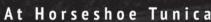


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Celebrate Writers and Storytelling at the Oxford Conference for the Book

This spring, the already impressive number of talented writers in

Oxford will multiply as more than twenty of the nation's leading and emerging authors, poets, scholars, and artists gather for the Oxford Conference for the Book.

Three days of panels, discussions, and events in Oxford and at the University of Mississippi transform William Faulkner's hometown into a vibrant literary playground.

The 31st iteration of the conference, organized by the Center for the Study of Southern Culture, is as expansive as ever, thanks to support from national sponsors and local partners. Most events are free and open to the public.

"I'm happy to say that

people return to Oxford year after year for the conference," said **Jimmy Thomas**, conference director. "It's the perfect opportunity to experience the best of what the city and the university have to offer.

"At the same time, it's a community event that brings locals together to celebrate reading and writing. There really aren't many places like Oxford—it makes for a truly enchanting experience."

This year's conference is dedicated to the late **Ann Aba**die, who helped found the Southern studies center in the mid-1970s. She also had a pivotal role in creating the book conference. Ole Miss officials plan to dedicate the **Dr.** Ann Julian Abadie Pollinator Garden at the University Museum at 5 pm April 2.

The only ticketed event is the annual Author's Welcome Party at Memory House at 6 pm April 2. Tickets are \$50 and include food and special craft drinks.

by Rebecca Lauck Cleary

THE THIRTY-FIRST Oxford Conference for the Book April 2-4, 2025

Books Pollinate Our Brain Gardens, by Blair Hobbs

Attached to the Living World: A New Ecopoetry Anthology (Trinity University Press, 2025). The volume explores the issues and conversations in ecopoetry over the past decade and features more than 150 established and emerging poets. It was coedited by retired Ole Miss English professor **Ann Fisher-Wirth**.

Panels begin April 3 on the Ole Miss campus with a discussion between Southern studies instructor Xavier Sivels and author Elijah Wald, whose Jelly Roll Blues: Censored Songs and Hidden Histories explores the censored voices of early blues and jazz, guided by the songs and memories of Jelly Roll Morton. Wald, also a musician, will perform that evening on Thacker Mountain Radio Hour at the Powerhouse Community Arts Center.

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Sandwiches **Hot Dogs Happy Hour Brunch** Late Nite Food

The conference is preceded on March 21 by the Children's Book Festival,

which OCB plans and operates in collaboration with the Lafayette County Literacy Council, Junior Auxiliary, First Regional Library, and Square Books Jr. The festival at the Gertrude C. Ford Center for the Performing **Arts** is open to Lafayette County first and fifth graders, and all attendees get a book of their own.

The Children's Book Festival is underwritten by the Elaine Hoffman Scott Memorial Fund. Writer and filmmaker William **Joyce**, known as an artist for *Toy* Story and writer and executive producer for Meet the Robinsons. will read to first-graders from his book Rocket Puppies (Simon and Schuster, 2024). New York Times bestselling-author James Ponti will read to fifth-graders from City Spies (Aladdin, 2021).

The book conference also has a prologue event at 5:30 pm April 1 at Off Square Books, with readings from the collaborators of

or Eventbrite Wednesday, **April 16**

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restaurant takeover

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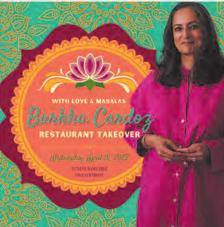
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THURSDAY 3.20.2025 - SPRING EQUINOX

- ▶ Booth's BBQ; THE FABULOUS DOO0VAYS (5-8 pm)
- ► 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
 JEFF BARRY for Go to Hell Ole Miss, music by CLAIRE HOLLEY,
 BEAR RYAN (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)

Proud Larry's: DAVIS COEN album release (9 pm)

Chamber of Commerce: Melodies & Monologues: Prof. NICK MACDONALD "Astronomy Up Close in Oxford" (11:30 am)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Check-It-Out Book Club (11 am); WILLIAM JOYCE & JAMES PONTI signings, activities, dinner (5:30 pm) Nutt Auditorium (University): KRISTINA TULLGRAN recital (7:30 pm)

FRIDAY 3.21.2025

- ▶ Booth's BBQ: Late-night LINE DANCING (9 pm-1 am)
- ► The Library: BLUFF CITY BANDITS (9 pm)
- ► The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS (8 pm-midnight)
- ► The Powerhouse: BIG TOP TEASE featuring aerialists, burlesque, LED light show and drag performers (7 pm & 9 pm)
- ▶ Proud Larry's: KENNY BROWN & DUWAYNE BURNSIDE
- ► Rafters: DJ DRUMM
- ► Voyager's Rest (Water Valley): FERD, DELTA STRING BAND (8 pm) Nutt Auditorium (University): Guest artist recital ROYA FARZANEH (7:30 pm)

SATURDAY 3.22.2025

- ► Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH
- ► Funkys: CRAWFISH
- ► The Library: BLUFF CITY BANDITS (9 pm)
- ► The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS (8 pm-midnight)
- ► Rafters: DJ DRUMM
- ► Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME (10 am)
- ▶ Voyager's Rest (Water Valley): KIDD TWIST AND YARD SALE
- ➤ Water Valley, Miss.: CASEY JONES MUSIC FEST w/ live music Wilkins Sisters, Amy LaVere & Will Sexton, Mud Alexander, Michael Farris Smith & The Smoke, WVHS Marching Band, Donny Roye, Bear Ryan, Jacob Kynard, Horace Willis, Baxter Arender, The Kites, Alanna Mosley, Roxford U, Brady Rees; vendors, car show, food trucks & more (10 am-6 pm)

LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS

Old Armory Pavilion: POP-UP OX4D vintage clothes market (noon-5 pm)
Oxford Intermediate School: NMRLS Annual Dog Walk-a-Thon (10 am)
Oxford Treehouse Gallery: PROUD FLESH: conversation & reading w/
CATHERINE SIMONE GRAY & BETH ANN FENNELLY (4 pm)

SUNDAY 3.23.2025

- ▶ Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH
- ► The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH (11 am-2:30 pm)

 Nutt Auditorium: CLARINET STUDIO recital (3 pm); Student recital VASILIOS

 TIDWELL (7:30 pm)

Old Armory Pavilion: Pop-Up Camp w/ CAMP HOPEWELL & CAMP LAKE STEPHENS (free, 2-4 pm)

Paris-Yates Chapel (University): MOCKINGBIRD EARLY MUSIC ENSEMBLE presents Celebration of Spring with Music and Poetry (3 pm)

MONDAY 3.24.2025

► Quack's: MARIO KART

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Ready, Set, GROW! With Lafayette County Master Gardeners (5:30 pm)

Nutt Auditorium: Guest artist recital: WARREN ERTLE (7:30 pm)

TUESDAY 3.25.2025

- ► Moe's TRIVIA (7 pm)
- ► Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market (3-6:30 pm)
- ► The Powerhouse: Big Bad Business Workshop How to Protect Your Big Ideas (6-8 pm)
- ► Quack's: COMEDY NIGHT with CHRIS GREEN (7 pm)

Proud Larry's: OLE MISS JAZZ COMBOS (7 pm)

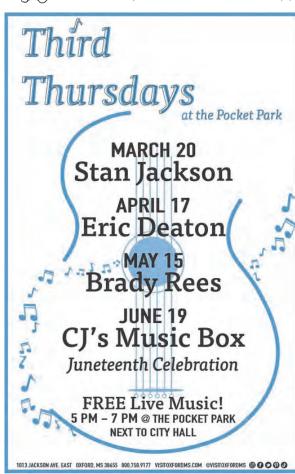
Swayze Field (University): OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. MEMPHIS (6:30 pm) $\,$

WEDNESDAY 3.26.2025

- ► Circle & Square Brewing: TRIVIA (7 pm)
- ► Funkys: LADIES NIGHT
- ► Moe's Penny Bar: COMEDY OPEN MIC (9 pm)
- ► Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME (10 am)
- ► Volta: Mutts & Margaritas (3-6 pm)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Conversation Cafe: Understanding Oxford's Roundabouts and Innovative Intersections with DR. AMIR MOLAN (10 am)







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THURSDAY 3.27.2025

Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. FLORIDA (7 pm)

- ► 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 VIA BLEIDNER for If You Lived Here You'd Be Famous By Now, music by AMELIA WHITE, PROUD HOUND (doors 5:30, show 6 pm)

 Ole Miss Pavilion: WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. SOUTH CAROLINA (8 pm)

Proud Larry's: WIM TAPLEY & THE CANNONS, JUST JOE

FRIDAY 3.28.2025

Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. FLORIDA (6:30 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
 The Lyric: THE STEWS, YAZOO

SATURDAY 3.29.2025

Swayze Field: OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. FLORIDA (1:30 pm)

- **▶ Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH**)
- ► Funkys: CRAWFISH
- ► The Library: NEUTRAL SNAP (9 pm)
- ► The Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS (8 pm-midnight)
- ► Proud Larry's: PROUD HOUND (9 pm)
- ► Rafters: DJ DRUMM

Avent Park: CASA Superhero Run (8-10 am)

Lafayette County Arena: HAZARDOUS WASTE Collection Day (8 am-3 pm)
Mid-Town Shopping Center: Mid-Town Spring Fest (10 am-2 pm)
Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. MISSOURI (2 pm)

SUNDAY 3.30.2025

- ► Booth's BBQ: CRAWFISH
- ► Old Armory Pavilion: OXFORD ON SKATES (3:30-5 pm)
- ► The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC @ BRUNCH (11 am-2:30 pm)

Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. MISSOURI (2 pm)

MONDAY 3.31.2025

► Quack's: Mario Kart (8 pm)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Mind in the Making: 7 Essential Life Skills Every Child Needs (5:30 pm)

Ole Miss Softball Complex: OLE MISS vs. MISSOURI (6 pm)
Proud Larry's: MISS READS feat. VICTORIA HULBERT, HOMA MOJTABAI,
NOREEN OCAMPOo, Q&A with HEATH JOSEPH WOOTEN

TUESDAY 4.01.2025 APRIL FOOLS DAY

- ► Moe's: TRIVIA (7 pm)
- ► Off Square Books: ANN FISHER-WIRTH & featured writers for Attached to the Living World (5:30 pm)
- ► Old Armory Pavilion: Oxford Community Market (3-6:30 pm)
- ► Quack's: Comedy Night w/ CHRIS GREEN (7 pm)

Ford Center: William Shakespeare's The Comedy of Errors (7:30 pm)
Proud Larry's: REBEL RADIO presents a night of local music
Swayze Field (University): OLE MISS BASEBALL vs. JACKSON STATE (4 pm)

WEDNESDAY 4.02.2025

Oxford Conference for the Book

- ► 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)

Local Literary Events

Beloved Mississippi author Kiese Laymon Debuts Children's Picture Book City Summer, Country Summer

Join Square Books and Kiese Laymon for an evening filled with storytelling, reflection, and community in celebration of the beloved Mississippi author's debut children's picture book, *City Summer, Country Summer*. The event will take place on Friday, April 4 at 5 pm at The Powerhouse.

Due to high anticipated demand and limited capacity, the event is ticketed. Tickets

are free and are available in-store at all Square Books locations, online, or by phone. One ticket per person (adult or child). A bundle, including a free ticket and a signed copy of the book is also available for purchase. The event will be followed by a Q&A and book signing. Copies of *City Summer*; *Country Summer* will be available to buy at the event.

"On the ground of that garden, covered in vegetables and dirt, coated in laughter, I want to say that the Mississippi and New York in our Black boy bodies were indistinguishable."



City Summer, Country Summer is a lyrical picture book from the award-winning author of *Heavy*, about three Black boys who form a deep connection during a transformative summer trip down South to visit family.

With text brimming with love by award-winning author Kiese Laymon and deeply evocative illustrations by Ashley Franklin, *City Summer, Country Summer* illuminates

the tenuous and tender bonds of friendship Black boys forge with one another.

Kiese Laymon is a Black Southern writer from Jackson, Mississippi. Laymon is the author of the genre-bending novel *Long Division* and the essay collection *How to Slowly Kill Yourself and Others in America*. Laymon's bestselling memoir, *Heavy: An American Memoir*, won the 2019 Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction, among others, and was named one of the 50 Best Memoirs of the Past 50 Years by *The New York Times*.



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- 1. Who had a hit with "Swing Your Daddy"?
- 2. Name the group that released "How Does It Feel."
- 3. Which group released "Here Comes My Baby"
- 4. Name the artist who wrote and released "You'll Lose a Good Thing."
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Tried to amend my carnivorous habits, Made it nearly seventy days.'

Answers

- 1. Jim Gilstrap, in 1975. Gilstrap was known as a session musician and background singer for numerous artists, including Aaron Neville, Elton John and Art Garfunkel.
- 2. Slade, in 1975. While the song stayed on the charts for seven weeks, it never did climb above No. 15. It's only in later years that the song was truly appreciated.
- 3. The Tremeloes, in 1967. It was written by Cat Stevens, who later released his own version. While the Stevens version was used in the film "Rushmore," the Tremeloes version charted around the globe
- 4. Barbara Lynn, 1962.
- 5. "Cheeseburger in Paradise," by Jimmy Buffett in 1978. The song was written after Buffett was stuck on a boat with limited food. Once he hit land, he immediately went to find a cheeseburger. The song was a crowd favorite among the Parrot Heads who attended his concerts.

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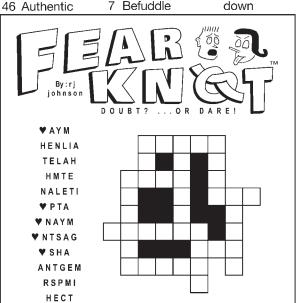
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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6,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



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2. Finicky	C	Little finger	N
3. From Paris	F	Ditch	T
4. Frighten	_ c	Gawk	_ T
5. Alternate route	T	Eat greedily	V
6. Late for school	D	Linger	R
7. Geese, collectively	_ A	Chortle	_ l
8. Bale string	E	Identical siblings	s
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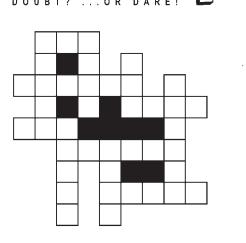
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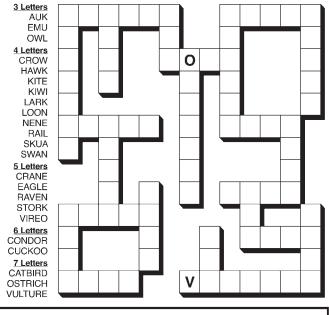
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CRISSCROSS - FEATHERED FRIENDS

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.



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.





SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then

earrange the boxed let	ters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag:
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The Great Flower Showdown: Daffodils vs. Hellebores

Ah, spring! That glorious time when nature decides to stop playing it cool and gets all dressed up in vibrant colors, casting off the winter doldrums like last season's wardrobe. Enter the two floral divas: daffodils and hellebores, each vying for the title of "Flower Most Likely to Be Featured in a Pinterest Post." Let's break down this floral face-off and see which one takes the crown.

First, we have daffodils, the sunshine of the garden. These little yellow trumpets are like the overenthusiastic guest at a party who insists on telling everyone, "I'm so happy to be here!" They show up early, often before anyone else, popping up in the garden as if to say, "Oh, you thought it was still winter? Nope. I'm here to make things bright." Daffodils are the attention-seeking extroverts of the plant world—bold, bright, and completely unapologetic about their optimism. They are the floral equivalent of someone wearing neon yellow at a party just to make sure everyone notices them. Just walk or drive around town and you're sure to notice

them! They bring the vibe, even if it's a little loud.

Then there's the hellebore—more of a quiet, brooding type. These flowers don't burst into your garden like a rock concert; they creep in, almost like a floral ninja, with their delicate, nodding blooms that seem to say, "I'm too cool for this world, but you can admire me from afar." Hellebores are the introverts of the flower kingdom—subtle, elegant, and sometimes even a little mysterious, like that one friend who always seems to have a dark secret. They bloom when the rest of the garden is still catching up on sleep, reminding us that just because you're not in the spotlight doesn't mean you're not important. Hellebores don't need to yell. They get their power from being the hidden gems of the garden.

It's hard to choose a winner between these two. Daffodils are like the life of the party—bright, loud, and impossible to ignore. But hellebores are like the cool, quiet intellectual who somehow manages to have a magnetic presence. If flowers were people,

daffodils would be the extroverted cheerleader, while hellebores would be the enigmatic poet sipping tea in the corner.

In the end, why choose? Whether you're drawn to the sunny optimism of daffodils or the quiet allure of hellebores, spring is richer for having both. Just don't expect them to agree on anything—they're not exactly flowers that "mix well" at a dinner party. But together, they're a floral dynamic duo, proving that sometimes, opposites really do make the best garden party.

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The Lafayette County Master Gardeners are pleased to welcome the public to their annual Spring Lecture Series, which will be held in the Dotsy A. Fitts Auditorium of the Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library. Parking is available at the library or across the street at the Oxford Skate Park. For more information or questions follow us on Instagram or Facebook, visit our website at http://www.lcmga.org/ or call the MSU Extension office at 662-234-4451. The next presentation is on April third at noon which focuses on "What Mama Taught Me about Gardening." Light refreshments will be served, and door prizes will be presented.

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I love the wind. As a child I reveled in being in the wind, especially when there was a whirlwind. Many were the times that on my elementary school playground I would chase a whirlwind (dust devil), trying to get into the middle of it. I rarely succeeded. Nowadays the only time I really, really dislike the wind is when it blows my hat off, but I suppose that's on me. After all, I know that's a possibility and I choose to test the fates by wearing it outdoors.

I've often wondered how cowboys in the old westerns could beat the crap out of each other and still keep their hats on, as well as how their hats stayed on when they were riding horses full out. I've read in more than one place that in the first Indiana Jones film Harrison Ford couldn't keep his hat on during riding scenes either. What did he do? He stapled his hat to his head. I kid you not. But I digress.

Last week there was a particularly windy day, one in which I almost had to go indoors to light my pipe. I held my pipe in my left hand and anchored my hat with the right until the wind took a big breath and I could let go for a few seconds to light my pipe.

I've always taken great delight in watching small items, propelled by the wind, fly through the air with the greatest of ease. That is, until one of those pesky plastic grocery bags slapped me in the face and hung on like a mobster trying to suffocate me to get information I did not have. I promise you that the proverbial quip "He couldn't fight his way out of a wet paper bag" became real for me that day and I understood for the first time what it must be like to be on the wrong end of the Cosa Nostra, er-r-r, fellowship.

While wrangling with the bag, which only led to a greater entanglement, I heard a voice say, "Slow down man! Just relax. Every little thing's gonna

Attacked by a Plastic Bag

be alright." I frenetically, furiously, frantically, and fruitlessly resisted until I took what I feared to be my final breath. Then I let go and the bag stopped its assault.

The bag said to me,—yes, thus spoketh the bag,—"Thank heavens, man! I thought you were gonna kill us both!" My eyes darted left and right, up and down, trying to find the source of the voice,

until I had no choice but to accept that I had been waylaid by a talking plastic bag.

"What the hell are you trying to do to me?" I asked.

The bag replied, "I have no control over where or when I go. I yam what I yam and I yam wherever I yam. So... the answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind."

"Oh, c'mon," I said. "That's the cheesiest answer I've ever heard."

"No cheese here. Only breeze," said the bag. "I can't go against the wind. I must ride with the wind and trust the wind beneath my wings."

I groaned, then I groaned again, then I groaned even more. "At least you didn't say you're gone with the wind," I said.

"Oh, but I will be— soon and very soon," said the bag, "but it's a wayward wind. I think they call the wind Mariah." "Carey?" I asked.

"No, dumb butt!" he said. "Why don't you go paint your wagon while I break wind over that one!"

I held my nose and was grateful that I did, for when the bag broke wind it was a ghastly gust of god-awful gross that propelled the bag through

the Square and spun it round and round and round the tip top of the courthouse, eventually hurling it through the air off to the west.

Since then I've wondered, "Where did the wind wind up?" Then I recalled the words of Yogi, Prophet of the Diamond: "If you don't know where you're going you might wind up someplace else." And that's exactly where I think my talking bag must now be — someplace else.

"Be here now?" I thought to myself as I took a long draw on my pipe. "Naw. Be there later."

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

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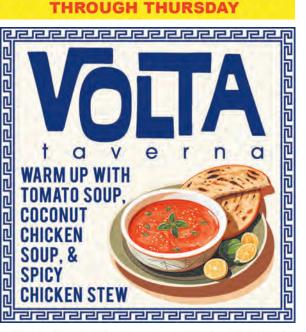
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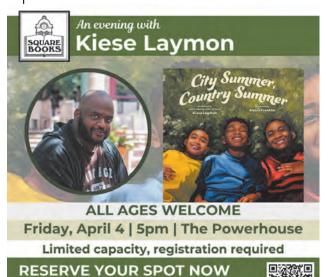
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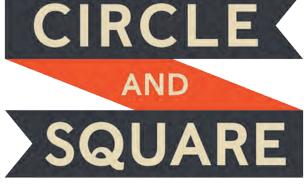
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AXYDLBAAXR

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.

FKYD KA DFBPN HBKJD MA

KAN JWLADL WX NWVL

FMAI, KAI JLDKPMCMPN

QMSS MAHPKAPSN XMSS MP.

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around each of them. No number can shape along the border of the puzzle.

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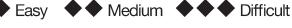
puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6

be repeated in any partial hexagon

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:







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: H equals M

IKTDC GFOG HV YPD'Y RTLK IPZZPRKB O XOZCK OHPQDG PL HPDKV LZPH HK, TY YFK HV BKIGPZ-TD-XOR?



- 1. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Who was Time Magazine's First Man of the Year in 1927?
- 2. MOVIES: Who was the male lead in the film "Risky Business"?
- 3. LITERATURE: In which novel does the character of Emma Woodhouse appear?
- 4. LANGUAGE: What does the acronym "sonar" stand for?
- 5. TELEVISION: What was the name of the Dukes' car on the show "The Dukes of Hazzard"?
- 6. HISTORY: The first atomic submarine was built in which decade?
- 7. GEOGRAPHY: What modern-day country is in the area known in ancient times as Lusitania?
- 8. MEDICINE: What disease is caused by a deficiency of Vitamin A?
- 9. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president's image appeared on a dollar coin in 1971?
- 10. MATH: What does the symbol "r" stand for in geometry?

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



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"If you hit a wrong note, it's the next note that you play that determines if it's good or bad."

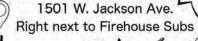
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PUZZLE PLAYGROUN

Below are the numbers 1-9. The object is to insert a plus or minus sign between numbers so that the total of all nine numbers is 100. You can combine adjacent numbers (like 5 6 can be 56, or 12 can be 12). There are several ways to solve this puzzle.

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KNIGHT MOVES



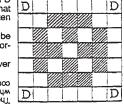
Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.

D-WORD! A single seven-letter word starting and ending with the letter D may be inserted in blank spaces of the diagram at right in a manner that permits it to be read in a dozen

Hint: It is a word that may be read both backwards and for-

How quickly can you discover

comply. The palindrome word 'deified,' which reads in both directions, will



EIGHT UP! Quickly, subtract eight, eight, eight and eight from eighty-eight for the present weight of Kate, who's eight. Do it in your head.

Fifty-six pounds, which is considered average.

LAST WORD PUZZLER

Think you're familiar with old sayings? Here is a test. See how quickly you can correct the last word of each

of the following: 1. A stitch in time saves

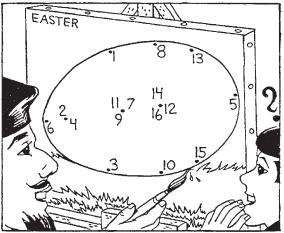
eight.
2. A rolling stone gath-

3. Out of sight, out of

4. All that glitters is not silver.
5. There's many a slip

twixt the cup and the dip.
6. Every man has his Timbuktu.

Time limit 2 min.



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THAT'S MOM! Mom's giving her new plant some loving care. Apply colors neatly: 1—Red. 2.—Lt. blue. 3—Yellow. 4—Lt. brown. 5—Flesh tones. 6—Lt. green. 7—Dk. brown. 8—Purple.

SPELLBINDER

SCORE 10 points for using all the letters in the word below to form two complete words:

GERANIUM

THEN score 2 points each for all words of four letters or more found among the letters.

Try to score at least 50 points. Possible twosome: Main, urge

HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



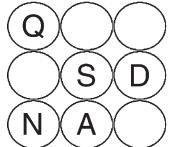
6. Windowpanes are different. 3. Leg is moved. 4. Stair railing is different. 5. Foot is moved. Differences: 1. ID tag is reversed. 2. Clip is added to lunch box.

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3. Next to	B	Inhabit	R
4. Striped feline	G	Rome's waterway	B
5. Military task	L	Keep back	N
6. Lion's group	D	Blue ribbon, e.g.	Z _
7. Mental well-being	s	Make-up table	V
8. Egypt's city	0	Scotland's terrier	N
9. Thermometer unit	G	Pronouncement	C
10. Youngster	D	Spicy stew	

WORD SPIRAL



Fill in the missing letters to reveal the nine-letter word that starts at one of the four corners and moves clockwise around the perimeter before ending in the center.



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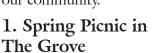
5 Must-Do's Before Graduating from Ole Miss

by Mattie Grace Morris, Class of 2025

As my time at **Ole Miss** comes to an end, I've been reflecting on the many experiences that have shaped my college

Oxford is recognized for its rich traditions and community spirit, and this season presents a unique oppor-

tunity to fully engage with campus life. Before I graduate, I've put together a list of five must-do activities for Rebels this spring. Whether you're a freshman or a senior planning to enjoy your final spring in Oxford, these suggestions offer a glimpse into the traditions and adventures that define our community.



The Grove isn't just for tailgating. Springtime in Oxford is gorgeous, so take advantage of the warm weather with a picnic under the trees. Pack a blanket, grab some food from Ajax or a pizza from Funkys and soak in a goldenhour sunset before you leave campus for good.

2. Attend Double Decker Arts Festival

Mark your calendar for April 25–26, 2025, because the Double Decker Arts Festival is a must. This beloved Oxford tradition brings live music, delicious food, and talented local artists to the Square, making it the perfect way to celebrate your time at Ole Miss with friends while taking in everything this town has to offer.

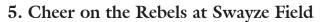
3. Late-Night Run to Chicken on a Stick

No true Oxford experience is complete without a latenight run to the Chevron on Lamar for a Chicken on a Stick. This post-night-out treat is a true rite of passage that tastes even better when shared with friends, laugh-

> ing and reliving the night's best moments.

4. Explore the Square Like a Tourist

We get so caught up in our routines that we forget how charming the Oxford Square really is. Take a day to visit Square Books, grab coffee at Heartbreak, and snap a photo in front of the courthouse. Soak it all in-one day, you'll miss walking these brick sidewalks every day.



An Ole Miss Baseball game at Swayze Field is an unforgettable experience, especially when a home run ignites the crowd and sparks a legendary beer shower. From relaxing in the outfield with a hotdog to cheering alongside friends, it's a tradition every Rebel should enjoy before graduation.

Oxford has a way of staying with you long after you leave, and these moments are what make it unforgettable. So before you cross the stage at The Pavilion, make sure you've made the most of every opportunity! 📆



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- The **Climbing Gourami** is a fish that can climb out of water, breathe oxygen and even walk for short dis-
- 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-hostage" and "the man who mixes his
- 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 ser-
- 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
- Thought for the Day: "Life is painting a picture, not doing a sum." Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. IV



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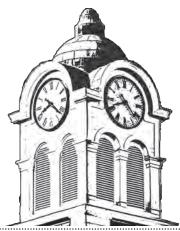
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Oxford Conference for the Book

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Wald's 2016 book, *Dylan Goes Electric! Newport, Seeger, Dylan, and the Night That Split the Sixties*, was recently adapted into the film *A Complete Unknown*, starring Timothée Chalamet. Joining the evening's lineup is acclaimed American country blues singer, guitarist, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **Jontavious Willis**.

The "National Book Foundation Presents" session is set for 11:30 am April 3 in the Baxter Room of the J.D. Williams

Library. It features National Book Award-honored authors Hanif Abdurraqib, whose latest book, There's Always This Year: On Basketball and Ascension (Random House, 2024), is a reflection of basketball, life, and home; and Vanessa Angélica Villarreal, author of Magical/Realism: Essays on Music, Memory, Fantasy, and Borders (Penguin Random House, 2024).

Preceding the panel is a welcome lunch hosted by the **Friends of the**

UM Library.

That afternoon, a conversation between Natasha Trethewey and W. Ralph Eubanks will take place in the Overby Center auditorium. Trethewey, a Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and the 19th US poet laureate, and Eubanks, a faculty fellow at the Southern studies center and winner of the 2023 Mississippi Governor's Award

for Excellence in Literature, will explore a variety of topics. Among them, they will discuss Trethewey's memoir, *House of Being* (Yale University Press, 2025).

Fans of suspense writing will thrill at the *The Suspense of Writing* session featuring Lilliam Rivera, author of *Tiny Threads* (Penguin Random House, 2024), Rachel Lyon, author of *Fruit of the Dead* (Simon and Schuster, 2024), and Zach Williams, author of *Beautiful Days* (Doubleday, 2024), in conversation with Melissa Ginsburg, UM associate professor of



English and creative writing.

Poetry enthusiasts won't want to miss the event at 4 pm at **Southside Gallery**, moderated by Ole Miss professor, poet, and former Mississippi poet laureate **Beth Ann Fennelly**. Poets **Philip Metres**, **Rose McLarney**, and **Julia Kolchinsky** will read from their latest works.

At 8 pm that evening, Price Walden, Michael Rowlett, and other members of the Department of Music will give a special performance in Nutt Auditorium. The program features an original composition by Walden, set to poems by Michael McFee, alongside "Portraits

of Langston," a trio for flute, clarinet and piano by composer Valerie Coleman. Coleman's piece includes readings of Langston Hughes's poetry between movements. Rowlett will perform with faculty colleagues Philip Snyder and Adrienne Park.

Friday's events begin at 10:30 am at the University Museum, with a presentation by painter **Noah Saterstrom**, author of

What Became of Dr. Smith (University Press of Mississippi, 2024). Saterstrom, a 1998 UM alumnus, spent years uncovering the mystery of his great-grandfather, Dr. David Lawson Lemmon Smith, who was hospitalized in 1925 at the Mississippi State Insane Hospital in Jackson before being moved to the Mississippi State Hospital at Whitfield, where he died in 1965.

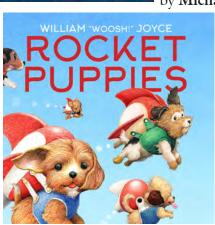
Smith's belongings and fragments of stories became material for Saterstrom's artistic process, which he transformed into a panoramic narrative composed of 183 canvases arranged in a grid spanning 122 feet. Saterstrom will discuss both his painting and his book.

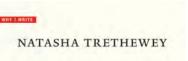
At noon on Friday, the **Lafayette County**

and Oxford Public Library will host the Poetry Talk and Lunch, with poet Philip Metres presenting Poetry's Magic.

The remaining sessions, all at Off Square Books on the Oxford Square, include a group book signing and the ceremony for the **2024** Willie Morris Awards for Southern Writing in fiction, poetry, and nonfiction.

For more information or to RSVP to the author's party, welcome lunch or poet lunch, visit https://oxfordconferenceforthebook.com.







THE HOUSE OF BEING





"Digging Faulkner's Grave"

Rev. Willie Houston digs William Faulkner's grave, Photograph by Martin Dain, July, 1962.

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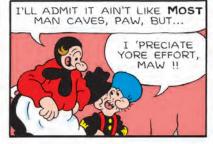
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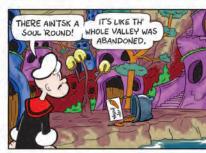




















Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas







... WHEN ONE WHO SEEMS IN COMMAND SUDDENLY GASPS AND PULLS BACK: "HOLD, MY SISTERS! IT IS HE! HE WHO IS CHOSEN TO BE MINE!"





AND WHAT, YOU MAY ASK AT THIS TIME, OF ALETA AND THE OTHERS THROWN FROM THE ISLAND QUEEN ONTO THIS FORBIDDING SHORE?

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

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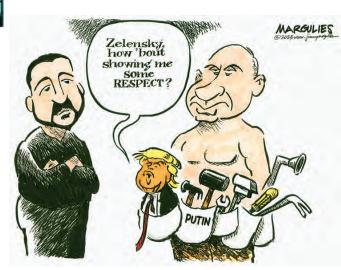
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HEY THERE, GIRL. HOW ARE YOU DOING TODAY? I'VE GOT SOME SEED.









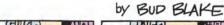
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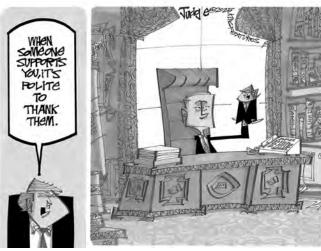














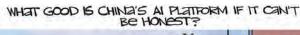




















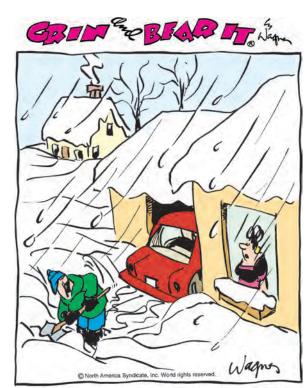












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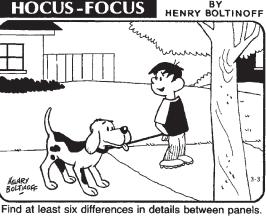
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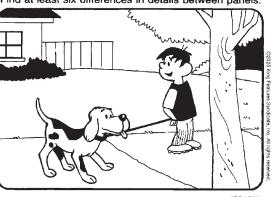




"DOGE BALL!







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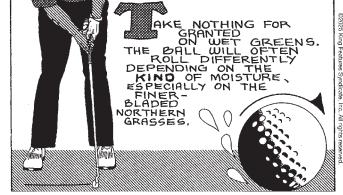
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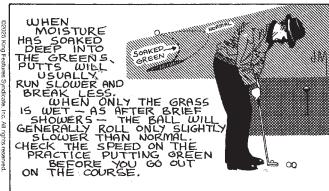
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Serve up Chicken and Dumplings

It's "chicken and dumplings night" it our house! This old-fashioned dish s just right when it's damp and chilly outside. While this recipe tastes like it's been cooking all day, you actually can repare it with your kids after they get nome from school.

When the yummy dumplings puff up over the thick chicken stew, they'll know hat it's the signal to gather the family round for conversation and this satisfyng, hearty meal!

CHICKEN AND DUMPLINGS

Yields 18 dumplings. Serves 6-8.

Chicken:

- 1 chicken (3 1/2 pounds), cut up nto 6-8 pieces
- Salt and pepper
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 large onion, coarsely chopped
- -1/3 cup flour
- 6 cups chicken broth
- 2 ribs celery, chopped
- 3 carrots, peeled and chopped
- 8 ounces fresh mushrooms, sliced1 teaspoon thyme
- Chopped parsley, for garnish

Dumplings:

- 2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk

Rinse the chicken and pat dry. Seaon with salt and pepper. Heat butter n a large skillet over medium heat and rown the chicken pieces until golden, bout 4-5 minutes on each side. Transfer chicken to a large pot or Dutch oven.

Over medium-high heat, saute the onion in the skillet drippings until softened, about 5 minutes. Add additional butter if necessary.

Stir in flour and cook while stirring constantly until slightly browned, about 1 minute. Slowly add 1 cup of the chicken broth, stirring constantly and letting the mixture bubble between additions to make a gravy. Transfer to the pot of chicken. Add remaining broth, celery, carrots, mushrooms and thyme. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, prepare dough for dumplings. Let your child measure, and using a fork, mix the dry dumpling ingredients in a mixing bowl. Add milk and stir just until the mixture is moistened.

An adult should gently stir the stew mixture once, then drop the dough in spoonfuls on the simmering liquid. I like small dumplings, about 2 tablespoons each. Cover and simmer for about 20 minutes undisturbed until dumplings are puffed and dry in the middle.



To serve, arrange chicken, vegetables and dumplings in wide, shallow bowls. Ladle gravy over each serving. Then let your child sprinkle parsley on top for a fresh garnish.

Cook's Note: If you prefer to serve boneless chicken, before dropping the dough in spoonfuls, remove the chicken pieces from the cooking pot. Take the chicken off the bones, shred, then return the meat to the pot.

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- On March 24, 1965, the first "teach-in" was conducted at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, in which 200 faculty members led special anti-war seminars while regular classes were canceled and rallies and speeches held sway for 12 hours.
- On March 25, 2001, Icelandic actress and pop singer Bjork made an unforgettable appearance at the 73rd annual Academy Awards in a nude body stocking draped with a large, fake white swan. As if that weren't enough, the artist then proceeded to "lay" six giant ostrich eggs. Whatever popular opinion said about the look, the dress went on to be honored by the Museum of Modern Art and The Metropolitan Museum of Art.
- On March 26, 1804, President Thomas Jefferson attended a public party at the Senate and led a diverse crowd in eating an enormous loaf of bread dubbed the "mammoth loaf." The bread had been baked to go with the remnants of a giant block of cheese.
- On March 27, 1929, President Herbert Hoover had a phone installed at his desk in the Oval Office of the White House. It took a while to get the line working correctly and Hoover complained to aides when his son was unable to reach him from an outside line. Previously, Hoover had used a phone located in the foyer just outside the Oval Office.
- On **March 28, 1814**, the funeral of Dr. Joseph-Ignace Guillotin, inventor of the execution device that bore his name, took place outside of Paris, France. Guillotin had given the contraption to the French as a "philanthropic gesture" and was upset at how his reputation had suffered afterward when it became closely identified with political executions and abuses during the French Terror after the Revolution.
- On **March 29, 1982**, 19-year-old North Carolina freshman Michael Jordan scored a 16-foot jump shot with only 15 seconds left to give the Tar Heels a 63-62 win over Georgetown for the NCAA tournament championship. "To tell the truth," he said to New Orleans reporters, "I didn't see it go in. I didn't want to look."
- On March 30, 1949, actor Robert Mitchum was freed from a Los Angeles County prison farm after spending the final week of a two-month sentence for marijuana possession there.









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Being that my son's wife borrowed a large amount of money from me, is she

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CryptoQuip

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my debtor-in-law?

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Even Exchange

- 1. Wordy, Worry
- Rivet, River
- Beside, Reside
- Tiger, Tiber
- Detail, Detain
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King Crossword **Answers**

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- 3. Scale; 4. Endure

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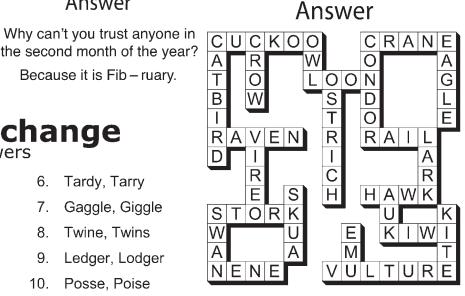
Puzzles4Kids Puzzles4Kids

Answer Why can't you trust anyone in

Because it is Fib - ruary.

Even Exchange

- Merlin, Marlin
- Picky, Pinky
- French, Trench
- Scare, Stare
- Detour, Devour
- 6. Tardy, Tarry
- Gaggle, Giggle
- Twine, Twins
- Ledger, Lodger
- Posse, Poise





"The Electric State" (PG-13) -Based on the illustrated novel by Simon Stalenhag, this sci-fi adventure film from the Russo Brothers ("The Gray Man") stars Netflix darling Millie Bobby Brown ("Damsel") and "Guardians of the Galaxy" star Chris Pratt. Premiering March 14, the film follows teenage orphan Michelle (Brown) in an alternate reality of the 90s where robots exist but have been banished to a single area called the Electric State. Convinced that she can find her lost brother, Michelle teams up with a kind robot and a drifter named Keats (Pratt) to travel across the American West to find him. This is an adventure you won't want to miss! (Netflix)

"Long Bright River" (TV-MA) - In recent years, Amanda Seyfried ("The Crowded Room") has become a serious dramatic television actress, even earning herself an Emmy for her work in "The Dropout." Her latest role in a new limited series based on the book by Liz Moore only adds to her growing repertoire. Seyfried plays a police officer named Mickey in a neighborhood of Philadelphia where women begin to fall like flies due to a mysterious killer on the loose. As the murders rise in number, Mickey fears for her drug-abusing sister, Casey (Ashleigh Cummings), who has been missing longer than normal. Nicholas Pinnock ("For Life") co-stars in this eight-episode series out on March 13.

"Dope Thief" (TV-MA) — Ridley Scott ("Gladiator II") is an executive producer behind this new crime-drama series premiering March 14. Star-

ring Academy Award nominee Brian Tyree Henry ("Causeway") and Golden Globe nominee Wagner Moura ("Narcos"), this eight-episode series also takes place in Philadelphia and centers around two friends who have a charade of posing as DEA agents in order to rip off drug dealers. With another big score in mind, the two men decide to rob a house in the countryside but face a sticky situation when the drug traffickers vow to exact revenge on them. As the adage goes: "Play stupid games, win stupid prizes!" (Apple TV+)



From left, Millie Bobby Brown, Chris Pratt and Ke Huy Quan star in "The Electric State."

"Rumours" (R) — This eccentric comedy-horror film led by Cate Blanchett ("Disclaimer") flew completely under the radar after its release in May 2024, with nothing but its campiness to thank for that! The film interweaves two distinct tones, one with the feel of a modern comedy and the other with the vibe of a 1970s thriller. The premise consists of seven world leaders who meet at the G7 to devise a statement regarding a current global crisis. But as their evening carries on, a thick fog looms around the woods surrounding them, undead bodies and demons seem to appear within the fog, and a way out is nowhere to be found. Charles Dance ("Game of Thrones"), Denis Menochet ("Beau Is Afraid"), and Alicia Vikander ("The Assessment") co-star in "Rumours," out now. (Paramount+)



St. Patrick's Day Leftovers Reimagined: Make These Tasty Hand Pies

Next Monday is St. Patrick's Day, and if you're like so many people, you'll be wearing green, attempting an Irish brogue and enjoying a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner. I usually find I have leftovers, but not quite enough to make an encore meal for the family. What's a lass to do? Take a cue from classic Irish pub grub and make hand pies, or pasties, with the leftovers to make them go further.

First, a little fun foodie history. These hand pies are very similar to Cornish pasties (PASS-tees). The Cornish pasty originates with the tin miners in Cornwall, England, during the 1800s. The underground miners couldn't come to the surface for lunch, so a portable lunch was required. Also, the miner's hands were very dirty (and tin contains arsenic!), so the large crimp of the crust served as a handle. The pie could be eaten, and that part of the crust discarded.

Also, the people making the pies would sometimes put sweet jam filling in one corner of the pie for dessert. The person making the pie would pinch the miner's initials into the pie crust at the end with the sweet filling

so the miner would know to start at the opposite end. This way, if the miner wanted to leave some pasty to enjoy later, his initials could identify which pie belongs to whom. Such a clever idea!

For convenience, I'm using purchased refrigerated pie crust, but you could certainly make dough from scratch if you desire. Make enough for a two-crust pie.

This recipe uses leftovers, and since your leftovers are probably different from mine, use this recipe as a guideline, because it's totally adjustable. For example, you might have more cabbage, less potatoes and no carrots. No problem! If the total volume is 4 1/2 cups, you can fill each of the six hand pies with 3/4 cups filling.



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These golden, flaky pasties turn St. Patrick's Day leftovers into a handheld feast.

ST. PADDY'S PASTIES

Yield: 4-6 servings Total Time: 1 hour 10 minutes 1 1/2 cups corned beef, cubed 1 cup carrot, cubed 1 1/2 cups potato, cubed 1/2 cup cabbage, well drained 1 tablespoon mustard, optional Fresh ground pepper

1 egg 2 (9 inch/15 ounce) pie crust rounds

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Using the leftovers from your corned beef and cabbage dinner, or freshly cooked equivalent, cube and measure the corned beef, potato, carrot and cabbage. Into a large bowl, combine the ingredients above, adding mustard and a few grinds of pepper, if desired.

Crack an egg in a small bowl and beat with 1 tablespoon water to make egg wash. Set aside. Working with one pie crust at a time, place the crust on parchment and cut into thirds, like a clockface at 12, 4 and 8 o'clock. Working one piece at a time, roll each piece into a rough rectangle. They won't be perfect; don't worry. It's part of their charm. Place 3/4 cup filling slightly off center. Brush egg

wash over the edges of the dough. Gently pull the pastry over the filling and crimp to seal the edges. Brush the egg wash over the top and crimp of each pie. Place on a parchment-covered baking sheet. Repeat with remaining pies. Bake for 35-40 minutes, or until the pies are golden and gorgeous.

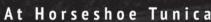
Of course, this hand pie could contain any filling you wish. Imagine them with shredded chicken, ground beef or simply cooked vegetables. These pasties are perfect picnic fare or lunches on the

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