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# Food truck alternative

## Zai Zai's brings Asian fusion to West Campus

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WEST CAMPUS — Zai Zai's Asian Fusion is giving students something to think about when it comes to eating lunch.

The red truck with the black cat painted on its side is parked just outside West Campus on Metrocenter Blvd., serving as the epicenter of many businesses.

"Not only do we serve a mix of Asian food from Singapore, but we also offer Southwest cuisines along with Mexican, Caribbean dishes," said co-owner Zai Albino.

Open Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Zai Zai's has lived at its Metrocenter location for about a month.

Albino, who moved to Hawaii from Singapore in 1995, started cooking when she was little and now contributes to the food truck scene in Orlando, which has been seen as a large expansion for many of Central Florida's foodies.

Valencia students have a range of choices from pulled pork to Philly cheesesteaks or maybe even chicken quesadillas, all for about \$7 each.



Robert Vandearing / Valencia Voice

Zai Zai's food truck, located on Metro West Blvd., is open Monday - Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Curry chicken and Singapore spring rolls, which Albino says are at a high demand, tend to attract repeat customers for Zai Zai.

"Cooking is my passion, I never learned how to cook, I just did it. I love cooking," Albino said.

Albino runs the food truck with Fred Chavez, a graduate from Arizona Culinary Institute, who specializes in Southwest and Mexican dishes.

With Central Florida having a large Caribbean community, Dominican dishes — See "Zai Zai's" on Page 2



Jaconia Toyloy / Valencia Voice

Students gather in Osceola Campus to participate in the Veteran's Day 5K fundraiser.

# Veterans fight for funds

## 5K run collects money to support new program

OSCEOLA CAMPUS — A Veterans 5k Walk/Run ended a week of celebrations designed to connect veterans with civilians and to promote a social community aimed at assimilating former militants back into civilian society.

Campus President, Dr. Kathleen Plinske and the Orlando Chapter of Team Red, White & Blue, a national veterans social organization, joined efforts with students and faculty in shaping the week's events around increasing support for an Osceola Campus chapter of

the National Veterans Association.

"We've got a lot of responses starting from the beginning with the breakfast. We've had a lot of students sign up," said Nelson Sepulveda, the Student Development Coordinator, who assisted in organizing all the events. The week started with a Monday breakfast and evening ceremony that included the Civil Air Patrol from St. Cloud and ROTC from Poinciana High School.

Despite the overcast weather on

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## Zai Zai's

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such as sancocho—a stew that has rice, beans, plantains and different kinds of meat varying from chicken, beef or pork—are cooked fresh to order.

“Our goal is to provide the best food and make the customer happy,” said Chavez. “We know that there are people around us that only have 15 minutes to eat lunch, but with us, five minutes is all they will have to wait.”

“People always want fresh food and even though we open at 10:30 a.m., we’re here an hour

early prepping the food and making sure everything is fresh to order.”

Along with the water and soda offered at the food truck, coffee is also a choice. The variety offered at Zai Zai is an Indian filtered version called “pulled coffee,” a sweet milky coffee comparable to a cappuccino.

A variety of international food is also made, and special requests are accepted. So, if you’re in the mood for a burger, chances are that could be done just for you.

According to Albino, “If you call ahead, we’ll have the food ready when you arrive.”

Call 407-233-7919 to order take out from Zai Zai’s food truck or just walk right up after class.

## 5K run

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Thursday, Nov. 15, students, faculty and alumni ran the circuit of the college grounds in red Team RWB shirts, a visual banner of their shared purpose.

“I believe that the civilian dynamic is one of the most important things,” said Bobby Colella, director of Orlando’s Team RWB. “We want people that are used to the civilian world. There’s a lot of like-minded veterans, but if we don’t challenge them, and bring them in from the military, and pull them and bridge that gap, it’s a civilian society.”

Jasmine Cruz, a Valencia student advisor and former marine, experienced the difficulty of adjusting into a non-militant lifestyle, “It’s different when they get out, trying to adjust to civilian life.”

Having a division of the association in Osceola will give local veterans “a sense of belonging and camaraderie. They can help each other find resources, be each other’s voice and kind of support each other,” said Cruz, who is also involved with

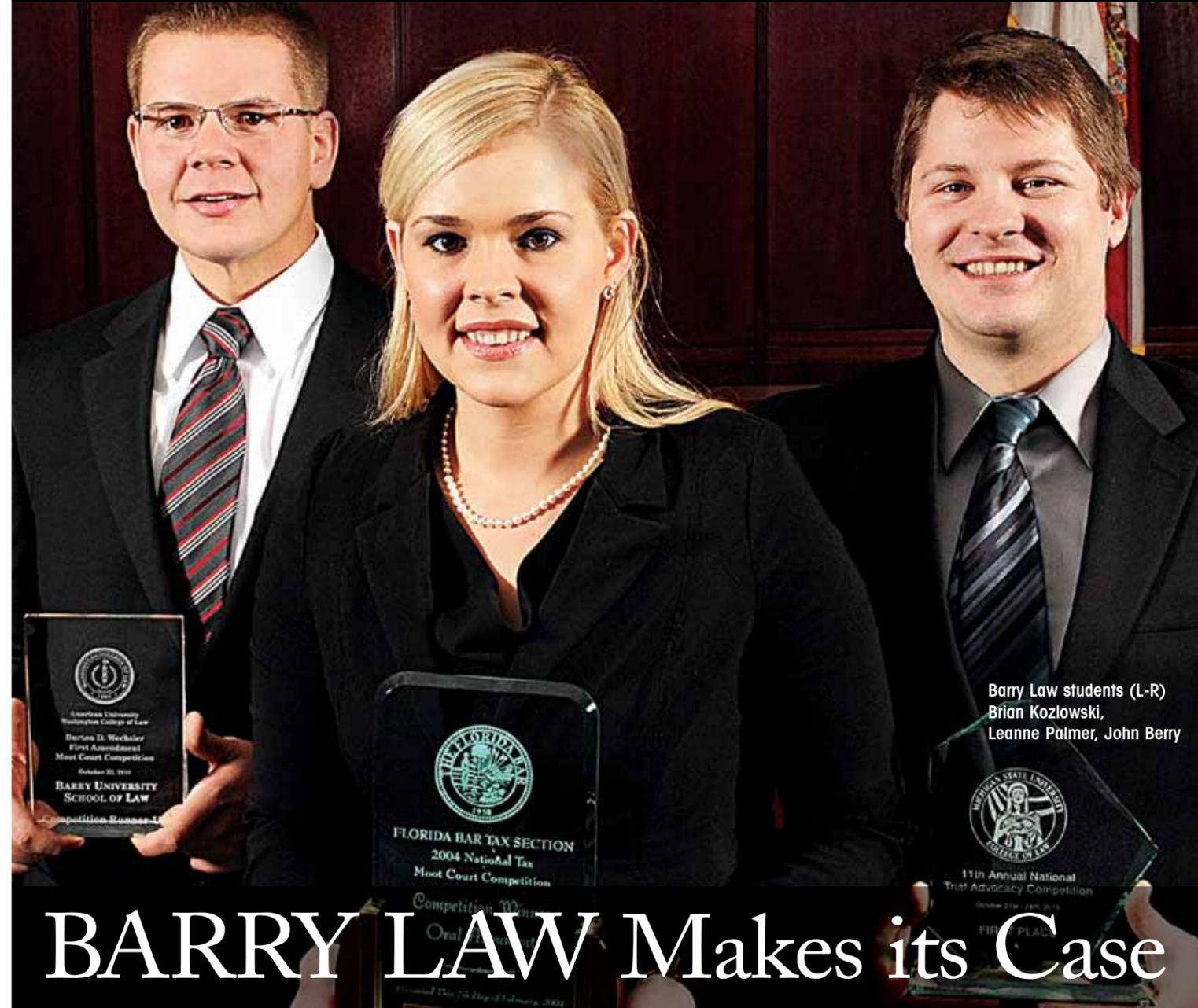
organizing the Veterans Association.

The organizers expect to complete all requirements and gain social support necessary for approval from the SGA to launch the Osceola Campus Veterans Association by January. For more information on how to get involved visit the Osceola Campus Student Development team. For more information about Team RWB, visit [www.teamrw.org](http://www.teamrw.org) or find Team RWB Florida on Facebook.



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**Winners of the 5K veteran run celebrated with the rest of the participants at the Osceola Campus courtyard on Nov. 15.**



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# Tweets of the Week



**Funny Tweets** @iTweetFunny\_

I bought a great new holder for my Apple and Blackberry. It's called a 'Fruit Bowl'.



**kelly oxford** @kellyoxford

Flag hair lady would have been the easiest Halloween costume.



**RainnWilson** @rainnwilson

At least this whole Petraeus thing is making the plotlines of Homeland a lot more plausible.



**Like A Sir!** @TruthOrComedy

Internet Explorer: The best browser for downloading another browser.



**Funny Tweets** @BestOfJokes

How much does a hipster weigh? An instagram.



**SweetandWeak** @sweetandweak

It's funny that before twitter I used to read entire books and now I sometimes get annoyed that a tweet is too long and skip it.



**TheTumblrPosts** @TheTumblrPosts

Yawning is your body's way of saying 20% of battery remaining.



**Funny Tweets!** @OmgComedy

I'm eating just in case I get hungry in the future.

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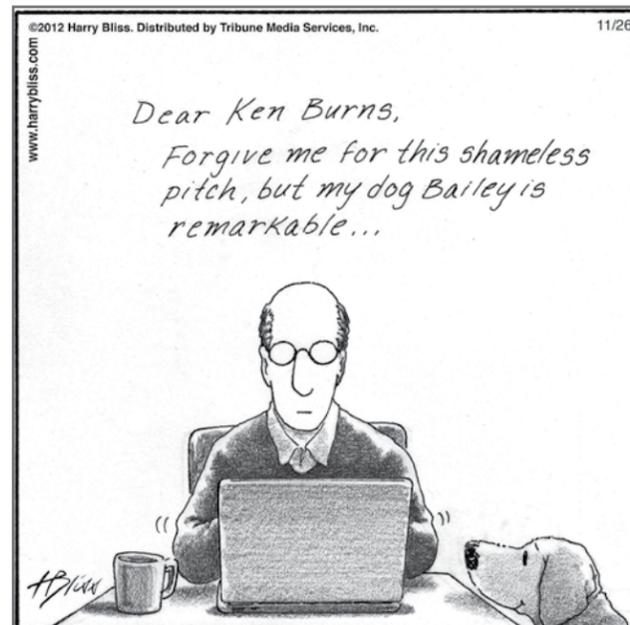
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# Dark day for some, festive pastime for others

## Black Friday takes over Thanksgiving spotlight

By Kavita Kumar  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

After pulling an all-nighter during Black Friday last year, Lori Green of Afton, Mo., planned on taking a nap after Thanksgiving dinner this year before hitting the stores. But retailers might have put a wrinkle in her plan.

Stores are opening even earlier than last year, as Black Friday creeps even deeper into Thanksgiving Day.

Last year, many stores opened at midnight, earlier than ever, and a few even opened at 9 p.m. on Thursday. This year, some big chains are taking the sales event to a new level, opening as early as 8 p.m., while others are sticking to midnight.

"It would be nice if they all opened at 8, but I don't see that happening," Green said.

Indeed, many consumers are figuring out how to readjust their Black Friday strategies for one of the biggest shopping events of the year in light of the earlier openings.

Wal-Mart, Sears and Toys R Us are among the earliest wave of store openings, at 8 p.m., followed by Target at 9 p.m. Then at the stroke of midnight, a host of other stores, such as Macy's, Kohl's, Best Buy and many shopping malls, will swing open their doors.

On top of that, a small group of re-



Robert Cohen / St. Louis Post-Dispatch / MCT

Santa Claus watches as Leah Freeman, 8, of St. Charles, takes aim with a laser air rifle game at Bass Pro Shops in St. Charles, Miss. on Nov. 13.

tailers, including Kmart and many Old Navy stores, will be open during the day on Thanksgiving.

"Most consumers don't have bottomless pockets, so many set a budget for holiday spending," said Alden Lury, a retail strategist with Kurt Salmon. "Retailers are competing for a share of that spend."

While some critics are once again not happy about Black Friday cutting short a family-focused holiday -- both for shoppers and those who have to work -- retailers say they are responding to consumer demand.

There was a lot of talk about a potential backlash to last year's Thursday

night and midnight openings, but there were nonetheless long lines of shoppers outside many stores.

Target, which is opening three hours earlier than last year, carefully evaluated its opening time with its guests and employees in mind, Sarah Van Nevel, a company spokeswoman, said in an email.

"Our opening time this year reflects the feedback we have heard from our guests -- many prefer to shop following their family gatherings rather than in the very early hours of the morning," she said.

A decade ago, Black Friday actually started on Friday, with 6 a.m. being the standard opening time. But it's been inching back ever since, spurred in part by competition from online retailers.

"The Web leapfrogged over all that," said Ellen Davis, a vice president with the National Retail Federation. "They could say, 'Hey, we are open on Thanksgiving.' So (bricks-and-mortar) retailers felt they needed to do something to be relevant."

The evening openings seem to appeal especially to younger adults, who are notorious for not being early-morning risers.

"Young adults do not want to go to bed and set their alarm clocks for 3 or 4 a.m.," Davis said. "They'd rather enjoy Thanksgiving with their families and then, much like you would catch a movie afterward, go shopping."

As a result, she said, Black Friday shoppers appear to be skewing younger than ever. Thirty-seven percent of Black Friday shoppers between the ages of 18 and 34 hit the midnight sales last year, compared to a quarter of all shoppers among all age groups, according to NRF data.

"If you can bring in a customer when they're 20 years old, you might have them for another 30 to 40 years," Davis said.

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Scott Harrison / Los Angeles Times / MCT

Ten people were injured during a pepperspray incident about 10 p.m. on Nov. 25, 2011.

## Black Friday

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Like last year, all of Toys R Us' doorbuster deals will be offered online, while supplies last, at the same time as the doors to its stores swing open at 8 p.m., said Adrienne O'Hara, a company spokeswoman.

The only advantage to coming to the store in person is the first 200 customers will receive a goodie bag, with stocking stuffers and other items. But O'Hara said many customers nonetheless prefer to brave the crowds and shop in person.

"We still see consumers who love, love to come out to the store on Black Friday," she said. "They love the thrill of seeing what's on the shelf. For so

many families, it's a ritual."

Some retailers will roll out a couple of different doorbuster deals throughout the night and into the morning. Wal-Mart will start its first round at 8 p.m. with discounts on certain toys and home goods, followed by electronics at 10 p.m., and another round at 5 a.m. Friday.

"Maybe I'm getting too old for this, but I don't think I would go to the midnight openings," said Sara Bryant, 61, of St. Louis. "I'd be more inclined to go to the 8 p.m. ones."

She usually shops on the morning of Black Friday with her sister. She enjoys the tradition, which usually includes them going to breakfast after they're done shopping.

"Shopping is fun," she said. "But there's never anything I want bad enough to stand in line for it."

— MCT Campus

# Black Friday ... or is it Black Thursday now?

Despite protests from store clerks and shoppers, many stores will be opening earlier in the evening on Thanksgiving Day (and at least one – Kmart – will be open during the day) in an effort to profit from the traditional start of the holiday shopping season.

### Where 'Black Friday' got its name

- **Term was first used** to describe a very different event, the stock market panic of 1864
- **In the 1950s**, factory managers used it to characterize the Friday after Thanksgiving when many workers called in sick
- **In the 1960s**, Philly cops borrowed the phrase to complain about crowded shops on the day after Thanksgiving
- **In the 1970s**, newspapers began describing the "official" first day of holiday shopping as Black Friday
- **In the 1980s**, merchants gave the phrase a new spin – a label for the first day their balance sheets moved from red to black
- **Since the 2000s**, Thanksgiving weekend has been the holiday season's best for shopping; last year, some stores began Black Friday sales on Thursday, opening their doors before midnight

### What we buy

Percentage of consumers who say they intend to buy these items this season



### How much we spend

Trend in average spending



## Are you prepared for final exams?

You go to class day after day, you take notes, you study hard and what do you have to show for it but a single grade to be assessed via final exam?

It is a state mandate that exams determine whether a student passes or fails a class, regardless of their performance throughout the semester. Some professors give their students leeway and tally up participation and homework as part of their overall grade, yet others abide by the book.

Some professors test students weekly in an effort to gauge their grasp of the material and others use this time to build an all-encompassing list of questions covering the lessons meant to have been learned over that period of time.

The question is: How do you feel about the teaching methods of your professors?

For our poll this week, students weighed in on their positions. It was a coin toss, as about 50 percent of students polled said they would rather be tested all throughout the semester on a periodic basis, as opposed to simply taking one cumulative test at the end of the semester.

Other students said they would rather ease the burden of worry for the time being, soak up all the information their porous brains can withstand, then purge it all on one big final.

The week of exams spans from Dec. 10 to 16 for the Fall 2012 semester, depending on which days your classes meet. Being less than a month away, some students said they felt confident about what they had learned so far in class, while others said there is always room for improvement.

What do you have to say? Are you ready for the long haul? Email us at [copydesk@valenciavoice.com](mailto:copydesk@valenciavoice.com).



I'm not a good test taker. I need to find new strategies for studying to get myself prepared.

—James Chambers



We should just have tests, for each section, throughout the semester, not one final cumulative exam.

— Sajada Robinson



I'd rather take one at the end. If you want to prepare me for something, prepare me all at once.

— Mike Cole



I want to be able to rely on my grades throughout the semester, not have it all depend on the final exam.

— Kanisha Robinson



We should only have one exam, because I think it'll make better sense not to have tests throughout the year.

— Cyndia Augustine



I don't want to worry about tests all the time. I'd rather have one big exam, not a bunch of tests throughout the year.

— Dylan Ferson



I think it should be optional at the end. If you think you need it, you can take it. One of my teachers does that.

— Jennifer Rolon



I need to study every day, then I'm prepared. Testing throughout the year would be better for me.

— Josh Porter

# Lincoln makes big hit in theaters

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"Lincoln," a film by Steven Spielberg, covers the controversial year of 1865. This was the time in history where the center of political debate revolved around the 13th amendment, ultimately ending a war. There is much to enjoy and learn about this film from the acting to the scenes in of a Congress who all showed up for work on the House floor.

Daniel Day-Lewis portrays Lincoln, bringing the 16th president of the United States to life with an earthy quality reminiscent of that period in time. Sally Field plays Mary Todd Lincoln as the dramatic, and sometimes unpredictable, woman who has lost one son to the war. The arguments between Lincoln and his wife are suitable for digging into the depth of the characters and plot.

Republican House Speaker, Thadde-

us Stevens, played by Tommy Lee Jones is a character larger than life. In furthering Lincoln's plan of passing the 13th amendment, he helped abolish slavery. Those opposed are all given voice in the film. These voices emphasize the gloom and immoral consequences of the issue, along with the economic impact.

It's fascinating to comprehend that House Republicans of the past fought for equality, preferring to end the war and dismiss the amendment. In the movie, Spielberg suggests Lincoln used political tools of coercion to secure the votes he would need to pass the amendment. Because of the things he has seen, Lincoln is against slavery and the war in general, so he proceeds. With trepidation, he is egged on by Mary Lincoln.

There are just enough shots of the carnage and consequences of war to drive home the point. Lincoln uses manipulation to do what he wants. Even though there is

a war going on, he is re-elected for a second term. After careful analysis, he convinces the lame duck Democrats to join in the vote he needs to pass the 13th amendment.

Although history, as taught in junior high, focused more on the emancipation proclamation and less on the 13th amendment, the film, "Lincoln," brought to light the historical significance of the 1860s. The film appears to be a powerful history lesson of how Congress worked 150 years ago. There are many similarities from the past compared with the modern way our Congress works today, but people actually spoke to each other in the same room back then, while members of Congress, today, speak to an empty space as depicted on C-SPAN.

Overall, the film is mesmerizing. As the film moves across time toward the known climactic culmination--Lincoln's assassination--one cannot help but wonder how others in the audience view the movie.



Courtesy of Walt Disney Studios, Motion Pictures  
Daniel Day-Lewis portrays iconic president in biographical film set in Civil War time period.

When I went to see the film, there were many age groups who attended the film.

Jade Broadus thought "the film was long, but great. Driven by character without much action." She wanted it to be better. Brett Love said, "Daniel Day-Lewis and Sally Field were exceptional." She felt it was long and ponderous.

## Nov. 21 "Life of Pi"



Rated: PG

Running Time: 2 hrs 7 min

Genre: Drama

Director: Ang Lee

Starring: Suraj Sharma, Irrfan Khan, Gerard Depardieu, Adil Hussain

## "Red Dawn"



Rated: PG-13

Running Time: N/A

Genre: Action, Drama, War

Director: Dan Bradley

Starring: Carl Elsworth, Josh Peck, Josh Hutcherson, Adrienne Palicki

## Box Office



### "Breaking Dawn 2"

Rated:  
PG-13

This Weekend:  
\$ 141,300,000

Total Gross:  
\$ 141,300,000



### "Skyfall"

Rated:  
PG-13

This Weekend:  
\$ 41,500,000

Total Gross:  
\$ 161,337,000



### "Lincoln"

Rated:  
PG-13

This Weekend:  
\$ 21,000,000

Total Gross:  
\$ 22,419,000

# Survive Black Friday

## How to prep for Christmas shopping's biggest day

By Doreen Christensen  
Sun Sentinel

There is just one day to go before the "midnight madness" begins on Nov. 23.

We're talking about Black Friday, and if you want to score the best deals on holiday gifts, you'll need to draw up a battle plan by deciding what to buy and researching where to go to get the most bang for your buck.

"Make a plan and a list and stick to it. Do not make any impulse purchases if it's not on your list. No matter how good the price, it's not a bargain if you don't need it," said Jodi Furman, a shopping and savings expert in Lake Worth, Fla.

Furman, who writes the shopping and savings blog [www.LiveFabuLESS.com](http://www.LiveFabuLESS.com), says you can sniff out the best bargains before and after Black Friday with a little planning.

Here's her top tips on how to score the best deals.

—MCT Campus

### Set a spending limit.

Focus on what you need and what you can afford. Furman suggests you figure out how much you can afford to spend, set the budget and stick to it.

### Do your homework.

Check sales fliers and get the Thanksgiving Day newspaper to see what deals are being offered at what times. "Research what you want to buy now. Visit [www.BFAds.net](http://www.BFAds.net) or [www.BlackFriday.fm](http://www.BlackFriday.fm) for a good overview of upcoming sales."

### Let someone else do your homework.

Check popular savings sites like [www.TotallyTarget.com](http://www.TotallyTarget.com) and [www.IHeartTheMart.com](http://www.IHeartTheMart.com). They focus on the best sales at Target and Wal-Mart. "These sites do the legwork for you so you can relax and enjoy your Thanksgiving."

### Get rebates.

Get cash back for online purchases by using sites like [www.Ebates.com](http://www.Ebates.com), [www.FatWallet.com](http://www.FatWallet.com) and [www.Swagbucks.com](http://www.Swagbucks.com). "The sites offer a percentage of your online purchases back in cash."

### Find shopping buddies.

If you want to get items at more than one store, Furman suggests using the "divide and conquer" method. "If there are two or three of you, divide your lists between each person and one goes to each store to get the bargains for everyone."

### Score free gift cards.

Some stores also offer free gift cards with purchase on popular electronics like iPods and video game consoles, she says.

### Use technology.

Sign up for emails and text messages from your favorite retailers so you'll automatically be notified of special offers. "Consult shopping blogs and download smartphone apps so you can get more for less. Not just less money, less stress, less time, less effort and less running around." Furman recommends downloading apps like [www.RedLaser.com](http://www.RedLaser.com) for iPhone and [www.ShopSavvy.com](http://www.ShopSavvy.com) for Android smartphones.

### Use price matching.

For the first time, Target is price matching online competitors Wal-Mart, Amazon, Best Buy and Toys "R" Us, Furman says. "Some stores will do a price match and a price adjust so you'll be able to get what you paid at the current advertised price. You won't have to return the items and re-buy them. Just bring in your receipt with the ad (if you have it) to get your money back."



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# Miami Marlins trade key players, only igniting fan anger

## Community outraged by potential roster moves

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Miami Marlins fans aren't happy.

After word spread on Tuesday night that the team was reportedly working on a trade with the Toronto Blue Jays that would send ace's Josh Johnson and Mark Buehrle to Toronto, along with shortstop Jose Reyes, catcher John Buck, and utility-man Emilio Bonifacio.

In return, Miami will receive Yunel Escobar, Adeiny Hechavarria, Jeff Mathis, Jake Marisnick, as well as pitchers Henderson Alvarez, Justin Nicolino and Anthony DeScalafani. With the trade the Marlins have also managed to get rid of \$150 million in base salary commitments.

"I absolutely recognize that the names coming back in the potential trade are not names that people are familiar with," said Marlins president David Samson, Friday afternoon on The Dan LeBatard Show for 790 The Ticket. "In the baseball world, people are familiar with them."

Many fans around the community are showing their displeasure towards the deal through social media websites such as Facebook and Twitter, there has even been a "Boycott Loria" Twitter account made to encourage fans to boycott Marlins owner Jeffrey Loria.



Courtesy of Miami Marlins

Jose Reyes was among Marlins players that were traded on Tuesday night, which outrage from fans.

The "Boycott Loria" Twitter account was created Tuesday night and as of Wednesday night, the account had 288 followers. A boycott of the team may seem unlikely, but a source within the

"Boycott Loria" account believes that the fans will go through with it this time around.

"It's not the first time they've mentioned it," said the source about the boy-

cott. "But I think now that the fans are paying for the new ballpark, I think it's a little more personal."

Other fans plan on showing their displeasure towards the franchise's latest roster moves as soon as Saturday.

Barnaby Robles is a Miami resident, and has been a Marlins fan ever since he went to the team's first game back in 1993 with his father at the age of nine. Now 28 years old, Robles understands the dynamics of the fire sale more now than he did back in '98 or '05, the main difference in those fire sales being that the Marlins won a World Series championship before trading away their stars.

Robles said that he, along with many of his friends, will be going to Marlins Park on Saturday at 3:05 p.m. to drop off all of their team apparel at the ballpark's doorstep.

"I don't think boycotting the team is necessarily the right answer," said Robles. "I've already talked to a couple of guys, and this Saturday we are going to go to the stadium and we're just going to go put our stuff there. We're just going to drop off whatever shirts we bought and whatever hats we bought."

Fans aren't the only ones upset about the trade. Many of the Marlins remaining starters voiced their frustration about the trade via twitter. Outfielder Giancarlo Stanton tweeted, "Alright, I'm pissed off!!! Plain & Simple." While fellow teammate Ricky Nolasco simply tweeted "Huh?...."

Taxpayers are another portion of the Miami community that are upset with the trade. Miami-Dade county is liable for roughly \$2.4 billion in debt payments on the stadium over the next 40 years.

Robles who is a Miami taxpayer also stressed the fact that the city of Miami is the one on the hook for the payment of the stadium.

"The only reason Jeffrey Loria has that nice, beautiful stadium is because the city of Miami gave him hundreds of millions of dollars to do so," said Robles. "We're the ones that are footing that bill."

Some fans still try to remain optimistic about the team, despite the revamping of the roster.

Eduardo Delgado is one of those fans. Delgado is a Miami native who has been a Marlins fan his whole life and is trying to look at the bright side of the trade.

"I'm trying to keep my hopes up for how this will end up," said Delgado. "My thoughts are that the management is planning on bringing in some big name free agents."

As of Sunday night, the trade was yet to be announced officially, because Major League Baseball commissioner, Bud Selig, was reviewing the deal. Once Selig approved the trade, player physicals still need to be conducted before the deal can be finalized. If the trade goes through as planned, the Marlins payroll will be roughly \$16 million before arbitration, which is only a fraction of the \$111.5 million that Miami started the 2012 season with.

# Newly signed Solar Bears contribute to weekend wins

By Danny Morales  
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ORLANDO -- Chris Lawrence and B.J. Crombeen were both acquired by the Solar Bears prior to this weekend's three-game series against the Kalamazoo Wings in Orlando.

Crombeen, currently a member of the Tampa Bay Lightning, signed with Orlando on Friday, Nov. 16 after spending the beginning of the season working for the National Hockey League Players' Association's negotiations committee attempting to end the lockout. Lawrence was acquired one day prior to Crombeen via a trade with the San Francisco Bulls.

"Obviously it was kind of a good fit being in Tampa, close to my family there," said Crombeen on his decision to sign with the Solar Bears. "It's obviously the closest team and I knew Drake a little bit, so that made it a lot easier to kind of look at the opportunity here."

Lawrence, who was a Lightning third-round draft pick back in 2005, had two goals and three assists for the Bulls before being dealt to the Solar Bears. He also had three assists during his Orlando debut on Saturday night, and added another two assists in Sunday afternoon's 2-1 win over the Wings.

"He's a great player," said Solar Bears coach Drake Berehowsky on Lawrence. "I've known him watching him in junior, and in the OHL I coached against him, and I thought he was a great player then. So I kind of had an idea what we were getting when we traded for him."

Lawrence had a two-game stint last season where he played for Orlando's AHL affiliate the

Houston Aeros. During those two games in Houston, Lawrence did not record a goal or assist, while having a plus-minus of negative one. When he joined the Solar Bears, Lawrence had a plus-minus of negative five, but since coming to Orlando he has improved that number to negative three.

"It's nice to have a good start," said Lawrence about his Orlando debut. "Playing with some great players made it pretty easy for me. Everybody's well coached, so it made it a lot easier for me."

Crombeen failed to score over the weekend, but he did manage to get off a total of 11 shots throughout the two games against Kalamazoo.

"He's an NHL caliber guy," said Solar Bears goalie Hannu Toivonen on the addition of veteran B.J. Crombeen. "We know how hard he works, and it's a good reminder for all of us."



Courtesy of Orlando Solar Bears

B.J. Crombeen (right) currently plays with the Tampa Bay Lightning, but has opted to Join Orlando due to the NHL lockout, which is on going between players and owners.



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