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## 16th Annual St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl & Concert Set for March 15-16 with New Additions

by Mattie Grace Morris

Oxford's 16th annual St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl will take place on Sunday, March 16, with new organizers and additional activities aimed at enhancing the experience. For the first time, the Yoknapatawpha Arts Council (YAC) is hosting the event, bringing fresh elements while continuing long-standing traditions.

Typically held on a Saturday, this year's Pub Crawl was scheduled for Sunday due to conflicts with the Ole Miss Baseball schedule. "We're hopefully adding a little more playfulness to it—activities and a scavenger hunt with prizes to give away," said Wayne Andrews, Director of YAC. Participants will have the opportunity to win prizes such as coolers and t-shirts, and photo booths will be available throughout the event.

The Pub Crawl, which remains free to attend, will begin at 3 pm at Harrison's and end at Quack's. Those interested can register at oxfordarts.com. Andrews emphasized that the event is not just about visiting bars but also about engaging with the Oxford community. "The pub crawl is a great way to explore our town ... not just indulge," he said.

Organizers of the events are particularly excited about ending at Quack's, as the business is donating a portion of its food sales that night to the Student Veterans Association. "We're excited about ending at Quack's because they're giving back, and they just rebranded their menu, so we're also happy to help promote their food," Andrews said.



Get ready to **crawl the Square** and take on fun challenges along the way!

- **FREE to join** – Just sign up to get exclusive promotions & your game card. Registration closes at midnight Saturday, March 15.
- **T-shirts available for \$25** – Pick up on event day! Proceeds support student veterans. T-shirt sales close at midnight on Sunday, March 2.
- **Play to win!** Complete challenges throughout the crawl for a chance at awesome prizes!
- **When:** Sunday, March 16 @ 3 pm
- **Where:** Around the Square

t-shirts.

With its mix of entertainment, community involvement, and charitable giving, the 16th annual St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl aims to provide both longtime attendees and newcomers with a lively and engaging experience.

In addition to the Pub Crawl, a ticketed concert featuring indie-rocker Steve Poltz will take place at The Powerhouse on Saturday, March 15, at 7:30 pm. The Arts Council reached out to the Student Veterans Programs at Ole Miss, and all proceeds from the concert, along with donations collected during the Pub Crawl, will go directly to support their initiatives. This continues a tradition started by previous organizer Joe Don, who used the event to support veteran-related programs.

Andrews also noted that this year's event is expanding beyond its usual focus on the Square. "I'm excited ... because it's not just a Square event—many businesses are getting involved. The Arts Council is more than just things that happen at the Powerhouse ... we're the facilitators of community experience, and we're happy to introduce the Arts Council to Oxford residents who might not be familiar with us," he said.

The Arts Council has also introduced a local artistic element to the event by enlisting Oxford-based artists to design the official event



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MAR 8 @ 1:30 PM, MAR 9 @ 1:30 PM (Oxford)  
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VS. ARKANSAS MAR 14 @ 6:30 PM,  
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### THURSDAY 2.27.2025

**Oxford Film Festival @ Malco Oxford Commons (Block A, 6:30 pm)**

- **The Library: NEUTRAL SNAP + THE BULL** (9 pm)
  - **Moe's: BINGO**
  - **The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC** (7:30–10:30 pm)
  - **The Powerhouse: Thacker Mountain Radio featuring author DAVID WRIGHT FALADE, for *The New Internationals*, music by HEAVY DRUNK & WATERMELON SLIM, FERD** (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)
- The Jefferson: St. Jude TASTE OF OXFORD (6:30 pm)  
Lafayette Co. & Oxford Public Library: Afterschool Zone (3:45 pm)  
Meek Auditorium (University): UM spring musical *Ride the Cyclone* (7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Pavilion: WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (8 pm)  
Proud Larry's: HEAVY DRUNK + WATERMELON SLIM  
St. Peter's Episcopal Church: WINTER LIGHTS presented by St. Peter's Telling (7:30 pm)  
University Museum: Courage, Hope, and Legacy by M.B. MAYFIELD (5:30 pm)

### FRIDAY 2.28.2025

**Oxford Film Festival @ Malco Oxford Commons (Blocks B–G, 3:15 pm–until)**

**Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. WRIGHT STATE (4 pm)**

- **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**
  - **Voyager's Rest (Water Valley): FERD, DELTA STRING BAND** (8 pm)
- Lafayette Co. & Oxford Public Library: Storytime w/ UM Museum (10:30 am); Afterschool Zone (3:45 pm)  
Meek Auditorium (University): UM spring musical *Ride the Cyclone* (7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. NICHOLLS (3:30 pm); OLE MISS vs SOUTH ALABAMA (6 pm)  
Proud Larry's: CODE PINK: Open Stage hosted by LADY PLUTO

### SATURDAY 3.01.2025

**Oxford Film Festival @ Malco Oxford Commons (Blocks H–T, 9:30 am–until; Awards Ceremony 9 pm)**

**Swayze Field (University): OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. WRIGHT STATE (4 pm)**

- **Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH**
- **Funkys: CRAWFISH**

- **The Library: NEUTRAL SNAP** (9 pm)
- **The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)
- **Rafters: DJ DRUMM**

Ford Center: Parade of Beauties (3 pm)  
The Lyric: DEXTER & THE MOONROCKS, LIAM ST. JOHN  
Meek Auditorium (University): UM spring musical *Ride the Cyclone* (2 pm & 7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. MURRAY STATE (3:30 pm); OLE MISS vs NICHOLLS (6 pm)  
Oxford Activity Center: Oxford Weecycle Spring Sale (8 am–7 pm)  
Oxford Conference Center: Oxford Indoor Yard Sale (9 am–1 pm)  
Proud Larry's: PITHECANFUNKUS ERECTUS

### SUNDAY 3.02.2025

**Oxford Film Festival @ Malco Oxford Commons (Block U, 1 pm)**

**Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. WRIGHT STATE (1:30 pm)**

- **Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH**
  - **The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH** (11 am–2:30 pm)
- Lafayette Co. & Oxford Public Library Auditorium: Spoken Word Workshop with DIANE WILLIAMS (2 pm)  
Meek Auditorium (University): UM spring musical *Ride the Cyclone* (2 pm)  
Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. SOUTH ALABAMA (12:30 pm)

### MONDAY 3.03.2025 - LUNDI GRAS

- **Quack's: MARIO KART**
- Proud Larry's: MISS READS feat. AL FAVILLA, A. NG PAVEL, TOBI OGUNDIRON, AVA CHUPPE

### TUESDAY 3.04.2025 - MARDI GRAS

- **The Library: FREE Red Beans & Rice + King Cake for MARDI GRAS**
  - **Moe's TRIVIA** (7 pm)
  - **Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market** (3–6:30 pm)
  - **Quack's: COMEDY NIGHT with CHRIS GREEN** (7 pm)
- Ford Center: LOU SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Pavilion: OLE MISS BASKETBALL vs TENNESSEE  
Proud Larry's: ROCKET 88 & FRIENDS (6 pm)  
Swayze Field (University): OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA (6:30 pm)

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  - **Funkys: LADIES NIGHT**
  - **Moe's Penny Bar: COMEDY OPEN MIC** (9 pm)
  - **Off Square Books: NADIA ALEXIS + MELISSA GINSBURG for Beyond the Watershed** (6 pm)
  - **Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME** (10 am)
- Campus Wines: Wine Tasting (5–7 pm)  
Nutt Auditorium (University): FRED HADLEY recital (7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Pavilion: OLE MISS BASKETBALL vs TENNESSEE (8 pm)  
Swayze Field (University): OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. MURRAY STATE (4 pm)  
Turner Center Rm. 205 (University): Francophone Film Festival screening of *Toni* (6:30 pm)

### THURSDAY 3.06.2025

- **The Library: THE BULL** (9 pm)
  - **Moe's: BINGO**
  - **The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC** (7:30–10:30 pm)
  - **The Powerhouse: Thacker Mountain Radio featuring author CHAD HOLLEY for *Shield the Joyous*, music by ALVIN YOUNGBLOOD HART, TATE MOORE & THE VOYAGERS** (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)
- Proud Larry's: DIZGO  
Southside Gallery: Artists' reception Familiar Spirits II by JONATHAN KENT ADAMS, YOUNOK JUNG (5–8 pm)



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### FRIDAY 3.07.2025

- Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. JACKSONVILLE STATE (6:30 pm)**  
► **Booth's BBQ: Late-night LINE DANCING** (9 pm–1 am)  
► **The Library: CLAY BARKER** (9 pm)  
► **The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)  
► **Rafters: DJ DRUMM**

Cambridge Methodist Church (Abbeville): First Friday - the poetry of  
President Jimmy Carter (6 pm; poetry, music, snacks)  
Nutt Auditorium (Univ.): LINNA ZHENG, FRANKIE AMORE recitals (7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. ARKANSAS (5 pm)  
Proud Larry's: TATE MOORE & THE VOYAGERS

### SATURDAY 3.08.2025

- Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. JACKSONVILLE STATE (1:30 pm)**  
► **Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH; PROUD HOUND** (6–9 pm)  
► **Funkys: CRAWFISH**  
► **The Library: CLAY BARKER** (9 pm)  
► **The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)  
► **Rafters: DJ DRUMM**

Proud Larry's: CARY HUDSON, LOU SHIELDS

### SUNDAY 3.09.2025 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

- Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. JACKSONVILLE STATE (1:30 pm)**  
► **Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH**  
► **The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH** (11 am–2:30 pm)  
► **The Powerhouse: ANUBIS IMPROV Level 4 Graduation + Level 1 Showcase** (7:30 pm)  
Ole Miss Pavilion: WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. MISSOURI (2 pm)  
Swayze Field (University): OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. EASTERN KENTUCKY (noon)

### MONDAY 3.10.2025

- **Quack's: Mario Kart** (8 pm)

### TUESDAY 3.11.2025

- **Moe's: TRIVIA** (7 pm)  
► **Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market** (3–6:30 pm)  
► **Quack's: Comedy Night w/ CHRIS GREEN** (7 pm)  
Proud Larry's: CALL ME SPINSTER

### WEDNESDAY 3.12.2025

- **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 3.13.2025

- **Wonderbird Distillery (Taylor): Thacker Mountain Radio** featuring author **SANJENA SATHIAN** for *Goddess Complex*, music by **HEARTBREAK HILL, LINA BEACH** (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)  
Proud Larry's: KC & THE MOONSHINE BAND

### FRIDAY 3.14.2025

- Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. ARKANSAS (6:30 pm)**  
► **Booth's BBQ: Late-night LINE DANCING** (9 pm–1 am)  
► **The Library: TY TAYLOR**  
► **The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)  
► **The Powerhouse: ANUBIS IMPROV presents The Armando** featuring **NEIL WHITE** (7 pm doors, 7:30 pm show)  
► **Rafters: DJ DRUMM**

### SATURDAY 3.15.2025 - IDES OF MARCH

- Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. ARKANSAS (1:30 pm)**  
► **Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH**  
► **Funkys: CRAWFISH**  
► **The Library: TY TAYLOR**  
► **The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS** (8 pm–midnight)  
► **The Powerhouse: STEVE POLTZ** (doors 7 pm, show 7:30 pm)  
► **Rafters: DJ DRUMM**  
Proud Larry's: MOSQUITO BROTHERS

### SUNDAY 3.16.2025

- 16th Annual St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl - 3 pm–until**  
**Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. ARKANSAS (1:30 pm)**  
► **Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH**  
► **The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH** (11 am–2:30 pm)

### MONDAY 3.17.2025 - ST. PATRICK'S DAY

- **Quack's: Mario Kart** (8 pm)  
Nutt Auditorium (Univ.): Guest artist **ELIZABETH CHANG, JIAYUN SUN** (7:30 pm)  
Proud Larry's: MISS READS feat. **ELLIE BLACK, JANETH JACKSON, UGOCHUKWU, DAMIAN OKPARA, Q&A with LATRICE JOHNSON**

### TUESDAY 3.18.2025

- **Moe's: TRIVIA** (7 pm)  
► **Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market** (3–6:30 pm)  
► **Quack's: Comedy Night w/ CHRIS GREEN** (7 pm)  
Nutt Auditorium: Faculty recital: **YOOJUNG KIM** (7:30 pm)

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- **Circle & Square Brewing: TRIVIA** (7 pm)  
► **Funkys: LADIES NIGHT**  
► **Moe's Penny Bar: COMEDY OPEN MIC** (9 pm)  
► **Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME** (10 am)  
Proud Larry's: LIAM PURCELL & CANE MILL ROAD

### THURSDAY 3.20.2025 - SPRING BEGINS!

- **The Library: THE BULL** (9 pm)  
► **The Powerhouse: Thacker Mountain Radio** featuring music by **CLAIRE HOLLEY, BEAR RYAN** (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)  
Proud Larry's: DAVIS COEN 

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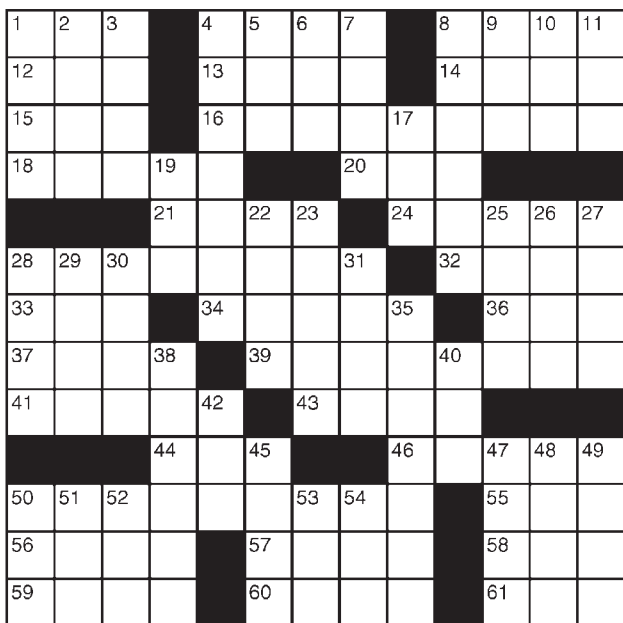
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: LIGHTS UP A ROOM

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ACROSS

- 1 Doubtfire or Dalloway  
4 Pesky insect  
8 Blaze  
12 "Alley —"  
13 Verdi heroine  
14 Booty  
15 Sugar suffix  
16 Some online essays  
18 Doppler device  
20 "Diamonds" singer  
21 Brzezinski of MSNBC  
24 Group character  
28 Coin that keeps turning up



- 32 Stitched  
33 Artist Yoko  
34 "— luck!"  
36 Actor Stephen  
37 Euro fraction  
39 Pub game  
41 Cognizant  
43 "No seats" signs  
44 Olympics chant  
46 Loan shark's crime  
50 Ginsberg and Kerouac, for two  
55 — Maria  
56 Eyebrow shape  
57 Microwave, slangily  
58 Request  
59 Citi Field team  
60 Love god  
61 "— a Rebel"
- 7 Labels  
8 Parade attractions  
9 Cyclades island  
10 Decay  
11 UFO engineers  
17 Diner dessert  
19 Sound booster  
22 Handle  
23 Poker payments  
25 Medal earner  
26 Actor Clive  
27 Hitch  
28 — Raton, Fla.  
29 From the start  
30 Lady of Spain  
31 Belgian river  
35 Stirs up  
38 "We hold these — to be ..."  
40 Letter addenda, for short  
42 Sixth sense  
45 Top-notch  
47 Beehive State  
48 Get up  
49 Tibetan herd  
50 "Kapow!"  
51 Before  
52 Play segment  
53 Where Lux. is  
54 Ring decision



1. Name the artist who had a hit with "Love to Love You Baby."  
2. A few artists released "Killing Me Softly with His Song." Name the one who first made it a hit.  
3. "Woman, Woman" was the debut single for which group?  
4. Who wrote and released "Leaving on a Jet Plane"?  
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "When the world is ready to fall on your little shoulders, And when you're feeling lonely and small, You need somebody there to hold you."

Answers

1. Donna Summer, in 1975. The song ended up on the list of 500 Songs That Shaped Rock and Roll.  
2. Roberta Flack, in 1973. She won a Grammy for Record of the Year with the song. The previous year she'd won the same award for "The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face."  
3. Gary Puckett & the Union Gap, in 1967.  
4. John Denver, in 1969. His version, however, did not chart. It was the cover by Peter, Paul & Mary that made the song famous.  
5. "You're Only Lonely," by J.D. Souther, in 1979. While Souther's song didn't make it to No. 1 on the Hot 100 chart, it did top the Adult Contemporary chart for five weeks.

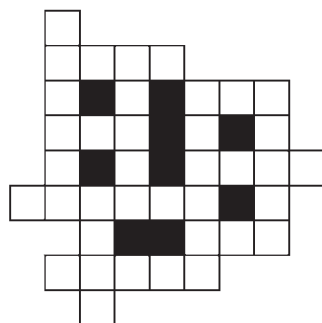
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or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



# the Local Voice PUZZLE PLAYGROUND



## TV Super Crossword

### SONG TITLES

#### ACROSS

- 1 Teenage witch played by Melissa Joan Hart  
8 Breakwater embankment  
15 Nintendo title plumber  
20 Germ-free  
21 Singer with the 2018 hit "Boo'd Up"  
22 Put up, as a building  
23 Patti Smith  
25 Flat, as cola  
26 One of the two Pro Bowl gps.  
27 Rantle  
28 Notices  
30 Hero type  
31 Nina Simone  
39 Napoli's nation  
41 Alien-seeking proj.  
42 City near Disney World  
43 Manicure tool  
46 Oxidizes  
49 Put the kibosh on  
50 Missy Elliott  
53 Dir. from Miss. to Mich.  
56 Pre-CIA gp.  
57 Ad featuring Smokey Bear, e.g.  
58 "Science Guy" with multiple Emmys  
59 Honorable  
60 Busy airport  
63 George Strait  
69 World capital in the Andes  
74 '60s war zone  
75 2010-14 Mets member  
76 Britney Spears  
79 Plane ticket detail  
80 Large musical disk  
81 Encyc. unit  
82 Tosses out of the game, for short  
85 "Law & Order" spinoff, in brief  
88 Busy insect  
89 Bessie Smith  
97 Plane ticket detail, for short  
98 Mafioso John  
99 Narrates  
100 Running rather quickly  
104 "This Is Life" journalist  
106 Totally in favor of  
107 Chuck Berry

- 112 "Casablanca" woman  
113 "Dies —" (Latin hymn)  
114 — Schwarz  
115 Peculiar  
118 Just making, with "out"  
120 Liza Minnelli  
127 Roaring cat crossbreed  
128 Remove loose coverings from  
129 "Tartuffe" playwright  
130 Thick  
131 Ancient Jewish ascetics  
132 Slung mud at  
DOWN  
1 Very long tale  
2 Dating from  
3 Furniture pieces for lying or sitting  
4 Tach abbr.  
5 Judge Lance  
6 Petty peeve  
7 Have — on one's shoulder  
8 "Black Panther" actor Andy  
9 "Xanadu" gp.  
10 Sitcom ET  
11 "679" rapper Fetty —  
12 Make laugh

- 13 Thin streets  
14 "In this way"  
15 Spanish for "month"  
16 Skilled crafter  
17 Go further in the book, say  
18 Apple digital storage service  
19 Verdi opera  
24 Mess up  
29 Hercules player Kevin  
32 Afflictions  
33 Natural talent  
34 Greet loudly  
35 Architect  
36 Double — (Oreo option)  
37 Wife on "The Addams Family," casually  
38 Big to-do  
39 Lowdown  
40 Mai — (rum drinks)  
44 Track circuit  
45 Mag staffers  
47 Ex-Yankee  
48 James Bond genre, in brief  
51 Ox of Tibet  
52 "Doggone it!"  
53 Punishment for a tube watcher  
54 "Me neither"

- 55 Rival of Ben & Jerry's  
59 Nibble (on)  
60 Suspend  
61 Scanned market ID  
62 Busy insect  
64 With one flat, musically  
65 Brief snooze  
66 Biotech-created food  
67 Atop, in verse  
68 Japanese salad green  
69 Links gp. for women  
70 Club for a 69-Down member  
71 Small fortune  
72 Letters of invitation?  
73 American assn.  
77 Margarine, quaintly  
78 Adobe Acrobat suffix  
83 Fourth of a yr.  
84 That girl  
85 Large yellow bloom  
86 Put the kibosh on  
87 KGB's land  
89 Paree "to be"  
90 Native New Zealander

- 91 WWII battle town in France  
92 Glue — (brand of adhesive in a tube)  
93 Hog sound  
94 Tesla auto, e.g.  
95 String necktie  
96 Quiet stretch  
97 Fuel gases  
100 Off-track  
101 New film type in the 1920s  
102 What "@" is  
103 Rotational force  
105 Big blunders  
108 Man-goat deities  
109 Marsh plants  
110 Capture  
111 Campus buildings  
116 Have the guts  
117 Made blond, maybe  
119 Test for college srs.  
121 Prior to, in sonnets  
122 Indian flatbread  
123 Not closed, in verse  
124 — -pah band  
125 Heady brew  
126 Day, to Diego

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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.

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# Even Exchange

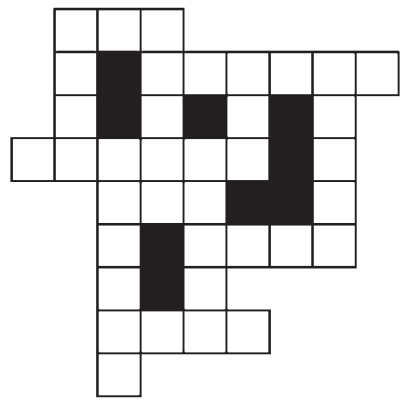
by Donna Pettman

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.

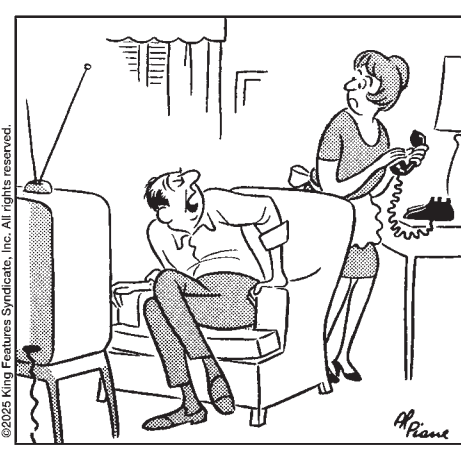
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| 2. Applied glue        | ___ ___   | D Neutral color      | ___ ___ L |
| 3. Foolishness         | ___ O ___ | Equine female        | ___ I ___ |
| 4. Wedding location    | ___ ___ A | Modify               | ___ ___ E |
| 5. Household servant   | ___ ___ L | Toast topping        | ___ ___ T |
| 6. Gladden             | ___ A ___ | Choice               | ___ I ___ |
| 7. Purple fruit        | ___ ___ P | Mealtime prayer      | ___ ___ C |
| 8. Stripe              | ___ ___   | K Small river        | ___ ___ M |
| 9. Military time out   | ___ ___ V | Renter's agreement   | ___ ___ S |
| 10. Car bumper         | F ___     | Banker               | L ___     |



- HNT
- GALENT
- RTMUS
- ♥ERPO
- HEGTLN
- ♥PSA
- ASEN
- ♥NAPLI
- ♥NTA
- HIFSET
- ♥HETSE
- ♥UPML



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.



"No, I DON'T want to go play cards tonight, and stop referring to me as your \_\_\_\_\_"

## 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!

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| Trifle  | LABBED | ___ | ___ | ___ | ___ |
| Bash    | LAMING | ___ | ___ | ___ | ___ |
| Despise | AHOTEL | ___ | ___ | ___ | ___ |
| Strut   | CRANED | ___ | ___ | ___ | ___ |

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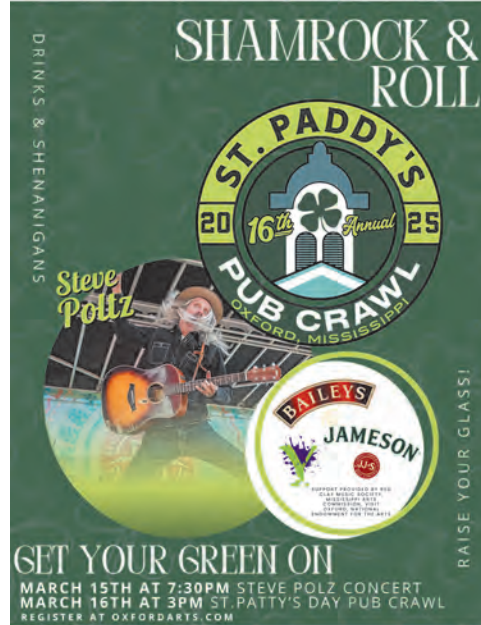
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# Blues Scholar, Professor Promotes 'Beloved Community' in Memoir

The chapters of **Adam Gussow's** life include teaching blues literature to inmates at **Mississippi's** maximum-security prison and getting crowds grooving as a street blues harmonica player in **Harlem**.

The **University of Mississippi** professor of English and Southern studies weaves several of those personal stories into his new book ***My Family and I: A Mississippi Memoir*** (Post Hill Press).

Released on February 25, 2025, the book includes his reflections on the love that sustains his interracial family. Gussow is married to long-time UM staff member, **Sherrie**, who works in the School of Pharmacy. Their son, **Shaun**, is an Ole Miss freshman music performance major and part of the **Pride of the South** marching band.

The book challenges all sides of political and cultural ideology as he offers readers an intimate portrait of love, family, music, and hope amid a backdrop of persistent racial challenges.

"We're not the Ole Miss family or the Ole Miss couple that people expect," Gussow said.

"This is about an interracial family in contemporary Mississippi that comes into being. It's about a great love and the son we made and are raising."

A winner of *Living Blues* magazine's **Best Blues Book Award**, the scholar of blues and African American literature has authored several thought-provoking texts.

This time, he wants to interrupt narratives about race relations in the Magnolia State through a personal lens of his family's "fundamentally happy" story and historical context, he said.

"We're living a good life here and I hope telling the story of how our family achieved that in Mississippi helps people demystify (race) to the point where we're just living our lives in the pursuit of happiness," Gussow said.

"When the public hears those horrible stories about the six white officers down in Rankin



University of Mississippi professor Adam Gussow (right) stands with his wife, Sherrie, a UM operations coordinator, and their son, Shaun, an Ole Miss freshman and member of the Pride of the South marching band, during a 2024 pregame celebration in the Grove. Submitted photo

County, the world knows how to deal with that Mississippi story—and those are legitimate stories—but there are other positive things happening in Mississippi."

*My Family and I* chronicles Gussow's decade-long commitment to the vision of Martin Luther King Jr. for a "beloved community"—a just and colorblind America where mutual respect and brotherly love prevail.

by Marvis Herring

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**The State of Our City**  
by Jordan Bankhead

# Four More Years

## An interview with Mayor Robyn Tannehill



All but one alderman and the sitting mayor **Robyn Tannehill** will serve another four years because no one chose to contest their seats.

The only election for alderman is for **Ward 1** where **Rick Addy** stepped down. **Drew Stevens**, **Erin Smith**, and **William Mayo** will vie for that seat. There will be no primary and at the **general election Tuesday, June 3**, the top vote getter will be elected.

All this begs the question why so many city leadership positions have not been contested this year. I sat down with Mayor Tannehill to try to get to the bottom of this. While there are many theories regarding incumbent advantage, it might help to explore the mayor's record in the past eight years and her plans for the future.

**When did you first get involved in public service and why?**

I first ran for Ward 2 Alderman in 2013. Five years before that I served on several local committees including the Chamber of Commerce and helped lead the bond initiative to get more school funding to build the new high school and improve our other public schools.

**What are you most proud of during your time as mayor?**

I am most proud of my work on the committee to redesign our state flag. I was one of nine leaders in our state chosen to select a new design for the flag. I'm also proud of passing a new city employee minimum wage increase from \$9 to \$17.40 per hour in 2017. I believe this has improved morale at the city. We also created a new Development Services department that streamlined the planning and building process in the city. This new department helps coordinate activities in previously separate departments like Planning and Engineering that didn't always talk to each other before. This was frustrating for builders and developers and other city residents who often had to search for answers to their questions from multiple departments.

**Why did you decide to serve another term?**

I chose to serve a third term because my first term was marred by Covid. And protests over

George Floyd and other issues were a distraction from things I was trying to get done. Before I was Mayor, Oxford leaders didn't go to Jackson or Washington D.C. I started doing that and we now have obtained \$246 million dollars in the past seven and a half years for our city.

**What was the biggest challenge Oxford faced during the past four years?**

Funding infrastructure necessary to support our growth has been the greatest challenge. Oxford now has a population of 28,000. On a random day in October we will have 90,000 people in our town. This is on a normal day. And during a fall football weekend we have 300,000 people.

**What do you believe will be Oxford's greatest challenge in the next four years?**

We are the second fastest growing college town in America. So managing this growth will continue to be our greatest challenge. And maintaining our high quality of life. Also providing housing options for all our residents will continue to be a major challenge. We have partnered with the Rosedale Corporation on affordable housing for example.

**How many more roundabouts does the city plan to build? Why?**

Two roundabouts are currently under construction and the one on University Avenue and Highway 7 is needed right now. We are planning a roundabout connecting Pegues Road with Commonwealth and Ed Perry Blvd. We are also planning to streamline traffic at College Hill and Jackson Avenue. And new roundabouts are planned at 800 Park and McElroy and at the entrance to M Trade Park.

Down the road there is also a plan to have a roundabout at Molly Barr and North Lamar Blvd. This will be part of the plan to improve traffic flow on North Lamar and Molly Barr Road as that area experiences more density. The Morgan building was the first three-story building on that side of town but we now have many more under construction. Ultimately this will create the need for more turning lanes and traffic signals in addition to the roundabouts.

**Do you think Oxford will allow high rise buildings at some point in the future?**

In some places yes. But not in the historic downtown area. We already have zoning that allows for over four stories. For example, FNC before they were sold to Core Logic planned a multi-story office park along Highway 7 near Belk Road. And Jackson Avenue allows for this in places. Much of this came from our Vision 2038 plan where we sought to be proactive instead of reactive.


**What is the plan for handling additional traffic on North Lamar and the Commons and other areas as development continues to grow?**

The key to traffic flowing smoothly is the North-South connection. And Ed Perry Blvd and the Pegues connection should help with that. And Pat Patterson Parkway. And the County is planning to connect Industrial Drive to Pat Patterson Parkway. All these things will help and provide multiple routes for traffic to flow. Eventually we may have a loop around the city even as far as Old Taylor Road and Thacker.

**How can the city best address the home affordability crisis for teachers, police officers, and other essential workers? Is the answer partnering with the state and other local governments to improve transportation and housing offerings to/from neighboring cities like Pontotoc, Holly Springs, and Water Valley where the cost of living is lower?**

Unfortunately, O.U.T. (Oxford University Transit) cannot connect outside the city because it is not allowed to be multi-jurisdictional. But this issue certainly deserves more attention, and we will continue to explore additional transportation options for commuters. Existing resources can be found at OxMS.net.

**Do you plan to run again? Would you consider higher office?**

I have no plans at the moment but I also haven't ruled anything out. I am keeping my options open. 

Mayors of the City of Oxford			
There are no records before 1865, because Oxford was burned by Union troops on August 22, 1864, during the Civil War.			
I. M. Cook (1865–1866)	W. B. Cowan (1899–1901)	R. J. Farley (1923–1925)	Pete McElreath (1957–1961)
Theodore H. Lynum (1866–1866)	R. S. Adams (1901–1905)	S. M. Sneed (1925–1927)	Richard W. Elliott (1961–1973)
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C.M. Wilson (1869–1870)	R. S. Adams (1907–1911)	Taylor H. McElroy (1927–1935)	Patricia Chadwick Lamar (1997–2001)
Thomas E. B. Pegues (1870–1870)	Richard Lane Stephens (1911–1916)	R. X. Williams (1935–1941)	Richard Howorth (2001–2009)
J. M. Phipps (1870–1876)	H. T. Smith (1916–1919)	Branham Hume (1941–1942)	George G. "Pat" Patterson (2009–2017)
M. D. Vance (1876–1880)	E. D. Beanland (1919–1919)	C. E. Harrison (1942–1945)	Robyn M. Tannehill (2017–present)
Patton B. Murray (1880–1883)	E. E. Temple (1919–1921)	Branham Hume (1945–1949)	
John H. Kimmons (1883–1892)	W. W. Elliott (1921–1923)	R. X. Williams (1949–1953)	
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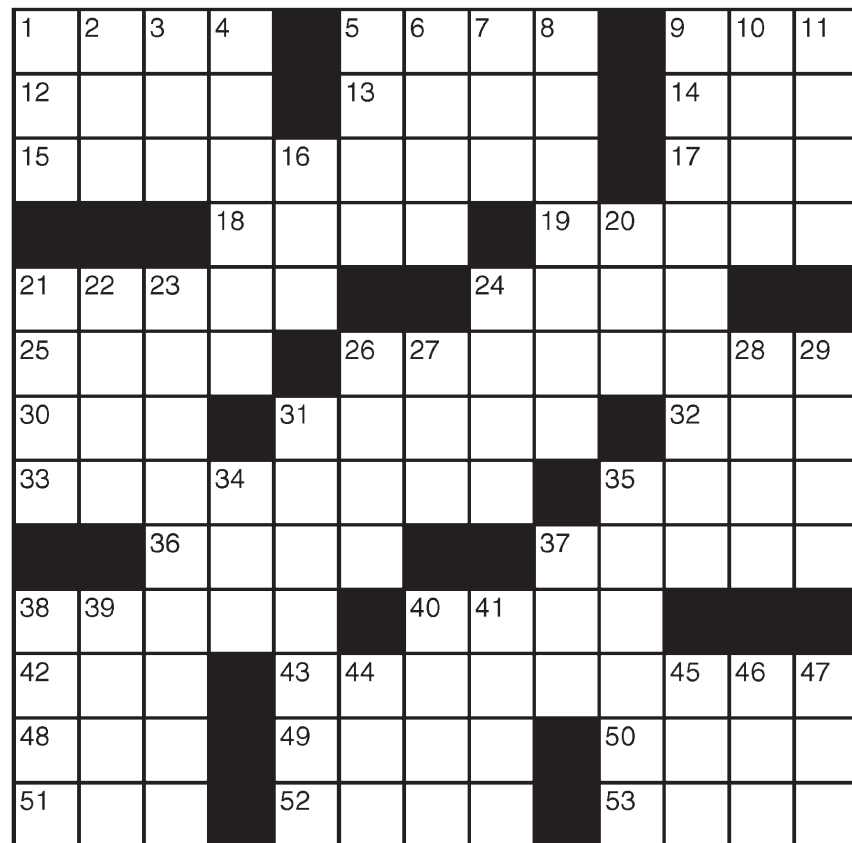
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# King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Actress Hatcher
- 5 Slender
- 9 Venomous viper
- 12 — Bator
- 13 Director Wertmuller
- 14 Cutesy- —
- 15 Beau
- 17 "Nova" aier
- 18 Oodles
- 19 Media mogul Winfrey
- 21 Brother of Moses
- 24 Concerning
- 25 Large amount
- 26 Novelty dance at a wedding
- 30 Pampering, for short
- 31 Sri —
- 32 Tokyo's historic name
- 33 Quarantines
- 35 L-Q bridge
- 36 Baseball legend Willie
- 37 Mission man
- 38 Arizona city
- 40 Pants part
- 42 Flamenco cheer
- 43 Exceed
- 48 — -Manuel Miranda
- 49 Clump of grass



- |                      |                              |                          |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 50 Locks             | 9 Collar, as a suspect       | 29 Vatican VIP           |
| 51 Young bloke       | 10 Japanese noodles          | 31 Infant's outfit       |
| 52 Summers in Paris  | 11 Ritzy                     | 34 Napkin's perch        |
| 53 Sciences' partner | 16 Director Howard           | 35 Green tea variety     |
|                      | 20 Snoop                     | 37 — de deux             |
|                      | 21 Sparkling Italian wine    | 38 Bridge fee            |
|                      | 22 Shakespeare title starter | 39 Director Kazan        |
|                      | 23 Advise                    | 40 Ump's ruling          |
|                      | 24 Pen fluids                | 41 Tolkien creatures     |
|                      | 26 Cave creatures            | 44 Trench                |
|                      | 27 French article            | 45 Oft-pierced body part |
|                      | 28 Air freshener target      | 46 Petty peeve           |
|                      |                              | 47 ER workers            |

### DOWN

- 1 Vat
- 2 "Xanadu" band
- 3 Comic Romano
- 4 Cash received
- 5 Skirt feature
- 6 Fibs
- 7 Hostel
- 8 "Vogue" singer

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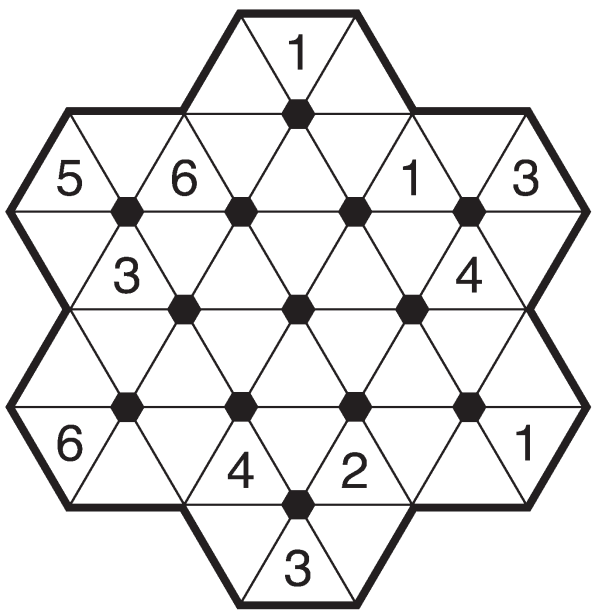
*Saint Leo*





# 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

## Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION:** The show "Happy Days" is a spinoff of which older sitcom?
- LITERATURE:** Which author created the character Hercule Poirot?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Where is Barack Obama's presidential library located?
- GEOGRAPHY:** What river forms part of the border between the United States and Mexico?
- ASTRONOMY:** Which planet in our solar system has the strongest gravitational field?
- U.S. STATES:** Which four states intersect at the Four Corners monument?
- SCIENCE:** What is anemophily?
- MOVIES:** How much does an Oscar award trophy weigh?
- WEATHER:** What is a haboob?
- MEASUREMENTS:** How many millimeters are in a meter?

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.

	-		+		=	4
-		+		+		
	+			+		= 11
+		x		+		
	+		÷			= 1
=		=		=		
10		40		20		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 8 9

**DIFFICULTY:** ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
 ★★★ GO FIGURE!



"To judge a man by his weakest link or deed is like judging the power of the ocean by one wave."  
**— Elvis Presley**  
 (January 8, 1935 – August 16, 1977)

### 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.

VLDX LJ JMCUW, JC EGY'W  
 ZTJWX WLOX NP MTWLYB T  
 NCEP WMTW MTJ NXXY OCUX  
 WMTY T BLDW.  
 — HXJJTOPY JWTYVXP

### 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: E equals X

CGVL DSB'KV HL VEMVKI PL  
 FSPLPLZ HAHZVY, CGHI FSBRA  
 DSB YHD DSB YMVFPHRPOV PL?  
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**Answers:** 1. "Love, American Style." 2. Agatha Christie. 3. Chicago, Illinois. 4. The Rio Grande. 5. Jupiter. 6. Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Colorado. 7. Pollination by the wind. 8. 8.5 pounds. 9. An intense dust storm. 10. 1,000.



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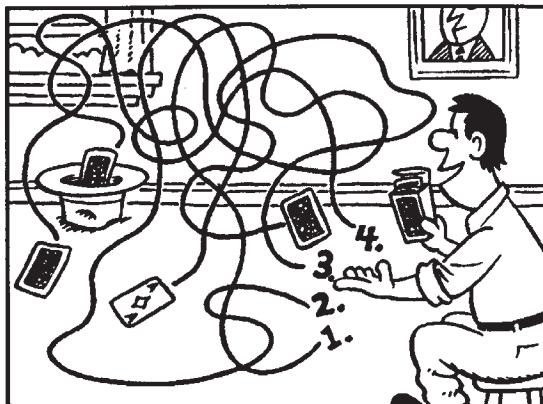
# the Local Voice PUZZLE PLAYGROUND

**STICKELERS** by Terry Stickels

The words here can be changed into new words by adding the same three letters to the beginning of each word.

What are the three letters?

**PANT  
PAGE  
PART  
ROD  
SHACKLE**



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## CARS OLD AND NEW!

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## KNIGHT MOVES

R	B	M
E		R
E	E	M

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.

**THE OLD "CARDS IN THE HAT" GAME!** Can you guess which toss got the first card in the hat?

Answer: It was toss number 1.

**TWO WRONGS DO MAKE A RIGHT** when it comes to AlphaMath. See if you can replace the letters to the right with the digits 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 so that you will have a correct addition problem. The same letters get the same digits.

Our answer: 25938 + 25938 = 51876 (W=2, R=5, O=9, N=3, A=6, H=7, T=8).

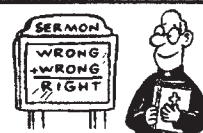
**A "ROCK STAR" PROBLEM!** Below are two puzzle grids for you to fill in. Hints are given for each word. The words in Grid B contain the same letters as the corresponding words in Grid A.

1. Color or flavor.
2. Garden tools.
3. To distribute cards.
4. Properly in place.

GRID A	GRID B
M	L
E	O
A	A
T	F

1. Unit of length.
2. A type of horn.
3. To show the way.
4. Separate with a sieve.

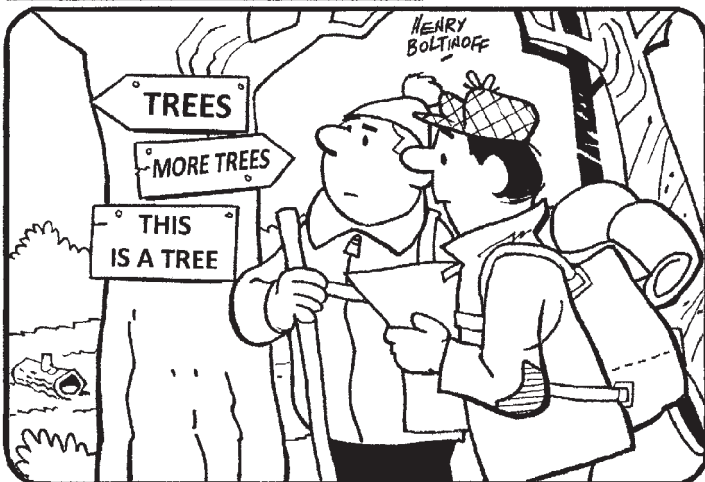
Answers: 1. Lime-mile, 2. Hoos-shoe, 3. Deal-head, 4. Fits-sift.



Hidden in the diagram above are the names of 17 famous makes of automobiles from today and yesterday. They can be found by reading up or down, or side to side. You'll even find them diagonally going up or down. Letters can be used more than once. Listed below are the cars that you're looking for.

BMW  
CADILLAC  
CHEVROLET  
CHRYSLER  
CITROEN  
CROSSLEY  
DAIMLER  
DUESENBERG  
FORD  
HONDA  
LINCOLN  
MERCEDES  
OLDSMOBILE  
PACKARD  
STUDEBAKER  
TOYOTA  
VOLKSWAGEN

## HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign is lower, 2. Log is moved, 3. Elbow patch is different, 4. Cap is different, 5. Thumb is moved, 6. Jacket is longer.

## 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.

1. Goliath, e.g.	___ I ___	Civil War General	___ R ___
2. Poitier of film	___ Y ___	Opera house site	___ I ___
3. Force out	___ P ___	Surpass	___ C ___
4. Matthau or Mitty	___ L ___	Cafe server	___ I ___
5. May or March	___ N ___	River beginning	___ U ___
6. Doorway	P ___	Earthly	M ___
7. Graph	___ R ___	Mantra	___ N ___
8. Used a broom	___ W ___	Took a nap	___ L ___
9. Faithful	L ___	Regal	R ___
10. On the mend	___ E ___	Sour tasting	___ I ___

## WORD LADDERS

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

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# Notes in My Phone X

Okay, y'all. It's time for another installment of "Notes in My Phone," my chronicles of interesting things I've heard people say or have read. As always, I give no context to the notes with rare exception. You provide the context. Most names of those I've quoted have been omitted to protect the guilty.

Romance at Dollar General • I've been down that road myself. • My bowels are exactly where they're supposed to be. • I am multi-dysfunctional. • You can't run away from yourself. You go wherever you go. (*Gunsmoke*) • Unexpectedly erotic • Saved with an edge • My pronoun is "His highness, sir." • The talking stick show • Coats are for shoplifting. • Put him in a corner but don't put him in a box. • The bifurcation of conversation • "My attention span is shorter than a goldfish." (Jerry Wexler) • I ain't prayin' for that. • Measure once, cuss twice. • "The beginning is easy. The hard part is the ending." (Slim Pickens, *How the West was Won*) • "You've got to have a great mind and a tender heart." (Andrew Young at Jimmy Carter's funeral) • "Happiness makes up in height what it lacks in length." (Robert Frost) • Ugly don't age. • I'm not in favor of much. • It's worth staying alive just to see what I do. • "The word 'listen' contains the same letters as the word 'silent'." (Alfred

Brendel) • Kindness is free. • I am a community-minded anarchist. • "The older you get the more questions you don't have answers to." (Chuck Conners as Lucas McCain in *The Rifleman*) • It might be black and white now, but eventually you'll see in the gray—maybe even in color. • Bathtub conversations • Grief is seldom pretty. • I had a feeling I was not the only one. • I had a "you" moment. • Seeing the world through the bottom of a glass • What happens in one world echoes in another. • The tangential mind • I'm not a pizza. • I am the entity. • A lot can come up from shutting up and listening. • She was a bitch hound from the 18th dimension of hell. • It wasn't fatal, but he ended up dying anyway. • I don't normally drink, but when I do drink I don't drink normally. • Nothing is permanent. Bad times and good times are the same in that both will pass. • Too close together and too far apart • There doesn't always have to be a direction. Sometimes it's good to ride in the mud. • He pubertied all over me. • The race to become humble • The heart is black. • The Universe is gonna kick me in the ass. • I am a f\*\*king work of art. • Idiocracy • Stakes couldn't be higher. Steaks couldn't be higher either. • I'm going on a wig hunt. • Poll dancing • "Shootings are a fact of life." (Vice President J. D. Vance) • I was designed to be loved. • It's



hard to feel good about anything when you're drowning. • Braking news • Prior proper planning prevents piss poor performance. • The magic doesn't just happen. (Coonie) ... and that's the View from The Balcony

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"...disbelief in magic can force a poor soul into believing in government and business...." (*Even Cowgirls Get the Blues*, 1976)

"It's never too late to have a happy childhood." (*Still Life with Woodpecker*, 1980)

"Don't trust anybody who'd rather be grammatically correct than have a good time." (*Skinny Legs and All*, 1990)



— **Tom Robbins**

(July 22, 1932–  
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## Strange BUT TRUE

- The **Climbing Gourami** is a fish that can climb out of water, breathe oxygen and even walk for short distances.
- **India** has 454 living languages and 16 official ones.
- During her 1982 restoration, the **Statue of Liberty's** head was accidentally installed 2 feet off-center.
- General **George S. Patton** believed he was reincarnated from either a military leader from **Napoleon's** army or a **Roman** legionary, claiming to have seen combat multiple times in previous lives, and also believed that after he died he would return to again lead armies onto the battlefield.
- Only deceased people can appear on **American** currency.
- When put under a microscope, tears produced by grief, hope or onions were unique in form from each other.
- Viking names included such gems as "desirous of beer," "able to fill a bay with fish by magic," "lust-ho-stage" and "the man who mixes his drinks."
- **North Korea** accidentally hit one of its own cities during a 2017 failed missile test.
- In 1916, a proposed amendment to the **U.S. Constitution** would have put all acts of war to a national vote. Anyone voting "yes" would have to register as a volunteer for army service.
- Dynamite was originally going to be called "Nobel's Safety Powder."
- Singer **James Brown** was such a strict bandleader that he had signals arranged with his manager to let him know if a musician made a mistake during concerts. After a performance, band members' errors were deducted from their paychecks.
- Ostriches are the only birds with a bladder.
- In 1872, sitting president **Ulysses S. Grant** was pulled over and fined \$20 for exceeding the **Washington** speed limit ... on a horse.
- **Aristotle** believed that plants had souls.
- **Thought for the Day:** "Life is painting a picture, not doing a sum." – Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. 📺

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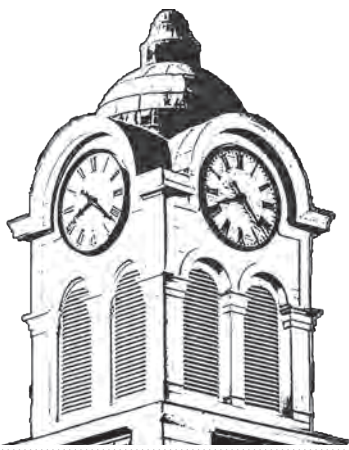
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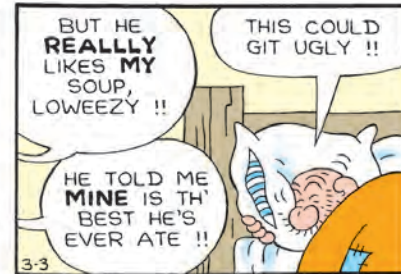
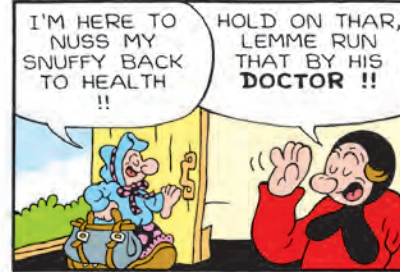
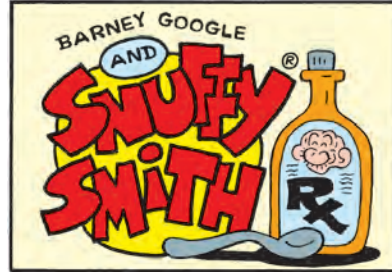


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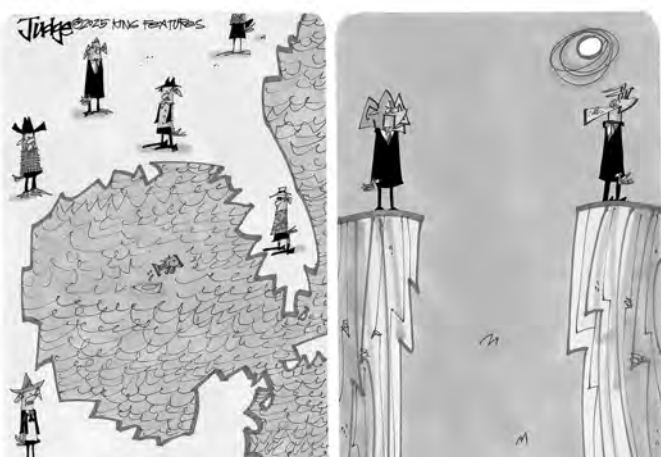


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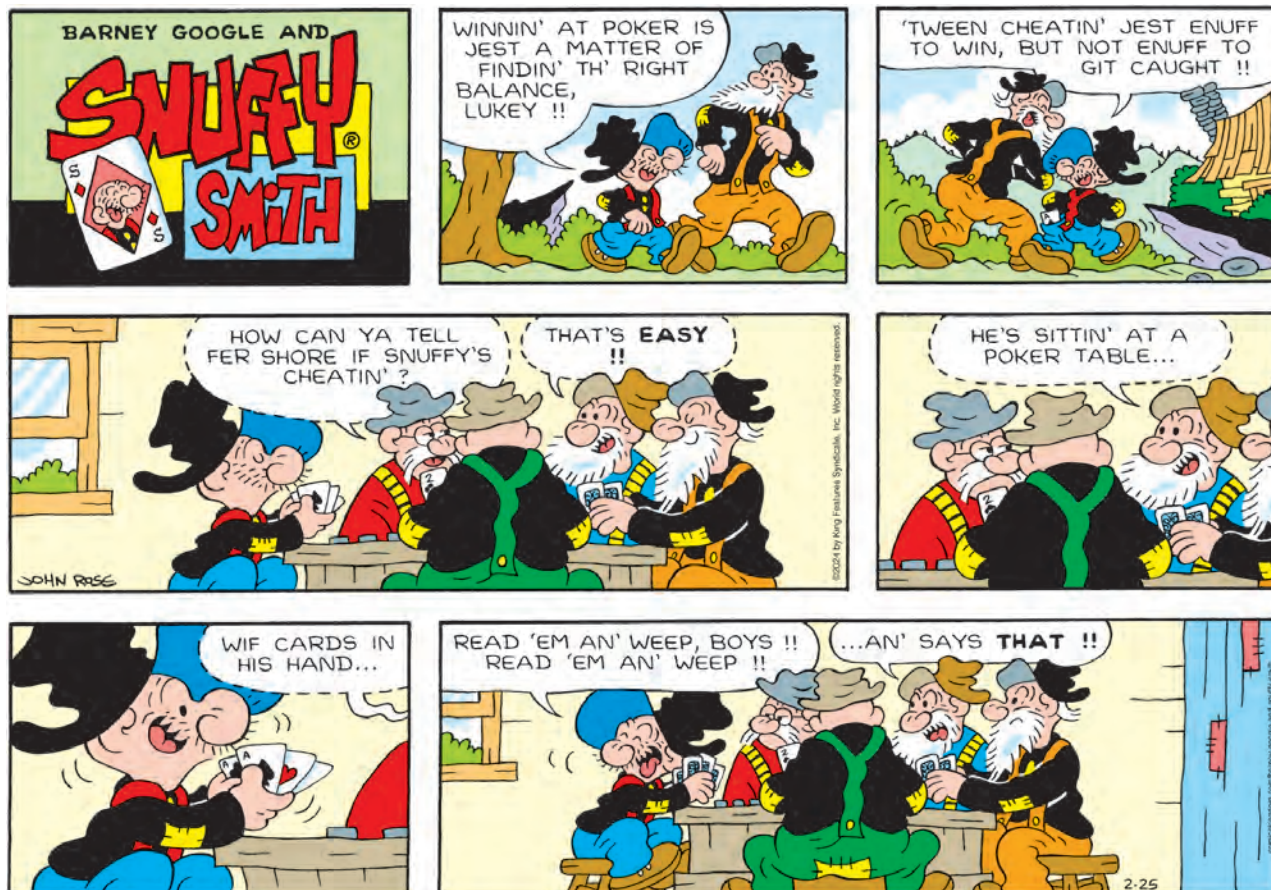


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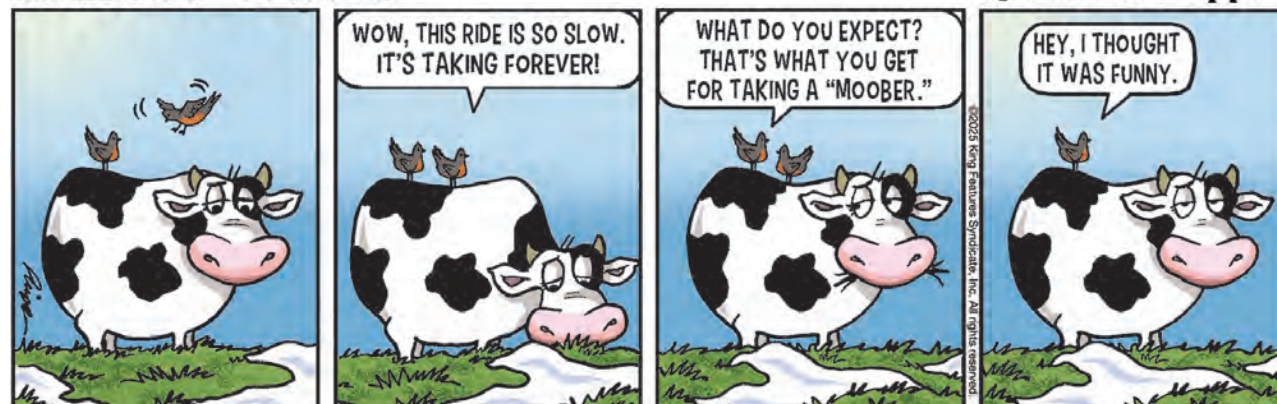






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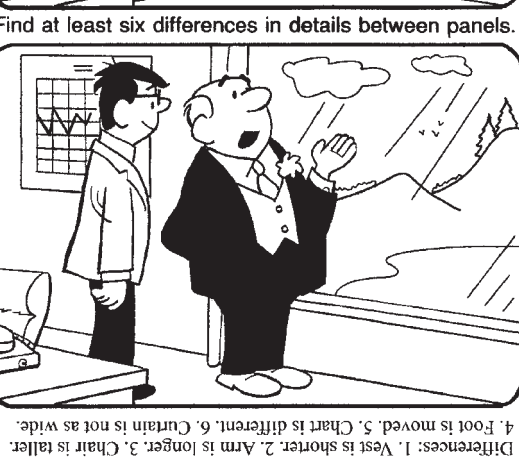
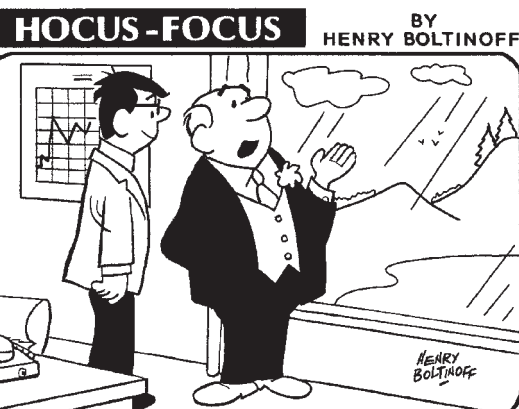


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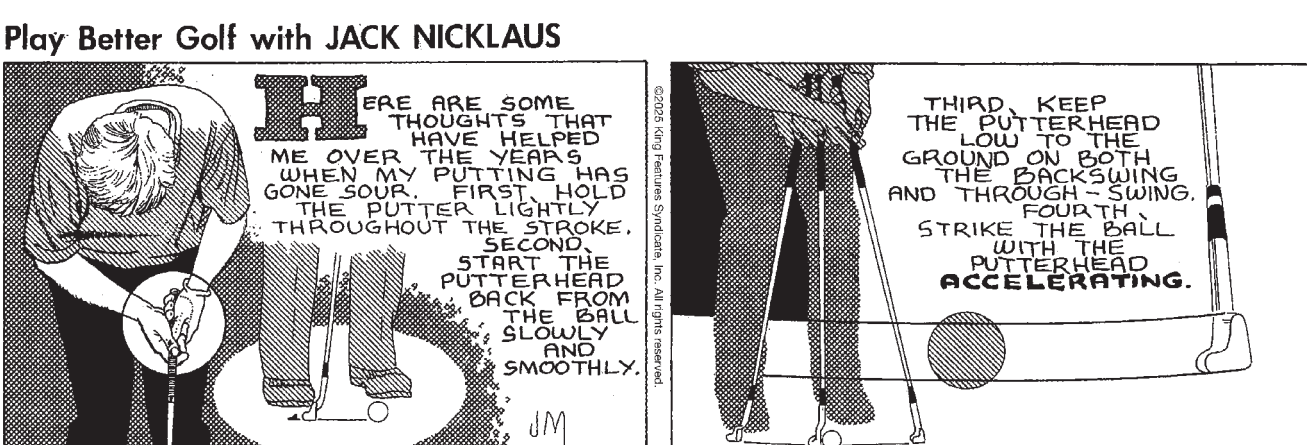
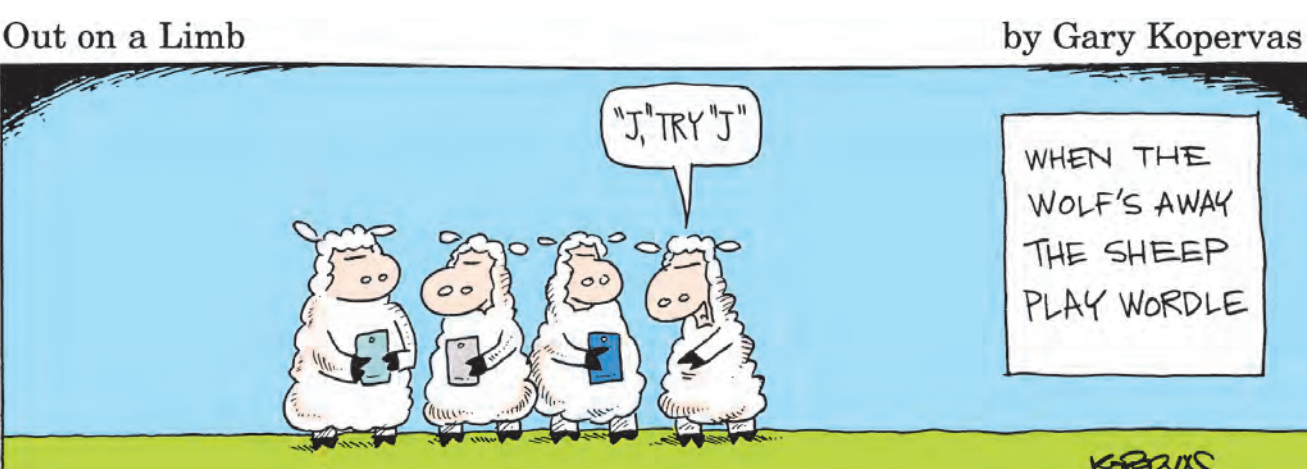
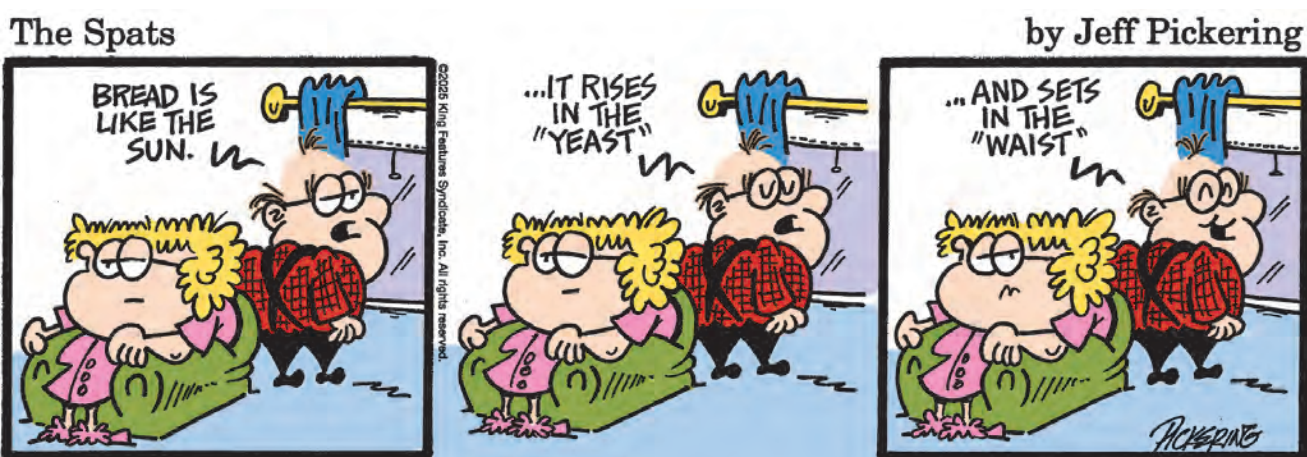
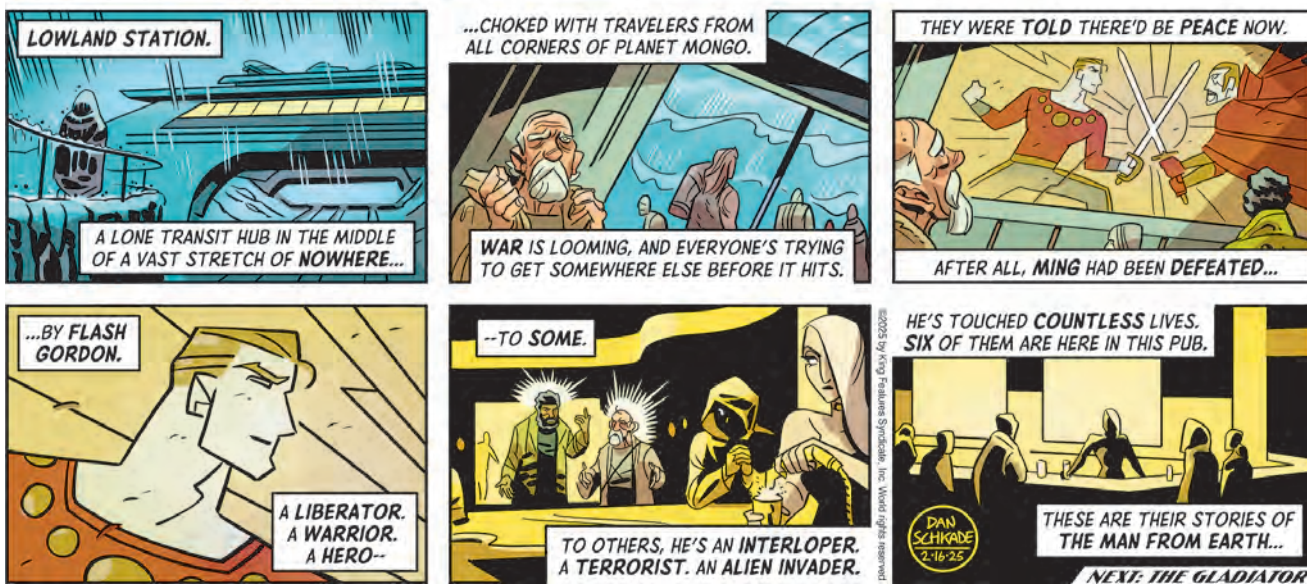
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WHICH MEANS A LONG NIGHT.







## This No-Knead Bread Recipe Is Great for Busy Families on a Budget

Get rolling in the dough with this amazing no-knead recipe that bakes up to four 1-pound loaves of tasty artisan bread for around \$2. I'm not kidding — less than \$1 a loaf! It's not only easy on your budget but also quick and effortless to prepare, as authors Jeff Hertzberg and Zoe Francois describe in their best-selling book that created a buzz far and wide: "Artisan Bread in Five Minutes a Day."

When I stopped by Zoe's kitchen, her active sons were home from school, shaping dough for their own pizzas. "Inventing nutritious recipes and eating together are important to our family," said Zoe. "When kids get involved in cooking and baking healthy foods, they'll eat what they make."

For the master bread recipe, let kids loose to measure flour, salt, water and yeast in a bucket. They'll love stirring up the concoction with a wooden spoon and their hands. Let it rise, and you're ready to bake bread for up to two weeks. You can even adapt the recipe for sweet breads, flatbreads and pizza.

Give it a try and discover the fun of rolling in the dough! Here's what you'll need:

- 3 cups lukewarm water
- 1 1/2 tablespoons granulated yeast
- 1 1/2 tablespoons kosher salt
- 6 1/2 cups unbleached all-purpose

flour

Mix together ingredients in a 5-quart food-grade lidded bucket or container. Cover loosely, let rise at room temperature for about 2 hours, then refrigerate for up to two weeks. Bake some of the dough now, if you wish.

To prepare a loaf, cut off a grapefruit-sized piece of dough, sprinkle flour on it, and briefly shape it into a ball with flour-covered hands. Allow it to rest for 40 minutes on a pizza peel or a wooden board covered with parchment paper (or sprinkled with cornmeal).

Twenty minutes before baking, preheat oven to 450 F. Then set a baking stone on a rack in the center of the oven and an empty broiler tray on the lower rack. When ready to bake, dust the top of the loaf with flour. An adult should make a 1/4-inch-deep crisscross slash on top with a sharp knife and slide the dough onto the baking stone. Pour a cup of hot water into the broiler pan before closing the oven door.



Bake for 30 minutes, or until crust is browned. Let cool. Slice and serve.

**Extra Resource:** Watch Jeff and Zoe prepare the complete recipe online at [www.ArtisanBreadinFive.com](http://www.ArtisanBreadinFive.com).

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## Moments in time

• On **March 3, 1877**, Rutherford B. Hayes was sworn in as the 19th president of the United States in the Red Room of the White House. Two days later, he was again inaugurated, but this time in a public ceremony.

• On **March 4, 2004**, Mianne Bagger, a golfer from Denmark, earned a place in sports history at the Women's Australian Open as the first transgender athlete to compete in a professional golf tournament, noting to reporters that it took a while to overcome the anxiety associated with the feat: "I don't know where my swing was. ... I was pretty numb the first seven holes. I couldn't really feel much below my shoulders."

• On **March 5, 1839**, "Jane Eyre" author Charlotte Bronte declined a marriage proposal from the Reverend Henry Nussey, informing him that he would find her "romantic and eccentric" and not practical enough to be a clergyman's wife.

• On **March 6, 1475**, Michelangelo Buonarroti, considered by many the greatest of the Italian Renaissance artists, was born in Caprese. The son of a government administrator, he became an artist's apprentice at age 13. He would go on to master painting, sculpture and architecture, becoming best known for masterpieces like "David" and his ceiling frescoes in the Sistine Chapel.

• On **March 7, 2002**, the defense rested in the trial of Andrea Yates, a 37-year-old Texas woman who murdered her five young children by drowning them in a bathtub. Less than a week later she was convicted and sentenced to life in prison, but the conviction was later reversed on the grounds of insanity. In 2006, she was committed to a state mental hospital in Texas, where she remains today.

• On **March 8, 2014**, Malaysia Airlines Flight 370, carrying 227 passengers and 12 crew members, lost contact with air traffic control less than an hour after taking off from Kuala Lumpur, then veered off course and disappeared. Most of the plane and all on board were never recovered.

• On **March 9, 1979**, the 26 Major League Baseball teams were ordered by MLB commissioner Bowie Kuhn to allow equal access to all reporters, regardless of their sex.





# PUZZLES & BRAIN TEASERS SOLUTIONS



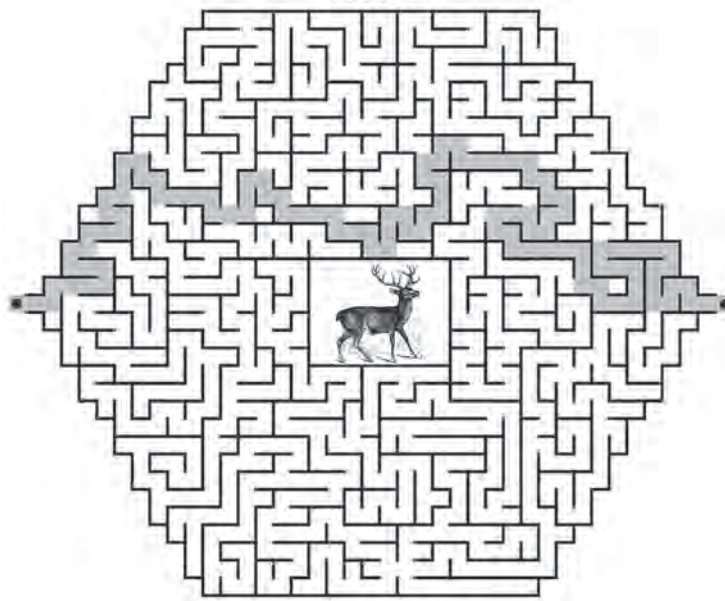
## Super Crossword

### Answers

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## Mega Maze

### Solution



## Weekly SUDOKU

### Answer

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

answer

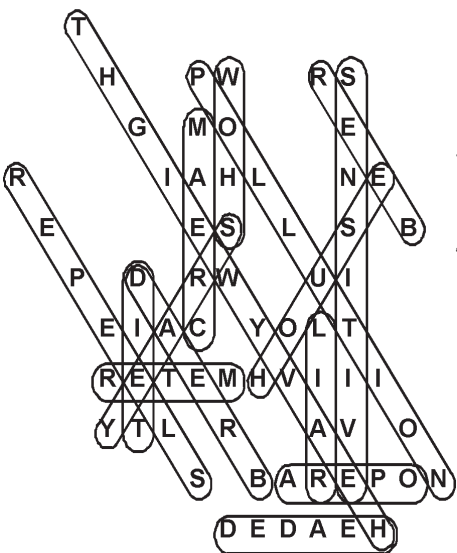
When you're an expert in coining adages, what could you say you specialize in? Maxim-izing.

## CryptoQuote

answer

Life is short, so don't waste time by hating a body that has been more than a gift.  
— Jessamyn Stanley

## LIGHT



## Even Exchange

answers

- Giant, Grant
- Sydney, Sidney
- Expel, Excel
- Walter, Waiter
- Month, Mouth
- Portal, Mortal
- Chart, Chant
- Swept, Slept
- Loyal, Royal
- Better, Bitter

## Go Figure!

### answers

7	-	6	+	3	=	4
-		+		+		
1	+	2	+	8	=	11
+		x		+		
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10		40		20		

## FEAR KNOT

answer



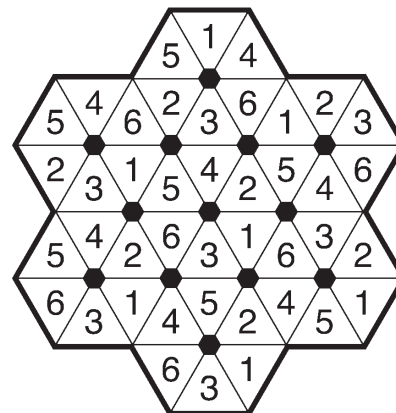
## Stickelers Answer

Adding **RAM** to each word forms a new word in each case.

RAMPANT

## SNOWFLAKES

### solution



## King Crossword

### Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

M	R	S		G	N	A	T		F	I	R	E
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A	R	C	H		N	U	K	E		A	S	K
M	E	T	S		E	R	O	S		H	E	S





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## King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 23 mins.



## SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Dabble 2. Malign;  
3. Loathe; 4. Dancer

Today's Word

**CELLMATE**

## Even Exchange

answers

- |                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Chair, Choir   | 6. Elate, Elite    |
| 2. Pasted, Pastel | 7. Grape, Grace    |
| 3. Folly, Filly   | 8. Streak, Stream  |
| 4. Altar, Alter   | 9. Leave, Lease    |
| 5. Butler, Butter | 10. Fender, Lender |

## Puzzles4Kids

Answer

Why can't you trust anyone in the second month of the year?

Because it is Fib – ruary.

## FEAR KNOT

answer



### "Mufasa: The Lion King" (PG)

— This musical drama tells the story of an orphaned lion who would later become a king through the eyes of Academy-Award-winning director Barry Jenkins ("Moonlight"). Taking place after the events of "The Lion King" (2019), the film picks up after Simba, Mufasa's son, becomes King of the Pride Lands and now has a young daughter, Kiara, with his wife, Nala. While Simba's trusted friends Timon and Pumbaa watch over Kiara, the shaman Rafiki pays them a visit and decides to tell Kiara the story of her grandfather, letting viewers get whisked away to the time when Mufasa first stepped foot onto the Pride Lands. New additions to the cast include Blue Ivy Carter in her feature film debut, Mads Mikkelsen, and Thandiwe Newton. Available to rent on Feb. 18. (Amazon Prime Video)

**"One of Them Days" (R)** — This comedy led by Keke Palmer and SZA can be compared to the 1995 film "Friday," starring Ice Cube and Chris Tucker. The two female leads respectively play waitress Dreux (Palmer) and aspiring artist Alyssa (SZA), who face eviction after their rent fails to get paid on time. Dreux and Alyssa deduce that Alyssa's boyfriend, Keshawn, took the rent money for his own gain, so the two women are forced into a series of shenanigans to obtain \$1,500 before the day is over. Lil Rel Howery, Katt Williams, and Maude Apatow co-star in this ridiculously entertaining film that is out now to rent. (Apple TV+)

**"The White Lotus: Season 3"** (TV-MA) — Mike White's smash-

hit series "The White Lotus" recently premiered its third season, with the first episode out now to stream! This season is in Thailand and follows a new set of self-absorbed characters who are doomed to experience some kind of ego death while they're on vacation. Jason Isaacs (of "Harry Potter" fame), Leslie Bibb ("Palm Royale"), and Walton Goggins ("Fall-out") are some of the new additions to the cast, while Natasha Rothwell reprises her role as Belinda, a spa manager from the first season that took place in Hawaii. Viewers will be glued to their screens for this show until the season's finale on April 6, and a fourth season has already been greenlit by HBO. (Max)



Courtesy of Netflix

**Robert De Niro, left, and Angela Bassett star in "Zero Day."**

**"Zero Day" (TV-MA)** — It is hard to believe that the prolific Robert De Niro hadn't yet taken on a main role in a television series, but this role as ex-president George Mullen in Netflix's new political-thriller miniseries is his first! In a reality that looks scarily akin to ours, George is tasked by President Evelyn Mitchell (Angela Bassett) with heading a commission for cybercriminals after a global cyberattack leaves the world in devastation. But as George begins his investigation, he's thrust into a deeply hidden conspiracy that will test his patriotic morals. Lizzy Caplan ("Fatal Attraction"), Jesse Plemons ("Civil War") and Connie Britton ("Winner") were perfectly picked to co-star and dial in the drama. All six episodes are out now for your viewing pleasure! (Netflix)



## One-Pot Lemon Garlic Shrimp and Rice: A Dish That's Easy, Elegant, and Surprisingly Frugal

Shrimp, once seen as a splurge, has become a frugal choice — not because shrimp prices have dropped, but because everything else has gone up! This seafood favorite is now an economical protein compared to the skyrocketing costs of beef, chicken and even eggs. Pair that with one-pot preparation, and you've got dinner that's easy on your wallet and your schedule.

One-pot recipes streamline prep, cooking and cleanup, leaving you with more time to enjoy your meal and less time spent scrubbing dishes. This dish is fast, flavorful and destined to become a weeknight favorite.

### ONE POT LEMON GARLIC SHRIMP

Yield: 4-6 servings  
Total Time: 30 minutes

16 ounces uncooked shrimp (41-60 size), thawed and peeled  
1 fresh lemon, see note below\*  
3 tablespoons butter  
4 cloves garlic, minced  
1/2 cup red bell pepper, diced  
2 cups long-grain white rice  
2 cups chicken broth  
1 1/2 cup water  
1 teaspoon Old Bay Seasoning  
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

(optional)

**Prep the Ingredients:** If using frozen shrimp, thaw and peel before starting.

\*Zest the lemon, reserving the zest. Slice lemon in half, juice half the lemon (about 2 tablespoons juice) and slice the other half for garnish.

**Saute the Garlic and Rice:** Heat a deep skillet over medium heat. Add butter and garlic, and red pepper, sauteing until fragrant (1-2 minutes). Stir in the rice and continue sauteing for another 1-2 minutes until the rice begins to toast lightly. You might hear a faint crackling sound.

**Add Liquid and Seasoning:** Carefully pour in the chicken broth, water, lemon juice and half the lemon zest. Stir in the Old Bay and parsley. Give everything a good stir to combine.



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One skillet, endless flavor!

**Cook the Rice:** Cover the skillet with a lid and bring the mixture to a boil over medium-high heat. Once boiling, reduce the heat to low and let it simmer for 12 minutes.

**Add the Shrimp:** After 12 minutes, most of the liquid should be absorbed. Lift the lid briefly to scatter the shrimp across the top of the rice. Replace the lid and continue cooking on low for 5 minutes.

**Let It Rest:** Without removing the lid, remove the skillet from the heat. Let it rest for an additional 5 minutes. During this time, the shrimp will finish cooking, becoming pink and opaque.

**Fluff and Serve:** Gently fluff the rice with a fork, mixing in the shrimp slightly. Garnish with the reserved lemon slices, lemon zest and a sprinkle of fresh parsley, if desired. Serve hot and enjoy!

To save time, use pre-minced garlic or frozen shrimp that's already peeled.

Want to switch up the flavors? Try Italian seasoning with a sprinkle of Parmesan for a Mediterranean twist, or black pepper and grated Parmesan for a cacio e pepe-style dish.

Craving spice? A dash of Cajun seasoning, or smoked paprika adds a bold kick. For a fresh take, toss in fresh dill and a touch of crumbled feta. Love warm, aromatic flavors? Stir in a pinch of curry powder and a splash of coconut milk for a subtle, creamy depth.

Or go zesty with lime juice, cilantro and a hint of chili for a vibrant, Southwest-inspired version.

The combination of tender shrimp, fluffy rice and bold seasonings — whether it's zesty lemon and garlic, smoky Cajun spice or a Mediterranean twist — makes this dish a winner. We hope you try your favorite variations and love it as much as we do!

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