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Annual Piano Contest Brings Musicians to Oxford May 23-26

World Championship Old-Time Piano Playing Contest Celebrating 50 Years with Performances, Workshops

Since its inception as a fundraiser for the Monticello, Illinois Railway Museum in 1975, the World Championship Old-Time Piano Playing Contest has hosted more than 1,200 piano contestants from across the United States and abroad. Held annually to coincide with Memorial Day weekend, this event boasts the largest, most comprehensive competitive events for pianists steeped in the musical genres of ragtime, traditional jazz, and blues. The Contest provides an opportunity for pianists to compete and learn in a stimulating atmosphere, and to educate people about old-time piano music written prior to 1940.

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2024, contestants of all ages will be converging at Oxford to vie for trophies and cash prizes totaling a record \$10,000 at the University of Mississippi, the Contest's home since 2016. The event will be emceed by founder Ted Lemen.

There are four primary contests: A New Rag Contest for aspiring composers premiering new ragtime compositions; the Junior Division featuring pianists ages 18-and-under; the Regular Division for the seasoned performers; and the Senior Division for those pianists over 60 years of age.

Special guests this year include jazz icon Judy Carmichael, host of NPR's *Jazz Inspired*, along with guitarist Larry Koonse; award-winning entertainer Todd Robbins, *Investigation Discovery Channel* host and magician; three-time champion Julie McClarey, a veteran of Branson and Nashville musical venues; and the only four-time champion, Adam Swanson, who has performed at music festivals world-wide and serves as co-emcee for the event.

In addition to the contests, there are workshops, various catered events with live music including a Silent Movie Luncheon, and after-hours events each evening featuring lots of pianists as well as big band music. The exclusive off-campus venues this year are at the Powerhouse Community Arts Center, and Thursday night at the Mad Hatter. The on-campus events will take place at Nutt Auditorium unless otherwise indicated.

If you love ragtime, jazz, blues, honky-tonk, boogie, or novelty songs from the days of Tin Pan Alley, then you'll have the time of your life in Oxford this Memorial Day weekend. For a fun-filled four days of fabulous music, visit www.oldtimepianocontest.com and purchase tickets for this year's World Championship. To capture the flavor of this event, check out their YouTube Channel for past performances, and check their Facebook for regular updates. All-event tickets, day passes, and individual event tickets are available for purchase online from the event web site and at the door, as space permits.

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THURSDAY 5.16.2024

- Ole Miss Baseball @ LSU (Baton Rouge, 6 pm)
- The Mad Hatter: **KC & THE MOONSHINE BAND** (7:30-10 pm)
- Booth's BBQ: THE DOO-VAYS (5-8 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Check it Out Book Club (4:30 pm);
- LAW INFORMATION SERIES: Basics of Starting a Lawsuit (5:30 pm)
- This is Noteworthy (Water Valley): FUNNY BITS - Comedy Show (8 pm)

FRIDAY 5.17.2024

- Ole Miss Baseball @ LSU (Baton Rouge, 6:30 pm)
- The Library: **CLAY CORMIER** (9 pm)
- The Mad Hatter: **Dueling Pianos** (7-11 pm)
- OPA: **OPIE** (6-8:30 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **SCIENCE ON SCREEN: A Brief History of Folksong Collecting in America** by **GREG JOHNSON**, with a free screening of **Song Catcher** (7:30 pm)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Rafters on the Water: **ZECHARIAH LLOYD TRIO** (7-10 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Storytime (10:30 am)

SATURDAY 5.18.2024 DESTINATION OXFORD CAR SHOW

- (8 AM-2 PM ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SQUARE)
- Live music on the CB's Customs stage: **KC & THE MOONSHINE BAND + DJ GROOVY** (10 am-1 pm)
- Ole Miss Baseball @ LSU (Baton Rouge, 1 pm)
 - The Library: **CLAY CORMIER** (9 pm)
 - The Mad Hatter: **DUELING PIANOS** (7-11 pm)
 - Old Armory Pavilion: **LOCAL FESTIVAL** presented by Women of Worth and Excellence (10 am-3 pm)
 - Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
 - Rafters on the Water: **HAGGARD COLLINS BAND** (7-10 pm)
 - Oxford Skate Park: FREE SKATE CLINIC (all ages & skills welcome, 10-11 am)
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SUNDAY 5.19.2024

- The Mad Hatter: Sunday Brunch with LIVE MUSIC (10:30 am-2 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **ANUBIS IMPROV LEVEL 0 Workshop** (4-5:30 pm); **LEVEL UP SHOWCASE** (7:30 pm)
- Rafters on the Water: **JOE AUSTIN & THE TALLAHATCHIES** (1-4 pm)

MONDAY 5.20.2024

- The Powerhouse: Minority-owned business free networking cocktail hour (5-6 pm); **BIG BAD BUSINESS SERIES** Minority- and women-owned small business opportunities (6 pm)
- Blind Pig: Trivia (8 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Farmer Sue's Raised Bed Gardening with SUZANNE ATKINS & Lafayette County Master Gardeners
- Proud Larry's: KATE VARGAS & ERIC MCFADDEN

TUESDAY 5.21.2024

- Moe's: Trivia (7 pm)
- Old Armory Pavilion: **Oxford Community Market** (3-6:30 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Baby Storytime (9:30 am)

WEDNESDAY 5.22.2024

- Funkys: **LADIES' NIGHT**
- Mad Hatter: **Open Mic** with **HAGGARD & OPIE** (7:30-10:30 pm)
- Moe's Penny Bar: **COMEDY OPEN MIC** (9 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **2024 CSA Artists' Reception** (5:30-6:30 pm); **STEVE'S SENSATIONAL SUNSET SHOWS** (6:30 pm)
- Campus Wines: Wine Tasting (5-7 pm)

THURSDAY 5.23.2024

- The Mad Hatter: **OLD-TIME PIANO PLAYING CONTEST & FESTIVAL - AFTER PARTY** (9 pm-close, open to the public)
- Off Square Books: **PETE CANDLER** in conversation with **JOHN T. EDGE** for **A Deeper South** (5:30 pm)
- Nutt Auditorium (University): OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST: JUDY CARMICHAEL concert (7:30 pm)
- This is Noteworthy (Water Valley): HEMLOCK (7:30 pm)
- Wonderbird Spirits (Taylor): NEAL BODENHEIMER with *Cure*; cocktails, food, & music by END OF ALL MUSIC (5:30 pm)

FRIDAY 5.24.2024

- The Library: **JUSTIN HOLT** (9 pm)
- The Mad Hatter: **DUELING PIANOS** (7-11 pm)
- OPA: **REESE HORTON** (6-8:30 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST Tune-ups Party** (8 pm)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Rafters on the Water: **OPIE & THE BOYS** (7-10 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Storytime (10:30 am)
- Nutt Auditorium (University): OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST (all day)

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SATURDAY 5.25.2024

- The Library: **JUSTIN HOLT** (9 pm)
- The Mad Hatter: **DUELING PIANOS** (7-11 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST** Dinner (6 pm) & After hours feat. **TED LEMEN + more** (7:30 pm)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Rafters on the Water: **HAGGARD COLLINS BAND** (7-10 pm)
- Nutt Auditorium (University): OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST (all day)

SUNDAY 5.26.2024

- The Mad Hatter: Sunday Brunch with Live Music (10:30 am-2 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST Red, White & Blue Finale** (7 pm)
- Rafters on the Water: **ROCKET 88** (1-4 pm)
- Nutt Auditorium (University): OLD TIME PIANO-PLAYING CONTEST (all day)

MONDAY 5.27.2024 Memorial Dayw

TUESDAY 5.28.2024

- Moe's: **TRIVIA** (7 pm)
- Old Armory Pavilion: **Oxford Community Market** (3-6:30 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Baby storytime (9:30 am)

WEDNESDAY 5.29.2024

- Funkys: **LADIES NIGHT**
- Mad Hatter: **OPEN MIC** with **HAGGARD & OPIE** (7:30-10:30 pm)
- Moe's Penny Bar: **COMEDY OPEN MIC**
- Off Square Books: An evening with **GREG ILES** for **Southern Man** (5:30 pm)
- Campus Wines: Wine Tasting (5-7 pm) **TV**

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CONGRATULATIONS, Erika!

Chef Erika Lipe of **SoLa** has become the **FIRST Queen of Mississippi Seafood**. She presented the first-place dish at the **Mississippi Seafood Cook-off** in Gulfport on May 2. We've always known you are a winner! Erika will represent Mississippi in August at the **Great American Seafood Cook-Off** in **New Orleans, Louisiana**, and compete

against chefs throughout the country for the national seafood crown.



University of Mississippi Student Jackson McArthur Makes Extraordinary Contribution to CB Webb and LOU Community

Since the start of his freshman year in September 2020, **Jackson McArthur** has made an extraordinary contribution to **Oxford Community Market (OXCM)** and the local community during his time as an undergraduate student at the **University of Mississippi**.

"I have worked with hundreds of student and community volunteers over the past decade, and Jackson's service far exceeds any effort I have ever seen from [an individual]," said OXCM director **Betsy Chapman**.

Since establishing **OXCM Flower of Life Volunteer Squad** in 2020, Jackson has lead grassroots community work days every Friday afternoon during the academic year, with these impacts to the **CB Webb** income-based housing community:

- Establishing a Food Rescue program and systems to deliver meals, fresh produce, and household supplies to neighbors
- Establishing and maintaining a neighborhood garden for residents
- Establishing ongoing gardening education programs for children
- Establishing the OXCM Student Leadership Board to expand opportunities for students to engage in grassroots community work
- Establishing the OXCM Community Connections Committee to engage residents in grassroots community work

Jackson's hard work and dedication have had tremendous impacts this year alone and have facilitated the following:

- Over 15,000 meals served in three income-based housing neighborhoods
- Over 250 student volunteers engaged
- Over 3,000 hours of collective community engaged service hours from students facilitated by his leadership

Jackson has displayed an uncommon level of initiative, reliability, passion for the equitable distribution of resources, and commitment to doing the hard work of building sustainable systems and grassroots coalitions to meet community needs.

Thanks to his innovation and drive, organizations like OXCM and their grassroots communities are able to work to reduce food insecurity.

Jackson, an Honors College and Croft Institute student, graduated in May 2024, and he will continue his education at the **UM School of Law** in August. **TV**



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TV King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Reddish brown
 - 5 \$ dispenser
 - 8 Cries of aversion
 - 12 Spiced tea
 - 13 Goat's plaint
 - 14 Entreaty
 - 15 Mystique
 - 16 Blue Angels events
 - 18 Australian red wine
 - 20 Fedora feature
 - 21 Medicinal plant
 - 23 PC key
 - 24 Schubert compositions
 - 28 Monopoly cubes
 - 31 Misery
 - 32 Barbs
 - 34 Science Friday network
 - 35 Adjoining
 - 37 Sweeten
 - 39 Rocker Nugent
 - 41 Minnesota --
- 42 Penniless one
- 45 Fearsome fly
- 49 Relaxing time on the slopes
- 51 Equitable
- 52 "Understood"
- 53 Lucy's TV pal
- 54 Forearm bone
- 55 Minus
- 56 Season opener?
- 57 Some July babies

- 19 Sleep like --
- 22 Treble clef lines
- 24 Bristle
- 25 Caviar base
- 26 Fabric features
- 27 Calming drug
- 29 Tax pro
- 30 Mess up
- 33 Bygone jets
- 36 Prairie homes
- 38 Of service
- 40 -- Moines
- 42 Beach bucket
- 43 Church area
- 44 Invitation notation
- 46 Story
- 47 China (Pref.)
- 48 Historic periods
- 50 White wine cocktail

DOWN

- 1 Early TVs
- 2 "Nope!"
- 3 Rani's dress
- 4 Royal crowns
- 5 Vast rainforest region
- 6 -- chi
- 7 Painter Chagall
- 8 Supported
- 9 Acting smug
- 10 Hacks with an axe
- 11 Postpaid enc.
- 17 Mexican Mrs.

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C	A	Z	L	A	O	G	S	B	S	X	L	P	B	M

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: HONEY-MAKING POLLINATOR

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| Book | Lighthouse | Quarterback | Station |
| Brother's | Lock | Record | Time |
| Goal | Market | Saloon | Zoo |
| Grounds | Peace | Shop | |



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STICKELERS [sic]
by Terry Stickels

You may know that a group of cattle is called a herd or that a group of geese is known as a gaggle, but can you fill in the group names for the animals below?

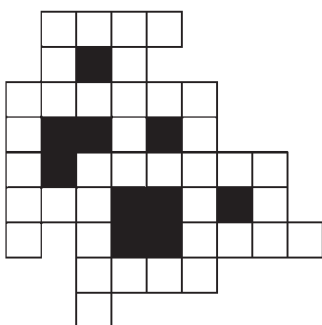
- 1) A _____ of monkeys
- 2) A _____ of flies
- 3) A _____ of lions
- 4) A _____ of swallows
- 5) A _____ of sparrows

FEAR KNIGHT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

- AGG
- HASKRI
- RMKIS
- ETSR
- GHYNSI
- ♥EAY
- IHHG
- ♥GENHI
- MHI
- ♥GETHHI
- ♥HRTGI
- KAYN



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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A	O	O	C	P	R	T	L	N	E	C	N	C
4	5	3	7	4	5	2	6	5	7	4	2	7
Y	U	O	H	T	R	E	O	C	A	I	F	N
8	4	6	5	2	4	3	5	7	3	2	5	3
N	M	W	E	U	I	M	F	G	A	L	U	T
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T	S	G	H	S	I	O	A	M	D	E	F	E

HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.



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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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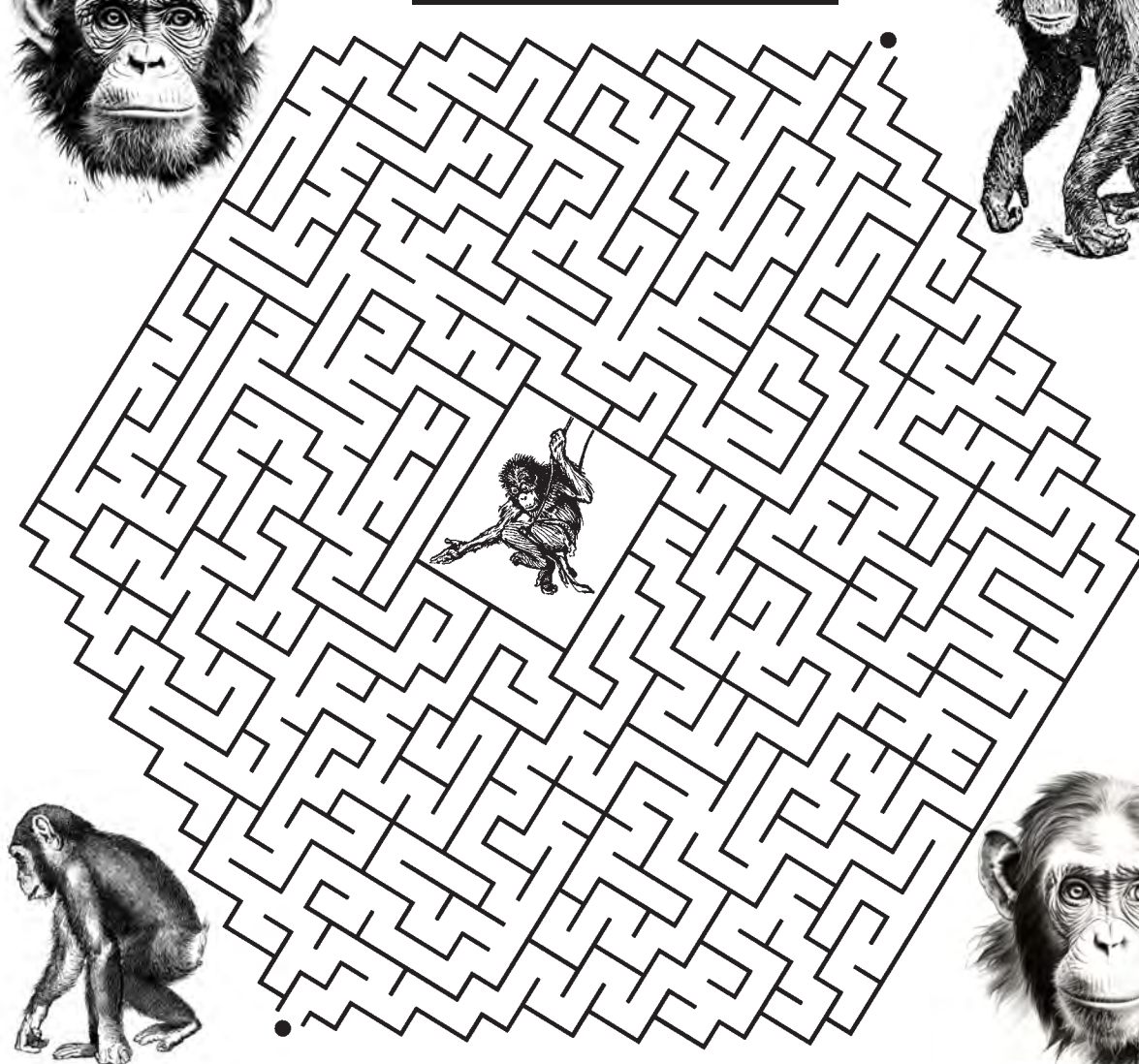
Super Crossword

INITIAL CONDITIONS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Nineveh's empire
 - 8 Its capital is Kampala
 - 14 12-step affiliate group
 - 20 New Guinea natives
 - 21 Renovates
 - 22 Ketchup ingredient
 - 23 It's used for outlining designs in embroidery
 - 25 Internet newsgroup troublemaker
 - 26 Alloy that's mostly tin
 - 27 1990s Toyota model
 - 28 Grills in stoves
 - 30 Take a stroll
 - 32 Cheerful disposition
 - 34 Carrying of a boat
 - 38 View anew
 - 39 Nonsense song syllable
 - 40 American bird with all-white plumage
 - 42 "So there!"
 - 44 Feels unwell
 - 48 Lawyers: Abbr.
 - 49 Dental floss coating
 - 50 Difficult matter to deal with
 - 54 Saw or sickle
 - 55 Implore
 - 56 Olympic skater Midori
 - 57 Enumerating
 - 58 Oman locale
 - 60 One trapping
 - 62 Shrink back
 - 63 They may have jingles
 - 66 Passionate love affair
 - 69 Hairstyling goop
 - 70 "C'mon, help me out"
 - 72 "Finally finished!"
 - 73 St. Louis' — Bridge
 - 75 Artifacts of Angola, e.g.
 - 77 Ares or Eros
 - 78 Greyhound vehicle
 - 79 Misfortunes
 - 83 The U.S. State Department, informally
 - 85 Sultry
 - 86 Pilfer
 - 87 Casual tops
 - 88 Fancy playing marble
 - 89 Even break
 - 91 "... — do say so myself"
 - 93 "In all probability ..."
 - 96 Warned
 - 97 Bird that flies near the ocean's surface
 - 102 Utter failure
 - 103 Military base
 - 104 "The best is — come"
 - 106 Ancient rival of Athens
 - 111 Became inseparable
 - 112 Apt question for this puzzle
 - 115 Northern Spanish city
 - 116 Actress de Ravin of "Roswell" and "Lost"
 - 117 Pain greatly
 - 118 Person ripping things
 - 119 Key in anew
 - 120 Dwellers around Peru's peaks
 - 12 Yuletide mo.
 - 13 "Harold and Maude" director Hal
 - 14 When it's 1600 hours
 - 15 "Blaze" actress
 - 16 "Scenes From —" (Bette Midler film)
 - 17 "And Bingo was his —"
 - 18 New Mexico county
 - 19 From Oslo's country, to its natives
 - 24 Toll rd.
 - 29 "Number 10" painter Mark
 - 31 Stockings, say
 - 33 Classic soda
 - 34 Jr.-year exam
 - 35 Savvy about
 - 36 — -Rooter
 - 37 Sharp of choreography
 - 38 Dinosaur in "Toy Story"
 - 41 Dusting cloth
 - 43 Capital of Ghana
 - 44 Fizzy wine, in brief
 - 45 Walt Whitman's "— the Body Electric"
 - 46 Fencer's attack
 - 47 Jason of "Bad Teacher"
 - 50 Celebrity status
 - 51 Doughnut or bagel's shape
 - 52 New Mexican succulents
 - 53 Common way to mark losses
 - 55 Place to dissect a frog
 - 56 Blue shade
 - 59 Actor Keach of "Mike Hammer"
 - 60 Caesar of old comedy
 - 61 CPR pro
 - 63 Toward a ship's stern
 - 64 Crusoe creator
 - 65 Platoon VIP
 - 67 Rodeo lasso
 - 68 Idling position
 - 71 Oinkers
 - 74 Indian lute
 - 76 Gratuity-prohibiting policy
 - 78 Young guy, in hip-hop
 - 80 Pre-Easter time
 - 81 Shoe securer
 - 82 Yukon vehicle
 - 84 Tease in fun
 - 85 Head cover
 - 86 Mark of TV's "Supernatural"
 - 89 Certain penpoint feature
 - 90 Seal, as a house-buying deal
 - 91 Hinder
 - 92 Novelist Dostoyevsky
 - 94 Deadpan humor
 - 95 "The Office" character Pam
 - 97 Wood shoe
 - 98 Treasure pile
 - 99 "— vincit amor"
 - 100 Winona of "Black Swan"
 - 101 Once-popular anesthetic
 - 102 Rival
 - 105 You, of yore
 - 107 "Stop staring —!"
 - 108 Ostrich kin
 - 109 Ky. neighbor
 - 110 Part of B.A.
 - 113 Kipling's "Follow Me —"
 - 114 Org. founded by Billie Jean King
- DOWN**
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 - 10 Farewells
 - 11 Zero

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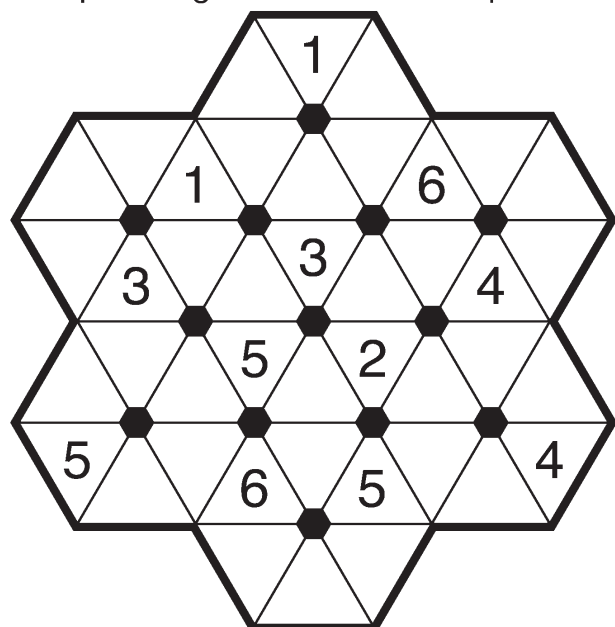
Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY:** Which European country has the largest population?
- TELEVISION:** Which sitcom features a character named Ron Swanson?
- SCIENCE:** What are the three layers of the Earth?
- MOVIES:** Which 2001 movie has a famous "bend and snap" scene?
- MONEY:** What is a modern U.S. penny made of mostly?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a common name for an animal in the Leporidae family?
- LITERATURE:** Which children's book contains the line, "Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast"?
- ANATOMY:** Where is the pinna located in the human body?
- HISTORY:** Who was the fourth president of the United States?
- BUSINESS:** What did Amazon sell exclusively when it started business in 1994?

SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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AMJPSQKLN EP BDL UGV.
QMEPFPO, KS BDL UP DL
PISOPJPWV FDWGDUWP
ADFKLNA DBBMGLS.
- DLLP EKWAML ABQDPY

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

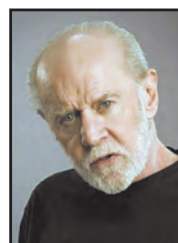
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Answers: 1. Russia 2. Parks and Recreation 3. Crust, mantle, and core 4. Legally Blonde 5. Zinc 6. Rabbit or hare 7. Alice in Wonderland 8. Ear 9. James Madison 10. Books

GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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DIFFICULTY: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult ★★★ GO FIGURE!

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

THE LOCAL VOICE PUZZLE PLAYGROUND

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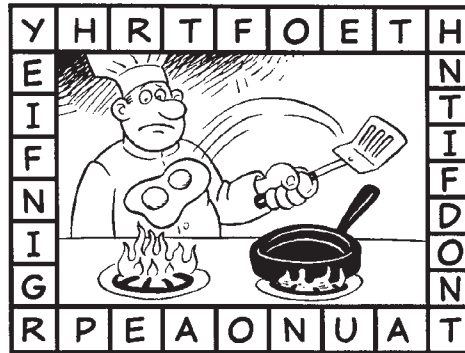
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HIDDEN IN THE ABOVE FRAME is a famous old saying. You can find it by reading every other letter as you go around it counterclockwise. The trick is finding the right first letter.

Answer: Starting with the "O" in the bottom row: "Out of the frying pan and into the fire."

A TONGUE TWISTER! "One day Esau Wood saw a saw saw wood as no other wood-saw Wood saw would saw wood. In fact, of all the wood-saws Wood ever saw saw wood, Wood never saw a wood-saw that would saw wood as the wood-saw Wood saw saw wood would saw wood and I never saw a wood-saw that would saw as the wood-saw Wood saw would saw until I saw Esau Wood saw wood with the wood-saw Wood saw saw wood." (How fast can you say that one out loud?)



FIND THE SEVEN WORDS PUZZLE! In the word square at the right, we've removed six of the letters to spell out the word "GREET'S." Can you replace these letters in the squares so that you have four 3-letter words across and three 4-letter words down? Time limit: 60 seconds.

G	F	O	
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Answers: (Across) Fog, ego, era, set. (Down) Fees, ogre, goat.



PYRAMID OF WORD POWER! You have three minutes to unlock the secrets of Word Power! Starting with the given word **AIRDROMES**, at the bottom of our pyramid, try dropping one letter at a time as you work your way up, so that the remaining letters at each level spell out a new word. The following helpful hints are in ascending order, beginning with **AIRDROMES**.

1. Airports (given).
2. Military reserves headquarters.
3. What a minister does.
4. A rugged range of mountains.
5. A type of poker bet.
6. An Indian outer garment.
7. A form of polite address.
8. To exist; have life.
9. Symbol for iodine.

Answers: 1. Airdromes. 2. Armories. 3. Marmes. 4. Sierra. 5. Haise. 6. Sant. 7. Sir.

KNIGHT MOVES

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Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from **MASTER** for an I, you get **MISTER**. Do not change the order of the letters.

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| 1. What Cy Young did | ___ T ___ | Salt measurement | ___ N ___ |
| 2. Architect's drawing | D ___ | Call it quits | R ___ |
| 3. Mansion | ___ N ___ | Army officer | ___ J ___ |
| 4. Cost | ___ C ___ | Group of lions | ___ D ___ |
| 5. Political trip | ___ T | Rundown car | ___ R |
| 6. Playful mammal | O ___ | Speak | U ___ |
| 7. Bewilder | ___ R | Noah's dilemma | ___ D |
| 8. Need for food | ___ G ___ | Orion, e.g. | ___ T ___ |
| 9. Postage sticker | ___ T ___ | Mischief-maker | ___ C ___ |
| 10. Get rid of | ___ V ___ | TV operation device | ___ T ___ |

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Another Journey through Grief

When I learned that my big brother Rodney took his life on January 27, 2017, I sat at home not quite knowing what to do. I decided to go to the place I knew love for me dwelt—The Balcony. There the comfort of friends overflowed and soothed my grief.

When I learned that my sister Hilda had died in her sleep on April 9, 2022, I knew what to do. I went to The Balcony where the comfort of friends overflowed and soothed my grief.

When I learned that my sister Nancy, the last of my siblings, died on May 6, 2024, I knew exactly what to do. I went to The Balcony where the comfort of friends overflowed and soothed my grief.

In the Charles Schultz's comic strip, *Peanuts*, good ol' naïve Charlie Brown often yelled, "Good grief!" to express his dismay over something unbelievable another character—usually Lucy—had said or done.

(Think "I coulda had a V-8" moment.) But let's take it literally. Good grief. What exactly is *good* grief?

Many of us are familiar with Elisabeth Kübler-Ross' "Five Stages of Grief" from her 1969 book, *On Death and Dying*: denial, anger, bargaining, depression, and acceptance. But these "stages" don't occur sequentially. Most often we bounce back and forth between them. They also overlap frequently. Still, the Five Stages of Grief can be highly helpful for those dealing with loss.

I prefer a similar but different approach. Detailed by psychologist William Worden in his book, *Grief Counseling and Grief Therapy: A Handbook for the*

Mental Health Practitioner, Fourth Edition (2009), Worden's *tasks of grief* are: to accept the reality of the loss, to process the pain of grief, to adjust to a world without the deceased, to find an enduring connection with the deceased in the midst of embarking on a new life. In this Worden provides a framework for our grief that can help us understand how people journey through grief. Healing happens gradually as griever's address these tasks, in no specific order, going back and forth from one to another over time. Gradually, with healthy grief, we create a balance between remembering the person who died and living a full and meaningful life.

We can grieve any loss—a loved one, a pet, a job, a dream. A loss is a loss and any loss can be a legitimate reason to grieve, largely dependent on our attachment to that which was lost. Through my own experiences with grief and 25+ years of counseling dozens and dozens of grieving people, here are a few of the things I have learned:

- The most predictable thing with grief is that it's unpredictable. It can strike you out of the blue, even years and decades after the actual loss. **Grief has no timetable other than its own.**
- A person doesn't "get over" a loss, they "get through" a loss.
- Don't use platitudes. Well-meant words like "She's in a better place now," "I guess the Lord needed them more that we did," and the like may make things worse for those in grief. Words like, "I'm sorry for your loss," "I wish you comfort and peace", "I love you," and other similar ones can and do help.
- Words are not always necessary. Deep hugs, long handshakes, and caring eye contact matter, too. Saying "Let me know if there's anything I can do" isn't as supportive as, "I'm coming by tomorrow to wash your dishes, do your laundry, and watch your children while



you take a break. When's a good time for me to come?"

What am I going to learn this time around? It's just now beginning to unfold. For the time being I'll stick to the wisdom of our late dear friend, Jack Sonni, who often said, "Hug 'em while you can, chilluns." Hug 'em while you can indeed.

When you need a sanctuary for healing, go to a place where the comfort of friends overflows and soothes your grief.

...and that's the view from The Balcony.

People often fail to realize that those who have lost someone close to them change. Things change for them, life changes for them. They are merely trying to learn how to exist in a world without a piece of themselves that was there for so long.

—Anonymous

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Thur: \$3 domestics

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Happy Hour 3-7 pm
Mon-Fri \$1 off all drinks

The Mad Hatter

Wed-Fri: 4 pm-close
Sat: 11 am-close
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Wed: OPEN MIC
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SUN: LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH

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off whiskey
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Mon-Fri 1/2-price apps,
2-for-1 wells, wines & domestics
Mon: \$2 domestics + \$1 PBR
Tue: TRIVIA + \$25 High Noon
buckets
Wed: COMEDY MIC NIGHT

Ollie's Donuts

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Tue-Thu+Sun: 11 am-9 pm
Fri-Sat: 11 am-10 pm
Tues & Thurs: 2-for-1 Lemonadas
Wed: 1/2-off house wines &
Martinis
Fri: \$5 Margarita
Delivery: Fetcht

Quack's

Tue-Thu: 4 pm-1 am
Fri-Sat: 11 am-1 am
Sun: 11 am-9 pm
Happy Hour 4-6 pm T-F: 2-for-
1 wells, \$1 off all beer
Wed: All Day Happy Hour
Friday: Free Fri-day (Free side of
fries with hot dog purchase)
Sun: Chicken and Waffles,
brunch specials

Rafters

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Drop + \$3 Well Vodka
Sun: \$1 Mimosa shots

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Dinner 5-10 pm
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\$6 Wine & Cocktails

Snackbar

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Fri-Sat: 4-10:30 pm
Happy Hour 4-6 pm:
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\$6 select wines, \$8 select
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SoLa

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Fri-Sat: 5-10 pm
Sun Brunch: 10:30 am-2 pm
Delivery: Fetcht
Happy Hour 5-7 pm: \$5 fresh
Margaritas
Wed: Spaghetti + \$5 wine
Thu: Ramen & \$5 Rosé

Southern Coop

Tue-Thu: 11 am-8 pm
Fri-Sat: 11 am-9 pm
Delivery: Fetcht

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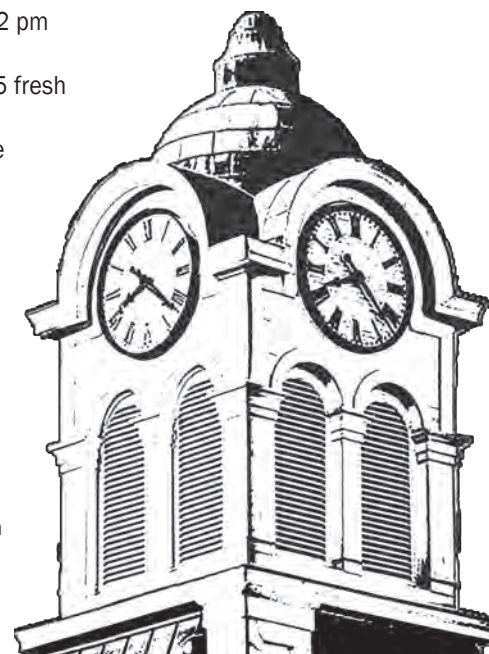
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Margaritas (\$20 pitchers); 2-for-1
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Tuesday: HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY
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Strange
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Recently the **Supreme Court** considered *City of Grants Pass v. Johnson*, a case about an ordinance in a small **Oregon** town aimed at those who “camp” on public property. **Grants Pass**’ ordinance defined the term “camping” as “sleeping with a blanket or other bedding materials on streets, sidewalks, in parks,” which includes sleeping or living in a car (a.k.a homeless people).

Grants Pass is about the size of **Oxford** and is 400 miles north of **San Francisco** and 250 miles south of **Portland** on Interstate 5, which connects all three. Grants Pass looks like a lovely small city, and, frankly, it looks like a good place to be homeless; the small-town environment, proximity to large homeless populations, and Interstate access have created a homeless community that the Grants Pass town leaders find to be a problem. The stated purpose of the laws is to keep the public spaces sanitary and promote health and safety. Penalties start at \$295 fines, repeat offenders face increasing fines and eventually a charge of criminal trespass and thirty days in jail.

Grants Pass has several homeless shelters, but the two female plaintiffs who sued the city call those shelters “a living hell” where a woman is not safe due to the prevalence of theft, fighting, and rape, and where a person cannot walk without stepping on a used drug needle.

These plaintiffs argued that they did not voluntarily choose to “camp” (sleep in their cars), rather, they had no other option due to the unsafe conditions of the shelters. They contend the ordinance imposes cruel and unusual punishment for sending them to jail for sleeping in the only safe place where they could sleep.



The lower courts have agreed and issued an injunction (stop order) prevent enforcement of the penalties—unless Grants Pass offers all homeless people a safe alternative to camping on public property. In other words, if a city offers the homeless a safe shelter, and then, instead of staying at that safe shelter, a homeless person chooses to “camp” on public property, then that person is deciding to camp on public property and you can punish that person for that decision. If there is really no option but to “camp,” then you are punishing a person for being homeless, not for the decision to reject safe shelter and choose to camp.

Let’s look at further explanation of that outcome (because I probably have not clearly explained it).

The lower courts relied *Robinson v. California* (1962) where the defendant faced 90 days in jail for violating a law that said “no person shall be addicted to narcotics.” The Supreme Court said that law violated the Eighth Amendment, because the government cannot punish a person’s “status.” In *Robinson*, the status was being an addict, and punishing a person for being addicted is cruel and unusual punishment. But the government can punish “conduct,” conduct such as possessing or using illegal drugs.

Applied to Grants Pass, when the only safe place to sleep is “camping,” the person has no decision to make, they must camp, and when there is nowhere else to sleep, punishing camping is punishing a person for being homeless (status). However, if there is another safe option, a person camping has made the decision (conduct) to reject the safe shelter, then punishing camping is punishing the decision (conduct) to camp instead of choosing the safe shelter option.

If Grants Pass can offer all homeless safe shelter, then they can punish a person for camping on public property without violating the **Constitution**. (Author’s question—what about people who deny medical and/or addiction treatment? They

have made a choice to be homeless. Is their homelessness a status or a decision/action?).

Justice Kavanaugh pointed out that all this “status” stuff can be avoided because the “necessity defense” to criminal charges solves everyone’s concerns and insures that local authorities manage their own homeless issues (without the big federal government stepping and telling Grants Pass what to do). The necessity defense provides that a person accused of a crime can beat the charge by showing that their illegal conduct could not be avoided (it was “necessary”). If a homeless person has no safe shelter to use, then “camping” cannot be avoided – it was necessary to camp. Kavanaugh’s point is that the local solution trumps the Supreme Court’s option to make a constitutional pronouncement.

As a “keep it local” guy myself, I like this argument, in principle, but, in practice, many (if not a vast majority) of the homeless have no realistic chance of successfully navigating the local court system to assert the necessity defense: no way to get to court, no address to receive notice letters, no money for lawyers, and many have no way to coherently communicate their living options. (Authors note, this is why public defenders should get identical funding as prosecutors—to help people through the criminal system).

In addition to the local solution, the Court noted a state-level solution. After Grants Pass adopted the “no camping” ordinance, Oregon enacted a statute prohibiting a blanket ban on homeless and requiring homeless control regulations to be “reasonable time, place, and manner” restrictions. Cities may not completely ban the homeless, and the Grants Pass law might not be legal under the new state law. **Justice Brown** suggested sending the case down to lower courts to make that call. But not every state has a state-wide homeless law, and, even if the Court avoids making a substantive decision, perhaps it will give guidance to other local governmental entities in regulating homeless living. But nothing is really going to help until the nation makes mental health and addiction treatment a priority and those who need it can be compelled to receive that treatment.

- Football player **Ronaldinho Gaucho** lost a \$750,000 deal with **Coca-Cola** simply by taking a sip from a **Pepsi**.

- Some farmers started feeding their pigs waste products from the marijuana industry, such as plant stems, leaves, and roots, saying it boosted the animals’ appetites so they would bulk up to 30 pounds heavier than normal, also that it had the effect of making the meat taste “more savory.”

- The fastest any human has ever traveled was during the re-entry of the **Apollo 10** module, at a maximum speed of 24,830 miles per hour, or 7 miles per second.

- If you can convince yourself that you slept well last night, even though you didn’t, your brain will be tricked into thinking you aren’t tired. It’s called “placebo sleep.”

- When an astronaut working on the **International Space Station** needed a tool he didn’t have, **NASA** came to the rescue by designing one with computer software and emailing the file to him. He then used a 3D printer to create the first object ever designed on **Earth** but made in space.

- Studies show that the human brain remains half-awake when sleeping in a new environment for the first time.

- Just before **WWII**, the **United States** created the **Logan Bar**, a chocolate bar that deliberately tasted “a little better than a boiled potato,” as an emergency ration to prevent soldiers from snacking on it outside of emergency situations.

- Too much grape soda will make your poop turn blue.

- A shopping mall in **China** offers “husband storage” pods, where wives and girlfriends can leave their partners while they shop. Each pod is equipped with a TV, a gaming console and a leather massage chair.

Thought for the Day: “A comfort zone is a beautiful place—but nothing ever grows there.” —**Anonymous**

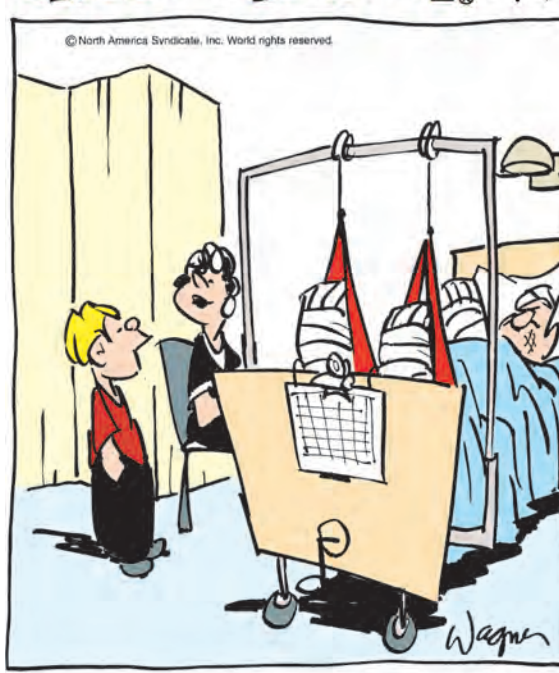
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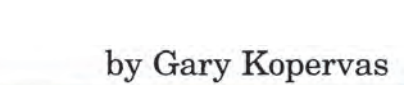
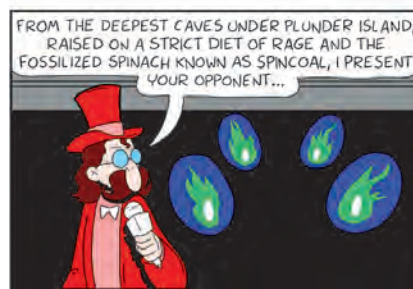
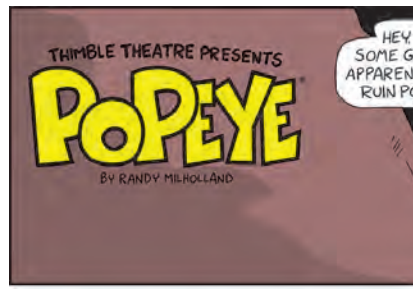
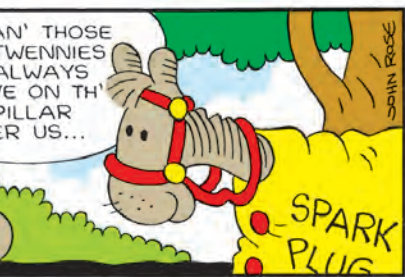
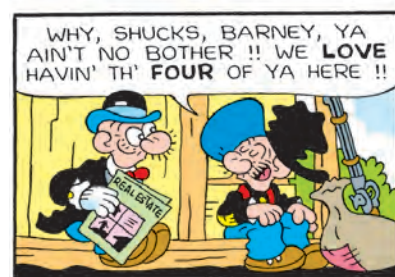
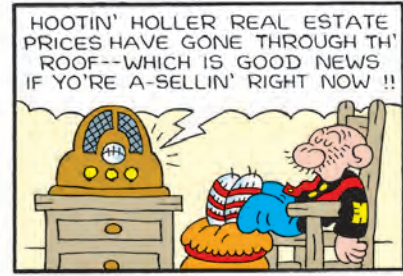
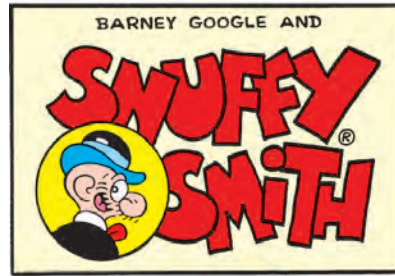
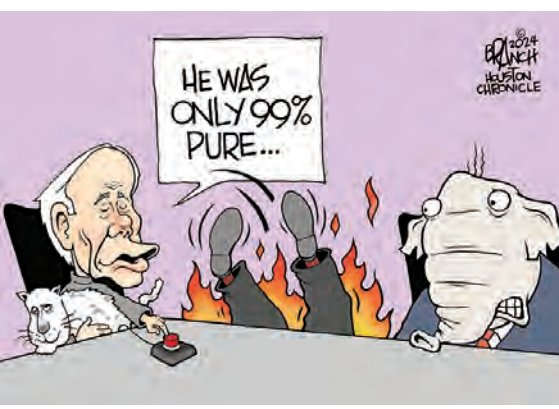
Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN and BEAR IT



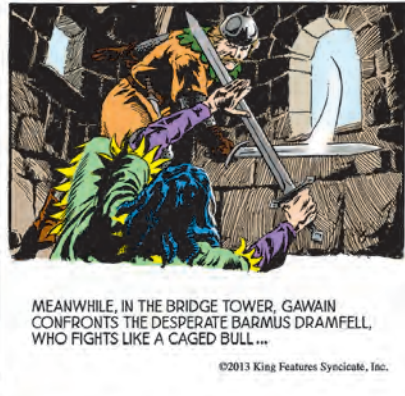
"The kids in the neighborhood want to know if you can do that again, Dad!"



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



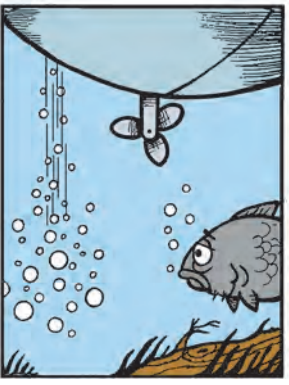
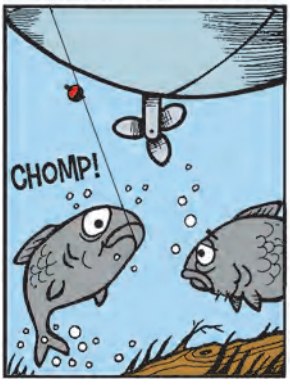


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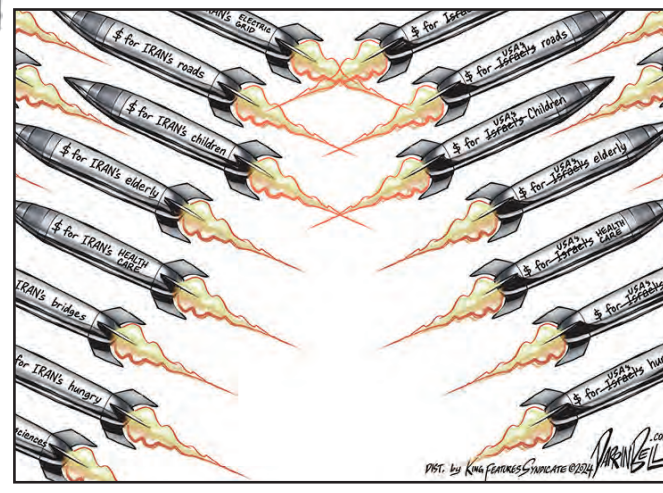
"If I have done anything in life worth attention, I feel sure that I inherited the disposition from my mother."
— Booker T. Washington

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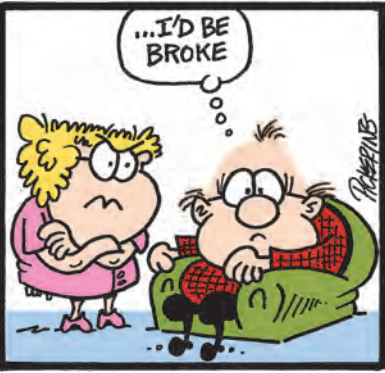
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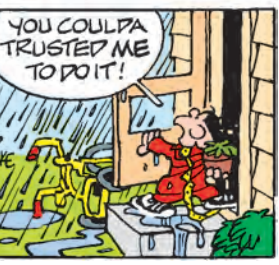
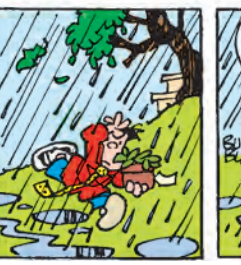
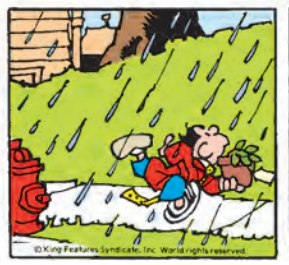
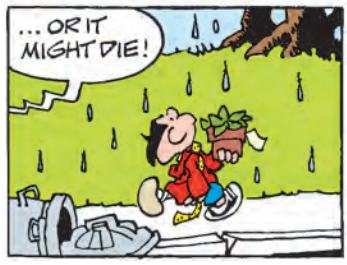
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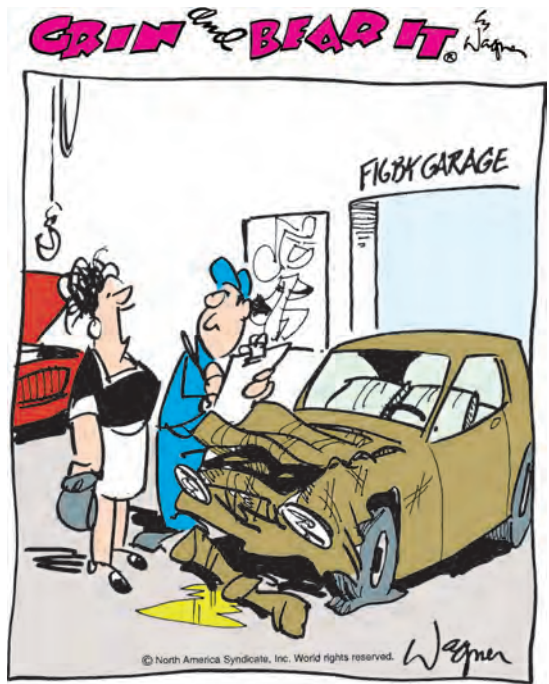
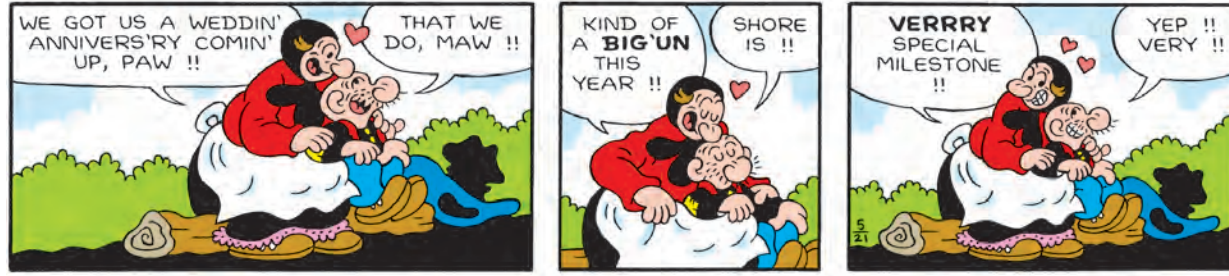
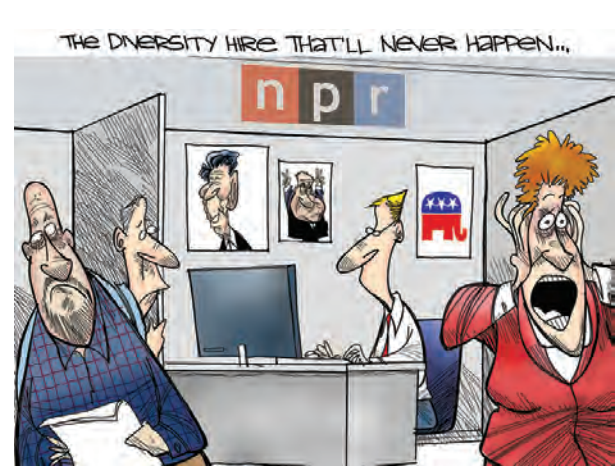
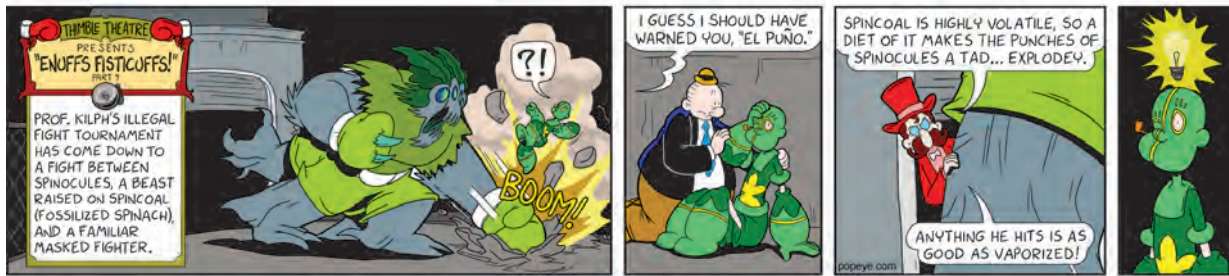


TIGER



by BUD BLAKE





"Can you make it look like my husband did it?"

Americanisms

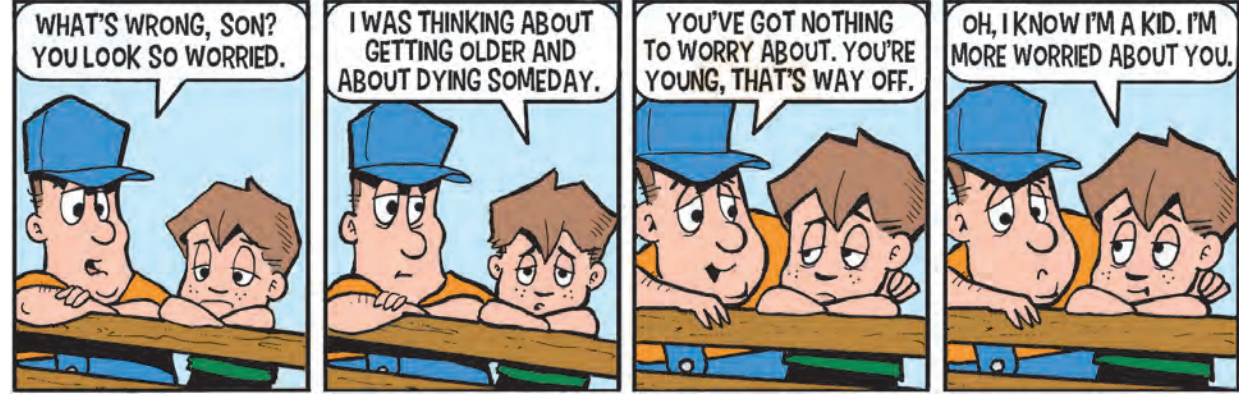


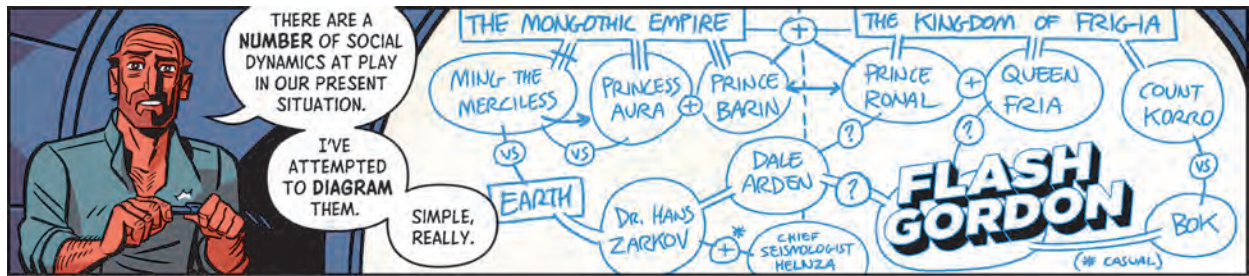
"You must start with a positive attitude or you will surely end without one."
— Carrie Latet

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps





FROM THE JOURNALS OF DR. HANS ZARKOV:
MONDAY: I'VE COLLATED THE INFORMATION WE HAVE ON THE MEGAFUNA KNOWN AS "THE SCREAMING STORM."
 THE DATA SUGGESTS IT'S BEEN SURFACING FOR MONTHS. HOW HAS NO ONE NOTICED?

TUESDAY: DALE LEARNS THESE SURFACE POINTS ARE ALL MINING SETTLEMENTS.
 DEEP, ILLEGAL DRILLING, HIDDEN FROM THE PUBLIC -- AUTHORIZED BY COUNT KORRO.

WEDNESDAY: UPON BEING CONFRONTED, COUNT KORRO FLEES THE PALACE.
 WITH EXPLOSIVE FANFARE.

THURSDAY: A BADLY INJURED RIDER ARRIVES AT THE GATES OF DAY'S PEAK.

FRIDAY: THE RIDER AWAKENS. SHE IS A WORKER IN A LARGE REFINING FACILITY--
 --ONE THAT WAS JUST ANNIHILATED BY THE CREATURE, WITH HER THE SOLE SURVIVOR.

SATURDAY: IT'S CLEAR THE STORM IS STRIKING AT LARGER AND LARGER TARGETS.
 SEISMIC IMAGING CONFIRMS MY FEARS: IN ONE WEEK, IT WILL REACH DAY'S PEAK.
 NEXT: THE SHIELD OF FRIGIA

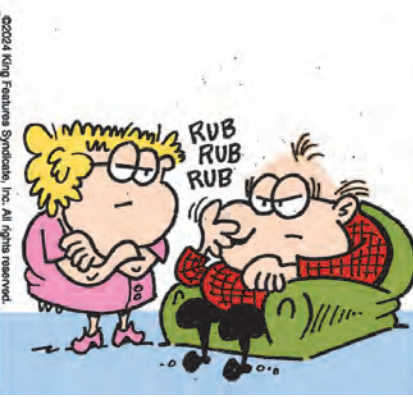
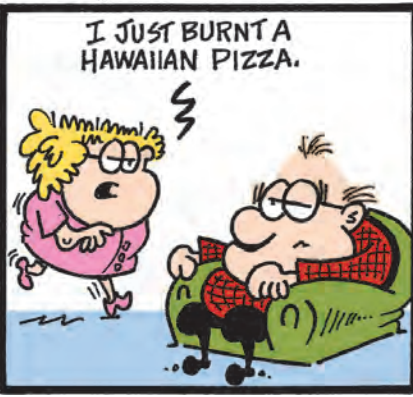
MINI SUDOKU

1	3				
		6			3
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					4
	4			3	
		1	4		

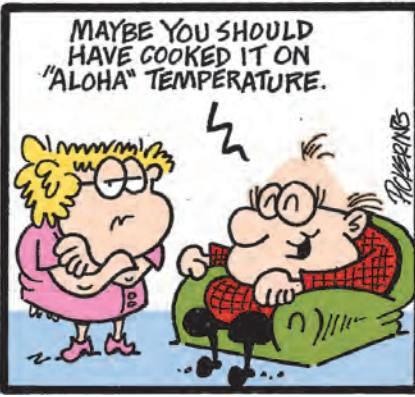
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 6-box square contains all of the numbers from one to six.

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The Spats



by Jeff Pickering



Out on a Limb



King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 22 mins.

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

MEET YOUR CHOICES



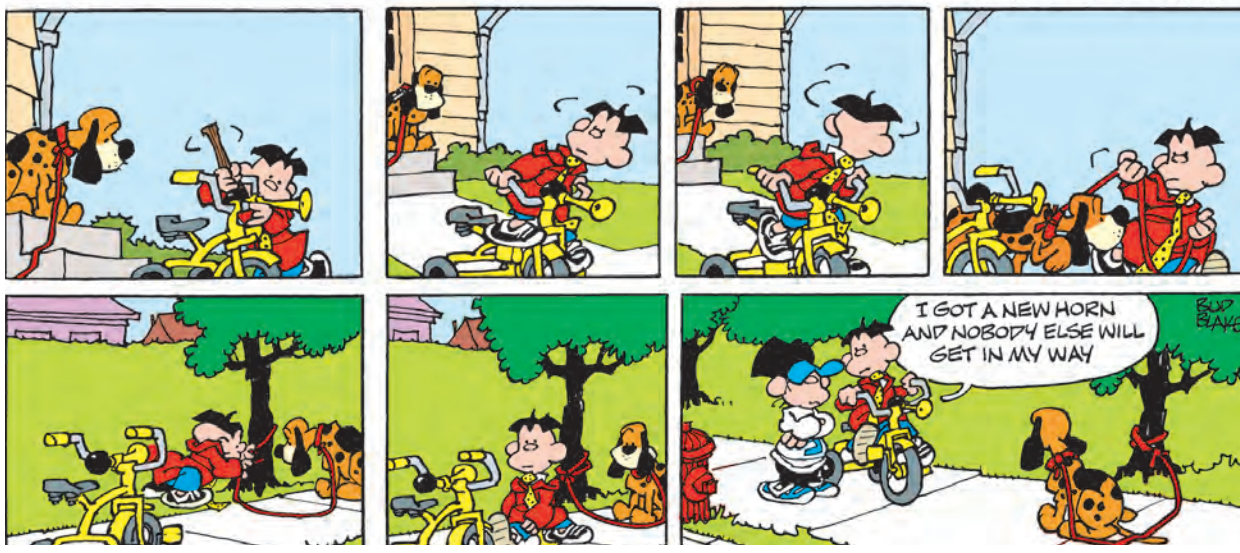
The Garden Bug

Planning your garden size

Estimate your growing space and access to sunlight, and your time, energy and resources. If you have little time to spare and little space to garden, try one large pot set beside a sunny window as a **container garden** for plants. If you have outdoor space but don't want a large garden, choose a sunny area with enough space for one or more **raised garden beds** of plants. A large **in-ground garden** of plants can work if you have the space, the resources to prepare and maintain it and sunlight several hours a day.

- Brenda Weaver

Source: morningchores.com



WORD LADDERS

Can you go from RACER to WAFER in 6 words?
Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

RACER

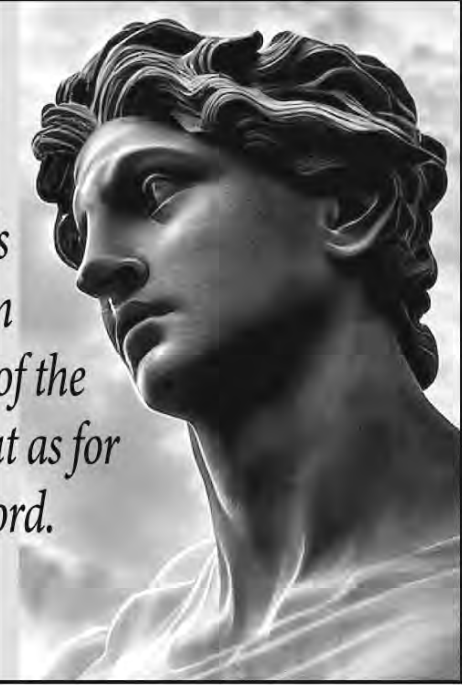
WAFER

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

JOSHUA 24:15



top ten

MOST POPULOUS U.S. STATES

- 1. California 39,029,342
- 2. Texas 30,029,572
- 3. Florida 22,244,823
- 4. New York 19,677,151
- 5. Pennsylvania 12,972,008
- 6. Illinois 12,582,032
- 7. Ohio 11,756,058
- 8. Georgia 10,912,876
- 9. North Carolina 10,698,973
- 10. Michigan 10,034,113



Source: U.S. News

SCRAMBLERS

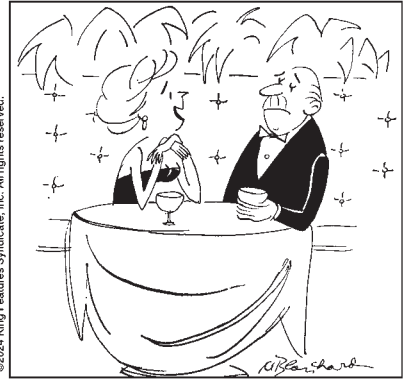
Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Desire
CARVE _____

Entice
DEUCES _____

Permit
WALLO _____

Control
ANGAME _____



"You must be mistaken ... I just can't imagine a millionaire being _____."

TODAY'S WORD





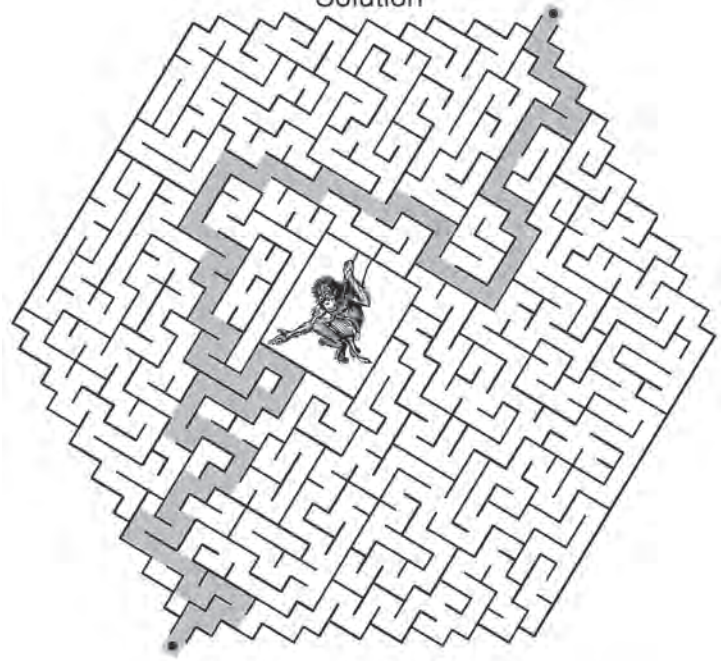
Super Crossword

Answers

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

Mega Maze

Solution



Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

CryptoQuip

answer

What do you call a celebrated fictional spy who's producing tons of output? A high-yield Bond.

CryptoQuote

answer

I have often wished I had time to cultivate honesty but I am too busy thinking about myself. - Dame Edith Sitwell

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Crave; 2. Seduce;
3. Allow; 4. Manage

Today's Word

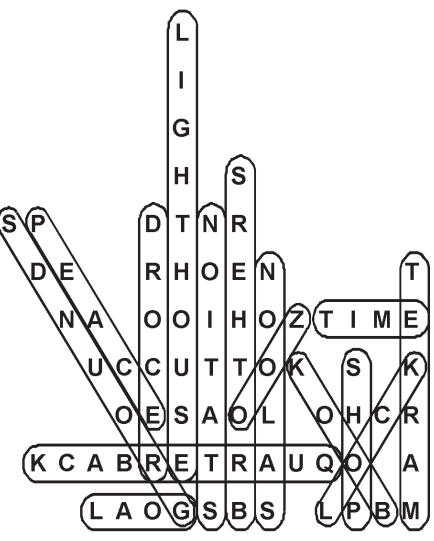
UNLOVED



FEAR & KNOT

answer

KEEPER



Even Exchange

answers

1. Pitch, Pinch
2. Design, Resign
3. Manor, Major
4. Price, Pride
5. Junket, Junker
6. Otter, Utter
7. Floor, Flood
8. Hunger, Hunter
9. Stamp, Scamp
10. Remove, Remote

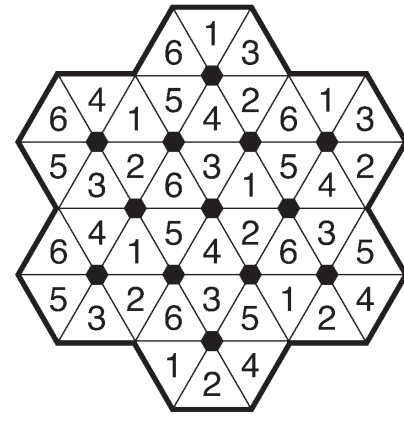
Go Figure!

answers

4	+	8	÷	3	=	4
+		-		+		
9	-	5	×	7	=	28
+		÷		-		
2	-	1	+	6	=	7
=		=		=		
15		3		4		

SNOWFLAKES

solution



MINI SUDOKU

Answer

1	3	4	6	5	2
5	2	6	1	4	3
4	6	3	2	1	5
2	1	5	3	6	4
6	4	2	5	3	1
3	5	1	4	2	6

Stickelers Answer

- 1) A TROOP of monkeys
- 2) A CLOUD of flies
- 3) A PRIDE of lions
- 4) A FLIGHT of swallows
- 5) A HOST of sparrows

WORD LADDER

Answer

RACER, LACER, LAGER, LATER, WATER, WAFER

KNIGHT MOVES

Answer

C	V	Y
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