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**COLLEGE FOOTBALL:** *A different look at bowl season* • JOHN McGRATH, Sports, B1

**“I see a lot of fear and disbelief in people’s eyes.”**

**RABBI SHOLOM DEITSCH,**  
who was at the evacuation site



JESSICA HILL/The Associated Press  
A woman waits to hear about her sister, a teacher, following a shooting in Newtown, Conn.

## GUNMAN KILLS 26 AT SCHOOL IN CONNECTICUT



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SHANNON HICKS/Newtown (Conn.) Bee

A police officer leads evacuees from Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn. On Friday morning, a gunman opened fire, killing 26 people.

*Shooter enters classroom, kills children, adults, then himself, police say*

### MASS SHOOTING AT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Source: ESRI Associated Press map

BY JAMES BARRON  
*The New York Times*

A 20-year-old man wearing combat gear and armed with semi-automatic pistols and a semi-automatic rifle killed 26 people – 20 of them children – in an attack in an elementary school in central Connecticut on Friday. Witnesses and officials described a horrific scene as the gunman, with brutal efficiency, chose his victims in two classrooms while other students dove under desks and hid in closets.

Hundreds of terrified parents arrived as their sobbing children were led out of Sandy Hook Elementary School in a wooded corner of Newtown. By then, all of the victims had been shot and most were dead, and the gunman, identified as Adam Lanza, had committed suicide. The children who were killed were said to be 5 to 10 years old.

A 28th person, found dead in a house in the town, was also believed to have been shot by Lanza. That victim, one law enforcement official said, was Lanza’s mother, Nancy Lanza, who worked at the school. She apparently owned the guns he used.

The principal had buzzed Lanza in because she recognized him as the son of a colleague. Moments later,

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### SAFETY EFFORTS AT LOCAL SCHOOLS

Pierce County first responders and students have monthly drills in case a lockdown occurs. **A14**

### PAINFUL MEMORIES

The deadly shootings uncover wounds still healing from those affected by a park ranger’s slaying. **A14**

### BROACHING THE TOPIC WITH KIDS

Parents can have an age-appropriate talk with their children about tragedies such as this, say experts. **A14**

## Pilot from JBLM found not guilty in airdrop fatality

BY ADAM ASHTON  
*Staff writer*

A 10-officer court-martial panel on Friday found Joint Base Lewis-McChord pilot Capt. Jared Foley not guilty of dereliction of duty and reckless endangerment in the 2011 death of an Army paratrooper from the West Virginia National Guard.

Foley, 37, had faced 2½ years in prison for approving an airdrop that led to the death of Sgt. Francis Campion, 31, of Hollidaysburg, Pa.

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### TODAY’S TOP STORIES

#### OPINION

##### Bill Hall

It’s said that dogs sometimes look like their owners. But those dogs might also be a reflection of the inner human. **A17**

#### BUSINESS

##### Gasoline prices

Gasoline prices might be an early Christmas present – they’re expected to drop to their lowest of the year. **A15**

#### COMING UP

##### In Sunday’s News Tribune

**Jobs:** Who are the biggest employers in Pierce County these days?

**Liquor:** Privatization of liquor sales has opened new opportunities for thieves.



TONY OVERMAN/Staff photographer  
Seattle Seahawks wide receiver Sidney Rice on Sunday will get the chance to score more touchdowns, as he did on Nov. 11. Sports, B1.

## Obama comments on pot enforcement help clear picture

BY ROB CARSON  
*Staff writer*

Backers of Washington’s new pot law say they’re encouraged but not completely convinced by President Barack Obama’s conciliatory statements about marijuana on the Barbara Walters show.

“There’s some signal of hope,” said Alison Holcomb, the ACLU attorney who led the successful I-502 campaign.

But Holcomb added that it will take more than

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### ON THE WEB

#### ONLINE CONVERSATION

Re: Obama says pursuing pot users not a top priority  
“I think that the war on pot will eventually be won by the people, but it’s not in government’s nature to give up so much power without a fight.”

– commenter DBreneman



#### LIGHTS AND MORE LIGHTS

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#### TODAY’S WEATHER

Rain, maybe some snow mixed in. Breezy  
Burn-ban status: None.  
High: 41. Low: 34.  
Details, B10



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