



## Look who's new

**Greyson Logan Norris** was born March 14, 2014 to Brad and Meghan Norris. Greyson came in at 8 lbs. and 21". Greyson joins big sister Opal at home. Maternal grandparents Joe and Robin Jackson of Cave Junction and Paternal grandparents James and Anne Norris of Kerby.

## Dark ... Continued from A-1

The *vielle*, a 5-string flatback fiddle originally found in ancient Asia, is the link between the ages.

The music of the Dark Ages served several purposes including religious ceremonies, storytelling, expressing emotion and celebrating or mourning life's passages.

"We know very little about what this music sounded like," Campbell states. "Until the Catholic Church began figuring out a standard notation system sometime after the reign of Pope Gregory (590 - 604), there was no written music -- only the texts."

In pre-Christian times, ancient Jewish chants were intoned by rabbis for ceremonial and sacrificial rites. Many of these were adapted by the early Christians and can still be heard in familiar chants of today's liturgy.

"For example, 'Alleluia' comes from the Hebrew words for 'Praise to God'," Campbell explains. Among other liturgical works dating back well over 1,000 years, the chorus will present an early example of a two-part Alleluia chant that was written in England in the year 1050.

"We couldn't imagine a chant segment without including Hildegard of Bingen's amazing music, or some of the most well-loved of the ancient Christian liturgy that is still sung in Latin masses," Campbell states.

"We're also presenting several religious pilgrim songs, most often in praise of Mary and her miracles. Some of these

tell, in elaborate detail, of pilgrimages to a holy shrine in her name," she states.

"In addition to the religious texts, there were, of course, secular love songs from the troubadour traditions in France and England. It is much harder to find written music in this genre, as these composers did not set their tunes into "church notation," but the ones we have found for our program are exuberant and full of jocular rhythms and meters," she asserts.

Campbell goes on to say, "The sentiments expressed are pretty much the same that we hear in pop, rock and country on today's radio stations. Troubadours were the popular musicians of their time."

"We end our program with 20th and 21st century compositions based on very ancient chants. The final piece is a world premiere of Ruthie Dornfeld's composition for *vielle*, oud and percussion, reimagined for chorus and *vielle*. It speaks of journeying from a place far East, perhaps Constantinople," Campbell details.

3 Rivers Chorale will perform the concert twice. The May 17 concert at Newman United Methodist Church will take place at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at Oregon Books and Games for \$12 or can be purchased at the door for \$15, with youth tickets priced at \$5.

The 3 p.m. Sunday concert at Immanuel United Methodist Church is co-sponsored by Illinois River Valley Arts Council. Although the concert is free, donations are requested to help cover expenses. For information, visit [www.3RiversChorale.com](http://www.3RiversChorale.com) or call 541-476-8236.

## Preparedness ... Continued from A-1

Brick structures are the most vulnerable to earthquakes. In general, wooden-framed buildings bolted to solid foundations will bend and thus better withstand large earthquakes. There are ways to retrofit buildings, and kits that contractors use to secure vulnerable structures, but be sure to do your research and get the right materials and experienced manpower to do the work.

In general, whether it is an earthquake, flood or fire, there are preparations everyone should make to survive these emergencies and the aftermath. But in the case of earthquakes, people often ask where supplies should be kept.

The gallons of water, canned food, flashlights and batteries stored away won't be of much help if people cannot get to their supplies. According to officials with the Oregon Office of Emergency Management, it's best to keep supplies in a number of areas. They recommend keeping a disaster supply kit in the car and then both a "go-kit" and a seven-day supply of necessities at home.

The best places to store supplies depends on the type of home a person lives in. Storing some supplies in a garage might be a good idea, because many ga-

rages are built on concrete floors and therefore will be more stable during a big quake. If no garage is available, then keeping items in a closet or storage room also works. The key things are accessibility and braced shelving, so that supplies won't fall. Materials for bracing shelves can be purchased at home supply stores.

Emergency experts also warn against locking supplies away, in case the person with the key isn't there or the keys are lost in the quake itself.

In general, the best preparedness is about giving yourself options.

What to have on hand: The Office of Emergency Management recommends preparing three separate disaster supply kits. Those include a "grab and go" kit that can be kept at home and at work, a household disaster supply kit with larger items, and a car disaster supply kit.

The "grab and go" kit should include:

- Medications, a first-aid kit and doctors' names and contact information
- Sturdy shoes, a change of clothes and a blanket
- Cash (ATMs won't work if the power goes out)
- Flashlight, extra batteries and light bulbs

- Bottled water
- Snack foods high in water and calories (FEMA suggests items like protein bars and dried fruit)

A household disaster supply kit should include:

- Water (a minimum of one gallon per person or pet per day, for at least seven days)
- Canned or packaged food, and a can opener
- A portable or hand-cranked radio with extra batteries

- Comfortable, warm clothing
- Blankets or sleeping bags

- Copies of vital documents such as insurance, bank account information
- Flashlights
- Pet food, if needed

A car disaster supply kit should include:

- The most necessary items from your personal disaster supply kit
- An additional six-pack of water

- A tire repair kit, jumper cables, flares
- Seasonal supplies like blankets, hats and mittens for the winter and sunscreen and hats for the summer.

## Quake ... Continued from A-1

By assessing 10,000 years of known history, experts can make forecasts, according to Dr. Chris Goldfinger, a marine geologist at Southern Oregon University, who says the probability is likely close to 40 percent for a large earthquake in the next 50 years in Southern Cascadia.

"People are always looking for predictions, and we can't do that," Goldfinger said. "It could happen next week or in three decades. There's no way of knowing."

Goldfinger added that research in the past few years has led scientists to conclude that the southern end of the Cascadia Subduction Zone also experiences large mega-thrust earthquakes of 8.0 and higher on the Richter scale every 200 to 240 years that can be felt further inland than was previously

believed. Research indicates that the last earthquake of this type occurred near Brookings in the late 1880's.

"There's three separate lines of evidence that indicate that the southern margin of Cascadia has a much higher recurrence level for major earthquakes than the northern end," Goldfinger said. "Our goal now is to try to determine how much shaking occurs inland and how far inland."

When a mega-thrust earthquake does occur, geologists say that the effect could be similar to the December 2004 quake in the Indian Ocean that was felt around the world. That earthquake was the third largest in recorded history and was the longest lasting faulting earthquake ever observed.

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