ESSEX JCT. TODAY
38°
Low 32° · Gray, a stray flake
Saturday: snow showers, 39°

The Morning Courier

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DOW 52,297 ▼−0.4% · **S&P 500** 7,592 ▼−0.4% · **NVDA** $166.19 ▼−4.3% · **PLTR** $171.58 ▼−0.5% · **MSFT** $523.00 ▲+0.4% · **GAS** $3.91

NVIDIA · A FOUNDER STEPS DOWN

Jensen Huang Resigns as Nvidia CEO

CFO Colette Kress takes over for now; the stock plunges 13%, then pares its loss to 4%.

THE NVIDIA NUMBERS

33 yrs	Huang at the helm
$166.19	Close, −4.3%
−13%	At Thursday's open
Nov. 17	Earnings day

BY THE COURIER MARKETS DESK · SOURCES: NVIDIA SEC FILING, YAHOO FINANCE, CBS NEWS, BENZINGA

Jensen Huang, who co-founded Nvidia in 1993 and built it into the world's most valuable chipmaker, resigned Thursday as president, CEO and board member, effective immediately, the company said in a filing. The board "accepted the resignation" and gave no reason.

Chief financial officer Colette Kress, 59, is interim CEO and stays CFO. Director Harvey Jones, 73, becomes the board's first chairman. The board will search inside and outside the company for a permanent chief.

The board had opened an investigation of Huang's conduct Nov. 8 after he admitted an extramarital relationship. "The Board and the company thank Jensen for his immeasurable contributions," the company said. Kress pledged to build "on the extraordinary foundation Jensen created over the last 33 years."

The stock fell about 13% at the open, then recovered to close down 4.3% at $166.19. "What seemed impossible a week ago is now a reality," analyst Dan Ives said. Nvidia reports earnings Tuesday. Markets, Page 2.

ESSEX JUNCTION FORECAST

33°
Low tonight: 32°

Gray and chilly, high near 38°, maybe a stray flake. Snow showers Saturday.

RAIN TODAY 0% | SNOW TODAY 15%
Saturday: 45% chance of snow showers

THE WEEK AHEAD

SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
39°	42°	45°	53°
R 0% S 45%	R 20% S 0%	R 15% S 0%	R 0% S 0%

R = rain, S = snow chance. Forecast data, Friday a.m.

FORECASTER'S NOTE

We called 42° Thursday; Burlington reached 43°. Four straight wins — Beat the Forecaster leads, 7–5.

KANSAS · A GOVERNOR CALLED

Holscher Wins Kansas

BY THE COURIER NATION DESK · SOURCES: AP, KCTV5, AXIOS KANSAS CITY

The AP called the Kansas governor's race for Democrat Cindy Holscher Thursday evening. As of 7:37 p.m. ET, she had 552,076 votes to 544,791 for Republican Ty Masterson, with an estimated 98% counted.

Holscher will succeed term-limited Democratic Gov. Laura Kelly in January. Masterson had said he would wait for all provisional ballots before conceding. Page 2.

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WEATHER AROUND THE MAP

Friday forecasts · forecast data · "Now" = overnight

	NOW	HI	LO	RAIN	SNOW
MIDDLEBURY, VT	35°	38°	33°	0%	10%
MT. WASHINGTON, NH	25°	28°	22°	0%	10%
SNOWSHOE, WV	31°	32°	26°	0%	25%
ROSEBURG, OR	52°	53°	48°	75%	0%
E. DENNIS, MA · CAPE	46°	46°	43°	26%	0%
CHARLOTTE, NC	44°	55°	35°	15%	0%
WILMINGTON, NC	48°	63°	41°	10%	0%
ST. PETERSBURG, FL	70°	72°	56°	10%	0%
FULTON, MO	36°	43°	27°	5%	0%
HOT SPOT · MCALLEN, TX	61°	81°	59°	0%	0%



THE DEEPEST WATER · A COURIER SERIAL
New today: Chapter 36, "Every Hand in That Car." Two pages: 8 and 8A.

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MARKETS & MONEY

Huang resigns; Nvidia ends down 4% · Friday, November 13

CLOSES — THURSDAY, NOV. 12

INDEX / STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE	PCT
Dow Jones Industrials	52,297.09	−189.40	−0.36%
S&P 500	7,592.40	−26.98	−0.35%
Nasdaq Composite	25,366.09	−100.10	−0.39%
Russell 2000	2,799.06	−47.20	−1.66%
JB'S WATCHLIST			
Nvidia (NVDA)	166.19	−7.54	−4.34%
Palantir (PLTR)	171.58	−0.82	−0.48%
Microsoft (MSFT)	523.00	+1.87	+0.36%
BIG NAMES			
AMD (AMD)	585.30	+32.40	+5.86%

Via AP, CappNotes, Benzinga, Fox Business, StockTitan. *Written with help from Claude, made by Anthropic.

RATES · ENERGY · METALS

10-yr Treasury +0.12	5.10%
2-yr Treasury +0.15	4.88%
Jobless claims est. 195K	200,000
Gold −2.9%	$3,885.30
WTI crude +2.6%	$88.74
Brent crude +3.3%	$95.82
Bitcoin −4%	~$71,500
Fed hike odds Dec. 9	~90%
VIX +6.9%	18.70

THE DAYS AHEAD — **FRI.** Producer prices (PPI), 8:30 · **NOV. 17** Nvidia earnings · **NOV. 18** Anthropic* IPO pricing (reported) · **DEC. 8–9** Fed meeting

PPI seen +0.4% for October, 6.6% for the year · Jobless claims rose to 200,000

StockTitan, RTTNews, CME FedWatch

WALL STREET

Nvidia Pares a 13% Plunge; Yields Jump

BY THE COURIER MARKETS DESK · SOURCES: AP, CAPPNOTES, BENZINGA, RTTNEWS, STOCKTITAN

Nvidia opened down about 13% after Jensen Huang resigned, then clawed back to close down 4.3% at $166.19 (Page 1). AMD rose 5.9% on an upgrade. The 10-year Treasury yield jumped to 5.10% as the bond market reopened, and oil rose after Houthi attacks on Saudi energy sites.

After the bell, Cisco beat forecasts with record revenue of $18.5 billion and raised its outlook; Applied Materials also topped estimates. Producer prices come out at 8:30 this morning.

STOCKS TO WATCH TODAY

On the Radar

Nvidia (NVDA) — −4.3% to $166.19 as Huang resigns; Colette Kress is interim CEO.

Palantir (PLTR) — −0.5% to $171.58.

Microsoft (MSFT) — +0.4% to $523.00, snapping a two-day slide.

AMD — +5.9% on a William Blair upgrade.

Cisco — Beat and raised after hours.

Anthropic IPO* — Orders reportedly ~6x the shares (Bloomberg).

THURSDAY'S BIGGEST MOVERS

MOB	Mobility Global	+16.10%
AMD	AMD	+5.90%
AVGO	Broadcom	+5.50%
SMCI	Super Micro	−11.30%
GPN	Global Payments	−12.00%
NBIS	Nebius	−16.80%
CTVA	Corteva	−24.30%

Best of these: Mobility Global +16.1% · Worst: Corteva −24.3%

YEAR TO DATE

Russell 2000	+12.8%
S&P 500	+10.9%
Nasdaq	+9.1%
Dow	+8.8%

Through Thursday (AP).

THE LUMBER DESK

Lowest Since July 2024

FOR THE JB WOODS DESK

Lumber futures fell 2.2% to about $488.54 per thousand board feet Thursday, the lowest since July 2024, as high mortgage rates keep homebuilding slow. (Trading Economics)

GAS PRICES · REGULAR, PER GALLON

NATIONAL	VERMONT	HIGHEST	LOWEST
$3.91	$4.17	$5.64	$3.18
U.S. average	state average	Hawaii	North Carolina

AAA, Nov. 12–13 · down 19¢ in a week; diesel $6.10

NATION & WORLD

Washington, the courts & beyond

ELECTION 2026 · WHERE IT STANDS

Kansas Called; Alaska Counts On

BY THE COURIER NATION DESK · SOURCES: AP, KCTV5, AXIOS, NBC NEWS

With Kansas called for Democrat Cindy Holscher (Page 1), Alaska is the last big race open. As of late Thursday, the AP had Democrat Mary Peltola at 49.2% and Sen. Dan Sullivan at 47.0%, with an estimated 88% counted. Overseas ballots can arrive until Nov. 18, when the final ranked-choice tally is set.

In the Senate, Chris Van Hollen of Maryland formally challenged Chuck Schumer for Democratic leader Thursday: "You need to move on to new leadership." Vermont's Bernie Sanders backs Van Hollen; Maine's Angus King backs Schumer: "Why would you fire the manager when you just won the World Series?" The vote is Dec. 1.

ELSEWHERE

Washington. A gunman killed building manager James Stewart, 46, at a Logan Circle gym and wounded four others in a dispute over mold, police said. The suspect, 55, died after a standoff. (NPR, USA Today)

Brooklyn. Searchers ended the hunt at a collapsed building; eight people died, including two children. The city stopped work at the excavation next door. (CBS New York, Newsweek)

Dublin. Envoys Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner met Putin, then Zelensky outside Dublin, as EU leaders gather there today. The planned prisoner swap still has no date. (Newsweek, Euronews)

VERMONT

Around the Green Mountain State

STATEWIDE · THE FIRST WINTRY STORM

Slick Roads Up High; Burlington Still Waits

BY THE COURIER VERMONT DESK · SOURCES: WCAX, NWS

The season's first widespread wintry storm turned Route 4 slick through Killington on Thursday afternoon, WCAX reported, and town crews were treating icy spots again early this morning. Many plow trucks weren't fully outfitted Thursday morning but were ready by evening.

Killington Resort planned to start making snow Thursday night after a warm spell that reached about 70 degrees set it back. It hosts the World Cup on Nov. 28 but hasn't set an opening day.

In the valley it was mostly a cold rain. Burlington reached 43° Thursday and still hasn't measured any snow this season — 13 days into the snow year. Reported mountain totals weren't in yet at press time.

Next up: snow showers are likely Saturday (45% in Essex Junction), then a big warm-up — 53° Tuesday and 57° Wednesday.

ESSEX · LEGISLATURE

An Essex Junction Rep. Runs for Speaker

Rep. Lori Houghton, D-Essex Junction, is one of four candidates for speaker of the Vermont House, along with Gina Galfetti, Charlie Kimbell and Kate McCann. The current speaker isn't returning. (WCAX)

ESSEX

The Pinwheel Closes Nov. 20

The Western-themed breakfast and lunch spot on Carmichael Street, open since early 2025, will close Nov. 20. "We just haven't had enough staff to manage how busy we are," the owners said. Thanksgiving catering orders are open until then. (Seven Days)

AROUND THE STATE

BURLINGTON — Last call at the Pub. Vermont Pub & Brewery closes Saturday after 38 years and asks patrons to stop taking memorabilia off the walls. (WCAX)

BURLINGTON — Parkway, five months in. Drivers say the Champlain Parkway hasn't changed much; city traffic data is due in the coming months. (WCAX)

BURLINGTON — Title day. HS football finals Saturday at Burlington High, starting at 11. (Burlington Free Press)

FOLIAGE REPORT

After the first wintry storm

Thursday: Burlington 43°; we called 42°.
Record: four straight — we lead, 7–5.
Today: gray, 38°, a stray flake.
Saturday: snow showers likely, 39°.
Killington: snowmaking under way.
Jay Peak: 31° today, below freezing.
Next week: 53° Tuesday, 57° Wednesday.
Sunset: 4:26 p.m.

THE WEEK IN VERMONT

Today Gray, 38°.
Tonight Cloudy, 32°.
Sat. Snow showers, 39°.
Sun. Cloudy, 42°.
Mon. Brighter, 45°.

Forecast data for Essex Junction; check before you go.

VERMONT BY THE NUMBERS

13 Snowless days for Burlington
5–2 Canadiens at Boston
24–21 Commanders at Giants
49 sec. Left on Daniels' TD
7–5 Beat the Forecaster

SPORTS

Montreal routs the Bruins · Commanders stun the Giants · UVM hosts Maine

CANADIENS 5, BRUINS 2 · BOSTON, THURSDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	G
MTL	2	3	0	5
BOS	0	1	1	2

MTL: Dach, Anderson, Evans, Caufield, Danault · BOS: Mittelstadt 2 (Lindholm assists)

THURSDAY NIGHT

Habs Chase Swayman

BY THE COURIER SPORTS DESK · SOURCE: SPORTRADAR

Montreal scored twice in the first and three times in the second, including breakaway goals by Jake Evans and Cole Caufield, and Jeremy Swayman was pulled. Casey Mittelstadt scored both Boston goals. The Bruins (13–5–1) fell a point behind Tampa Bay and Montreal; the Wild visit Saturday at 7. (NHL.com, ESPN)

TNF: Jayden Daniels hit Stefon Diggs for a 32-yard touchdown with 49 seconds left, and Washington beat the Giants 24–21. (AP)

NFL · WEEK 11

Week 11: Washington wins Thursday

WAS 24, NYG 21	Final
NE vs. DET	Sun. 9:30a
BUF at NYJ	Sun. 1:00
KC at ATL	Sun. 1:00
MIN at GB	Sun. 1:00
JAX at TEN	Sun. 1:00
SF at DAL	Sun. 4:25
PIT at CIN	SNF
LAC at BAL	MNF

Win probabilities via SportRadar. Times are Eastern Standard Time.

AFC EAST STANDINGS

TEAM	W-L	GB
Buffalo	7-1	—
New England	5-4	2½
NY Jets	2-7	5½
Miami	1-7	6

Via SportRadar. Sun.: Bills at Jets 1; Pats–Lions 9:30 a.m. (Munich).

NHL · BRUINS CORNER

Patriots in Munich Sunday

The Patriots (5–4) face the Lions (6–2) in Munich at 9:30 a.m. Sunday — the NFL's game in Germany. Kickoff is early, so set the coffee timer. (SportRadar)

UVM · MEN'S HOCKEY

No. 20 Catamounts Host Maine

Fri.: Maine at UVM, 7 p.m., Gutterson.

Sat.: Rematch, 5 p.m. UVM is 5–3–1; Maine 5–5.

THIS WEEKEND ON TV (ET)

NHL Wild at Bruins (Sat.), 7:00
NFL Patriots vs. Lions (Sun.), 9:30a

THE BOURBON & WINE PAGE

A devilish Friday the 13th: Devil's Cut · Casillero del Diablo · smash burgers



BOURBON OF THE WEEK

JAMES B. BEAM DISTILLING CO. · CLERMONT, KY.

Jim Beam Devil's Cut

PROOF	STATE	AGE	PRICE
90	Kentucky	Extra-aged, NAS	~$20–25

Distillers call the whiskey lost to evaporation the "angel's share." Beam named this one for the opposite: the bourbon that soaks into the barrel wood. Emptied barrels are agitated to pull it out, then it's blended back with extra-aged Jim Beam. (Jim Beam, PR Newswire)

How it tastes: deep char and smoke on the nose; a full body of oak and vanilla, with caramel and cinnamon behind it. (Jim Beam; The Bourbon Culture)

Launched in 2011 at $23.99. "The barrel is the soul of any bourbon," said Fred Noe, the seventh-generation Beam distiller. (PR Newswire)



WINE OF THE WEEK

CONCHA Y TORO · CENTRAL VALLEY, CHILE

Casillero del Diablo Cabernet

GRAPE	FROM	ABV	PRICE
Cabernet	Chile	13.5%	~$10–14

"The Devil's Cellar." As the winery tells the legend, founder Don Melchor de Concha y Toro kept his best wines behind an iron gate at Pirque, and when bottles kept vanishing, he spread word that the devil lived there. The thefts stopped. (Concha y Toro)

How it tastes: blackcurrant, plum and blackberry with cedar, tobacco and a hint of dark chocolate; dry, with firm tannins. (Natalie MacLean)

Visit: the historic cellar at Pirque, south of Santiago, still gives tours.

TODAY'S RECIPE

Made to go with a glass

Devil's Cut Smash Burgers

Serves 4 · about 40 minutes

THE BURGERS

- 1½ lb 80/20 ground chuck
- 1 tsp kosher salt, 1 tsp pepper
- 4 slices sharp cheddar
- 4 brioche buns, toasted
- 2 tbsp mayonnaise
- A sturdy spatula

BOURBON ONIONS

- 2 tbsp butter
- 2 large onions, thinly sliced
- 8 oz cremini mushrooms, sliced
- 3 tbsp bourbon
- 1 tbsp brown sugar
- 1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce

METHOD

1. Melt the butter over medium heat and cook the onions 15 minutes, until golden.

2. Add the mushrooms and brown 8 minutes. Off the heat, add the bourbon, sugar and Worcestershire; simmer 2 minutes until glossy.

3. Roll the beef into 8 loose balls. Heat a cast-iron skillet until smoking.

4. Smash each ball flat, season, cook 2 minutes, flip, top half with cheese and cook 1 minute more.

5. Spread the buns with mayo, stack two patties, pile on the onions and serve.

Courier tip: Always take the pan off the burner before pouring in bourbon — it can flare.

POUR WITH IT · BOURBON

Devil's Cut: the charred crust echoes its oak and char, and the vanilla softens the onions. (Courier pick)

POUR WITH IT · WINE

Cabernet: firm tannins and blackcurrant cut right through the beef and cheddar. (Courier pick)

THIS WEEK'S POUR

Cocktail Corner

The Kentucky Colonel. Stir 2 oz bourbon and ½ oz Bénédictine with ice. Strain over a large cube in an old-fashioned glass; finish with a lemon twist.

The story: Two ingredients and more than a century old: it first appears in Jacques Straub's 1914 "Manual of Mixed Drinks." The herbal Bénédictine plays nicely with bourbon's vanilla. (Difford's Guide)

BOURBON & WINE NEWS

Sazerac's $600 Million Bet

Buffalo Trace's parent company, Sazerac, plans more than $600 million in Kentucky projects, most of it at a Lancaster distillery it bought this year, plus a craft bottling line in Frankfort — about 250 jobs, even as the industry faces too much aging whiskey. (Bourbon Obsessed, Vinetur)

Coming up: Beaujolais Nouveau arrives Thursday, Nov. 19.

THIS WEEK'S POUR PLAN

What to sip with what's on

TONIGHT · FRIDAY THE 13TH

Smash burgers and a devilish Cab.

THURSDAY, NOV. 19

Beaujolais Nouveau Day.

THANKSGIVING, NOV. 26

Cabernet with the roast? Save it for the leftovers.

THE CELLAR & RICKHOUSE GLOSSARY

Nine wine words, nine bourbon words

Cabernet Sauvignon — the world's most-planted red grape.
Central Valley — Chile's big wine heartland.
Reserva — a label term; in Chile, a step up.
Tannin — the drying grip from skins and oak.
Blackcurrant — the classic Cabernet fruit note.
Cellar — where wine ages, cool and dark.
Vintage — the year the grapes were picked.
Body — how heavy a wine feels.
Dry — little or no sugar left.
Angel's share — whiskey lost to evaporation.
Devil's cut — whiskey soaked into the wood.
Char — the burnt inner layer of the barrel.
Extra-aged — aged longer than the standard.
NAS — no age statement on the label.
Mash bill — the recipe of grains.
Proof — twice the alcohol percentage.
Rickhouse — warehouse where barrels age.
Bénédictine — a French herbal liqueur.

THE FUNNY PAGES

JB's Morning Strip — original art by JB, fresh lines daily



Characters and artwork © JB. Today's dialogue: The Courier.

THE WEEK-AHEAD PLANNER

Monday, Nov. 9 – Sunday, Nov. 15

ON THE TUBE (ET)

Fri.–Sat. — Maine at UVM hockey.
Sat. 7:00 — Wild at Bruins.
Sun. 9:30 a.m. — Patriots at Lions (Munich).
Sun. 1:00 — Bills at Jets.
Sun. 6:00 — Mavericks at Celtics.
Mon. 7:00 — Magic at Celtics.

AROUND VERMONT

Today 8:30 — Producer prices (PPI).
Today — Mississippi certifies its count.
Today — Alaska's next vote count.
Mon. — Kansas counties finish canvass.
Tue. — Nvidia earnings.

WEATHER AT A GLANCE

Fri. — Cloudy, 38°.
Sat. — Snow showers likely, 39°.
Sun. — Cloudy, 42°.
Mon. — Brighter, 45°.
Tue. — Milder, 53°.
Wed. — Mild, 57°.

GOOD NEWS ROUNDUP

Kindness, critters & comebacks

FLORIDA

Deputies Help a Woman Home

Two Clay County deputies found a 71-year-old woman who had slept in her car for days waiting on a paycheck to get home up north. They bought her a meal, filled her tank and gave her cash for the trip. (Sunny Skyz)

FLORIDA

Dinner by Drone

When floods stranded Kaleb, a 38-year-old chimp at the Save the Chimps sanctuary near Fort Pierce, staff flew him food and blankets by drone until he could walk out on his own. (AP)

NEW YORK

An O'Keeffe in the Closet

A woman cleaning out her late aunt's East Village apartment found Georgia O'Keeffe's 1930 "Near Abiquiu, New Mexico I" under fur coats. It goes to auction Tuesday, estimated at up to $3 million. (Smithsonian)

ILLINOIS

Happy 100th, From Lowe's

Gretchen Sollo has walked the aisles of the Lowe's in Bradley most mornings for five years. Staff threw her a 100th birthday party with cake and an honorary vest. "I still can't believe it." (FOX 32)

FLORIDA

A Stroke Survivor and Her Dog

Jaterria Paterick, 24, who has survived two strokes, was reunited with her dog, Jack, after 12 days of rehab. She has since earned a barbering license. (FOX 35)

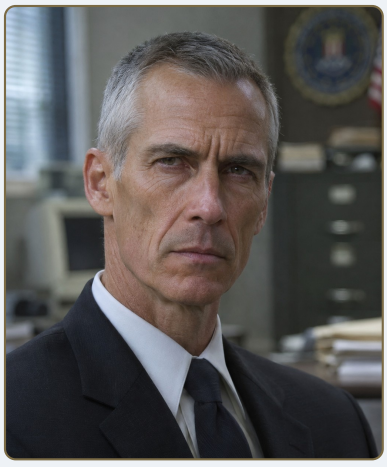
ENGLAND

100 Poets for the Homeless

Poet Andrew Mears recruited 100 North East writers for "Words on a NE Street." Sales raised £4,200 for a Newcastle charity's supported housing. (Good Good Good)

MEET THE CAST

The Deepest Water



Agent Dan Myers

FBI · Mason's boss

"Good work, Deputy."
— Chapter 32

A new face every day · catch up on Pages 9–11

SPORTS & STANDINGS

Every team in the NFL, NHL and NBA

NFL through Thursday · NHL and NBA through Thursday · via SportRadar *Highlighted: the Patriots, Bruins and Celtics*

NFL · DIVISION STANDINGS

AFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT
Buffalo	7	1	0	.875
New England	5	4	0	.556
N.Y. Jets	2	7	0	.222
Miami	1	7	0	.125

AFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT
Pittsburgh	6	2	0	.750
Cincinnati	6	2	0	.750
Cleveland	5	4	0	.556
Baltimore	4	5	0	.444

AFC SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT
Jacksonville	6	2	0	.750
Houston	3	5	0	.375
Indianapolis	2	7	0	.222
Tennessee	1	7	0	.125

AFC WEST	W	L	T	PCT
Denver	7	2	0	.778
Kansas City	6	2	0	.750
Las Vegas	4	5	0	.444
L.A. Chargers	0	8	0	.000

NFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT
N.Y. Giants	5	3	1	.611
Dallas	4	5	0	.444
Washington	3	5	1	.389
Philadelphia	2	7	0	.222

NFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT
Chicago	7	2	0	.778
Minnesota	6	2	0	.750
Detroit	6	2	0	.750
Green Bay	6	3	0	.667

NFC SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT
Carolina	3	5	0	.375
Tampa Bay	3	6	0	.333
Atlanta	3	6	0	.333
New Orleans	3	5	0	.375

NFC WEST	W	L	T	PCT
San Francisco	7	1	0	.875
Seattle	5	4	0	.556
L.A. Rams	5	4	0	.556
Arizona	3	6	0	.333

NHL · DIVISION STANDINGS

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS
Tampa Bay	19	13	4	2	28
Montreal	19	12	3	4	28
Boston	19	13	5	1	27
Ottawa	20	12	6	2	26
Florida	20	11	7	2	24
Buffalo	19	8	7	4	20
Toronto	21	8	11	2	18
Detroit	20	7	10	3	17

METROPOLITAN	GP	W	L	OT	PTS
Carolina	20	15	3	2	32
New Jersey	20	14	6	0	28
N.Y. Rangers	20	11	8	1	23
Washington	17	10	7	0	20
N.Y. Islanders	18	8	6	4	20
Pittsburgh	19	7	10	2	16
Philadelphia	21	5	10	6	16
Columbus	17	7	10	0	14

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS
Minnesota	21	14	3	4	32
Nashville	19	10	4	5	25
Colorado	20	11	6	3	25
Dallas	18	10	6	2	22
Utah	20	10	8	2	22
Winnipeg	20	9	8	3	21
St. Louis	19	9	8	2	20
Chicago	19	5	13	1	11

PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS
Edmonton	20	14	3	3	31
Vegas	20	13	5	2	28
Anaheim	19	10	8	1	21
Seattle	17	9	7	1	19
San Jose	21	8	11	2	18
Calgary	19	8	10	1	17
Los Angeles	17	5	10	2	12
Vancouver	20	3	16	1	7

Atlantic and Metropolitan: Eastern Conference · Central and Pacific: Western · PTS = 2 per win, 1 per overtime or shootout loss

NBA · DIVISION STANDINGS

ATLANTIC · EAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	10	2	.833	—
Philadelphia	10	3	.769	0.5
New York	6	5	.545	3.5
Toronto	5	7	.417	5
Brooklyn	3	8	.273	6.5

CENTRAL · EAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Detroit	8	3	.727	—
Cleveland	6	6	.500	2.5
Indiana	4	8	.333	4.5
Chicago	1	9	.100	6.5
Milwaukee	1	11	.083	7.5

SOUTHEAST · EAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Atlanta	7	5	.583	—
Miami	5	6	.455	1.5
Orlando	4	7	.364	2.5
Charlotte	4	8	.333	3
Washington	4	9	.308	3.5

NORTHWEST · WEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Minnesota	9	3	.750	—
Portland	8	3	.727	0.5
Oklahoma City	8	4	.667	1
Denver	6	4	.600	2
Utah	1	11	.083	8

PACIFIC · WEST	W	L	PCT	GB
L.A. Lakers	11	2	.846	—
Golden State	8	4	.667	2.5
Phoenix	5	6	.455	5
LA Clippers	2	8	.200	7.5
Sacramento	1	10	.091	9

SOUTHWEST · WEST	W	L	PCT	GB
San Antonio	10	2	.833	—
Houston	9	3	.750	1
Memphis	7	4	.636	2.5
Dallas	7	5	.583	3
New Orleans	4	8	.333	6

NEW ENGLAND WATCH

Where our teams stand

Bruins (13–5–1) Lost 5–2 to Montreal and dropped to third in the Atlantic, a point behind Tampa Bay and the Canadiens. Wild visit Saturday at 7.

Celtics (10–2) First in the East; Philadelphia (10–3) beat Toronto 123–112 to stay close. Dallas visits Sunday at 6.

Patriots (5–4) Second in the AFC East, 2½ games behind Buffalo. Lions in Munich Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Around the NFL Washington (3–5–1) won 24–21 at the Giants (5–3–1) on a late Jayden Daniels touchdown.

THE WEATHER DESK

Forecasts, almanac, mountains & Snow Watch 2026–27

THE FORECASTER'S TAKE

Four in a Row — 7–5

BY THE COURIER WEATHER DESK · SOURCE: FORECAST DATA · WCAX · BURLINGTON CLIMATE REPORT (NWS)

We called 42° Thursday; Burlington reached 43°. That's a fourth straight win, and Beat the Forecaster now leads 7–5. Today's call: 38°.

Thursday's storm saved its snow for the hills; Route 4 at Killington turned slick, while Burlington got a cold rain and still hasn't measured snow this season.

Today is gray and chilly, near 38°. Saturday brings a 45% chance of snow showers in Essex Junction and Lake Placid, with highs near 39°.

Then the thaw: 45° Monday, 53° Tuesday, 57° Wednesday and 58° Thursday. The snow guns will have to work fast.

ESSEX JCT. ALMANAC

YESTERDAY	High 43° · Low 35°
SUNRISE	6:46 a.m.
SUNSET	4:26 p.m.
DAYLIGHT	9 hr 40 min
CHANGE	-2.4 min vs. yesterday
SINCE JUNE 21	5 hr 52 min less light
MOON	Waxing crescent

Sun & moon computed for Essex Jct.; temps from forecast data.

ESSEX JUNCTION · THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS

	TODAY	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
HIGH	38°	39°	42°	45°	53°	57°	58°
LOW	32°	35°	36°	30°	31°	36°	37°
	FREEZE			FREEZE	FREEZE		
RAIN	0%	0%	20%	15%	0%	5%	10%
SNOW	15%	45%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

High in red, low in blue · FREEZE = low at or below 32° · bars show the chance of rain and of snow. Forecast data.

MOUNTAINS, VALLEYS & THE PLACES WE WATCH

JAY PEAK
Orleans County
31° / 24° · 10%
Below freezing all weekend.

KILLINGTON
Rutland County
31° / 26° · 25%
Snow guns on; Route 4 was slick.

BENNINGTON
Bennington County
36° / 30° · 39%
A 39% snow chance today.

NEWPORT
Orleans County
37° / 28° · 10%
Chilly and quiet.

LAKE PLACID
Adirondacks, N.Y.
32° / 28° · 15%
45% snow chance Saturday.

SNOW WATCH 2026–27

Day 13

Season totals, Nov. 1 – Apr. 1 · The Snow Desk, Page 13

ESSEX JCT.	MIDDLEBURY	STOWE	SNOWSHOE, WV
0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"
Burlington (BTV)	Addison County	Mt. Mansfield	Highland House · Rimfire

SEVERE & NATIONAL

A Chilly Weekend South

Cold air reaches deep into the South this weekend: Charlotte, N.C., drops to about 31° Saturday morning and Fulton, Mo., to the mid-20s.

Snowshoe, W.Va., has light snow this morning and stays near or below freezing through Sunday — good snowmaking weather. McAllen, Texas, is the hot spot at 81°, and Roseburg, Ore., gets a 75% chance of rain today.

BEAT THE FORECASTER

We Called It

Thursday: we said 42°; Burlington hit 43° (1° warmer). Within 2° counts as a win.

Season record: 7–5 (58%)

Recent: Sun 49/52 L · Mon 49/50 W · Tue 52/51 W · Wed 46/48 W · Thu 42/43 W

Today's call: 38° in Essex Junction. Check back tomorrow.

WEATHER WORD

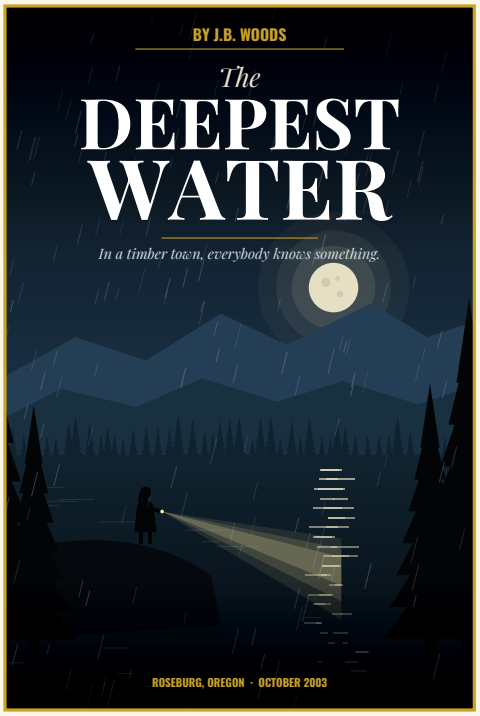
Graupel

Soft, crumbly snow pellets that form when tiny supercooled water droplets freeze onto falling snowflakes. They bounce on the ground and squeak underfoot.

Saturday: November snow showers often mix in a little.

THIS WEEK IN WEATHER

Nov. 17–19, 2014: a lake-effect band off Lake Erie buried Buffalo's southern suburbs at up to 6 inches an hour. South Cheektowaga got 65 inches while the airport, just north, had 6.2. Thirteen people died. (NWS Buffalo)



CHAPTER 36

Every Hand in That Car

Roseburg · November 2003

Previously: The wheelchair prints matched Karen Marsh. Then Deputy Walters told Agent Myers what a Seven Feathers camera had caught: the driver of the stolen car was Harlan Voss.

> *"Tess, I said run it."*

ON SUNDAY MORNING the blue car sat under the lights in a garage bay behind the Roseburg Police Department, its doors open, its floor mats pulled, every inch of it waiting.

It was a 1997 Toyota Camry with a dent in the rear bumper, registered to the retired man from Myrtle Creek who wanted it back and wasn't going to get it anytime soon. Somebody had driven it to Crater Lake and left it at the edge of the snow. A camera at Seven Feathers said who.

Agent Dan Myers stood in the bay doorway with a cup of coffee he hadn't touched and spoke to his team.

"Listen up. We know from the casino camera that Harlan Voss was behind the wheel when this car left Seven Feathers. I want to find out everyone who was in this vehicle once it was in his possession. Every seat, every handle, the mirror, the glove box, the trunk lid. The owner and his wife have given us their prints, so we can rule them out."

He set the coffee down on a workbench.

"We now have Karen Marsh's fingerprints on file, and we know Owen Marsh's are on file. Let's find out if either of them was ever in this car — or if Karen only helped him swipe it. All three of them were at Crater Lake on the same day. They were seen there. Something tells me they spent some time together."

A technician in a paper suit nodded and went back to the driver's door with her brush.

Myers turned to Mason. "Karen didn't show up for work at the Holiday Inn this morning. Nobody's heard from her. Her phone just rings."

"She's running," Mason said.

"Then let's put out a BOLO on Karen Marsh. We have to find her and question her. And while we're looking for her, let's get Owen down here. We need to talk to him." He rubbed his eyes. "And let's find Harlan Voss and figure out if he's the hunter or the hunted. Why is he running? What the hell was he involved in?"

Mason was already dialing. Deputy Walters answered on the second ring.

"Cal, I want you to keep an eye on the Voss house. Drive by every chance you get, day and night. If Harlan is out there, he may just try to make his way home."

"Yes, ma'am."

She hung up and looked at Myers. "And Trent Pryce. Somebody killed his father, his father's partner is on the run, and all he wants is for us to talk to his attorney." She shook her head. "Something's not right. He knows something he isn't telling us."

"Write it down," Myers said. "We'll get to him."

Before noon, the technician held up a folded paper from the pocket behind the passenger seat: a Crater Lake National Park map, the kind they hand you at the entrance station. Rim Drive in a loop, the lodge, the lookouts, the trails.

Myers spread it across the hood and went over every inch. No circles. No pen marks. Nothing written in the margins.

"Typical tourist map," the technician said.

"Bag it anyway," said Myers.

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Tess was rinsing her coffee cup when the phone rang.

"It's Walters." His voice was low, as if someone might be listening. "I'm not supposed to tell you this, but I want you to hear it from me. You weren't hallucinating, Tess. A camera at Seven Feathers got a clear look at whoever drove that car away. It was Harlan Voss."

Tess sat down hard on a kitchen chair.

"And now nobody can find him," Walters said. "The FBI wants this kept quiet. Please."

She called Eye Spy before she even set the phone down.

"I knew it," Kally said. "Teresa, she was right. She was right all along." From somewhere behind her, Teresa said, "Of course she was right."

Then Kally's voice changed. "Tess, think about this. Owen's alibi for the weekend Gordon disappeared was Freddy, at the Screw and Brew. And somebody stabbed Freddy to death the night before we got there. Has anybody ever told the FBI about Freddy?"

Tess thought about it. "I don't think anybody has."

"Then somebody should."

Tess called Mason next and told her all of it — Owen and Freddy in prison together, the alibi, the alley in Cannon Beach. Mason listened without a word, then said, "Thank you, Tess," and hung up.

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Walt Brenner was in his office on a Sunday, which surprised no one. Tess closed the door behind her.

"It's confirmed," she said. "Harlan Voss was the driver. He was at Crater Lake, he abandoned that car, and now he can't be found."

Walt leaned back in his chair. "Run that story, Tess."

"But sir, the FBI wants me to keep this quiet."

"Tess, I said run it." He took off his glasses. "Until the FBI serves us with papers, we do our job and keep the people of this community informed. Monday's paper. Front page."

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Late that afternoon, Mason swung by the bay to see what the team had found.

The technician met her at the door with a printout. "We pulled a good number of prints. Some came back with no identity — nothing on file anywhere. But two came back as a match in the FBI database."

"Whose?"

The technician turned the page around so Mason could read the names.

Owen Marsh. Karen Marsh.

Mason read them twice. For a long moment she didn't move. Then she picked up the phone and called Myers.

"Both of them," she said. "Owen and Karen. They were in that car."

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CHAPTER 36 · CONTINUED

Every Hand in That Car

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Myers was quiet. “Tell the team great job,” he said at last. “Christine, we have to find these people.”

The deputies sent to pick up Owen had already called in. No one at any of his old addresses had seen him in days.

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That night the house on the hill was dark except for the kitchen. Trent had gone home at dusk. Tiffany Voss sat at the table with a cup of tea gone cold when the phone rang.

The voice was a man’s, low and flat and in no hurry. She had never heard it before in her life.

“You want to see your husband alive, you’d better get us what we’re looking for.”

“Who is this? Where is Harlan?”

“We’ll try to beat it out of your husband first. And if he dies before we get it, you’re next.” A pause. “Do not go to the police. Do not go to the FBI. Do we make ourselves clear?”

The line went dead.

Five minutes later, something hit the side door so hard the pictures shook on the wall. One loud, heavy thud — and then nothing.

Tiffany didn’t scream. She didn’t call anyone. Through the front window she watched the headlights of Deputy Walters’ cruiser slide slowly past the end of the drive, the way they had every hour since noon, and she didn’t move to flag him down.

Twenty minutes went by before she made herself open the door.

A large knife was buried in the wood at eye level. Stag handle. And along the blade, engraved: **DOUGLAS COUNTY ROADS · 1987**.

She shut the door, turned off every light in the house and sat in the dark in complete silence.

What did they want? She didn’t know. That was the terrible part. She knew nothing. It was the reason she had gone to Room 118 at the Holiday Inn — because of what Harlan had told her, hoping to learn anything at all. But there had been nothing there to find. If there ever had been, it was too late. Someone had beaten her to it.

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Myers called Mason at seven the next morning.

“I read everything you sent me on Freddy,” he said. “Unsolved. No arrest. Stabbed in an alley the night before two private investigators from Roseburg came asking about Owen Marsh’s alibi. And Owen Marsh did time with him.”

“I know.”

“Christine, I want you to take a road trip to Cannon Beach. Talk to the police. Talk to the people at the Screw and Brew. Find out everything anybody has learned since that murder.”

“And Owen?”

“Nobody’s found him. Not at the Holiday Inn, not with Karen, not anywhere near Roseburg.” Myers paused. “Go to Cannon Beach. Maybe you’ll find Owen Marsh hiding out where his alibi used to be.”

> *“Christine, we have to find these people.”*



Myers studies the Crater Lake map as the team dusts the stolen Toyota for prints. Scene from Chapter 36 · image by J.B. Woods

HOW A STOLEN CAR WAS PROCESSED, 2003

Rule people out first: the owner and anyone who drove the car legally give “elimination” prints, so their prints can be set aside.

Powder and brush: fine powder is dusted on smooth surfaces — door handles, mirrors, the glove box, seat-belt buckles — and any print is lifted with tape.

Superglue fumes: heated superglue gives off a vapor that clings to the oils in a fingerprint and turns it white, bringing out prints powder misses.

Into the database: lifted prints are scanned into the FBI’s system. A match gives a name. A person never arrested comes back with no identity at all.

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THE DEEPEST WATER · READER'S GUIDE

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October 2003. Roseburg is a timber town still sore from the mill closures of the '90s. When its most prominent mill owner vanishes, a reporter who came home to start over finds a town where everybody knows something, and nobody is saying it.

CHAPTER 1

Lights On Till Eleven

On a rainy Monday night at the Umpqua Ledger, editor Walt Brenner put Tess Halloran on a quiet story: Gordon Pryce, owner of the shuttered Pryce Lumber mill, left the Elks Lodge Friday and never got home. Then the police scanner crackled: a dark Lincoln, abandoned on Highway 138, keys in it.

CHAPTER 2

Whoever Left It There

At a pullout past Glide near Toketee Falls, a deputy turned Tess away from Pryce's Lincoln, its door open and wheels turned neatly toward the river. After pie at Del's Riverside Diner, she was on Sheriff Ray Coyle's porch at seven. The wallet held $200, he said. Whoever left the car wanted it found.

CHAPTER 3

The Sister at the Bar

Del told Tess nobody stops at that pullout by accident. At the Idle Hour, Big Dave said Gordon had been scared all summer and pointed her to "Tic Tac." A woman drank Tess's whiskey and told her to leave him alone. She was his sister — and her brother had told Coyle what he saw Friday night.

CHAPTER 4

Forty Dollars a Plate

Coyle still wasn't talking, and the Pryces had hired a Eugene lawyer. Over dinner at Brix Grill, PI friends Kally and Teresa of Eye Spy named Tic Tac in unison: "Oh, Josh Foster?" Outside, Kally added that Josh had called their office Monday asking what it costs to run a license plate.

CHAPTER 5

If I End Up in the River

Trent Pryce said he was home watching the game with his mother. At Abby's Pizza, Josh Foster told Tess he saw Pryce's Lincoln heading up the canyon Friday with a dark pickup behind it, no lights, and got part of a plate. As he walked away, a dark pickup idling at the curb pulled out and followed.

CHAPTER 6

Patient as the Rain

At Fred Meyer, Tess ran into old neighbor Buck, who had worked for Gordon and tipped her to his hidden fishing hole at Cavitt Creek and Little River. She asked Eye Spy to search it. At home, a message from Darla Foster: Josh never showed, his truck and gear were gone. Where was her brother?

CHAPTER 7

The Third Time Today

With Big Dave beside her, Tess went back to the Idle Hour on Friday, where Darla blamed her for Josh's disappearance. Roseburg police came looking for Josh over a coin-shop break-in. Then a dark pickup roared past with no lights, and the cruiser lost it. Darla said it was the third time today.

CHAPTER 8

Your Case, Not Ours

Deputy Cal Walters got a tip that the dark pickup had been parked at the Holiday Inn by the river. A dog walker then brought in a stag-handled knife found below the decks, engraved DOUGLAS COUNTY ROADS · 1987. Coyle had it logged as found property, then dialed a number twice. Nobody answered.

CHAPTER 9

Up Little River

Kally and Teresa searched Cavitt Creek and Little River. At a hidden pool off a gravel spur, Kally found a rusted tackle box with "G.P." carved in the lid — and a torn mayonnaise packet sitting on top of the silt. They called Tess. "Don't tell anyone else you found it," she said. "Bring it to me."

CHAPTER 10

August 1987

Kally delivered the tackle box to the Ledger — "No, Tess. Mayonnaise!" — and it went back to Eye Spy under lock. Channel 9 reported Commissioner Harlan Voss missing since Sunday, his wife Tiffany pleading for him to come home. At six, a typed note waited on Tess's desk: "Ask them about August 1987."

CHAPTER 11

Behind the Hedge

Tiffany Voss let Tess into the plain, dusty house behind the hedge. Sunday evening, she said, Harlan took a call from Josh Foster, said "Don't wait up" and left, scared. Then Walters phoned: Harlan's wallet had turned up at a truck stop on I-5 at Rice Hill. Harlan never goes north, Tiffany said.

CHAPTER 12

The Tin in the Gravel

FBI profiler Christine Mason arrived and faced down Coyle. Harlan's wallet held cash receipts from the K&R Drive-In and the Ranch Motel; somebody wanted them looking north, she said. An anonymous caller sent Tess to Rice Hill, where she found Josh's dented mint tin behind the motel.

CHAPTER 13

The Brass Key

Inside the tin was a brass key stamped 1987. Tess gave it to Mason at Carlos in Winston. At the Idle Hour, Darla broke down: Josh had said Gordon and Harlan were in danger. Next morning at Del's, Del told Tess that Owen Marsh was out of prison, back in town and asking around about Harlan Voss.

CHAPTER 14

The Twin Knife

On a day off at Seven Feathers in Canyonville, Tess pulled old neighbor Owen Marsh out of a fight with casino security. He said he spent the Pryce weekend at the Screw and Brew in Cannon Beach. At the Holiday Inn, Marisol Reyes found a second 1987 knife in Room 118. The guest two doors down: Marsh.

CHAPTER 15

The Door That Wasn't Locked

Walters found that 118's deck door looked locked but wasn't. Owen Marsh said he liked that room, then drove off in a dark blue pickup. Coyle ordered the knife brought to him. Walters called Tess from a pay phone, and she sent Kally and Teresa to Cannon Beach to visit the Screw and Brew.

CHAPTER 16

The Screw and Brew

Kally and Teresa drove I-5 to the coast, stopping at rest areas and plotting how to bring up Owen Marsh with Freddy, the Screw and Brew's pastrami cook. But the sign said no pastrami today. Waitress Sally whispered why: Freddy had been found stabbed to death in an alley the night before.

CHAPTER 17

Alive a Minute Ago

Kally phoned Tess with the news. Heather said Owen had checked out of the Holiday Inn three days earlier. That night at the Idle Hour, Josh whispered to Darla by phone that Pryce and Harlan were alive — then came a gunshot and silence. Darla called Tess: "My brother's alive. Or he was a minute ago."

CHAPTER 18

The Phone Didn't Ring

Tess hurried to the Idle Hour and called Mason, who arrived with Walters and Coyle. Coyle detained Darla for questioning; Josh was now a suspect, to be named armed and dangerous at a press conference in the morning. Darla told them to arrest her or get out. They left, and the phone never rang again.

CHAPTER 19

Room 118

At City Hall, Coyle said there were no suspects and never named Josh. Buck heckled him. A dark pickup flashed through an intersection, and a figure in black slipped away from behind a maple as Darla cried, "Josh!" Coyle took no questions. Tess phoned the Holiday Inn and reserved Room 118.

CHAPTER 20

Not a One-Glass Night

Home on Pine Street with wine, cheese and the late news, Tess traded thoughts with Teresa by phone, then dozed. After ten, a heavy thud hit her front door. Nobody was there — only a third 1987 knife driven into the wood, with a pencil note: "STOP DIGGING OR YOU'LL GO FOR A SWIM TOO."

CHAPTER 21

Rubber Gloves and White Wine

Walters bagged the knife, and Mason cast a shoe print in Tess's yard. Next day Tess checked into Room 118, with Kally and Teresa next door in 116. After white wine, chips and Kally's own bedsheets, Tess bolted the deck door and slept. At 3:08 a figure stood at the foot of her bed. "It's you!"

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CHAPTER 22

Pale as Chalk

Kally and Teresa heard the scream and got Heather's master key, but 118 was empty, the deck door open. Tess was gone. Police, Coyle, Walters and Mason arrived as a motorboat droned downriver. At dawn Mason cast a fresh shoe print below the deck, almost sure it matched the one from Tess's yard.

CHAPTER 23

Count to a Hundred

Hooded and tied, Tess was taken by boat and truck to a hillside log bunker, stocked with mayonnaise packets. Her captor said his hotel source had failed him, that he was hunted, and that the mill shipped more than lumber. At dusk he left her by I-5 near Rice Hill. She said his name: Gordon Pryce.

CHAPTER 24

Focus, Tess

From Rice Hill, Tess called Eye Spy, then told Coyle that Gordon Pryce was alive, probably near his Little River fishing hole. Coyle sent Walters to search at first light and called a press conference to name Pryce armed and dangerous. Instead he announced Pryce had been found stabbed to death.

CHAPTER 25

Under the Lab Lights

Mason told Coyle the two shoe casts didn't match after all and more agents were coming; Coyle left town. Near where Pryce died, she found a print matching the cast from Tess's yard. Karen Marsh at the Holiday Inn said Coyle had let 118 be rented again. Karen, Walters said, is Owen Marsh's cousin.

CHAPTER 26

65 Alder Brook Road

Mason and Walters questioned maintenance man Hollis Tate at 65 Alder Brook Road. He was "sure" he fixed 118's deck door, and he named Harlan Voss and Josh Foster as missing without being asked. Doubling back, lights off, Walters found Tate's pickup parked and Tate at his window on the phone.

CHAPTER 27

Behind the Boulders

FBI agent Dan Myers arrived, and the lab matched the creek print to the one from Tess's yard. Guided by Tess, agents found Pryce's bunker behind mossy boulders, swept bare except for a pile of mayonnaise packets. Walters called Coyle from Glide. The sheriff asked: "Was there anything left inside?"

CHAPTER 28

Something in the Wall

Marisol Reyes told Myers and Mason that Josh Foster, on the renovation crew, found a heavy metal box inside 118's wall. Karen Marsh admitted Tiffany Voss had requested 118 the night before. Coyle returned, and Myers sealed the room. Next stop: Mrs. Voss — and the agents still had to find Tic Tac.

CHAPTER 29

The Silent Partner

Driving up the hill, Mason bet Myers a slice of Abby's that the brass 1987 key from Josh's mint tin opens the safe from Room 118. Tiffany Voss said Harlan told her to retrieve a hidden compartment in 118's closet if he vanished; she found nothing. Harlan, she said, was Gordon's silent partner.

CHAPTER 30

Road Trip to the Running Y

The FBI found nothing in Room 118 and set up secret surveillance from across the river. On Highway 140 at dusk, in the first flurries, a blue car raced past and Tess swore the driver was Harlan Voss. Mason told her Harlan was Gordon's silent partner; Walters found the car was stolen.

CHAPTER 31

Over the Rim

The stolen blue car turned up abandoned at Crater Lake. At the rim, Ranger Montgomery Smith spotted two hikers below the rim, where no one is allowed: Owen and Karen Marsh. That night Tess's room at the Rogue Regency was 118. By morning, a note on the old typewriter read: 1987.

CHAPTER 32

By Request

Tess drove the note straight to Roseburg. At checkout, the clerk said a woman had called asking for Room 118 in Tess's name. The stolen car's owner lost it at Seven Feathers, helping a woman in a wheelchair. In his office, Sheriff Coyle had his boots up on the desk — and Myers and Mason saw the tread.

CHAPTER 33

Above the Fold

At the Rogue Regency, clerk Kyle told Kally and Teresa the woman who asked for Room 118 called from a pay phone, a man talking beside her — and she didn't sound old. A back-door lock had been busted. Mason and Myers quietly began checking the sheriff's boots. Walt ordered Tess to write; her story, "Harlan Voss Spotted Near Crater Lake," was the talk of the town. Then Seven Feathers called Walters: the cameras had caught something.

CHAPTER 34

Who Came for the Wallet

Myers pulled the team off Room 118. At Seven Feathers, security chief Kevin Chase showed the tape: the wheelchair was placed so the retiree had to stop, a man from the bushes took his car in 30 seconds, and the "elderly" woman stood up and walked off — clearly in disguise. The boot prints turned out to match standard-issue Danners worn by deputies from Medford to Portland. At the Rice Hill truck stop, Mason learned Sheriff Coyle had picked up Harlan's wallet himself and asked if anything else had been left behind. At the Ranch Motel, the registration card was signed "H. VOSS" in careful block letters.

CHAPTER 35

Not His Hand

At the Voss house, Trent Pryce tried to send Mason to the family lawyer, but Tiffany came down and said the H. VOSS card was not Harlan's writing — and Harlan never left his wallet anywhere. Mason scolded Tess for her Crater Lake story and warned her to be careful. Kally and Teresa told Tess that Karen Marsh had arrests in Rutland, Vermont. Myers' lab matched the wheelchair prints to Karen. Then Deputy Walters called Myers alone: a back-side Seven Feathers camera showed the driver of the stolen car. It was Harlan Voss.

CHAPTER 36

Every Hand in That Car

The FBI went over the stolen Toyota in a Roseburg police garage and found a plain Crater Lake tourist map — and the fingerprints of both Owen and Karen Marsh. Karen skipped work and vanished; Myers put out an alert for her, and Owen couldn't be found either. Walters quietly told Tess that Harlan Voss had been driving, and Walt ordered the story onto Monday's front page. That night a stranger called Tiffany Voss: get them what they're looking for, or Harlan dies, and she's next. Then a 1987 county knife hit her door. Tess and Kally reminded the FBI about Freddy's murder, and Myers sent Mason to Cannon Beach to look for Owen.

OPEN QUESTIONS

- Who killed Gordon Pryce — and who knew where he was hiding?
- What does the brass key stamped 1987 open — and why did Josh have it?
- Three matching knives — river, Room 118, Tess's door. Whose are they?
- Who killed Freddy — and where did Owen go when he checked out Friday?
- Josh says Pryce and Voss were alive. Where — and what was that gunshot?
- Why is Coyle so eager to blame Josh — and whose side is Mason on?
- Who left the notes — and what happened in August 1987?
- What was hidden in the mill's lumber — and who is hunting Pryce?

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Who's Who in Roseburg

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THE LEDGER

Tess Halloran — Our lead, 34. Reporter at the Umpqua Ledger. Grew up in Winston, laid off from a Portland daily, came home. Daughter of the late Frank Halloran, a faller at Pryce Lumber.

Walt Brenner — Ledger editor. Gruff and protective; keeps stories tight in the conference room until they're ready.

Gloria Bordiam — New staff reporter and newsroom busybody. Tells Tess what to eat — and orders it for her.

THE MISSING

Gordon Pryce — Owner of the closed Pryce Lumber mill. Faked his disappearance and hid in the woods; found stabbed to death.

Josh "Tic Tac" Foster — Idle Hour regular (40s, Mariners cap, rattles a mint box). Saw the dark pickup tailing the Lincoln; vanished. Called Darla (Ch. 17); a gunshot. Worked the hotel renovation.

Harlan Voss — Douglas County commissioner. Left home Sunday about 6 p.m. after a call from Josh Foster; his wallet turned up at the Rice Hill truck stop on I-5.

THE PRYCE HOUSEHOLD

Trent Pryce — Gordon's son, 35, running for county commission. Says he was home all night watching the game with his mother.

Evelyn Pryce — Gordon's wife. Watches silently in a gray cardigan.

Martin Kessler — The family's Eugene lawyer. Shuts down interviews.

THE VOSS HOUSEHOLD

Tiffany Voss — Harlan's wife of 18 years; nobody knows her real name. Flashy in public, plain at home. Says Harlan was Gordon's silent partner.

THE LAW

Sheriff Ray Coyle — Douglas County sheriff. Stonewalls Tess, downplayed Josh's statement, keeps the river knife quiet — and didn't ask for the FBI.

Deputy Cal Walters — 28. The only lawman who seems to care. Quietly feeds Mason and Tess what he finds.

Christine Mason — FBI profiler, about 50. Takes no guff from Coyle. Holds Josh's tin and the key.

Dan Myers — Mason's FBI boss, late 50s, triathlete. All business; unimpressed by Coyle.

Officer Ron & partner — Roseburg police. Want Josh about a break-in at Umpqua Gold & Coin; lose the pickup in a chase.

FRIENDS & ALLIES

Teresa Juniper — Eye Spy Investigations co-owner, Tess's friend since high school. Tea drinker; has an office cat in Klamath Falls.

Kallysta "Kally" Hawthorn — Eye Spy co-owner, self-declared germaphobe, transplanted from back East. Found the "G.P." tackle box.

Big Dave — Shift supervisor at the veneer plant south of town; knew Tess's father. Her Idle Hour escort.

Buck — Tess's old Winston neighbor (red suspenders, calls her "Tessie"). Worked for Gordon fifteen years.

Del — Runs the diner in Glide on Hwy 138; drove log trucks thirty years. Marionberry pie and advice. Keeps a faded snapshot of his "niece" by the register.

Flo — Waitress at Del's for as long as Tess can remember. Pink uniform, pencil behind her ear: "Sit anywhere, hon."

THE IDLE HOUR CROWD

Darla Foster — Josh's protective older sister; raised him. Tends bar part-time and is thawing toward Tess.

Herb & Rocky — Herb, in a fishing vest, waltzes with Rocky, a googly-eyed pet rock.

The owners — Brothers who flip coins to decide who pays for drinks.

TOWNSFOLK & WITNESSES

Earl Haskins — Graveyard-shift cabinet-shop worker who tipped police about the pickup.

Heather — Holiday Inn front-desk clerk; doesn't notice trucks. Called Walters about Room 118.

Marisol Reyes — Hotel housekeeper; found the 118 knife.

Hollis Tate — Holiday Inn maintenance chief, nearly 16 years; 65 Alder Brook Road.

Karen Marsh — Holiday Inn desk clerk; Owen Marsh's cousin. Climbed out of the Crater Lake caldera with Owen (Ch. 31).

Lorraine Pettibone & Moose — Retired teacher and her beagle, who found the engraved knife.

Janet Marsh — Local woman whose funeral Tess covered three weeks before the story opens.

Owen Marsh — Janet's son, about 28; 6-foot-5. Tess babysat him. In and out of prison since 18. Says he was in Cannon Beach the Pryce weekend; stayed two doors from Room 118. Drives a dark blue pickup.

Freddy — Smoker chef at the Screw and Brew in Cannon Beach; met Owen in prison. Found stabbed to death in an alley (Ch. 16).

Sally — Screw and Brew waitress who breaks the news.

The Ranch Motel clerk — Kind, tired, reading glasses on a chain. Remembers a man paying cash Sunday night; didn't see him leave.

Montgomery Smith — Crater Lake park ranger; caught Owen and Karen below the rim (Ch. 31).

THE EVIDENCE LOCKER

The Lincoln — Gordon's car, wheels turned neatly toward the river, wallet on the seat with $200.

The knife — Stag-handled, engraved DOUGLAS COUNTY ROADS · 1987. Found in the shallows; Coyle had it logged as found property.

The tackle box — Silt-filled, "G.P." carved in the lid, a torn mayonnaise packet on top. Locked up by Eye Spy.

The note — Unstamped, on Tess's desk: "Ask them about August 1987."

The second note — Under Rogue Regency Room 118's door, same typewriter: "1987 — You were standing in the right place today." Now with the FBI.

The request call — A woman phoned the Rogue Regency as "Tess" and asked for Room 118 (Ch. 32).

Harlan's wallet — Tossed in a Rice Hill truck-stop trash can, $41 inside, plus cash receipts from the K&R Drive-In (Sunday, 9:12 p.m.) and the Ranch Motel.

The mint tin — Dented, in a puddle in the tire ruts behind the Ranch Motel. Josh's — still holding his Tic Tacs. Now with the FBI.

The brass key — Small, worn, stamped "1987," found under the mints. Now with the FBI.

Room 118's back door — Looks locked but opens with a tug; the strike plate was tampered with. A private way in from the river deck.

The second knife — In an ottoman in Holiday Inn Room 118: stag handle, dried blood, same 1987 engraving. The river knife's twin.

KEY TIMES

Gordon Pryce: Friday night: leaves the Elks Lodge · about 10 p.m.: calls home to take a drive "up the river" · about 10:30: Josh sees the Lincoln heading up the canyon, a dark pickup behind it with no lights · next morning: the wallet is still on the seat.

Harlan Voss: Sunday, about 6 p.m.: leaves home after a call from Josh · Sunday night: cash at the K&R and the Ranch Motel · Tuesday: the wallet turns up at Rice Hill · Wednesday: the FBI arrives.

KEY PLACES

Roseburg · Glide · Hwy 138 pullout near Toketee Falls · Idle Hour Tavern · Umpqua Ledger · Brix Grill · Abby's Pizza · Fred Meyer · Holiday Inn on the South Umpqua · Cavitt Creek & Little River · the Voss house on the hill · Rice Hill, 25 miles north on I-5: the truck stop, the K&R Drive-In and the Ranch Motel · Carlos, Winston · Seven Feathers Casino, Canyonville · the Screw and Brew, Cannon Beach

THE CRIME DESK

Cold cases · Blotter · Court watch · Top 20 · Scams · Trivia

COLD CASE FILE

Arlington, Vermont · 1985

Arthur Crandall: A Shot at a Friend's House

On Sept. 12, 1985, Arthur Crandall, 54, of Arlington died of a gunshot wound while at a friend's home in the Bennington County town.

Investigators ruled his death a homicide and ruled out an accident.

The person who was with Crandall at the time has since died of natural causes, but the case has never been closed, and no one was ever convicted.

The Vermont State Police Major Crime Unit still carries it as unsolved. Anyone who knew Crandall, or heard talk about that night in Arlington, may hold the missing piece.

Tips: vsp.vermont.gov/tipsubmit (anonymous), text VTIPS to 274637, or call 802-244-8727. Case 2009-85-06352. (Vermont State Police)

CASE FACTS

NAME
Arthur Crandall
AGE
54
DATE
Sept. 12, 1985
WHERE
Arlington, Vt.
CAUSE
Gunshot
STATUS
Unsolved
CASE
2009-85-06352

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VERMONT POLICE BLOTTER

SWANTON — A Jericho man, 27, was charged with second-offense DUI and driving with a criminally suspended license after a stop on First Street Tuesday. (Vermont State Police)

RUTLAND TOWN — A Rutland woman, 46, was charged with assaulting a protected professional after allegedly spitting at a trooper twice at the Hampton Inn. (Vermont State Police)

ROCHESTER — A Middlebury driver, 22, was cited after troopers clocked him at 72 mph in a 40 zone Wednesday. (Vermont State Police)

Tips: vsp.vermont.gov/tipsubmit

COURT WATCH

Burlington — Chittenden County parents sued in federal court Thursday, saying Act 73's new tuition rules shut religious schools out of public tuition money. (VTDigger)

Chicago — A federal judge pushed to Dec. 2 a hearing where top prosecutors in the "Broadview Six" protest case must testify under oath about possible misconduct. (Chicago Sun-Times)

SOLVED AFTER DECADES

Cold cases cracked by DNA

VICTIM / CASE	WHERE	CRIME	SOLVED	HOW DNA CRACKED IT
Rita Curran	Burlington, Vt.	1971	2023	Cigarette-butt DNA and genealogy named her neighbor, William DeRoos, who died in 1986.
Christy Mirack	Lancaster, Pa.	1992	2018	Genealogy led to DJ Raymond Rowe; he pleaded guilty.
Bear Brook	Allenstown, N.H.	1985	2017	Genealogy tied the bodies found in barrels to Terry Rasmussen.
Christine Jessop	Queensville, Ont.	1984	2020	Genealogy named Calvin Hoover, who had died in 2015.
Phoenix Canal	Phoenix, Ariz.	1992	2015	Genealogy led to Bryan Patrick Miller; convicted in 2022.
Carla Walker	Fort Worth, Texas	1974	2020	New DNA tests on her clothing led to Glen McCurley; he pleaded guilty.
Golden State Killer	California	1974	2018	Genealogy led to Joseph DeAngelo, a former police officer.
"Buckskin Girl"	Near Troy, Ohio	1981	2018	Genealogy named her Marcia King; her killer is still unknown.
Michella Welch	Tacoma, Wash.	1986	2018	Genealogy and a discarded napkin led to Gary Hartman.
Lisa Ziegert	Agawam, Mass.	1992	2018	Retested DNA led to Gary Schara's arrest.

Genetic genealogy compares crime-scene DNA with public family-tree databases to find relatives, then builds the family tree.

CASE CLOSED · HOW IT WAS CRACKED

THE MONA LISA, 1911

On Aug. 21, 1911, Vincenzo Peruggia, an Italian handyman who had worked at the Louvre, slipped in wearing a museum smock on a day it was closed, lifted the "Mona Lisa" off its pegs, shed the frame in a stairwell and walked out — a plumber even unlocked a stuck door for him. Police questioned the poet Guillaume Apollinaire and Pablo Picasso, but neither was involved. Peruggia hid the painting in a trunk in his Paris room for about two years, then was arrested in Florence trying to sell it. He said he wanted it returned to Italy. (History.com, Wikipedia)

SCAM ALERT

Fake Airline Booking Sites

With a record 122 million Americans expected to travel for the holidays, scammers are pushing realistic-looking booking sites through social-media ads and texts with too-good fares. Victims get no ticket at all — or tickets padded with surprise fees. (Better Business Bureau)

Protect yourself: book on the airline's own site, don't click links in unexpected texts, and search a site's name plus "scam" before you pay.

Report it: BBB.org/ScamTracker or Vermont's Consumer Assistance Program, 800-649-2424.

CRIME TRIVIA

Test Your Detective Skills

Who were the first men convicted of murder in Britain on fingerprint evidence?

swer: Brothers Alfred and Albert Stratton, 1905 — a thumbprint on a cash box.

THE SNOW DESK

Season tracking Nov. 1 – Apr. 1 · all totals in inches

Day 13 OF 152

Totals through Thursday, Nov. 12

NOV · DEC · JAN · FEB · MAR · APR 1

MOST SNOW IN THE U.S. · LAST 24 HOURS

10.0" · Alyeska Weather Top, AK

ESSEX JCT.

LAST 24 HRS	SEASON
0.0"	0.0"

Official: Burlington airport (BTV)
Normal to date: 1.2" · Depth: 0"

MIDDLEBURY

LAST 24 HRS	SEASON
—	0.0"

Nearest observer reports
No report = no observer reading that day

STOWE

LAST 24 HRS	SEASON
—	0.0"

Mt. Mansfield / Stowe observers
No report = no observer reading that day

SNOWSHOE, WV

LAST 24 HRS	SEASON
—	0.0"

Snowshoe observer (4,780 ft)
No report = no observer reading that day

THE CITY SNOW BOARD · OFFICIAL NWS TOTALS

CITY	LAST 24 HRS	MONTH	SEASON	NORMAL	+/-	DEPTH
Burlington, Vt.	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	-1.2	0.0
Boston	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0
Portland, Maine	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	-0.4	0.0
Caribou, Maine	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	-2.6	0.0
Concord, N.H.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	-0.5	0.0
Albany, N.Y.	T	0.0	0.0	0.5	-0.5	0.0
Syracuse, N.Y.	0.3	0.3	0.3	2.2	-1.9	0.0
Buffalo, N.Y.	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	-1.8	0.0
New York City	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0
Erie, Pa.	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	-2.5	0.0
Detroit	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	-0.4	0.0
Chicago	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0
Minneapolis	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	-1.9	0.0
Denver	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—	0.0
Salt Lake City	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	-1.7	0.0
Anchorage, Alaska	report not available					

NWS Daily Climate Reports. Season and normal count from Nov. 1. T = trace. Depth = snow on the ground, inches.

MOST SNOW IN THE U.S.

Biggest 24-hour totals reported to the NWS

1	Alyeska Weather Top, AK Elev. 2707 ft	10.0"
2	Mount Washington Elev. 5627 ft	1.6"
3	Alpine Airstrip, AK Elev. 36 ft	0.8"
4	Haines, AK Elev. 866 ft	0.7"
5	Bergland Dam, MI Elev. 1302 ft	0.3"
6	Eagle River 7.8 SE, AK Elev. 2146 ft	0.0"
7	Caribou Wfo, ME Elev. 627 ft	0.0"

SEASON LEADERS · CITIES

Syracuse, N.Y.	0.3"
Burlington, Vt.	0.0"
Boston	0.0"
Portland, Maine	0.0"
Caribou, Maine	0.0"
Concord, N.H.	0.0"
Albany, N.Y.	0.0"
Buffalo, N.Y.	0.0"

SNOWSHOE MOUNTAIN REPORT

Opening day in 12 days — Wed., Nov. 25 (target, weather permitting)

Now: Light snow showers at 31° this morning.

Today: High 32°, low 26°, a 25% snow chance.

Saturday: 28°, low 26° — the coldest day of the stretch.

Sunday: 33°, low 28°.

Snowmaking: Cold nights through Monday morning — prime time for the guns.

Next week: A warm-up: 52° Tuesday and 58° Wednesday.

Countdown: Twelve days to the Nov. 25 opening target.

SNOW NOTES

Day 13 — still zero. Burlington reached 43° Thursday with a cold rain and still hasn't measured snow this season. Normal by now is about 1.5 inches (NWS).

The hills got it. Route 4 at Killington turned slick Thursday afternoon, and the resort planned to fire up its snow guns Thursday night (WCAX).

Saturday's chance. Snow showers are likely Saturday — 45% in Essex Junction and Lake Placid — with highs near 39°.

Then a thaw. Next week turns mild: 53° Tuesday and 57° Wednesday in Essex Junction.

PUZZLES & GAMES

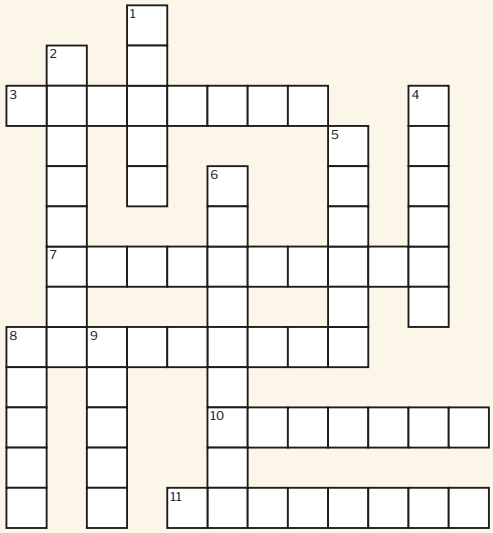
Grab a pencil and your coffee

THE DAILY SUDOKU

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Fill every row, column and 3×3 box with 1–9.

THE DAILY CROSSWORD · FRIDAY THE 13TH



ACROSS

3 Today's red grape (8)
7 Buffalo's 2014 lake-effect storm (10)
8 ___ del Diablo, today's wine (9)
10 Kentucky ___, bourbon and Bénédictine (7)
11 1905 brothers convicted by a thumbprint (8)

DOWN

1 Nvidia's interim CEO (5)
2 Disney film that premiered Nov. 13, 1940 (8)
4 Museum the Mona Lisa vanished from (6)
5 Spanish for devil (6)
6 Beam bourbon from the barrel wood (2 words) (9)
8 Where Concha y Toro makes wine (5)
9 Kind of burger in today's recipe (5)

WORD SEARCH · FRIDAY THE 13TH

B	S	L	C	S	P	O	O	K	Y	V	F	V
F	A	B	R	H	N	G	H	O	M	E	N	R
R	I	F	U	H	A	N	A	Y	P	F	W	R
I	H	N	W	O	M	R	D	C	S	K	E	V
D	P	D	J	R	W	U	M	D	W	V	J	F
A	A	F	I	S	J	M	V	P	O	E	I	N
Y	H	T	T	E	K	V	I	L	V	M	N	W
L	I	S	R	S	U	V	C	R	E	R	X	E
S	U	F	C	H	E	G	T	D	R	P	C	P
A	B	C	W	O	F	V	T	O	K	O	N	O
L	Y	C	K	E	P	U	K	C	J	B	R	R
T	G	B	M	S	B	L	A	C	K	C	A	T
U	R	E	D	D	A	L	U	Y	U	P	K	U

FIND 12 WORDS

BLACKCAT
CHARM
CLOVER
FRIDAY
HORSESHOE
JINX
LADDER
LUCK
MIRROR
OMEN
SALT
SPOOKY

Across, down, diagonal — some backward.

THE COURIER QUIZ

Five Questions

1. What is the "devil's cut"?

2. Why did Don Melchor say the devil lived in his cellar?

3. How many Friday the 13ths does 2026 have?

4. Who was named Nvidia's interim CEO Thursday?

5. What sound system did "Fantasia" debut in 1940?

NAME THAT YEAR

Three Clues

• The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is dedicated, Nov. 13.

• "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial" opens in June.

• EPCOT Center opens at Walt Disney World.

YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

2	9	5	6	8	4	3	7	1
4	6	8	7	1	3	2	9	5
3	7	1	9	5	2	4	6	8
7	8	3	1	2	9	6	5	4
9	1	2	5	4	6	7	8	3
6	5	4	8	3	7	9	1	2
8	4	7	3	9	1	5	2	6
1	3	9	2	6	5	8	4	7
5	2	6	4	7	8	1	3	9

Yesterday's sudoku. Crossword answers are upside down at the bottom of the page.

THE JUKEBOX

Music history, a record to spin and shows near home

NOVEMBER 13 BIRTHDAYS

This Day in Music

1942 — Blues man John Hammond Jr.

1944 — Timmy Thomas (d. 2022).

1946 — Ray Wylie Hubbard.

1947 — Toy Caldwell (d. 1993).

1956 — Aldo Nova, "Fantasy."

Also today: in 1940, Disney's "Fantasia" premiered in New York.



SPIN THIS

The Marshall Tucker Band
The Marshall Tucker Band · 1973

For Toy Caldwell's birthday: the band's debut, on Capricorn Records. Caldwell, who played lead guitar with his thumb, wrote every song.

"Can't You See" stalled at No. 108 as a single but became the band's signature. The name came from a key ring: Marshall Tucker was a piano tuner who had used their rehearsal space. (Wikipedia)

Best with: a pour of Devil's Cut.

LIVE IN VERMONT

Shows Near Home

Wed. Nov. 18 · Primer 55, Higher Ground

Thu. Dec. 3 · The Underachievers, Higher Ground

Sat. Dec. 12 · Lily Seabird, Radio Bean

Wed. Dec. 16 · Piebald, Higher Ground

Listings via Songkick; check venues for tickets.

MUSIC TRIVIA

Friday the 13th: what's the most a single year can have?

ANSWERS — Quiz: 1. Whiskey soaked into the barrel wood. 2. To stop thieves, legend says. 3. Three: Feb., March and Nov. 4. CFO Colette Kress. 5. Fantasound. Name That Year: 1982. Music trivia: Three — like 2026. The next is Aug. 13, 2027. **Yesterday's crossword:** 3A EMPANADA · 4A MALBEC · 6A TATUM · 8A CHOWCHILLA · 10A BHOLA · 11A MASON · 1D FANCIULLI · 2D HARVEST · 4D MENDOZA · 5D SICKLE · 7D RAPTORS · 9D CUMIN