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Thacker Mountain Radio Kicks Off 2025 Spring Season with New Shows, Road Trips

The Thacker Mountain Radio Hour kicks off its 2025 spring season on **Thursday, February 6, at 6 pm** at the **Powerhouse Community Arts Center**.

Guests for the season premiere will include **Memphis poet Maria Zoccola**, country songwriter **Amber Rae Dunn**, and Oxford-based blues singer, **Edna Nicole**. The show is hosted by **Jim Dees** with **Paul Tate & The Yalobushwhacker Big Band** featuring the Thacker Horns.

Admission is free and the public is invited. Doors open at 5:30 pm with refreshments for sale. Showtime is 6 pm.

Thacker Executive Director **Lucy Gaines** is excited about the spring season.

"We ended last year with an increase in memberships and show attendance," Gaines noted. "This year, we hope to continue that trend with some special events—Karaoke, maybe?—and more streaming, YouTube and social media, to help people enjoy the show and become Thacker Backers, even if they can't attend in person."

Production Director **Tim Lee** agrees with Gaines and admires this year's musical line-up.

"As always, we strive to provide a diverse group of musical artists for our audience," he points out. "I feel like we have a particularly strong lineup for the spring season."

Highlights of the upcoming season include two local road trips: a show in **Water Valley** at the old Hendricks Building (February 13 with Memphis musician **Marcella Simien** and poet **A.H. Jerriod Avant**) and a show in **Taylor, Mississippi**, at the **Wonderbird Spirits Distillery** (March 13 with former **Big Star** drummer **Jody Stephens**, author **Sanjena Sathian** and blues dynamos, **Heartbreak Hill**).

Other season highlights include: A show at **Off Square Books** with author **Callan Wink** and his thriller novel, *Beartooth*, with blues singer **Candice Ivory** (February 20); a Mississippi roots show at the Powerhouse with blues performers **Heavy Drunk** and **Watermelon Slim** with acoustic trio **FERD** (February 27).



Also: Songwriter **Claire Holley** and lefty cigar-box guitarist **Bear Ryan** (March 20)

Mark your calendars for a very special show in conjunction with the **Oxford Conference for the Book** with author/musician **Elijah Wald** (*Dylan Goes Electric*—basis for the film *A Complete Unknown*); music historian **Preston Lauterbach** (*Before Elvis*), and Grammy-nominated blues performer **Jontavious Wil-**

lis on April 3.

April shows will also include Memphis musicians **Rachel Maxann** and her group, **Wildwood Reverie**, and **Wyly Bigger** (April 10); rocking blues duo **Cash's Juke Joint** (April 17), and the season finale with local songwriter, **The Great Dying** (full band), soulful vocalist **Damein Wash**, and the Thacker Big Band featuring the Thacker Horns.

Spring and summer shows are being planned for **Delta State University, Clinton, Mississippi**, the **Neshoba County Fair, Ocean Springs**, and **Jackson, Mississippi**.

Please visit the show's website for frequent updates: <https://thackermountain.org/>.

Shows will be broadcast live every Thursday in Oxford on WUMS, 92.1 FM (online at <http://myrebelradio.com/>).

In Mississippi, the show can also be heard on air and online every Saturday night at 7 pm on Mississippi Public Broadcasting (MPB).

The broadcast is also available on public and community radio stations in Memphis, Chattanooga, and Knoxville, Tennessee, as well as on the stations of Alabama Public Radio.

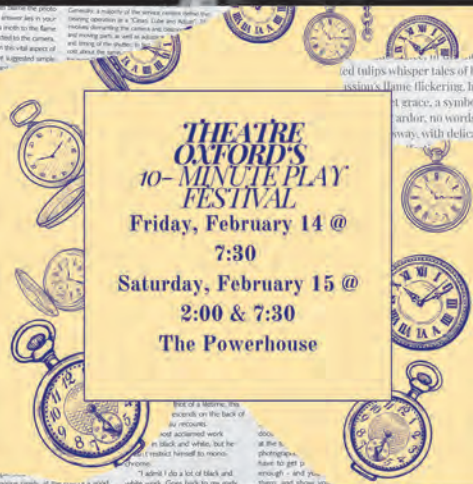
The program's newest affiliate is KNCE (93.5 FM) True Taos Radio in Taos, New Mexico.

All shows are archived at WYXR Memphis (<https://wyxr.org/thacker-mountain-radio-hour>). 📺



February 6 at The Powerhouse

An Original Documentary by Antonio Tarrell



**Thacker Mountain Radio
Season Premiere
Thursday, February 6
at The Powerhouse
FREE Admission**

**Doors: 5:30 pm – Refreshments
Show: 6 pm**

Guests: Southern poet **Maria Zoccola**, Blues singer **Edna Nicole** and country songwriter **Amber Rae Dunn**. Hosts: **Jim Dees** with **Paul Tate** and the **Mighty Yalobushwhacker Big Band** featuring the **Thacker Horns**

**February 20-22, 8 pm
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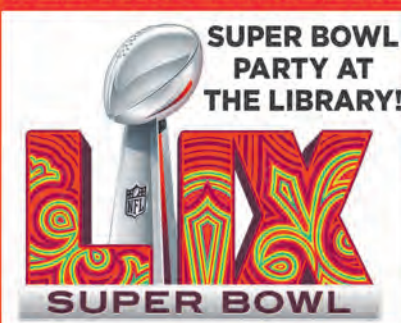
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LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS

THURSDAY 1.30.2025

- The Library: **NEUTRAL SNAP** (9 pm)
- Moe's: **BINGO**
- Nutt Auditorium (University): Faculty recital - "Connexion francaise" w/ **JOS MILTON, AMANDA JOHNSTON** (7:30 pm)
- Off Square Books: **BENNETT PARTEN** in conversation with **ROBERT COLBY** for *Somewhere Toward Freedom* (5:30 pm)
- The Old Henry: **LIVE MUSIC** (7:30–10:30 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **The Princess Ball** (5:30–7:30 pm)
- Ford Center: **CATALYST QUARTET** (7:30 pm)
- Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Afterschool Zone (3:45 pm)
- Overby Center (University): SouthTalks: An Evening with **STEVE HOLLAND**; screening of *Jesus Was a Democrat* + discussion (4–6 pm)
- Proud Larry's: **KC & THE MOONSHINE BAND**

FRIDAY 1.31.2025

- Booth's BBQ: **Late-night LINE DANCING** (9 pm–1 am)
- The Library: **NEUTRAL SNAP** (9 pm)
- The Old Henry: **DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Lafayette Co. & Oxford Public Library: Storytime w UM Museum (10:30 am); Afterschool Zone (3:45 pm)
- The Lyric: **COSMIC CHARLIE** (Grateful Dead Tribute, 8 pm)
- Oxford Conference Center: 3rd Annual Bagwell Antiques Show and Sale (10 am–5 pm)
- Proud Larry's: **MICHAEL FARRIS SMITH & THE SMOKES**

SATURDAY 2.01.2025

- Funkys: **PGA Tour Season Kickoff Happy Hour with Roostas Belts - specials, giveaways, putting contest** (4–6 pm, free)
- The Library: **NEUTRAL SNAP** (9 pm)
- The Old Henry: **DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)
- Off Square Books: **TIM ELKO & JODY HILL** for *The Legend of Tim Elko* (11 am)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Ole Miss Pavilion: **MEN'S BASKETBALL** vs. **AUBURN** (1 pm)
- Conference Center: 3rd Annual Bagwell Antiques Show & Sale (9 am–4 pm)

SUNDAY 2.02.2025

- The Old Henry: **LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH** (11 am–2:30 pm)

MONDAY 2.03.2025

- Ford Center: **Choir Festival Informance** (4:30 pm)
- Quack's: **Mario Kart** (8 pm)

TUESDAY 2.04.2025

- Moe's: **TRIVIA** (7 pm)
- Old Armory Pavilion: **Oxford Community Market** (3–6:30 pm)
- Off Square Books: **ACE ATKINS** in conversation with **WILLIAM BOYLE** for *Saint of the Narrows Street* (5:30 pm)
- Quack's: **Comedy Night Open Mic w/ CHRIS GREEN** (7 pm)
- Ole Miss Pavilion: **MEN'S BASKETBALL** vs. **KENTUCKY** (6 pm)

WEDNESDAY 2.05.2025

- Circle & Square Brewing: **TRIVIA** (7 pm)
- Funkys: **LADIES NIGHT**
- Moe's Penny Bar: **COMEDY OPEN MIC** (9 pm)
- Square Books, Jr.: **STORYTIME** (10 am)
- Campus Wines: **Wine Tasting** (5–7 pm)

THURSDAY 2.06.2025

- Moe's: **BINGO**
- The Old Henry: **LIVE MUSIC** (7:30–10:30 pm)
- The Powerhouse: **Thacker Mountain Radio Season Premiere** featuring poet **MARIA ZOCCOLA** for *Helen of Troy*, music by **EDNA NICOLE, AMBER RAE DUNN** (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)
- The Lyric: **HUDSON WESTBROOK**
- Ole Miss Pavilion: **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** vs. **OKLAHOMA** (6:30 pm)

FRIDAY 2.07.2025

- Booth's BBQ: **Late-night LINE DANCING** (9 pm–1 am)
- The Library: **TY TYLER** (9 pm)
- Nutt Auditorium (University): **A Recital for Everyone w/ AMANDA JOHNSTON & BRADLEY ROBINSON** (7:30 pm)
- The Old Henry: **DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Proud Larry's: **PENELOPE ROAD**



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SATURDAY 2.08.2025

- Horseshoe Tunica: **Outlaw Country Series** feat. **TIGIRLILLY GOLD** (8 pm - Tunica, Mississippi)
- The Library: **TY TYLER** (9 pm)
- The Old Henry: **DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)
- Rafters: **DJ DRUMM**
- Square Books, Jr.: **STORYTIME** (10 am)
- Ford Center: **BRITBEAT** - The Immersive Beatles Tribute Experience (7:30 pm)
- Proud Larry's: **A NIGHT OF COMEDY**

SUNDAY 2.09.2025

- The Old Henry: **LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH** (11 am–2:30 pm)

MONDAY 2.10.2025

- Quack's: **Mario Kart** (8 pm)
- Ole Miss Pavilion: **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** vs. **KENTUCKY** (6 pm)

TUESDAY 2.11.2025

- Moe's: **TRIVIA** (7 pm)
- Old Armory Pavilion: **Oxford Community Market** (3–6:30 pm)
- Quack's: **Comedy Night w/ CHRIS GREEN** (7 pm)
- Ford Center: **THE SIMON & GARFUNKEL STORY** (7:30 pm)
- Proud Larry's: **DOGS IN A PILE**

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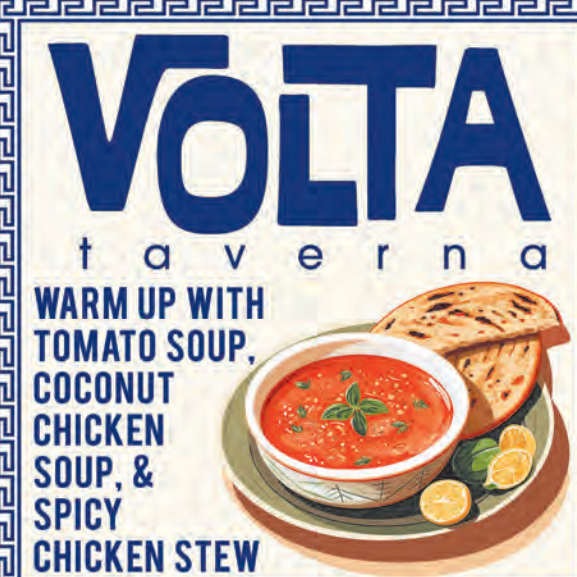
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- Funkys: LADIES NIGHT
- Moe's Penny Bar: COMEDY OPEN MIC (9 pm)
- Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME (10 am)
- Campus Wines: Wine Tasting (5-7 pm)

THURSDAY 2.13.2025

- The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC (7:30-10:30 pm)
- Hendricks Building (Water Valley): Thacker Mountain Radio featuring author A.H. JERRIOD AVANT for *Muscadine*, music by MARCELLA SIMIEN & INFINITY DOORS, JOE AUSTIN & THE TALLAHATCHIES (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)
- Voyager's Rest (Water Valley): MARCELLA SIMIEN-feat. INFINITY CHAIRS (8 pm)
- Proud Larry's: WINYAH, TBOD
- T.I.N. (Water Valley): WOVEN feat. KELLENE O'HARA (6:30 doors, 6:45 open mic; 7 pm featured writer)

FRIDAY 2.14.2025

Valentine's Day

- Booth's BBQ: Late-night LINE DANCING (10 pm-1 am)
- The Library: THE FENTS (9 pm)
- Nutt Auditorium: Guest artist recital: YOON-WHA ROH & JIHYUN KIM (7:30 pm)
- The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS (8 pm-midnight)
- The Powerhouse: "Gifts of Love" Art Show Reception; Theatre Oxford's Ten-Minute Play Festival (7:30 pm)
- Rafters: DJ DRUMM
- The Lyric: CODE PINK: Love Game (9 pm)
- Proud Larry's: ARTS FISHING CLUB, NEW TRANSLATIONS

SATURDAY 2.15.2025

- Horseshoe Tunica: Outlaw Country Series feat. LAKEVIEW (8 pm - Tunica, Mississippi)
- The Library: THE FENTS (9 pm)
- The Powerhouse: Theatre Oxford's Ten-Minute Play Festival (2 pm & 7:30 pm)
- The Lyric: LATIN NIGHT Dance Party (9 pm)
- Ole Miss Pavilion: MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. MISSISSIPPI STATE (5 pm)
- Proud Larry's: VINCENT MASON 

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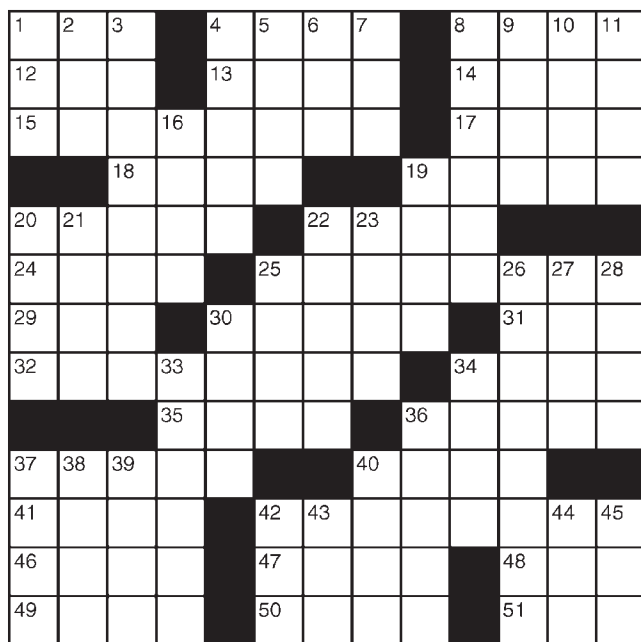
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ACROSS

- 1 Dime portrait
- 4 "Phooey!"
- 8 Chow
- 12 Singer Reed
- 13 Aachen article
- 14 Russo of "The Intern"
- 15 Top floor cooler
- 17 Roman poet
- 18 Farm fraction
- 19 Corrodes
- 20 Monk's home
- 22 Raw minerals
- 24 Paint layer
- 25 Skillet with low sides
- 29 Gearwheel tooth
- 30 Prefix with "logical"



- 31 Bathroom, to a Londoner
- 32 Refuse holder
- 34 Lacking slack
- 35 New Mexico resort
- 36 Desert flora
- 37 Passe
- 40 Achy
- 41 Breakfast chain
- 42 Village People classic
- 46 Air-show stunt
- 47 Sneeze syllable
- 48 Latin 101 word

- 49 Singer Lovett
- 50 Tools with teeth
- 51 Label

- 10 One
- 11 Hotel furniture
- 16 "Cold As Ever" rapper
- 19 Seized vehicle
- 20 Bank state-ment no.
- 21 Rude dude
- 22 Killer whales
- 23 Check
- 25 Designer
- 26 Table protec-tor
- 27 Summer month in Paris
- 28 Terse denial
- 30 Roe provider
- 33 Treeless tract
- 34 Poi base
- 36 Some Pacific salmon
- 37 Pickling herb
- 38 "Hi, sailor!"
- 39 Implement
- 40 Garbage barge
- 42 Roast VIPs
- 43 "Caught ya!"
- 44 "I — Rock"
- 45 Eggy quaff

DOWN

- 1 Ga. neighbor
- 2 Speck
- 3 Yellow turnip
- 4 Belittle
- 5 Teeming
- 6 Political strat-egist Navarro
- 7 Hamilton bill
- 8 Complain
- 9 Guns the engine



1. "Poor Side of Town" was the only No. 1 hit single penned by which artist?
2. Who are Bunny, James, Bobby, El, Randy and Mark?
3. Name the 1971 Al Green song that was used on the TV show "Nip/Tuck."
4. Who wrote the 1976 song "Tonight's the Night"?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Sometimes in the morning when shadows are deep, I lie here beside you just watching you sleep."

Answers

1. Johnny Rivers, in 1966. The song has been covered widely by artists such as Al Wilson and Lynn Anderson.
2. DeBarge, which is their last name. In 1984 they netted a Grammy nom for Best R&B Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal. El recently sang his signature "Who's Holding Donna Now" at David Foster's 75th birthday concert.
3. "Tired of Being Alone," in Season 4 of the show.
4. Rod Stewart.
5. "My Cup Runneth Over," by Ed Ames, in 1966. The song was written for the musical "I Do! I Do!" Even though it only went to No. 8 on the Billboard charts, it ended up with a nom for Record of the Year and Song of the Year at the Grammys in 1967.

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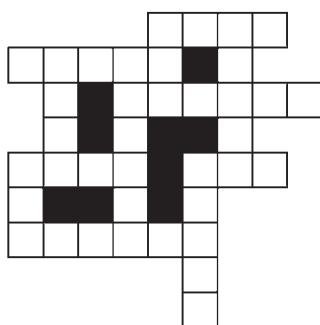
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: A — OF SODA POP

Bitter	Hair	Rabbit	Tooth
Broad	Horse	Sage	Under
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♥CESLA
♥EWRA



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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ACROSS

- 1 Diving equipment
- 6 Theater actor's place
- 11 Ray of light
- 15 Agts. like Eliot Ness
- 19 Babies, in Barcelona
- 20 Like meat that's OK to eat per Muslim law
- 21 Hamburg's river
- 22 Humorist Bombeck
- 23 — citato (in the work already mentioned)
- 24 Colonel North, in brief
- 25 "So right!"
- 26 Notice
- 27 Start of a riddle
- 31 Suffix with cash
- 32 Dollar divs.
- 33 Mil. roadside hazards
- 34 Busy Chicago airport
- 36 Small seed
- 39 Web, for a fly
- 41 ROY G. —
- 43 Moral wrong

- 44 Riddle, part 2
- 49 Source of a scratch from a tabby
- 50 Russian empress
- 51 Ark builder in Genesis
- 54 Oklahoma city
- 56 Saturated
- 57 Splits
- 61 Appraise
- 64 Cash, slangily
- 67 Motorists' org.
- 69 Meadowland
- 70 Riddle, part 3
- 74 Just get (by)
- 75 Be a suitor of
- 76 Nissan model
- 77 Seville's land, to its natives
- 78 Hip-hop bro
- 80 Himalayas, e.g.: Abbr.
- 82 Garbo of the silver screen
- 84 Garden in Genesis
- 85 Raised, flat land
- 89 Ohio college that was the first in the U.S. to admit women

- 92 End of the riddle
- 98 Luau paste
- 99 That lady
- 100 Full of curves
- 101 Calf catcher
- 103 "It's just one of — things"
- 105 Saturate
- 106 — Aviv
- 108 First year of the 10th century
- 109 Riddle's answer
- 116 Hair removal brand
- 117 Falafel bread
- 118 Defrosts
- 119 Dazzling success
- 120 Pakistani's language
- 121 Ever and —
- 122 Loosen, as laces
- 123 Dishonor
- 124 Apple discard
- 125 Camera eye
- 126 Verse writers
- 127 "— With Love" (1967 #1 hit song)

DOWN

- 1 Trap by a winter storm

- 2 Constellation between Cassiopeia and Draco
- 3 Dredge up
- 4 Ernie's buddy
- 5 "Wait just —"
- 6 "Dang it!"
- 7 Converses
- 8 "For — know ..."
- 9 Increase
- 10 Like a song of lament
- 11 Lairs for grizzlies, e.g.
- 12 "St. — Fire"
- 13 Lying on a king or queen
- 14 Eatery list
- 15 Comb parts
- 16 Brand of food seasoning
- 17 Large markets
- 18 Vetoer's vote
- 28 Piece for eight
- 29 Reform Party founder Ross
- 30 Assembly of witches
- 35 Rhinoplasty doc
- 37 Red-shelled Chinese fruit
- 38 Green gp.
- 39 Skiing races

- 40 Football Hall of Famer Ozzie
- 41 Part of FBI
- 42 Mimic
- 45 Mo. in fall
- 46 Big feather
- 47 Logging tool
- 48 Pothole filler
- 51 Christened
- 52 Japanese metropolis
- 53 Crooked
- 55 Together (with)
- 58 Homeric epic
- 59 Pasta tubes
- 60 "Cosmos" host Carl
- 62 Akron-to-Atlanta dir.
- 63 Belly
- 65 Genre for Yes and Genesis
- 66 "Come, Fido"
- 68 DOJ heads
- 71 Babe or fox
- 72 Like Cheerios
- 73 Key or corkscrew
- 79 Family MDs
- 81 Deep blue
- 83 Fido's sound
- 86 One of the 87-Down

- 87 Competitors who didn't win
- 88 Pinkie-side arm bones
- 90 "But Not for Me" actress Palmer
- 91 Home to Boise: Abbr.
- 92 Fitting
- 93 A total lack of compassion
- 94 Carbon — (exhaled gas)
- 95 Have a gabfest
- 96 Actor Cage
- 97 — Trail (Everglades highway)
- 102 Jousting knight
- 104 Play a guitar
- 105 Determined to achieve
- 106 Specifically
- 107 "That's someone — problem"
- 110 White gem
- 111 Climbing plant
- 112 "Don't say it!"
- 113 Statistician Silver
- 114 Waistcoat
- 115 Reverberate
- 116 Letters before xis

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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: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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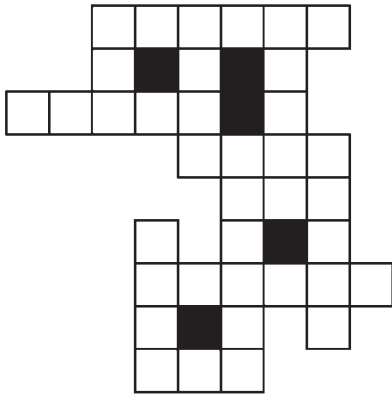
by Donna Pettman

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. Sweet treat | ___ N ___ | Golfer's assistant | ___ D ___ |
| 2. Pasta segment | N ___ | Curly-haired dog | P ___ |
| 3. Prison official | ___ D ___ | Rabbit den | ___ R ___ |
| 4. Thick | D ___ | Nervous | T ___ |
| 5. Bandit | ___ W | Expenditure | ___ Y |
| 6. Musical tones | ___ D | Household task | ___ E |
| 7. Nod off | ___ L ___ | Use a broom | ___ W ___ |
| 8. Every 24 hours | ___ L | Forget-me-not flower | ___ S |
| 9. Baggage carrier | ___ R | Rowling's wizard | ___ T |
| 10. Church official | ___ D | Glue maker | ___ M |



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♥AET
ITWT
ETTEW
♥INT
CEHNEW
ISAPE
♥APLE



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.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - LET'S DO MATH!

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the **UNUSED** letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **What sport do math teachers enjoy?**

- ADD
DIVIDE
EXTEND
FIND
GUESS
INCREASE
LIST
MEASURE
MULTIPLY
ORDER
PROVE
REDUCE
REMOVE
SELECT
SHOW
SOLVE
TRY
UNDERSTAND
WRITE

M U L T I P L Y R T
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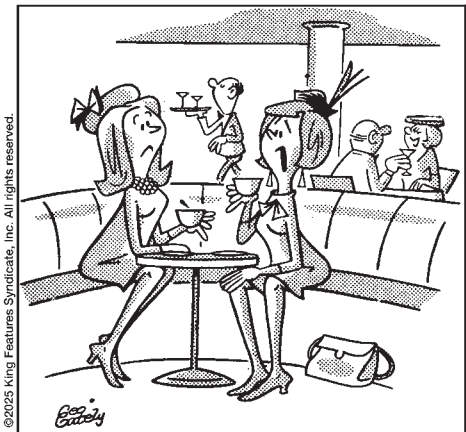
Riddle answer: _____

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!

- Lessen
TIDULE [] [] _____
- Abate
AN EW [] [] _____
- Plod
GUTERD [] [] _____
- Apart
ANOEL [] _____

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Historic Ole Miss Football Crowds Generate \$325M Economic Impact

All 2024 home games rank in top 10 crowds at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium

Home football games at the **University of Mississippi** generated more than \$325 million in economic impact during the 2024–25 season, according to new data from **Visit Oxford**.

Fans shattered several **Vaught-Hemingway Stadium** attendance records during the seven home games, driving a substantial boost to area businesses, hotels, and restaurants.

“Ole Miss is incredibly fortunate to have the most dedicated fans in college football and to be situated in the best college town in the nation,” **Chancellor Glenn Boyce** said. “Combining these elements with the university’s culture of hospitality is a recipe for tremendous success.”

“We are so pleased that the economic impact of Ole Miss football enhances the community’s prosperity and benefits so many people in Oxford and Lafayette County, both indirectly and directly.”

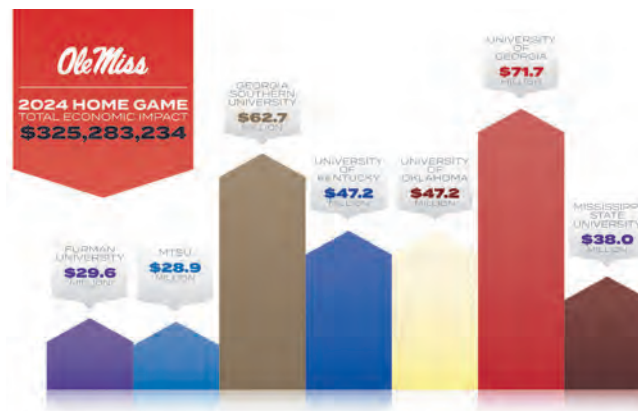
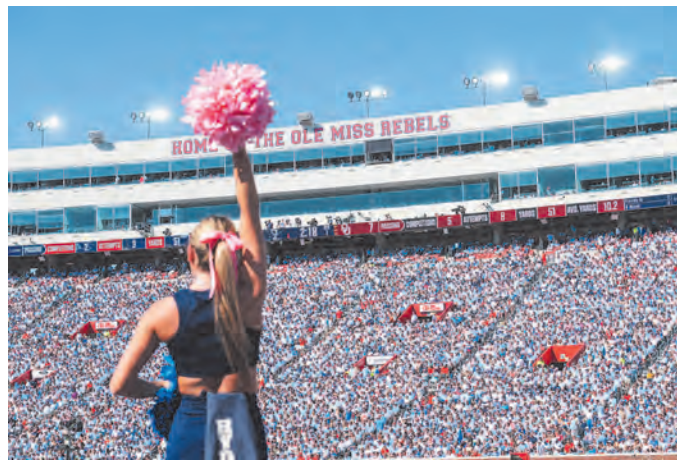
Visitor spending in Oxford during the seven 2024 home games totaled \$325,283,234.

Fans broke the single-game attendance record four times this season, combining for 471,601 visitors in the fall of 2024, the largest on record.

On November 9, a record 68,126 fans watched the **Rebels** defeat the **University of Georgia Bulldogs**. That weekend, visitors spent more than \$71.6 million across the city.

“We are blessed to reside in one of best towns in the country, and it’s exciting to see how our athletics success enriches the economic growth and quality of life in our community,” said **Keith Carter**, Ole Miss vice chancellor of intercollegiate athletics.

“We appreciate the collaboration with our campus and city partners in making game days the bucket list experience they have become. We look forward to our continued partnership with community leadership to ensure sustained success.”



Here is a closer look at visitor spending during all seven home game weekends:

1. University of Georgia – \$71,695,869
2. Georgia Southern University – \$62,728,064
3. University of Kentucky – \$47,199,489
4. Oklahoma University – \$47,161,996
5. Mississippi State University - \$38,043,928
6. Furman University – \$29,594,698
7. Middle Tennessee State University – \$28,859,199

“From packed hotels and restaurants to thriving local shops, each game weekend fuels our economy, strengthens small businesses and showcases the unmatched spirit of our community,” said **Kinney Ferris**, executive director at Visit Oxford. “This milestone underscores how vital Ole Miss football is to Oxford’s vibrancy and growth.”

The city’s food and beverage tax revenue for November 2024 spiked 18.37% compared to the same time in 2023, according to tax diversion reports released this month. Comparing November 2024 to November 2023, Oxford’s sales tax total spiked 7.97% and the hotel/motel tax total also jumped 6.75%.

Ryan Miller, CEO of the **Oxford Lafayette Economic Development Foundation**, said “When people come to visit, they may have businesses that they say, ‘Hey, my business would be great here. My business might thrive here. I love the quality of life. I love the cohesion between the town the county and the university and I want to be a part of that. The events hosted by the university—whether football games, basketball games, baseball games, concerts, or speakers—drive interest, energy, and buzz.’”

The success of the university’s athletics programs is a win for the entire community, **Oxford Mayor Robyn Tannehill** said. “When Ole Miss wins, Oxford wins,” Tannehill said. “Oxford swells from 28,000 full-time residents to more than 200,000 on home football game weekends.”

“The visitors who come to Oxford and spend money in our community help us pay for the infrastructure needed to successfully host these large crowds. It has been a great year, and we look forward to many more successful seasons.”

by Marvis Herring

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The 2025 Ten-Minute Play Festival is February 14–15 at The Powerhouse

This year's plays are:

- Grand Prize Winer (tie) "95 Tiles" by **Bethany Teames** (N.C.), directed by **David Hamilton**
- Grand Prize Winer (tie) "The Southerner" by **Jenna Worsham** (N.Y.), directed by **Joe Atkins**
- "Locker Room Talk" by **John Holleman** (Tenn.), directed by **Jules Mikell**
- "Intruder" by **Desta Wondirad** (N.Y.), directed by **Jennifer Mizenko**
- "Hamlet Goes to Therapy" by **Ian Patrick** (Calif.), directed by **Decklan Powers**
- "Dibs on the Scotty Dog" by **Katie May** (Calif.), directed by **Felipe Macias**
- "Supergirls" by **Kathryn Ryan** (N.Y.), directed by **Amanda Malloy**
- "All Hail the Warrior Queen" by **Mark Saunders** (Ore.), directed by **Teresa Simone**

Additionally, Theatre Oxford is offering two workshops as a part of the festival, with in-person or virtual options available. The first is **Character Research for the 10-Minute Play Author** with

Desta Wondirad, in which the participants will be guided through writing prompts to help them write from the perspective of someone with starkly different life experiences than their own. In 2024, Desta Wondirad's 10MP "Hanging Carpets" was selected for the 25th Anniversary Theatre Oxford Ten Minute Play Festival. A new work by Wondirad will be Theatre Oxford's featured commissioned play for the 2025 festival.

Sketch Writing with Connor King will go through some of the basic principles of writing a sketch. The participants learn about sketch format, foils, strategic recording set up, and more. This workshop will benefit not only sketch writers but also improvisers. If you have a strong idea for a concept but struggle to get ideas fully written out before the idea leaves your head, this workshop is for you. Connor is an improviser, writer, and Townie—he was voted **Oxford's Favorite Comedian** in this year's Local Favorites Awards.

Find more information and tickets for workshops and performances at OxfordArts.com, and learn more about Theatre Oxford at TheatreOxford.org.



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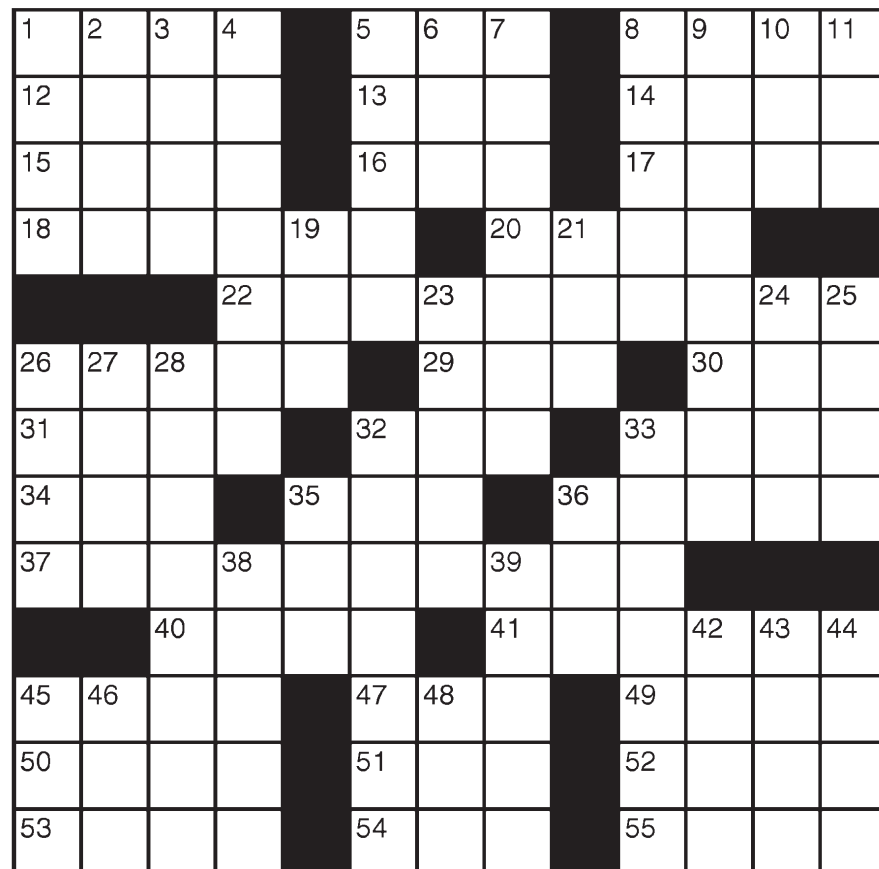
SQUARE

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pickle holders
- 5 Klutz
- 8 Pre-weekend yell
- 12 Layered cookie
- 13 School org.
- 14 Nozzle site
- 15 Complaint
- 16 Mahal pre-ceder
- 17 Memory method
- 18 Jungle trek
- 20 Apple product
- 22 "Lunch break is over!"
- 26 Sports bar fixture
- 29 "Mangia!"
- 30 Avril follower
- 31 Marsh plant
- 32 "Blue Bloods" ainer
- 33 Nov. honorees
- 34 401(k) alternative
- 35 Notable time
- 36 Trig terms
- 37 Consecutive
- 40 Puerto —
- 41 Small apes
- 45 Help a hood
- 47 Fanatic
- 49 Aswan's river
- 50 Roster



- 51 Compass dir.
- 52 Radiate
- 53 — -bitty
- 54 Carried out
- 55 Lushes

DOWN

- 1 Want-ad listings
- 2 Region
- 3 Coral formation
- 4 Sleeper
- 5 Eye-related
- 6 One-time link
- 7 Tex-Mex wraps

- 8 Toss
- 9 Favorable sign
- 10 Follower (Suff.)
- 11 Service charge
- 19 Squealer
- 21 Soup cooker
- 23 Skewered entree
- 24 Assess
- 25 Smooch
- 26 Chicago paper, briefly
- 27 Actress Farmiga

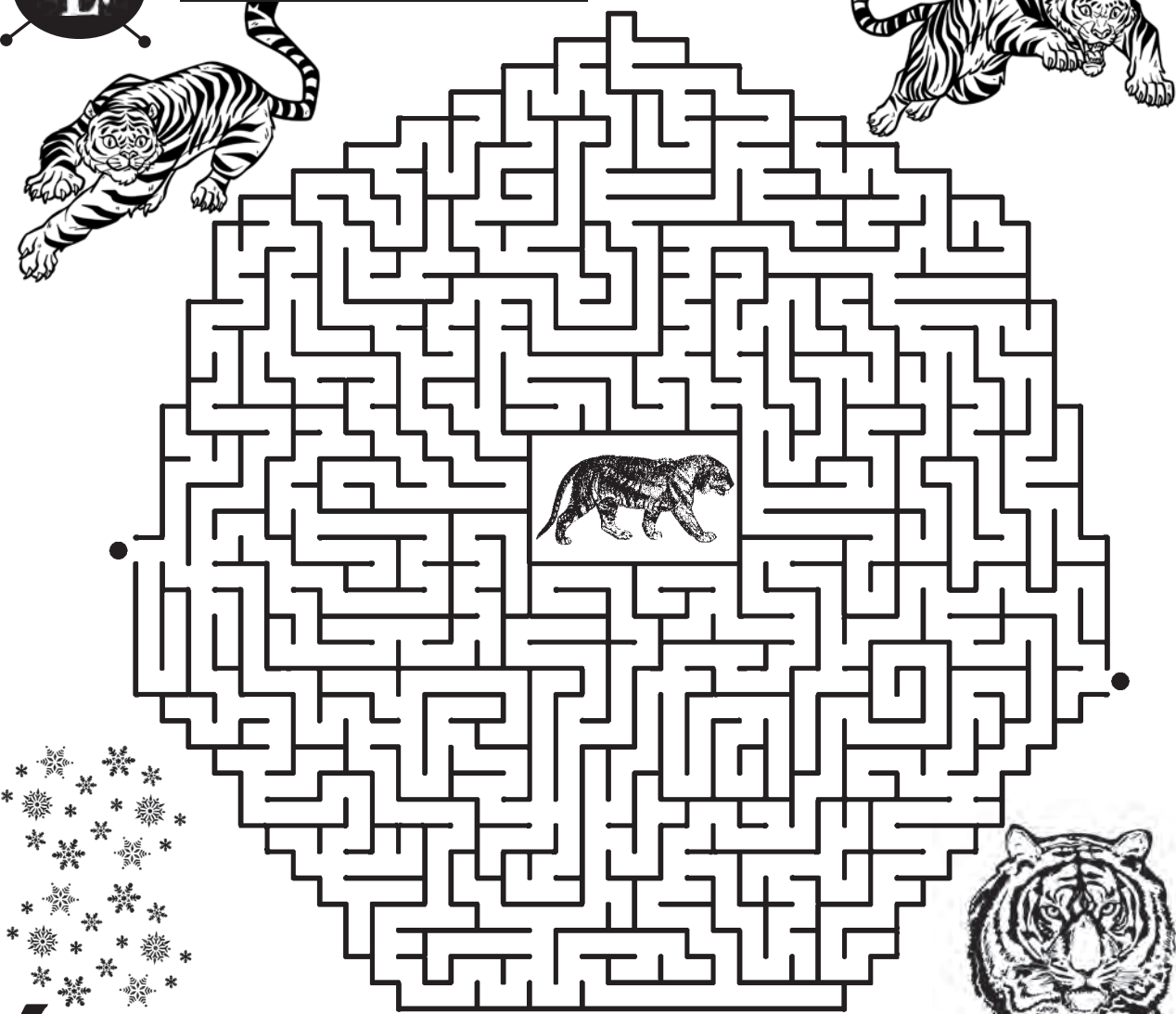
- 28 "American Idol" host Ryan
- 32 Sang softly
- 33 Minnesota footballers
- 35 Catchall abbr.
- 36 Learning ctr.
- 38 Poker pot
- 39 Played a part
- 42 Actor O'Shea
- 43 Conspiracy
- 44 Stitches
- 45 Boxing legend
- 46 Morsel
- 48 Numerical prefix

Treat Yourself

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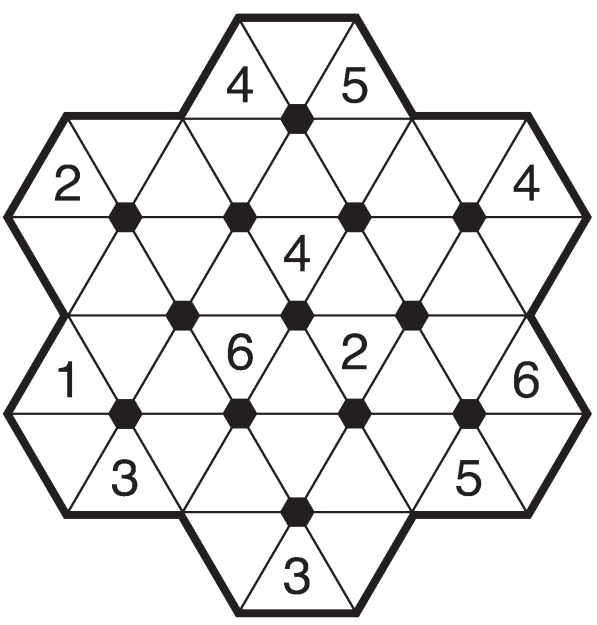
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SNOWFLAKES

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.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆
 ◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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.

EGRFKJNII XNI EJTRKXW
 BTJF YFTYGF WTKFWXFJ
 NHU BNUF BTJF OJPFHUI
 WXNH NHV BRIPD PH WXF
 QTJGU. — EPGG BTHJTF

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.

Clue: **Q** equals **R**
 RY SIUGLIQO, N'U YJXXIYGT HI
 QGRT HSNY MIO ME LQNHGQ
 TRSZ NA IAG TRE. HNUG HI
 SNH HSG QIRZT!

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What year was the first Barbie doll released?
- MOVIES:** What is the name of the island in the *Jurassic Park* film?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What are baby rabbits called?
- U.S. STATES:** Which state is the home of Mount Rushmore?
- INVENTIONS:** When were emojis invented?
- TELEVISION:** In the TV series *The Walking Dead*, what was the character Rick Grimes' profession previously?
- CHEMISTRY:** Which element is also known as quicksilver?
- SCIENCE:** What is the name for the pivot on which a lever turns?
- GEOGRAPHY:** Which country is home to the ancient city of Petra?
- MUSIC:** Which of Taylor Swift's songs was first to appear on the Billboard Hot 100?

ANSWERS BELOW

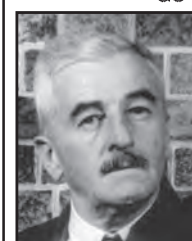
GO FIGURE!

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.

	-		+		=	12
+		+		-		
	+		+		=	11
+		+		x		
	+		x		=	55
=		=		=		
4		16		10		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 8 9

DIFFICULTY: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
 ★★★ GO FIGURE!



"Read, read, read. Read everything - trash, classics, good and bad, and see how they do it. Just like a carpenter who works as an apprentice and studies the master. Read! You'll absorb it. Then write."
 — **William Faulkner**
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Spring SouthTalks Series Continues Focus on Southern Environments

"I am excited about the upcoming spring SouthTalks events because we are featuring community members, filmmakers, photographers, writers, artists, UM alumni, and current and former faculty," said Afton Thomas, the center's associate director for programs.

Mississippi Stories, People, History Featured in Four-Day Oxford Film Festival

The four-day festival is February 27 to March 2 at the Malco Oxford Commons Cinema in Oxford. A celebration of independent filmmakers from around the world, the festival also includes interactive events and panel discussions with filmmakers.

University of Mississippi Music Faculty Launch Season, Debut Classical Album

Adam Estes and Adrienne Park collaborate on saxophone and piano for new collection. The album features compositions by Ludwig van Beethoven and Camille Saint-Saëns, among others. It was released January 24 on Navona Records.

Jesus Was a Democrat Follows Close of a Colorful Political Career

Former Mississippi Rep. Steve Holland gained notoriety as a colorful character during his 36-year career in the Mississippi Legislature, and he recently returned to the spotlight as one of the central characters in the Netflix series *The Kings of Tupelo*.



Lineup Announced for the 28th Annual Double Decker Festival

Music Lineup: The music kicks off on Friday, April 25 at 4 pm with The Great Dying, followed by The Band of Heathens, Ole 60, and ending the night with Charley Crockett. Rust College's A Capella Choir opens the lineup on Saturday at 10 am, followed by Cedric Burnside—grandson of blues legend R.L. Burnside—followed by the sci-fi funk Seratones, the Mississippi-made Water Liars, Afro-Cuban rockstar Cimafunk, and The Record Company followed by alternative rock band Houndmouth, known for their nostalgic sound. Grace Potter will close out the night with the final performance.

"The Claylist" Announces Plans for Farewell Season

The farewell season has been allotted for 14 episodes that will officially wrap up on Wednesday, April 30, meaning the series will have an impressive 82-episode run over its three years. Each episode will honor the people, city, and school that helped make "The Claylist" a reality, as well as offer words of wisdom from a graduating college senior—namely by the show's host, Clay Hale, a UM senior integrated marketing communications major from Water Valley, Mississippi.

Lafayette County Master Gardeners: "Asparagus Fern"

by Bronwynne Bailey

Asparagus fern (*Asparagus densiflorus Sprengeri*) is not a fern at all, but a member of the Asparagaceae family. It is a close relative of true asparagus and is edible.

John Cofield's Photo of the Week: "Jimmy Buffett at Rowan Oak"

Jimmy Buffett supposedly finished one of his books on the Faulkner "Absalom, Absalom" table.

More Headlines

Fueling Success: How Decades of Training Transformed School Lunch

Law Students Gain Practical Experience in Sports Law

Spend "An Evening with David Porter" at GRAMMY Museum Mississippi February 13, 2025

Oxford Middle School Hosts Princess Leilani Elyse Allen of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians for an Inspiring Educational Experience

Oxford Police Department Announces R.L. Bob Jones Officer of the Year Winner Officer Nick Bails

City of Oxford, Mississippi Board of Aldermen Meeting Regular Agenda - Tuesday, January 21, 2025

Estate Gift Supports University of Mississippi Constitutional Law Students

Daniel Czech Named Dean of University of Mississippi School of Applied Sciences

Local Crime:

License Plate Readers Identify Warrant on Passenger of Vehicle on Highway 7 South in Oxford, Mississippi

Beulah, Mississippi Woman Arrested for Stolen Property in Oxford

Florida Woman Arrested in Oxford, Mississippi for Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Driving Under the Influence 1st Offense, Careless Driving, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Seatbelt Violation, and No Proof of Liability Insurance

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Strange BUT TRUE

- There is a **Guinness World Record** for "most matchsticks extinguished with the tongue."
- **Jimi Hendrix** served as a paratrooper in the **U.S. Army's elite 101st Airborne division**, though an ankle injury allowed him to leave the service with a welcomed honorable discharge after one year of the three he'd signed up for.
- Medical students in 18th-century **Scotland** could pay their tuition fees in corpses.
- A statement in the end credits of the movie "**Frozen**" claims that **Disney** does not support the consumption of boogers.
- After **Playboy** founder **Hugh Hefner** funded some research in the 1980s that identified a subspecies of rabbit living in the **Florida Keys**, it was named for him: *sylvilagus palustris hefneri*.
- An **IKEA** in the **Netherlands** had to cancel its one-euro breakfast special because it attracted too many customers and caused high-way traffic jams.
- **Thomas Edison** invented the tattoo pen.
- **Rolex** replaced, without charge, all the watches that had been seized by the **Germans** from shot-down **Allied** pilots during **World War II**.
- In its lifetime, the **International Space Station** will be hit by 100,000 meteoroids.
- During the **Columbine High School** massacre in 1999, two 20-pound propane bombs that were planted in the cafeteria failed to detonate. If they had, it is estimated that up to 488 students would have been seriously injured or killed.
- Every year, **Iceland** gets wider by 2 centimeters.
- The **U.S. Embassy** in **Kathmandu, Nepal**, has guidelines on what to do if you should stumble across a yeti (and no, we are not talking about the cup!).

Thought for the Day: "In everyone's life, at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being. We should all be thankful for those people who rekindle the inner spirit." – **Albert Schweitzer** **TV**

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buckets

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cocktails 3-9 pm

Happy Hour: Wed All Day +

2-for-1 wells; Thu-Fri 4-6

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beer & seltzers

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Cocktails

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Sun: 11 am-9 pm

late night menu Thu-Sat

Happy Hour 3-6 pm: \$3 tacos;

\$6 house Margaritas (\$20

pitchers); 2-for-1 domestics; 1/2-

off appetizers

Tues: HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY

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John Cofield
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"West Jackson Avenue, 1976"

Looking east on Jackson Avenue, 1976, with
Rebel Chevrolet on the left and Kiamie's on
the right. Photograph by Corey Crowder.
*Editor's Note: This photograph was taken in the
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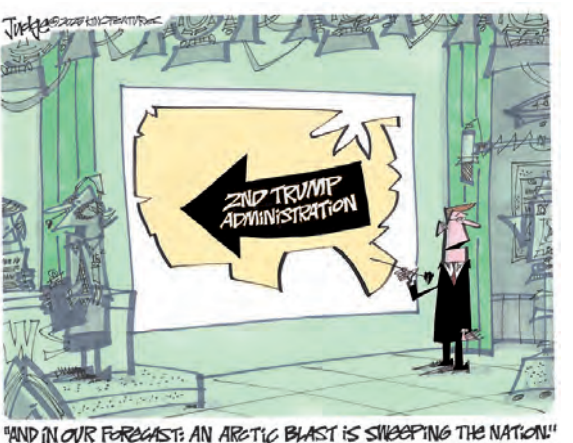
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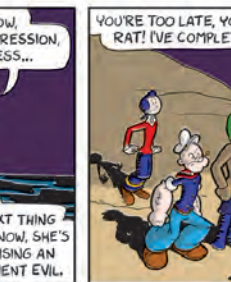
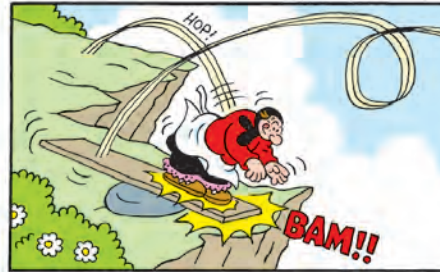
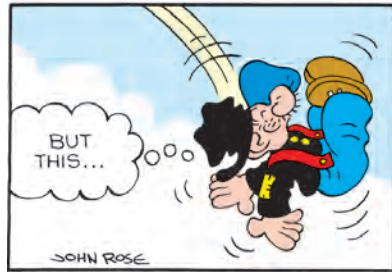
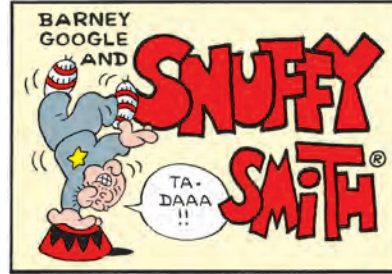
Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



"We'll have the soup, sandwich and tune-up special."



"AND IN OUR FORECAST: AN ARCTIC BLAST IS SWEEPING THE NATION!"



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



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Prince Valiant

BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

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BUKOTA, LONG SUSPICIOUS OF THE INTENT OF KAREN'S GUARDS BOGRAM AND GURYAN, HAS FOUND GURYAN ABOUT TO ENTER VALS FAMILY'S PRIVATE QUARTERS SURREPTITIOUSLY.

THIS, TO THE AB'SABAN, IS PROOF ENOUGH TO WARRANT A RUTHLESS RESOLUTION: "I WARNED YOU..." HE BEGINS...

... BUT THEN THERE IS A GREAT COMMOTION ON THE DECK ABOVE THEM. THE ENTIRE SHIP SEEMS ROUSED FROM SLUMBER - MANY FEET RUSH TOWARD THE BOW...

Americanisms

"Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else."

— Margaret Mead

... AND THEN THEY HEAR THE CAUSE: IT IS AN ETHEREAL FEMALE CHOIR: A SONG UNEARTHLY AND BEAUTIFUL BEYOND WORDS - SLEEPING IN OVER A WIND THAT HAS SHIFTED TO THE FORE. THEIR COMBAT IS FORGOTTEN BEFORE IT BEGINS...

... AND THEY RUSH TO THE DECK AND PURE CHAOS! THE SINGING SWELLS TO CRESCENDOS OF IRRESISTIBLE FEMININE ALLURE: FOR THE MEN AT LEAST. IT URGES THEM FORWARD TO SAIL RECKLESS INTO UNKNOWN WATERS... "IT IS THE SIRENS!" SCREAMS GUNDAR, "THEY SING TO LURE US TO OUR DEATHS!"

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NEXT: **Booked**

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

HEY, DAD, I HAD A NIGHTMARE. CAN I SLEEP IN YOUR BED TONIGHT?

GREAT, WHEN THE KID SLEEPS IN OUR BED I NEVER GET ANY SLEEP.

I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH ROOM. I DON'T HAVE NEAR ENOUGH BLANKETS.

I DON'T HAVE ANY PLASTIC SHEETS ON THIS BED.

OOPS

LOS ANGELES

FORTUNATELY, WE HAVE CULPABILITY INSURANCE.

KAREN BATES

PEOPLE ARE DUMB ENOUGH TO BLAME GLOBAL WARMING AND NOT OUR INCOMPETENCE.

NEWSOM

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

YOU SHOULDN'T ADD THIS YEAR TO YOUR AGE.

WHY NOT?

YOU NEVER USED IT.

Where can we donate for the L.A. fire victims?

Don't ask...

INSURANCE COMPANIES

RATE HIKES IN OTHER STATES

MARGOLIES

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

I GOT AN IDEA, TIGER!

WHAT? LET'S QUIT

Oh no... my home insurance is going to cost as much as my house!

INFLATION

RIISING HOME PRICES

SEVERE HURRICANES

DEVASTATING WILDFIRES

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A cartoon by Mike Smith. Two men stand in a city of rubble. The man on the left says, "THERE WAS A LACK OF PREPAREDNESS FOR THESE FIRES." The man on the right replies, "SO ARE WE PREPARED FOR AN EARTHQUAKE?"



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IT'S **BRRR-DACIOUS**
COLD OUTSIDE
T'DAY !!

YORE
CAP IS
KEEPIN'
YORE EARS
WARM,
LI'L
TATER !!

YORE
BOOTS
ARE
KEEPIN'
YORE
FEET
WARM !!

YORE
COAT IS
KEEPIN'
YORE
BODY
WARM
!!

YORE
SCARF
IS KEEPIN'
YORE NECK
WARM...

AN' YORE
MITTENS
ARE
KEEPIN'
YORE
HANDS
WARM
!!

BUT YORE LI'L
NOSE
IS ICE COLD !!
WHAT
ARE WE GONNA
DO
'BOUT THAT ?!

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GRIN and BEAR IT Wagner

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NOSEY POLLS

Wagner

"I have no idea what you're talking about, but I do have an opinion on it."

by Dave T. Phipps

GEEZ TIME GOES BY FAST.
IT SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY
I WAS JUST YOUR AGE.

SOMEDAY YOU'LL BE GROWN
WITH KIDS OF YOUR OWN
AND A NICE YOUNG WIFE.

NO WAY! I'M GONNA
TRAVEL THE WORLD SEEKING
ADVENTURE AS A LONE WOLF.

A MAN OF EXCITEMENT
WHO RIDES ALONE. MAINLY
BECAUSE GIRLS ARE WEIRD.

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Americanisms



"I like rice. Rice is great if you're hungry and want 2000 of something."
— Mitch Hedberg

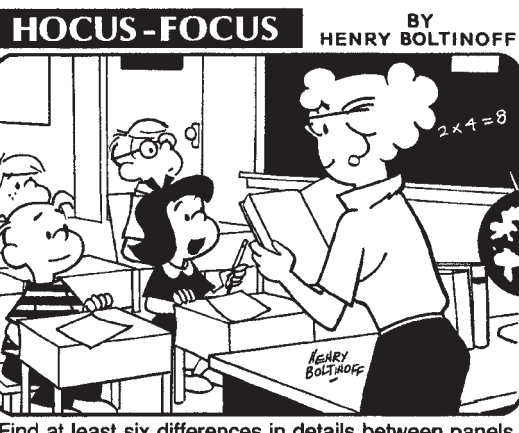


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FLASH GORDON

SHARK CITY.

BY MY READINGS, THESE WALLS ARE THOUSANDS OF YEARS OLD.

DID THE SHARKS BUILD THIS SUBMERSIBLE CITY, I WONDER?

OR MERELY DISCOVER IT?

WE FIND FLASH AND THUN IN BATTLE WITH THE SHARK MEN -- TWO AGAINST TWENTY.

BOK AND I EMPLOY AN AIR-PRESSURE EQUALIZER TO, AH... ..EVEN THOSE ODDS.

WHAT A SATISFYING WAY TO RENEW OUR ACQUAINTANCE.

IN THE CHAOS, GENERAL TAHL ESCAPES BY MEANS OF KIRAN SPATIAL MAGIC.

THANKFULLY, WE STILL HAVE THE CODEX.

WE QUICKLY GATHER THE CAPTIVE LION ROYAL FAMILY INTO OUR MODIFIED GRYOSHIRS... ..AND MAKE OUR OWN ESCAPE.

THERE IS MUCH FLASH NEEDS TO KNOW.

FOR NOW... IT'S ENOUGH JUST TO SEE HIM.

NEXT: TOGETHER IN THE SUN

DAN SCHRADE 1-19-25

The Spats

THEY SHOULD BAN PRE-SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE!!

WHY?

TO MAKE AMERICA "GRATE" AGAIN!!

BONKERS

IF NO ONE LAUGHS AT THIS, I'M GOING TO THROW HIM AGAINST THE WALL AGAIN...

SAY "HELLO," JOE!

KOPERVAS

Play Better Golf with JACK NICKLAUS

TO PLAY GOLF UP TO YOUR MAXIMUM POTENTIAL, YOU NEED TO PLAY IT AS COMPETITIVELY AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN AS OFTEN AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN.

PLAYING WITH AND AGAINST BETTER GOLFERS IS ONE WAY TO DO THAT, AND PUTTING YOUR PRIDE ON THE LINE WITH MODEST WAGES IS ANOTHER. BUT IN THE END IT COMES DOWN TO ALWAYS TRYING YOUR HARDEST UNTIL YOU EITHER WIN OR WATCH THE PUTT THAT BEATS YOU DROP IN THE HOLE.



Add Roasted Vegetables to Your Meal Planning

As a kid growing up in California, most of the vegetables I ate (with the exception of steamed artichokes and corn on the cob in the summer) came from a can. Mom was a good cook, but even she would later admit that there wasn't a lot of veggie appeal on our plates.

During my college years, stir-fried vegetables were the rage. I bought a wok, took a class on basic Chinese cooking techniques, and discovered a new world of tastes! Served over brown rice and topped with cashews or sesame seeds, these plates of deliciousness are prepared in no time flat.

While stir-fried meals are still part of our family menus, we love oven-roasted vegetables to balance out a meal. Easy to prepare on a sheet pan and appetizing to look at in an array of colors, the mostly root vegetables cook up crisp on the outside and tender in the middle, often with a sweet intense flavor. Here's my basic recipe:

ROASTED VEGETABLES

Serves 6-8

- 1 medium sweet potato, peeled
- 2 carrots, peeled
- 1 pound Brussels sprouts, halved lengthwise
- 1 red onion, cut into wedges
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh herbs such as parsley, rosemary or thyme (optional)

Preheat oven to 400 F. Line a large rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper. Cut sweet potato and carrots into 1-inch chunks. Place in a large bowl with Brussels sprouts and onions. Add oil, salt and pepper, then toss well. Place mixture in a single layer on a prepared pan.

Roast 20-25 minutes, or until all vegetables are tender, turning once with a spatula.

Serve sprinkled with fresh herbs and an extra drizzle of oil if you wish, or experiment with maple syrup or pomegranate molasses for a dash of sweetness.

VARIATIONS

Roast a pan of cherry tomatoes to amp up the flavor of a pasta salad. Preheat oven to 375 F. Slice cherry tomatoes in half and toss with 1 tablespoon olive oil, 2 minced fresh garlic cloves, and salt and pepper on a parchment-lined baking sheet. Bake 15-20 minutes, then cool. Lightly toss into your prepared pasta salad, and top with fresh herbs and grated Parmesan.



Most chilled leftovers keep their crunch, so dip them in hummus or yogurt-based dressing for a snack. Or reheat it to complement a bowl of greens and delicious grains like quinoa, bulgur, and other wonderful foods at lunchtime.

Donna Erickson creates relationships and community through food and fun. Find more to nourish and delight you at www.donnaerickson.com.



• On **Feb. 3, 1953**, French oceanographer Jacques-Yves Cousteau published a memoir co-written with Frederic Dumas, "The Silent World," about his time exploring the oceans. It was made into an Oscar-winning documentary directed by Louis Malle three years later, the success of which allowed Cousteau to retire from the navy and devote himself full time to oceanography.

• On **Feb. 4, 1913**, Rosa Louise McCauley, better known to us today by her married name of Rosa Parks, was born in Tuskegee, Alabama. The lifelong civil rights activist's refusal to give up her seat on a segregated bus to a white man in 1955 remains a defining moment of America's civil rights movement.

• On **Feb. 5, 2012**, 36-year-old Josh Powell, who had been labeled a person of interest in the 2009 disappearance of his 28-year-old wife, Susan, locked out a social worker before killing himself and his two young sons, Braden and Charlie, by setting fire to his Graham, Washington, home. Susan Powell's remains have still not been found.

• On **Feb. 6, 1928**, a woman calling herself Anastasia Tchaikovsky (later Anna Anderson) and claiming to be the youngest daughter of murdered Russian czar Nicholas II arrived in New York City. Though she fought for recognition of that identity for more than 50 years, it was never verified.

• On **Feb. 7, 1974**, viewers at a screening of the Mel Brooks Western spoof "Blazing Saddles" at the Pickwick Drive-In Theater in Burbank, California, enjoyed the film not from the expected comfort of their cars, but on horseback, in one of Hollywood's most creative P.R. stunts.

• On **Feb. 8, 1986**, Spud Webb, one of the shortest players in professional basketball history at 5-foot-7, scored a win over his Atlanta Hawks teammate, the 6-foot-8 Dominique Wilkins, in the NBA slam dunk contest.

• On **Feb. 9, 1864**, Union General George Armstrong Custer married Elizabeth "Libbie" Bacon in Monroe, Michigan, while he was on leave. A passionate defender of her husband's reputation after his death at the Battle of the Little Bighorn in 1876, her efforts helped establish Custer as an American hero.



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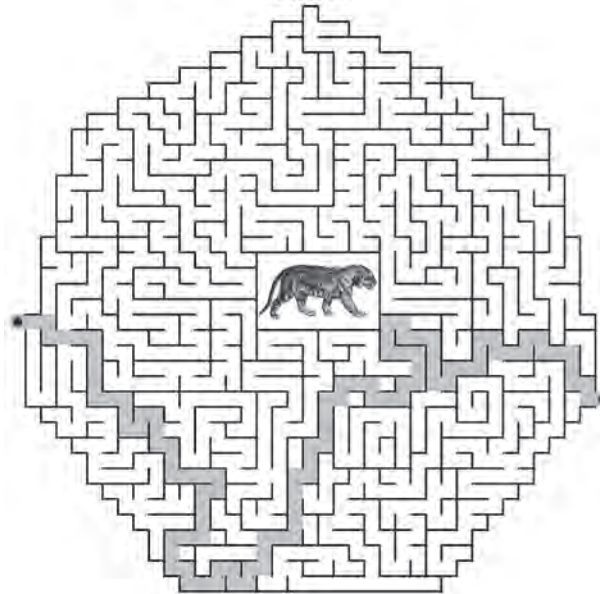
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Answers

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Mega Maze

Solution



Weekly SUDOKU

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CryptoQuip

answer

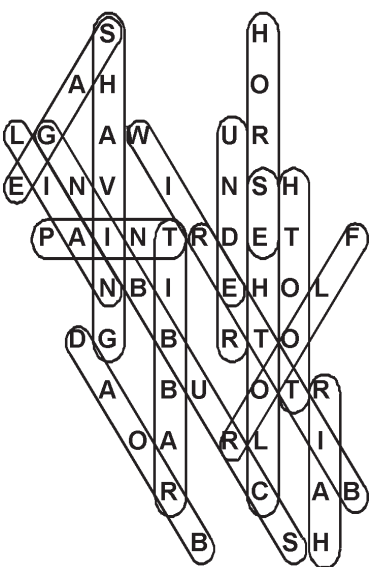
As homework, I'm supposed to read this book by writer Dahl in one day. Time to hit the Roald!

CryptoQuote

answer

Bluegrass has brought more people together and made more friends than any music in the world. — Bill Monroe

BRUSH



Even Exchange

answers

1. Frock, Flock
2. Casper, Camper
3. Raven, Haven
4. Brando, Brandy
5. Peach, Perch
6. Brink, Brick
7. Halter, Hatter
8. Draft, Drift
9. Coward, Howard
10. Greet, Green

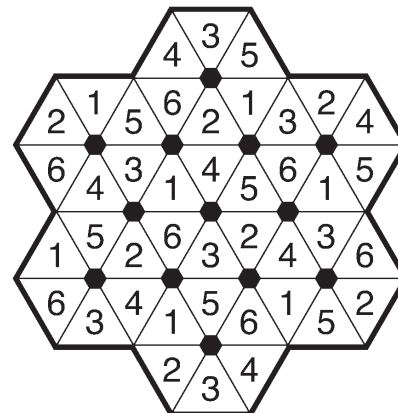
Go Figure!

answers

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SNOWFLAKES

solution



WORD LADDER

Answer

SLAKE, SLATE, PLATE,
PLANE, PLANK, PRANK

KNIGHT MOVES

Answer

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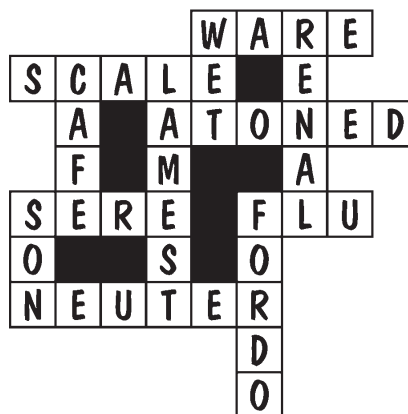
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Stickelers Answer

REFLET is the odd word out.
It means iridescence.



answer



King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 26 mins.

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Dilute
2. Wane;
3. Trudge;
4. Alone

Today's Word

WEDDING

Even Exchange

answers

1. Candy, Caddy
2. Noodle, Poodle
3. Warden, Warren
4. Dense, Tense
5. Outlaw, Outlay
6. Chord, Chore
7. Sleep, Sweep
8. Daily, Daisy
9. Porter, Potter
10. Elder, Elmer

Puzzles4Kids

Answer

M	U	L	T	I	P	L	Y	R	T
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FEAR KNOT

answer

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Riddle Answer:

Figure skating.



Peacock is the first with a documentary out now that details Combs' childhood, his rise into the music industry, and now the recent sexual abuse allegations. Guest interviews include past bodyguards, childhood friends, accusers, and former employees of Combs' label Bad Boy Records. The allegations started to be taken seriously after footage was released of Combs assaulting his ex-girlfriend Cassie Ventura in 2016, but people in the documentary maintain that his criminal behavior began well before Ventura was subjected to it. (Peacock)



Courtesy of MovieStillsDB

Zoe Saldana, left, and Karla Sofia Gascon star in "Emilia Perez."

In Case You Missed It

"Emilia Perez" (R) — This musical-crime film out now has been a controversial subject during the 2025 award season, after bringing home four Golden Globes over films like "Wicked" and "The Substance." Best Supporting Actress winner Zoe Saldana plays Mexican lawyer Rita, who receives a hefty offer from cartel kingpin Juan "Manitas" Del Monte in exchange for help with getting gender-affirming surgery. On a journey to live a more authentic life, Juan leaves his old one behind to become Emilia; however, she quickly realizes that this new life doesn't excuse the sins of her old one. The controversy surrounding this film mostly consists of criticism about its lack of true Mexican representation, with Mexican actor Eugenio Derbez calling on Selena Gomez for her atrocious acting — I mean — accent. (Netflix)



Skip the Takeout: Make Sesame Chicken at Home for a Frugal Feast!

Chinese New Year (Jan. 29) is a time to celebrate fresh beginnings and cherished traditions. Making sesame chicken at home is a delicious way to honor the occasion with a dish that's both festive and satisfying.

If you don't celebrate the Lunar New Year, this recipe is still a winner. It's a fantastic takeout favorite you can easily re-create at home.

Sesame Chicken is a dish that brings the perfect balance of crispy chicken and a glossy, savory-sweet sauce, and when you make it at home, you're in charge. You decide the ingredients, whether to add veggies or not, and the sodium level. No MSG (unless you want it), and the best part? You'll have bragging rights when your sesame chicken rivals your favorite restaurant's version.

Cooking your takeout favorites at home doesn't just save you money — it's a chance to learn, experiment, and create. Plus, the process of cooking can be a celebration in itself, filled with aromas and textures that make it more than just a meal — it's an experience.

SESAME CHICKEN

Yield: 4-6 servings
Total Time: 1 hour

1/2 cup water
1/4 cup packed brown sugar

2 tablespoons soy sauce or tamari
2 tablespoons rice vinegar
1 tablespoon toasted sesame oil
1/3 cup plus 2 teaspoons cornstarch, divided
2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs or breasts, cut into 1-inch pieces
1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt
3 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
2 teaspoons fresh garlic, minced
1 teaspoon fresh ginger, minced
2 tablespoons sesame seeds
1 green onion, thinly sliced
Cooked rice, for serving
Optional vegetables: steamed broccoli, red pepper, celery, onion



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Crispy, saucy sesame chicken that's budget-friendly and totally irresistible.

Whisk the water, brown sugar, soy sauce, vinegar, sesame oil and 2 teaspoons of the cornstarch together in a small bowl; set aside.

Slice the chicken into bite-size pieces. This is the most time-consuming part of this whole recipe. Place the chicken in a medium bowl and season with salt. Sprinkle the remaining 1/3 cup cornstarch over the chicken and toss with your hands until the pieces are separated and evenly coated.

Heat 2 tablespoons of oil in a large nonstick or cast-iron frying pan over medium-high heat until shimmering.

Add half the chicken and spread into an even layer. Cook without stirring until golden brown on the bottom, about 4 minutes. Turn the pieces and cook until the chicken is browned on the second side and cooked through, about 4 minutes more. Transfer to a platter and keep warm. Add the remaining 1 tablespoon oil to the pan and repeat cooking the remaining chicken.

Optional — Sauté the Vegetables: If you'd like to sauté the vegetables instead of steaming them, add them to the skillet now. Cook to your desired doneness, then proceed with the recipe as written. No specific quantities are suggested, as the choice and amount depend on your household's preferences. Adding extra veggies is also a great way to stretch the meal and feed more people without greatly increasing costs.

Return all the chicken to the pan, add the garlic and ginger, and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds.

Give the sauce another whisk, then pour the sauce into the pan. Cook, tossing constantly, until the sauce thickens, is glossy and coats the chicken, about 30 seconds.

Sprinkle with sesame seeds and toss to coat. Garnish with green onion and serve over rice if desired.

With this simple, frugal and fabulous recipe, you can bring the joy of sesame chicken to your table — no takeout menu required. Here's to celebrating deliciously and affordably!

Lifestyle expert Patti Diamond is the penny-pinching, party-planning, recipe developer and content creator of the website *Divas On A Dime* — Where Frugal, Meets Fabulous! Visit Patti at www.divasonadime.com and join the conversation on Facebook at *DivasOnADimeDotCom*. Email Patti at divapatti@divasonadime.com

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