakes with sour cream and applesauce), and jelly doughnuts (sufganiyot). These holiday foods are fried in oil, to signify the miracle of the holiday where a sacred lamp burned for eight days, when there was only enough of the consecrated oil to last one. This year Hanukkah starts the evening of Dec. 18 and



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ends Dec. 26. The holiday is celebrated starting on the 25th day of the Hebrew month Kislev. Since the Hebrew calendar follows lunar months, the holiday can start as early as late November and as late as late December.

There was some baking involved also. We made cut-out sugar cookies frosted with royal icing and colored sprinkles. Plus, some family specialties like rugelach (a crescent shaped pastry with a cinnamon walnut filling) and strudel (which is similar to the local specialty of potica, but my grandmother's version was filled with rose-flavored Turkish delight candies, walnuts, and golden raisins).

My father's mother, Fannie, was born in a small village in Romania, in Eastern Europe, and immigrated to the United

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States as a teenager with one of her sisters. She lied about her age, saying she was older, because one had to be 16 to immigrate by one's self. She lived in New York City during the "jazz age," had a busy social life, designed and sewed fancy dresses, then married and moved to Connecticut, where she raised three sons. After she married, she never worked outside the home and never learned to drive. But she had the reputation of being one of the best cooks in the city they settled in.

She was an old-fashioned cook, someone who learned before there were cookbooks. She rarely used a written recipe, and as far as I remember, used an old chipped teacup and regular spoon for all her measuring. I remember spending Saturdays at her house, and the phone would ring, and it would be someone requesting a recipe, which she would recite from memory. When I was older, she would come to our house most Sundays, and we would often spend the afternoon together baking.

When we tried to get her recipes written down, it took several tries. Measuring the flour as she was pouring it into the mixing bowl, figuring out how many eggs and how many yolks, how much salt, how much sugar. But if you measured her ingredients three different times, you got three different amounts. We finally settled on averaging everything out, but never quite got her exact result. But her final product always tasted the same.

And like my grandmother, I am also known as a baker, though I can't say my reputation stretches as wide as her's did. For the holidays, I've always liked to give homemade gifts from my kitchen. Here are some of my current favorites, all relatively easy to make, and always well-appreciated. They can all be packaged up in canning jars, dressed up with a holiday ribbon.









Candied Orange Peels

This recipe is a triple winner: when you finish up, you have candied orange peels, a delicious orange-flavored sugar syrup, and fresh orange sections.

Instructions:

6 large oranges (organic if possible)- remove the peel with a knife, slicing downwards into sections, trim off some but not all of the white pith, cut the peel into 1/4"wide slices.

Put the peels into a pot of cold water, bring to a boil, boil 5 minutes, and drain. This removes most of the bitterness from the peel.

While the peels are boiling, mix 4-1/2 cups of sugar with 1-1/2 cups of water, bring to a

boil, and then lower to a simmer.

Add the peels, bring back to a boil, and then simmer gently for approx. 30-40 minutes until the peels become translucent. Do not stir, just gently whirl the pot every few minutes.

Drain the peels, saving the syrup. Be sure to fill the pot with hot, soapy water immediately after draining out the peels, so the sugar syrup residue doesn't have a chance to harden.

Place about 1/2 cup of granulated sugar in a bowl. Using tongs, place peels, about a dozen at a time, in the sugar, stirring until well coated. Place the sugared peels on a rack above a cookie sheet, and let the peels cool and dry.

Once dry, the tips of the peels can be dipped in chocolate, if desired. Use either candy-making melting chocolate, or chocolate chips melted with a little bit of vegetable oil.

The syrup can be used to sweeten drinks like lemonade or holiday cocktails. If stored too long, sugar crystals will form in the syrup, so it's best to use within a week or so.

Candied peels can be eaten or chopped into pieces and used in scones or cookies.

Store in a plastic bag.



Sweet and Spicy Roasted Nuts

Ingredients:

1/2 cup of brown sugar

4 T butter Pinch of salt

1/4 t cayenne pepper (if you don't want nuts to be slightly spicy, you can use cinnamon instead)

1-1/2 cups raw mixed nuts (do not use already roasted uts)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

In a small pan, melt butter with brown sugar and cayenne. Fold in the nuts. Spread out on the baking sheet, bake 17-22 minutes (stirring once) until the nuts look well glazed and golden. DO NOT bake too long, or sugar/butter coating will

start to burn. Stir, cool, break into clusters, and toss with granulated sugar.

Store in small glass jars.

Salted Caramel Sauce

Caramels are a holiday favorite, but take time and patience, plus all the time to wrap them up. Caramel sauce makes a great gift, doesn't require a candy thermometer, and can be drizzled on ice cream, apple pie, brownies, and more. Caramel sauce will thicken as it cools; to thin it out, just heat with a few tablespoons of heavy cream. If stored in the refrigerator, heat it for 10 seconds or so in the microwave, and place the jar in hot water to soften up the caramel.

Recipe adapted from sallysbakingaddiction.com.
Makes 2 cups.

Ingredients:

2 cups granulated/pure cane white sugar

12 T salted butter, at room temperature, cut into pieces

1 cup heavy cream, at room temperature

1-2 teaspoons salt, depending on how salty you like your caramel







It is a good idea to wear rubber gloves when adding the butter and cream, because the sugar syrup will splatter and can burn your fingers.

Instructions

Heat granulated sugar in a medium heavy-duty saucepan (avoid using nonstick) over medium heat, stirring constantly with a high heat resistant rubber

spatula or wooden spoon. Sugar will form clumps and eventually melt into a thick brown, amber-colored liquid as you continue to stir. Be careful not to burn it.

Once sugar is completely melted, immediately stir in the butter until melted and combined. Be careful in this step because the caramel will bubble rapidly when the butter is added.

If you notice the butter separating or if the sugar clumps up, remove from heat and vigorously whisk to combine it again. If you're nervous for splatter, wear kitchen gloves. Keep whisking until it comes back together, even if it takes 3-4 minutes. It will eventually—just keep whisking. Return to heat when it's combined again. (I have never had this happen, but just in case this is how to fix it.)

After the butter has melted and combined with the caramelized sugar, stir constantly as you very slowly pour in the heavy cream. The mixture will rapidly bubble when added. After all the heavy cream has been added, stop stirring and allow to boil for 1 minute. It will rise in the pan as it boils.

Remove from heat and stir in the salt. Allow to slightly cool down before pouring into small glass jars. Caramel thickens as it cools.

Cover tightly and store for up to 1 month in the refrigerator. Caramel solidifies in the refrigerator. Reheat in the microwave or on the stove to bring it to pourable consistency.

Mom's Caramels

If you want to tackle making homemade caramels, one of my favorite recipes is from the King Arthur Flour's website. You will need a candy thermometer and plan to spend about two hours in the kitchen, but this recipe makes about 10 dozen one-inch candies, enough for a lot of holiday giving.

Ingredients:

2 T + 2 t Pure Vanilla Extract
32 T (454g) unsalted butter, cold
4 cups half-and-half
2 cups light corn syrup
4 cups granulated sugar



2 cups light brown sugar, packed 2 t salt

Flaky sea salt, for topping (optional if you like salty caramels)

Butter two 8" x 8" or 10-1/2" x 6-1/2" pans. I also recommend lining the pans with parchment paper. Measure the vanilla into a small container, and set it aside for later.

Cut the butter into 1" chunks to help it melt faster. Combine the cut-up butter, half & half, corn syrup, sugars, and salt in a heavy-bottom 5- to 6-quart saucepan.

Heat the mixture over medium-low heat until everything has melted, stirring constantly. Attach a candy thermometer to the side of the pan.

Cook slowly, stirring constantly, until the mixture reaches 248°F, or until a small amount dropped in cold water forms a firm ball. As the mixture boils it will become thicker and thicker and the frothy bubbles will give way to a more blurpy bubble that resembles thick lava. This happens gradually, but you'll notice it around 230°F and higher. This is when you really have to pay attention and watch the temperature carefully, as it tends to move more quickly from 230°F up. The whole process will take about 2 hours



Remove the pan from the heat, and carefully stir in the vanilla; the mixture will bubble and boil.

Quickly pour the caramel into the prepared pans. Don't add any residue from the pot into the pans; instead, scrape it into a separate container (this still tastes great).

Wait 30 minutes, then sprinkle with coarse-flake sea salt.

Cover the candy securely, and refrigerate (or let cool at room temperature for several hours).

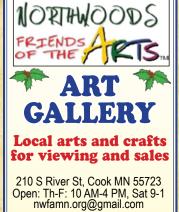
Remove the candy from the pan by loosening its edges with a knife or offset spatula, and banging the pan on a cutting

board until the slab releases from the pan. Allow the candy to warm up a bit if it's hard, or it'll shatter when you bang the pan.

Cut the caramels into squares, and wrap each piece in waxed paper; cut wax paper into 4" squares, place caramel in the center, roll and then twist the ends to secure. Store in the refrigerator for longest shelf life. Wrapped caramels can also be frozen.









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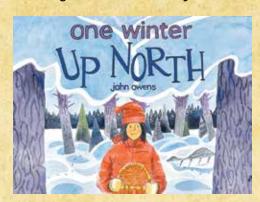


The Ski Jumpers: A Novel
by Peter Geye
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Geye from
his previous
award-winning
novels Safe
from the Sea,

The Lighthouse Road, Wintering, and Northernmost. Peter's fifth novel is The Ski Jumpers, which centers on a former competitive ski jumper, Jon Bargaard, now in his 60s and trying to write a book about his life and his fractured family history. Brothers Jon and Anton Bargaard used to be ski jumpers, back when they were

boys and their innocence intact. But circumstances change, and few so dramatically as theirs. Fueled by family secrets and bitter recrimination, they've spent their adult lives estranged from each other. When they reconnect in the Minneapolis neighborhood of their childhood the night of their father's wake, what begins in distrust evolves into an evening of forgiveness and reconciliation.

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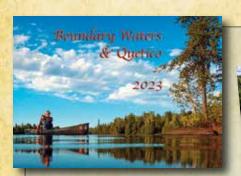
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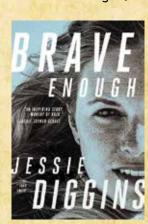


state park system. Olympic gold-medalist and cross-country skier Jessie Diggins had this to say about the book: "Ryan Rodgers captures the essence of cross-country skiing in the Midwest, from its earliest days of making wooden skis to the snowmaking loops and large races of today. Learning the rich history of the sport I love so much brings an even greater appreciation to skiing and all the amazing individuals who have collectively changed the sport over the years. The detail and character of the photos woven into Rodgers's storytelling bring this amazing history to life."

And speaking of Jessie Diggins, for the uber fan

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For those who love inspiring stories of adventure and determination (in the bleak and beautiful bone-chilling cold of Antarctica)

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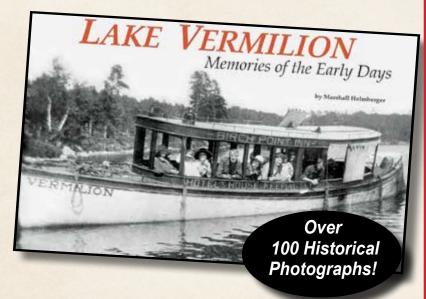
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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to holiday symbols.

Each number corresponds to a letter.

(Hint: 19 = A)

A. 17 8 19 6 5 17 14

Clue: Fancy cup

B. 4 14 25 7 12 19 8

Clue: Candelabrum

C. 23 3 19 12

Clue: Luminous in the sky

D. 10 5 1 3 23

Clue: Tokens of appreciation

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to holiday travel.

Each number corresponds to a letter.

(Hint: 1 = I)

A. 13 1 11 13 23 3 19

Clue: Type of road

B. 6 3 26 3 17 1 9 24

Clue: Trip or break

C. 6 1 5 1 17

D.

Clue: Going somewhere for a time

D. 3 1 16 20 9 16 17

Clue: Plane hub



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A story comes to life...

Orr Center producing an immersive storytelling experience now through Dec. 23

ave you ever read a children's story book so good that you wished you could just walk around in it? If so, then a trip to Orr during the upcoming holiday season may be well worth putting on your activity list.

Beginning Friday, Nov. 25, the Orr Center will be welcoming visitors to step into "Wendyl's Wonderland," a fanciful and heartwarming winter tale of thinking about the needs of others and gratefulness, with characters

based on some of the many wonderful volunteers who have served at the Orr Center over the years.



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The life-sized exhibit will introduce visitors to the little community of Orrville and a shy, gentle furry white monster named Wendyl who lives in the woods nearby. Follow along with the blueberry-loving Wendyl as he embarks on a quest to find something to help his little animal friends stay warm during the cold, cold winter.

The story, written by past Orr Center volunteer Jamie Herzmann, is for the time being just that, a story, one awaiting a willing illustrator to fully bring it to life, so Orr Center Director

Paige Bisbee is being creative about how the setting people will explore is being developed.

"It's going to be in the cafeteria, sometimes called the little gym, and it's going to be a woodland with lots and lots of live trees and artificial ones," Bisbee said.

While Wendyl will likely be there along with some taxidermy representations of his animal friends, much of the story will be left to discover through little clues and hints Bisbee is creating that visitors will search for.

"It's not a live action play concept, it's more of a museum concept," Bisbee said. "It's going to be really fun, just little tidbits that people can seek and find."

Wendyl's Wonderland will be accompanied by a gift shop featuring local artisan goods for holiday shoppers looking for something creative and unique as a gift item or just to have for themselves.

"It's a little bit different concept than other (one-day) craft shows, being that we have 13 nights that we're going



to be here, so it's a lot more flexible for people to fit into their schedule," Bisbee said.

Other parts of the multifaceted Orr Center, which includes a multiroom thrift store, a community library, an art gallery, the Orr Lions Club medical loan closet, and a food pantry, may also be open for Wendyl's Wonderland visitors to explore, depending on the availability of volunteers, Bisbee said.

"I need three or four volunteers just to be able to keep all the spaces that we have open," Bisbee said.

There will also be a festival of trees donated by area businesses that will be auctioned off on Saturday, Dec. 17.

The event is a fundraiser for the Orr Center, located in the former Orr school, and the proceeds will go toward various building operating expenses.

"This is a big building, an old building, and to save a building for community use is expensive," Bisbee said. "We want to foster a sense of loyalty and ownership with this building. You need a community building like this. You never know what's going to happen in this life, and there are plenty of times when you find yourself needing a helping hand. So this is important for our community, and community is really flexible. It's not just those who share our zip code."

Wendyl's Wonderland will be open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 5-9 p.m. beginning Friday, Nov. 25 and ending Friday, Dec. 23. The Orr Center is located at 10960 Hwy. 23 in Orr. For more information about Wendyl's Wonderland, including reading the complete story, visit www. wendylswonderland.com.

Answers:

Top row: Picture 2, Missing snowflakes
Middle row: Picture 4, Missing eyebrows
Bottom row: Picture 9, Maple leaf blue
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he relatively obscure American literary periodical Scribner's Monthly was published for just 11 years between 1870 and 1881, but one could argue that its legacy lives on, most notably during the holiday season. That's because the popular holiday song "In the Bleak Midwinter" can be traced to a request by the periodical's editors, who asked for a Christmas poem submission. That request was answered by English poet Christina Rossetti. Rossetti's poem is now performed as the popular Christmas carol.

In the Bleak Midwinter

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter
Long ago.

Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him Nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away When He comes to reign: In the bleak mid-winter A stable-place sufficed The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim Worship night and day, A breastful of milk And a mangerful of hay; Enough for Him, whom angels Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
Which adore.

Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim
Thronged the air,
But only His mother
In her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the Beloved
With a kiss.

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man
I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.











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