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Lance Butters, owner of Molinelli's Jewelers, will be donating profits from a special gold and silver sale toward Brooklyn's Playground.

## Jeweler backs playground effort

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POCATELLO — Lance Butters, owner of Molinelli's Jewelers, says now is the time to find out how much that broken chain you've been holding onto is really worth.

"People can put cash in their pockets and put kids out on the playground — all at the same time this weekend," Butters says.

This Friday and Saturday, Butters encourages the public to bring in their gold, silver, platinum, or any other type of jewelry

### HOW TO HELP

You can also help Brooklyn's Playground win a \$50,000 grant from the Pepsi Refresh Project:

- 1) Go to [www.refresheverything.com](http://www.refresheverything.com)
- 2) Search for United Way
- 3) Look for the Brooklyn's Playground project
- 4) Click on "Vote for this" and create an account.

You can submit one voter per day, per e-mail address for Brooklyn's Playground. The contest ends on July 31.

for an item that is worth \$100.

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Not only will people be paid accordingly, but as an extra incentive, the Rotary Club member will add 10 percent to the total value of the jewelry before sealing the deal with those who are looking to make some quick cash. For example, participants would be paid \$110 for a piece of jewelry in gold, silver, platinum, or any other type of jewelry that's comprised of precious metals, to be appraised by a staff of experts who will be on hand from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days.

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All profits from the two-day jewelry trade-in event held at Molinelli's Jewelers, 126 North Main St., will go toward the construction of Brooklyn's Playground at OK Ward Park in Pocatello.

Buttars indicates that Dorsey Hill, a local woman who has already donated thousands of dollars toward the future site of the Gate City's first all-access playground, will happily match the total amount raised.

Specifically, Hill is willing to match the total amount up to \$10,000.

"Brooklyn may be the

poster child for this fundraising effort, but this will benefit hundreds of other children for years to come," Buttars says. "It's sad to think that there are so many who have some sort of physical disability and are 'left out' on the playground simply because they can't gain access to the equipment very easily."

Buttars adds that the going rates for gold and silver are currently at all-time highs.

According to the group's website, \$190,045 of the \$400,000 needed to build the playground has been raised to date.