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## the Local Poice

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## **Memphis Blues Band Southern Avenue Will Play** a Free Show September 25

soul band Southern Avenue will celebrate the release of ist/songwriter Tikyra (T.K.) Jackson and percussionist/ their **Alligator Record**s debut album, *Family*, with a free violinist/vocalist **Ava Jackson**. "Through our music," says

performance as part of the Thacker Mountain Radio Hour at the Powerhouse Arts Center in Oxford Thursday, September 25, 2025.

Southern Avenue plays original Memphis blues, modern soul, and gospel-infused roots music that is uplifting and timeless. They are known worldwide for their inclusive, messagedriven songs fueled by hard-hitting grooves and electrifying guitar. The band's new album, Family, makes it clear that Southern Avenue creates musical storytelling magic. The band is

GRAMMY-nominated Memphis-based roots, blues, and songwriter Ori Naftaly, and her sisters, drummer/vocal-

Naftaly, "we expand our family to include our fans and whomever is moved by our songs."

In 2024, the band joined the Outlaw Music Festival tour, performing alongside Willie Nelson, John Mellencamp, and Bob Dylan. Additionally, the group also received a Blues Music Award nomination for Band of the Year, marking the third time they have been nominated for this high honor. In addition to the new album, lead vocalist Tierinii Jackson appears on two songs on the soundtrack of the blockbuster film Sinners. Recently,

unlike any other on the scene today, featuring lead vocal- Living Blues magazine's readers chose Southern Avenue as the 2025 Band of the Year. TV



### ist/songwriter Tierinii Jackson, her husband, guitarist/ **Singing for Theatre at Theatre Oxford's Karaoke Fundraiser September 23**

Come demonstrate the power of those vocal chords as part of **Theatre Oxford**'s Karaoke Fundraiser in Oxford Tuesday, September 23.

The event takes place from 8 to 10 pm at **Proud Larry's** on **The Square**. Theatre Oxford's Karaoke Fundraiser has a \$10 cover fee with no drink minimum required. Folks can sing as many songs as they like! Music can be whatever is

Theatre Oxford has been run by passionate volunteers dedicated to making theater welcoming, accessible and enjoyable for everyone in Lafayette County, North Mississippi, and beyond since 1996. Its productions are made possible with the support of the **Yoknapatawpha Arts Council** and other organizations.

For more information, visit <u>TheatreOxford.org</u>.









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## FEATURED WEEKLY EVENTS

#### **Mondays**

- Quack's: MARIO KART
- Blind Pig: Trivia (7:30 pm)

#### **Tuesdays**

- The Balcony: Ladies Night
- Moe's: TRIVIA NIGHT (7 pm)
- Old Armory Pavilion:

Oxford Community Market (3:30-6 pm)

Quack's: KARAOKE (9 pm)

#### Wednesdays

- Circle & Square: TRIVIA NIGHT (7 pm)
- Funkys: LADIES' NIGHT
- Moe's Penny Bar: OPEN MIC NIGHT (9 pm)
- Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME (10 am)

#### **Thursdays**

- Moe's: BINGO (7 pm)
- Rhythm & Rye: KARAOKE (5 pm)

#### **Fridays**

- The Balcony: DJ
- Booth's BBQ: Line Dancing (9 pm)
- Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS (7 pm)
- Rafters: DJ DRUMM (9 pm)

#### **Saturdays**

- The Balcony: DJ
- Old Henry: DUELING PIANOS (7 pm)
- Rafters: DJ DRUMM (9 pm)
- Square Books, Jr.: STORYTIME (10 am)

#### **Weekend Brunch**

- Big Bad Breakfast: Sat & Sun: 8 am-2:30 pm
- Kingswood: Sat & Sun 9 am-2 pm
- Old Henry: Sun 11 am-3 pm
- Quack's: Friday noon-3 pm;
   Sat-Sun: 11 am-3 pm
  - Saint Leo: Sat & Sun: 10:30 am-3 pm
- Tallahatchie Gourmet: Sat & Sun 11:30 am-3 pm

#### **LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS**

#### **THURSDAY 9.18.2025**

- ► The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC (7 pm)
- ► The Powerhouse: Thacker Mountain Radio feat. author DACO AUFFENORDE for The Medici Curse; music guests OPTIC SINK, AMY LAVERE & WILL SEXTON (6 pm); UM Dept. of Theatre & Film presents THE FILMS OF MAYA DEREN w/ live soundtrack by OPTIC SINK (7:30 pm)
- ► Square Books, Jr.: CHAPTER CAPTAINS BOOK CLUB (6 pm)

City Hall Pocket Park: Third Thursday FREE live music (5-7 pm)

Ford Center: THE DOO-WOP PROJECT (7:30 pm)

Oxford Public Library: Mid-Day Meetup Handcraft Hangout (11 am-1 pm);

Afterschool Zone - Mental Health Matters w/ UM PANDAA Lab (3:45 pm)

Nutt Auditorium (University): Faculty Chamber Recital - Fall in Romance -

ARMEE HONG, VINCENT MORREALE, YOOJUNG KIM (7:30 pm)

#### Proud Larry's: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (9 pm)

- ► The Library: THE FENTS (9 pm)
- ► Quack's: DJ RYBACK-ATCHA

FRIDAY 9.19.2025

Chicory Market: Football Friday Supper Club (7 pm)

The Coop: LAILA DINISCO (7 pm)

Exploradora Coffee: THE TALBOTT BROTHERS (7–9 pm)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Storytime: Hats (10:30 am);

Afterschool Zone - Mental Health Matters w/ UM PANDAA Lab (3:45 pm)

The Powerhouse: FREEDOM FEST VI w/ WALRUS & HIGHLAND SUNDAY (6:30 pm)
Proud Larrys: CADILLAC WILLY (9 pm)

#### SATURDAY 9.20.2025 Game Day

Vaught-Hemingway: OLE MISS VS. TULANE (2:30 pm)

- ► The Library: THE FENTS (9 pm)
- ► Quack's: BEDLXM

The Lyric: LASO presents Noche en Paraiso - LATIN NIGHT (9 pm) Proud Larry's: BATHTUBGIN (10:30 pm)

#### **SUNDAY 9.21.2025**

- ► The Old Henry: LIVE MUSIC (11:30 am)
- ► Quack's: ANDREW DELMASTRO (noon-2 pm)

The Coop: DAVIS COEN (5 pm)

Oxford Square: Oxford High School Homecoming Parade (6 pm)

Plein Air (Taylor): Gospel Hour on the Lawn - REFORMED RAMBLERS (6 pm)

#### **MONDAY 9.22.2025**

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Afterschool Zone - Charades (3:45 pm); Author visit & book signing ANN FISHER-WIRTH, BETH ANN FENNELLY, MELISSA GINSBURG, Attached to the Living World (5:30 pm) Malco Ox. Commons: Ox. Film Fest Alumni Event w/ KRISTI RAY (6:30 pm) Weems Auditorium (University): "Hard to Look Away": discussion by death penalty expert CORINNA BARRETT LAIN (12:30 pm)

#### **TUESDAY 9.23.2025**

► Off Square Books: KIRAN DESAI for The Loneliness of Sonia and Sunny (5:30 pm)

Lafayette-Oxford Public Library: Baby Storytime (9:30 am); Afterschool Zone - Charades (3:45 pm)

The Powerhouse: Big Bad Business Workshop - Build & Run Your Nonprofit Successfully (6–8 pm)

Proud Larry's: KARAOKE - fundraiser for THEATRE OXFORD (8 pm)

Nutt Auditorium (University): Faculty Recital - MICHAEL ROWLETT, clarinet & ADRIENNE PARK, piano (7:30 pm)







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LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS

Send your events to **The Local Voice** for inclusion in **Roundabout Oxford**®: email Editor-in-Chief Nature Humphries at nature@thelocalvoice.net

#### **WEDNESDAY 9.24.2025**

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Conversation Cafe with artist BRENDALL LAUGHLIN (11:30 am); Afterschool Zone - Charades (3:45 pm) Proud Larry's: MODERN BODIES, JUNO DUNES (9 pm)

#### THURSDAY 9.25.2025

- ► The Library: NEUTRAL SNAP (9 pm)
- ▶ The Powerhouse: Thacker Mountain Radio feat. author TOM PIAZZA for Living in the Present with John Prine; music guests KEITH JOHNSON, SOUTHERN AVENUE (6 pm)

Lafayette-Oxford Public Library: Mid-Day Meetup - Color Club (11 am-1 pm); Afterschool Zone - Charades (3:45 pm)

The Lyric: THE BENDS (8 pm)

#### FRIDAY 9.26.2025

- ► The Library: NEUTRAL SNAP (9 pm)
- ▶ Off Square Books: Signing: Stories from Ole Miss Baseball w/ CHASE PARHAM, JEFF ROBERSON + more (11 am)
- ► Quack's: Live entertainment TBA
- ► Rhythm & Rye: Live entertainment TBA
- ► Voyager's Rest (Water Valley): CASH'S JUKE JOINT

Chicory Market: Football Friday Supper Club (7 pm)

The Lyric: HALL PARTY (7:30 pm)

Proud Larry's: KUDZU KINGS (9 pm)

## **Monday September 29** 5.30pm @ Off Square Books Patricia Lockwood in conversation with Mary Miller for more upcoming events: www.squarebooks.com

#### SATURDAY 9.27.2025 Game Day

Vaught-Hemingway: OLE MISS VS. LSU (2:30 pm)

- ► The Library: NEUTRAL SNAP (9 pm)
- **▶ Quack's: BEDLXM**

Bozart's Gallery: WATER VALLEY LITERARY FESTIVAL (9 am-4:30 pm) The Lyric: BOOT SCOOTIN' BOOGIE NIGHTS (8 pm)

Oxford Skate Park: Free skateboarding clinic Proud Larry's: GUNBOAT (9 pm)

#### **SUNDAY 9.28.2025**

- ► Foxfire Ranch: Sunday Blues Series feat. KODY SHADE HARRELL, BRYAN SHAW (5 pm)
- ► Quack's: ANDREW DELMASTRO (noon-2 pm)

Old Armory Pavilion: OXFORD ON SKATES (3:30-5 pm; free, BYOS)

#### **MONDAY 9.29.2025**

Off Square Books: PATRICIA LOCKWOOD for Will There Ever Be Another You (5:30 pm)

Lafayette-Oxford Public Library: Chapter Champs (3:15 pm); Afterschool Zone - This or That (3:45 pm)

#### **TUESDAY 9.30.2025**

The Depot (University): UM English Dept. presents RACHEL KUSHNER reading and O&A (5:30 pm)

Lafayette County & Oxford Public Library: Baby storytime (9:30 am);

Afterschool Zone - This or That (3:45 pm)

The Lyric: THE BROOK & THE BLUFF (7 pm)

Nutt Auditorium (University): GEUDAIMONIA COLLECTIVE (7:30 pm) The Powerhouse: THREE BLIND WINES: Red Wine Edition (6-8 pm)





the Square in Oxford, Mississippi

#### **WEDNESDAY 10.01.2025**

Lafayette-Oxford Public Library: Afterschool Zone (3:45 pm) Proud Larry's: YAZOO (9:30 pm)

#### **THURSDAY 10.02.2025**

▶ The Powerhouse: Thacker Mountain Radio feat. author SUSAN **GREGG GILMORE** with The Curious Calling of Leonard Bush, music guests ALLY DURR, SECRET MONKEY WEEKEND(6 pm) Proud Larrys: RATTLESNAKE MILK (9 pm)

#### FRIDAY 10.03.2025

- ▶ Off Square Books: TWILIGHT's 20th anniversary celebration (6:30 pm)
- ► Quack's: DJ RYBACK-ATCHA
- ► Rhythm & Rye: Live entertainment TBA

Proud Larrys: MICHAEL FARRIS SMITH & THE SMOKES (8 pm; free)





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## King Crossword

#### **ACROSS**

- 1 Like lemons 5 Rock concert booster
- Farm fathers
- "The Kite
- Runner" boy
- 13 Saloon 14 Buffalo's lake
- 15 Yellow-brown
- gemstone
- Blaze
- 18 Industrious insect
- 19 Actor Karl
- 21 Entices
- 24 Small rodents
- 25 Common
- connections
- 26 Vision tests
- 30 Enjoy Aspen 31 Camper own-
- 32 Yule quaff
- 33 Close watch
- 35 Blog entry
- 36 Hibernia
- 37 Trousers
- 38 Brief time
- 41 Debussy's
- "La 42 Author Hunter
- 43 Good-looking
- person
- 48 Laptop con-
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5 Help a hood

Opening

8 Automatic

reaction

night

9 Saharan

Spring month

3 Fix illegally

4 Goodies

**DOWN** 

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20 Experts 21 Pyramid part 22 "Puppy Love"

11 Viewed

16 ER workers

35 Saint Patrick's

Day event

37 Chest muscle

"Only Love"

40 Parisian eat-

38 Stitches

39 Marisa's

role

ery

41 Cat call

44 Pro vote

46 506, in old

Rome

47 However

45 Veto

- singer
- 23 Beatnik's assent
- 24 "No way!"
- 26 Katniss in
- "The Hunger Games"
- 27 Shortly
- 28 Lion's share
- 29 Boot camp **VIPs**
- 10 Swampy ter-31 Check
  - 34 Mr. Brezhnev

- Who was the first to release "This Time I'm in It for Love"?
- 2. Mary Hopkins released a song that was originally written in Russian. Name the song.
- 3. Name the debut single of the group that wore Civil War uniforms as their stage costumes.
- 4. Which two Patti LaBelle songs were used in the 1984 comedy film "Beverly Hills Cop"?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I fell for you and I knew the vision of your loveliness, I hope and I pray that someday I'll be the vision of your happiness.'

#### Answers

- 1. Austin Roberts, in 1976, but it was the cover by Player in 1978 that climbed the charts and stayed there for four months.
- 2. "Those Were the Days," in 1968. After Hopkins' version (which was her debut single) topped the charts around the globe, the song was written in several languages.
- 3. "Woman, Woman" by Gary Puckett & The Union Gap, in 1967. 4. "New Attitude" and "Stir It Up."
- 5. "Earth Angel," by the Penguins, in 1954. Considered a classic example of doo-wop, it was one of 50 songs that the Library of Congress added to the National Recording Registry in 2005.

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#### MAGIC MAZE

## THE —: MOVIE

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XVSELBIDERCNIAS

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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: PERSON WHO MENDS SHOES

A-Team Bellboy Birds **Business**  Croods Dark Hours Dirty Dozen Godfather

Incredibles Lion King Longest Day Matrix

Rescuers Smurfs Town

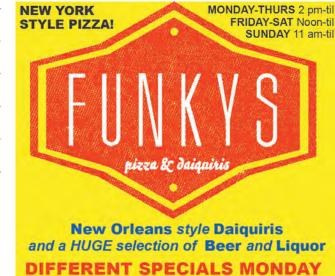


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked ( ) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART ). Fit each

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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.



THROUGH THURSDAY

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

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

#### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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## \*LV Super Crossword

named for "City of Light" soprano Nellie

6 Part of NEA: Abbr. 10 Kailua Bay's

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CROSS

1 Europe's

19 acids 20 Greet the day 21 Muscat's

country 22 Maine university city

23 Bisquick or Betty Crocker product

25 Be deemed acceptable 27 Capital of

Turkey (contact lens solution brand)

30 Floor of a fireplace

31 — Cruces 32 Iranian money unit

34 "Tortilla Flat" co-star Hedy 37 Apiary

buzzer 40 Mardi -

42 Singer Duane or Gregg 44 Steel-gray

element 47 Jazz

19

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97 102

106

122

128

132

guitarist with 20 Grammys 53 Big online brokerage

57 Brilliance of

success 58 Makes diluted 59 Socialclimbing

54 Took off

56 — Na Na

61 Letterman's rival, once 63 Recognize

whiz kid

64 Actress Kosarin or skater Ivanova

66 Yule songs **68** Clumsy sorts 72 1950s-'70s

legal drama 76 Hitter in a horseback sport

78 Besides that 79 False name 81 "Hamilton" face-off

82 Grassland 83 "Sula" author Morrison

85 Athlete like Simone Biles 88 Miss Daisy

player Jessica 90 Eyeliner flaw 93 "La Cage aux DOWN Folles" actor Tognazzi

95 Rooney or Kate of film 96 Warship with two banks of

oars 97 What letter carriers carry 100 Grass cutter

with an engine 102 Epoch of the

first horses 103 Entraps 105 Meg of "I.Q." 106 Genetic helix

107 Little sister of Bart and Lisa 109 Poet Pound

111 Sit-up targets 114 Mexican inn **117** Divan, e.g. 119 Like smooth

orange juice 122 "Yeah, that's about right"

126 Newspapers, magazines, and such 128 As a result of

129 Huge heads 130 Shredded 131 Newsy notes

132 Fable writer 133 Pond critter 134 Henchman

helping Hook **135** Appropriate time to solve this puzzle?

38 Actor Idris

**39** Coup d'— 40 Govt. agent

director

35 Piece of gig 73 Spin 74 In progress 36 Baton-waving 75 Big Apple

**77** Longtime

team, on

scoreboards 124 Female seal 125 FDR follower Nissan model 127 Born as

86 Neck's scruff 43 Rival of Uber 87 Had as its 45 See 29-Down source 89 Elvis Presley 90 Went fast pooches get 91 Earth orbiter 92 Those who've 48 Close behind, broken free 94 Dashboard fuel indicator 96 Journalist Gumbel 98 Air Force officer Curtis 99 Chou En-101 Blunder **59** Element with 104 Home: Abbr. a 235 isotope 108 Guys writing 60 Knock sound iingles, sav 62 J.D. Salinger 110 African nation renamed in 1997 **111** Poet W.H. – supermodel 112 Airship type 113 Muscle twitch 115 Bus driver for Bart and Lisa 116 Go no further 70 "I want some 118 Chooses 120 Fail to include 121 Buttigieg of

Biden's

Cabinet

122 BlackBerry,

123 Really regret

e.g., in brief

**APPROPRIATE** 

TIME

80 "So yummy!"

84 Algerian port

41 Morning

sailors

46 "Don't lose

47 Where

49 Judges

52 Shout

your head'

pampered

as a dog

evaluating

cases, e.g.

Rio Grande

50 City on the

**55** Tic- — -toe

title girl

65 Somalian-

67 Long-used

maxim

original

grub!"

71 Obedient

dog, at times

69 Totally

born

warning for

1 Like Vatican

2 Kitchen range

3 Skating sites

5 Fly like a kite

6 Amazement

7 Pago Pago's

8 Aircraft that

can land on

affairs

brand

4 Ancient

place

snow

10 "Alley

12 Rosh

9 Following

11 Docs' gp.

15 Formerly

16 Insect-

13 Auto racer Al

14 Full of gloom

archaically

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24 Dojo activity

26 Windy month

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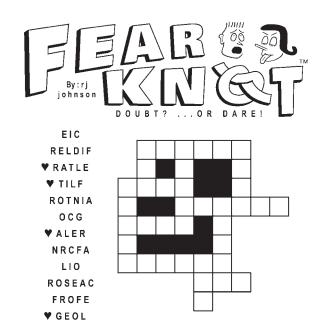
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#### ZZLE PLAYGROU ocal



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## CODED RIDDLE Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer. Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you: ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ XIBU IBQQFOFE UP UIF DVTUPEJBO XIFO IF HPU UJSFE? IF GFMM BTXFFQ.



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#### Five Spot™ They do it in old movies Multi-location C Н Α Ν retail operation Agitated Japanese inspired graphic style Identifies Earns BBQ flavoring

Solve each row by replacing one letter from the answer above

the top and bottom words will have no letters in common.

or below and scrambling to make a new word. When complete,

#### 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. Hogwarts' wizard	T	Billboard sign	s
2. Oscar or Tony	D	Conscious and alert	E
3. Celestial	N	Split up into sections	D _
4. Growth stage	P	Pursue	C
5. Bowling score	K	Zebra's feature	P _
6. Cooked in oil	1	Let loose	E
7. 4 quarts	N	Fast trot	P
8. Judge's seat	_ E	Cluster of grapes	_ U
9. Caret request	R _	Flea or gnat	C _
10. Olive oil vessel	E	Pie shell	s



"If Joey can't come out to play, what about his

Servant	
CAKELY	
Area	
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## City of Oxford Leaders Disband Historic Properties **Commission Leaving Members in the Dark**

#### Don't Think Twice, It's Alright

On the afternoon of Tuesday, September 9, 2025, Associate Professor of Classics Jackie DiBiasie-Sammons was grading papers in her office across from The Circle on Campus. DiBiasie-Sammons, an internationally celebrated scholar with a professional background in history and museums, has also spent the past six years voluntarily serving on the City of Oxford's Historic Properties Commission (HPC).

Not to be confused with the Historic Preservation Commission, the HPC is an advisory board of skilled professionals, volunteering their expertise in support of the long-range preservation of Oxford's Historic Properties, including the LQC Lamar House, Burns Belfry, Cedar Oaks, and Skipwith Cottage.

That was until DiBiasie-Sammons opened an email that afternoon from Hollis Green, the City of Oxford's Chief Operating Officer, notifying her that the entire Commission had been unceremoniously dismissed.

As news of the decision spread throughout the community the prevailing sense was one of simple disbelief.

"Stunned. I was stunned" DiBiasie-Sammons described. "I thought of each of our commissioners . . . how deeply they cared for these properties over so many years . . . and how much they achieved on behalf of the Oxford community."

Lacking a formal explanation, concerns over the long-term care of the properties, and questions surrounding the decision process and lack of consultation with the long-serving Commissioners soon followed.

In fact, Mayor Robyn Tannehill had presided over the **Board of Aldermen**'s unanimous vote to officially disband the Commission a full 35 days before Green's email to Commissioner Sammons.

#### Thought and Discussions

The substance and timeline surrounding City Staff and Leadership's internal deliberations to disband the Historic Properties Commission is unclear. On June 1, 2025, DiBiasie-Sammons emailed City Planner, Preservationist, and HPC Chair/Liaison, **Kate Kenwright**, to clarify the Board's monthly meeting schedule. Kenwright replied the following morning, first apologizing for organizational confusion, then informing DiBiasie-Sammons "we decided to go to an 'as needed' basis for Commission meetings," citing membership and that "there haven't been any significant issues/changes related to the buildings."

DiBiasie-Sammons response was characteristically matter-of-fact, acknowledging "that makes sense," while expressing concern that the lack of by Drew Stevens



rican Americans who settled in the are known as "Freedmar Town" after the Civil War. The current church building was erect ed in 1910 and played a major role in the lives of many African Americans until 1974, when the Burns congregation moved to it's new location. The Burns Belfry is owned by the City of Oxford, Mississippi, and held in public trust. Photograph by Newt Rayburn.

meetings could be an "indication of a lack of investment by the community in these buildings."

She requested if the Commission could "meet at least quarterly?" And followed up on the status of the historic properties map (that DiBiasie-Sammons and the HPC had professionally produced) making its way to the Visit Oxford website; adding "happy to help facilitate in any way I can."

DiBiasie-Sammons never received a reply.

When news of the City's upcoming vote to open bids for the private sale of Cedar Oaks was made public this past Labor Day weekend, she again emailed Kenwright on Sunday, August 31, asking, "would now rise to the occasion of an 'as needed' meeting?" DiBiasie-Sammons never received

What DiBiasie-Sammons and the other members did not know on August 31, was by that point, the Historic Properties Commission had been officially disbanded for 26 days.

#### **Last Call**

The official process of disbanding the Commission transpired over two public meetings this summer: a



Turner. After surviving the Union occupation and burning of Oxford, Mississippi during the Civil War, the house was moved to this site in 1963 by local clubwomen after the house was threatened by development. Cedar Oaks is known locally as "the house that would not die." The City of Oxford, Mississippi owns Cedar Oaks and it is held in public trust. However, the Oxford Board of Aldermen voted to sell the house and property on September 2, 2025, twenty-eight days after mysteriously disbanding the Historic Properties Commission. Photograph by Newt Rayburn.

Recess Meeting of the Mayor and BOA on Friday, July 18, 2025 and the following Regular Meeting of the Mayor and BOA on Tuesday, August 5.

Included on the agenda for both meetings was the following item: A first, then a second "reading of a proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Administration of the code of ordinances of the City of Oxford, Mississippi. (Ben Requet)." Ben Requet is the current City Planning Director. Neither of the agenda item headings at both meetings cited the specific Article of Chapter 2 affected by the proposed change, nor included the words "Historic" or "Properties" or "Commission."

Folks, stick with me here as we venture through some technical procedures—my best efforts to keep out of the weeds.

The general process for amending an existing City Ordinance follows these requirements:

At least two readings at Public Meetings stating the specific changes proposed.

An opportunity for public comment at the second reading; and the possibility for an immediate vote after the second reading; or the opportunity for a future third reading, public comment, and vote.

Additionally, the specific proposed changes are typically accompanied by a department memo, (updated for each meeting,) further stating the specific proposed changes along with supplying relevant background information and a formal statement explaining the need for change. In the past, the changes have been highlighted in yellow and/or specified in red font or strike-through.

#### What is Chapter 2?

Chapter 2, Administration of the City's Ordinances is very broad—spanning 54 pages outlining eight separate Articles of City Government: from the Mayor and BOA, to the School Board, the Downtown Parking Advisory Commission, to the final article detailing the 2013 formation of the Historic Properties Commission, (Article VIII).

Neither of the agenda item headings at both meetings included "Article VIII."

#### First Reading—July 18, 2025, 8 am, Mayor and BOA Recess Meeting, City Hall

As with many of the City's Recess Meetings, video content was not live-streamed or preserved on the City of Oxford's Youtube Account Page.

The agenda for the meeting was emailed to the the City's subscriber list the previous evening at 5:39 pm. The agenda was not listed on the City's website. The bulk of the Meeting agenda focussed on budget presentations by 23 separate City Departments; as well as advertising bids for an upcoming Pickle Ball Project; grant applications; and appointments on two City Boards.

The body of the Memo from Requet to the Mayor

and Board introducing the proposed changes consisted of 20 words: "This is a first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 2 Administration to change Article VIII Historic Properties to be Reserved."

This memo is not included in the official minutes of this meeting; and the link to the meeting's agenda attachments redirects to the monthly BOA meeting agenda calendar.

\*Note: Requet did supply a copy of this memo upon my request—emailing to me on 9/15/25.

\*\*Update: the agenda for the July 18th Recess meeting was uploaded to the City's website on 9/15/25 and the memo is now included in the agenda packet attachment & minutes

#### Second Reading—August 5, 2025, 5 pm, Mayor & BOA Regular Meeting, City Hall

Item 6.a on this meeting's agenda did include an attachment to Requet's memo with the same wording as the first, except noting the second reading.

As the meeting progressed to item 6.a, Mayor Tannehill read the agenda item aloud without referencing Article VIII or the "Historic Properties Commission."

Director Requet came before the Board podium and stated, "Yes Ma'am. It's just that. We haven't made any new changes since we previously discussed it. We have not received any comment on the changes."

He did not speak any further on this item, nor read from the memo either. The statement lasted 7 seconds.

After noting her office had not received any public feedback; then calling for public comment from the audience and receiving none, the Mayor put the question before the Board. Alderman **Jason Bailey** made a motion to approve the Ordinance change, Alderman **Erin Smith** seconded, and the Board of Aldermen unanimously approved the change. Without any mention of the words "Historic" or "Properties" or "Commission" during the discussion and vote on the agenda item, which lasted, in total, 1 minute and 5 seconds.

And that was just that. The Historic Properties Commission was officially history on August 5, 2025—the members notified on September 9, via email—53 days from the First Reading's Recess meeting.

#### Slip Slidin' Away

After reading the September 9 email, former Commissioner Jackie Dibiasie-Sammons immediately called City COO Hollis Green, describing the phone call as "productive." DiBiasie-Sammons then composed a three-page email to the Mayor and Board outlining her significant concerns and specific questions. She sent the email at 6 pm on September 9 and has yet to receive a reply.

Included in key concerns, she fears that, following the City's decision to open Cedar Oaks to bids by private individuals, that "the city risks losing irreplaceable pieces of its public heritage without plans to preserve or activate remaining properties." And proceeds to ask "Why was this one (Commission) dissolved without consultation? What are the



70, the house originally sat on 30 acres. Today the remaining three acres between 616 North 14th Street and North 16th create a park-like setting in the heart of Oxford. Benches offer a private, tranquil place to read a book, chat with a friend, or simply relax. The LQC Lamar House is owned by the City of Oxford, and held in public trust. Photograph by Newt Rayburn.

long-term plans for the Burns Belfry and the Lamar House? Will the City establish another citizen body to advise on these buildings?"

DiBiasie-Sammons goes on to lament "There are very few amenities for children in Oxford . . . Cedar Oaks could have been reimagined as a museum of Oxford and Lafayette County history, a cultural venue, or a community gathering space . . . it will almost certainly not return to public use."

DiBiasie-Sammons acknowledges any perceived shortcomings of the Guild and the former Commission, noting "expanding membership (of the latter) could have reinvigorated it." When asked why the Commission was disbanded, DiBiasie-Sammons recalls Mr. Green stating that the Commission was seen as an advisory body. In her view, its advisory nature was its strength while also criticizing the City's lack of support and leadership. "I agree that Cedar Oaks should serve the public benefit, I therefore ask: why has the city not promoted Cedar Oaks for tourism or rental in the past years (of my tenure)? A search of 'Cedar Oaks' on Visit Oxford and OxfordMS.net (or Lamar house and Burns Belfry, for that matter) yields zero results. To my knowledge, Cedar Oaks has never appeared on any city social media . . . How can the public be expected to rent or visit . . . when that information never appears?"

Robert Saarnio, former University Museum Director and former Historic Properties Commissioner, is grateful to have had the opportunity to serve. With 35 years experience in historic preservation across five cities, Saarnio leaves the HPC "deeply honored for the privilege to serve." Adding he believes historic properties require "specialized, skilled attention." Any disappointment stems from "no longer having the ability to serve . . . the guidance I tried to provide."



A tiny gablefront wooden building, this outbuilding belonged to the 1876 Skipwith House, which stood on the current site of the University Museum on University Avenue. When the University acquired the Skipwith Estate in 1974, the cottage was moved to The Square for use as a tourist information center. On November 14, 2015, Skipwith Cottage was moved again to the Oxford Skate Park at the corner of Jackson Avenue and Bramlett Boulevard. Photograph by Newt Rayburn.

DiBiasie-Sammons sums up the importance of the work—confidently sharing "as someone who has dedicated my life to studying the past, I believe we as a society must treasure our monuments and use them to tell stories about who has come before us, who we are today, and who we aspire to be. I believe deeply in the transformative power of museums and historic sites to shape worldviews and spark new understanding . . . the properties held by the City of Oxford are the last public, city-owned monuments we have. They carry enormous potential, far greater than their current use, to serve as spaces of memory, education, and community."

## From my perspective there are some key considerations as residents we must address going forward:

First and foremost, a heartfelt thank you to all the members of the Historic Properties Commission. It's rare to see such concentrated talent come together and offer one concentrated voice of guidance to our City Leaders. It's even more rare to find such long-serving volunteers as these who have all given at least 6 years (and more) for our benefit. Hats off.

In the spirit of acknowledging past resident-servants of our community, we cannot forget all those who came before us; giving their time, talents, and energy to ensure Oxford's history is preserved in these buildings. We must not dishonor their memory and the hard work that got us to the town and landscape we all share today.

And we must not be short-sighted today by viewing these properties through one major lens in a snapshot in time. What we do with these properties in our time will be our legacy. Did we respect what's been cared for and handed down for us to shepherd and pass along to the next generation? Or will we be known for orchestrating their public closing?

Finally, the process in which we make these decisions must be improved. If failing to inform the commission before, during, and (waiting until one month) after the process is the result of error or omission, then we must evaluate what needs to change and do better. Our local volunteers deserved better treatment and our residents do as well. We do not want our best to see this and decline serving in the future.

If there was any intentional motive behind the scenes by our Public Officials or City Staff to obscure actions, then we must confront that. And that must change—that pendulum must swing back.

The Historic Properties Commission may not be the most important to one of us, but tomorrow it could be. And it's fundamental to know we exist in a culture of mutual trust and transparency. With intention.

If you wish to support the Cedar Oaks Guild as they navigate the future, checks may be mailed to P.O. Box 351, Oxford, MS 38655; or you may donate online here: https://givebutter.com/supportcedaroaks

Drew Stevens is an Oxford citizen, local realtor, and former candidate for Ward 1 Alderman.



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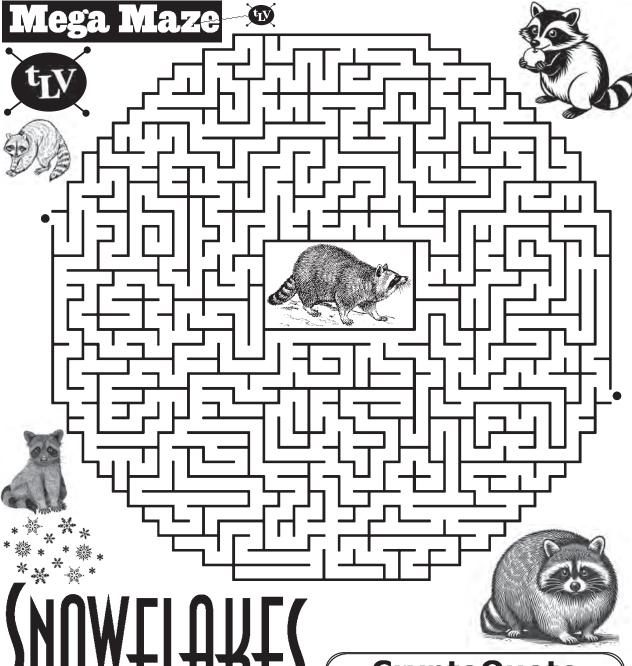
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

MJK EDIZ JM ZJX BWJ EDZHF QJI'N WDCF TN DSS MTVXKFQ JXN, TN'P JU. NWDN'P NWF PDEF OWDTK NWDN T PDN TI.

### **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: M equals T

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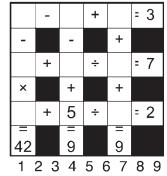
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- 1. MOVIES: What was the name of Ron Burgundy's dog in "Anchorman"?
- 2. LITERATURE: The middle school student Greg Heffley is the protagonist of which book series?
- 3. SCIENCE: What is the Abyssal Zone in the ocean?
- 4. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the island of Aruba located?
- 5. TELEVISION: Which city is the setting for the series "Breaking Bad"?
- 6. PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear of colors called?
- 7. ANATOMY: What connects muscles to bones?
- 8. U.S. STATES: Which state is home to the Badlands National Park?
- 9. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the sixth president of the United States?
- 10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is September's traditional birthstone?

#### **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.





"Social media has lowered the cost of being an a-hole."

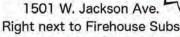
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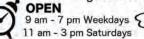
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## **UBREAKIFIX**

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1endons. 8. So 10. Sapphire. 17

**Answers:** 1. Baxter. 2. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." 3. The deepest and darkest part of the ocean, at depths of 3,000 to 6,000 meters. 4. Southern Caribbean Sea. 5. Albuquerque, New Mexico. 6. Chromophobia. 7. Tendons. 8. South Dakota. 9. John Quincy Adams.



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6

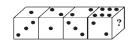
around each of them. No number can

be repeated in any partial hexagon

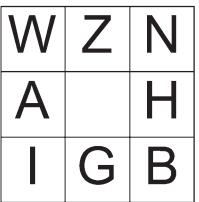
shape along the border of the puzzle.

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## Four normal dice are side by side. How many dots are on the face with the question mark?



#### KNIGHT MOVES



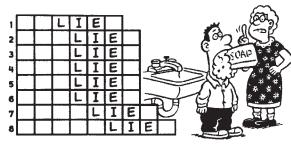
Unlock the power of chess to find the eight-letter word of the day. Choose your starting letter carefully, then move around the square in a one by two fashion to get to the next letter.

- Who goes to bed with his shoes on?
- 2. What gates are like church bells?
- 3. What old weapon is like an angry lover?
- 4. How can you make a tall man short?
- What is the hardest key to turn?



hundred dollars from him. 5. A donkey. Answers: 1. A horse, 2. Toll gates, 3. A cross-bow, 4. Borrow a





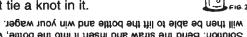
#### LIAR, LIAR. **PANTS ON FIRE!**

In the old days, an untruth was rewarded with a soap sandwich. In the grid shown here, we have room for eight words, each

of which contains a "LIE." Using the following hints, see if you can find them before the young man above gets a second helping.



A BETCHA! Place an empty bottle and a straw on the table and bet your friends that, using only the straw, they can't pick up the bottle and take it into another room. Only the straw may touch the bottle and you can't tie a knot in it.



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Solution: Bend the straw and insert it into the bottle, where it will wedge itself in, as shown in fig. 2. You

4. At right angles to.

IMPROVE YOUR AURA WITH A QUICK SOLUTION! Using the definitions below, can you find the four five-letter words missing in the grid shown? All words must read the same across and down. 2. A Cuban dance.

- 1. A haunted house sound.
- 3. A glowing piece of coal.
- 5. Fate or destiny (given).

Answets: 1. Creak. 2. Rumba. 3. Ember. 4. Abeam. 5. Karma.



- 1. Type of baseball pitcher.
- 2. Politicians speak at them.
- 3. He wastes his time.
- 4. Goats or clubs.
- 5. Soft, semisolid sandwich fillers.
- 6. Small, lace table napkins.
- 7. Old-time public transportation.
- 8. An Italian boatman.

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B. Gondolier. Jellies. 6. Doilies. 7. Trollies. 4. Billies. 5. Relief. 2. Rallies. 3. Dallies.

#### HOCUS-FOCUS

HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



6. Pants are different.

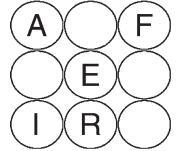
arm is not showing. 4. Light is lower. 5. Hood is different. Differences: 1. Paper is longer. 2. Mirror is moved. 3. Man's left

#### **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. Sourdough, e.g.	E Wide	0
2. Design	T Pleat	s _
3. Jolly	E Take to the altar	_ A
4. Burn with water	A Reprimand	0
5. Nарру	A Water ladle	P
6. 50's sitcom gal	E Page border	N
7. Knife edge	D Culpability	M
8. Code inventor	R Computer clicker	U
9. Iguana, e.g.	L Merlin, e.g.	W
10. Fall bloom	S Change	_ L

#### 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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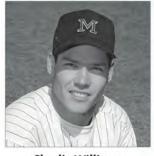
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Delivery: Take A Break

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ALL DAY

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Delivery: Take A Break

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Mon: Steak Night

Tue: Taco Tuesday: \$2 tacos, \$5 Margs Wed: Ladies Night: Pasta & wine \$25/p

Thu: KARAOKE

Fri: Live Music (starting September 26)

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Happy Hour 3-5 pm

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## A Conversation with a Highlight

I was relaxing while smoking my pipe and sipping on a greyhound when I spied a figure walking toward me. I didn't have my contacts in so they looked pretty fuzzy until they got closer.



Their jacket and jeans were

covered in yellow stickers of flashlights. They wore ragged Converse high-tops, one red and one green, with separated soles that flip-flopped with every step. I couldn't find any clue as to their gender, so I decided to use neutral pronouns. Another oddity was that they were placing those same yellow stickers on just about everything that was within arm's length.

They approached me and plopped down in the chair next to me—without permission.

(Sticking out their hand to shake mine) I'm High—High Light.

(Shaking their hand) "I'm Randy, High. Nice to meet you."

(Speaking loudly, popping my left shoulder, and slapping one of their stickers on my chest) Randy High. Cute name. Man! It's a be-utiful day ain't it, Chuckie.

(Looking disapprovingly at the sticker) "Yeah, sure is."

I ain't never been here before, Chuckie. Y'all got a nice little setup here.

"Yes. Yes we do. It's a lovely little town."

What ch'all known for, Chuckie?

"Writers, musicians, painters, one of the greatest bookstores in the entire USA, and such. The University of Mississippi, Ole Miss, is here and William Faulkner lived here and wrote novels. In fact, he won a Nobel Prize for his work. And my name is Randy, High, not Chuckie."

Ain't that novel, Randy High! A No-bell prize? Like no cowbells, huh? I ain't never read no novel. I mostly read comic books.

"No doubt."

(Picking their teeth) Thank ya', Chuckie! "You're welcome, High. Now what's with all these yellow flashlight stickers?"

Oh, that's easy. Since my name is High Light I like to highlight as many things as I can. It's a highlight here, a highlight there, here

a light, there a light, everywhere a highlight. Ee i, ee i, o!

"And people are okay with that?"

Some are, some ain't. But, hell, I don't care if they're okay with it or not. You must like the stickert. You're still wearin' yours. "Just trying to be polite."

(Popping bubble gum) Now ain't you the nice one, Chuckie! Where else you think I otter put up some stickers?

(I wanted to say "Over your mouth and up you're a\*\*, butt...") I'd like to see you put one on all four clock faces on the top of the courthouse.

Really? "Really."

Well shut my mouth!

(I held my tongue.)

I could do it if I had me a good long rope to lasso the top 'a that thang.

"I'll run down to Shaw's Ace Hardware and get one for you if you want."

Naw. Not today. I got the squirts.

(With that they blew a huge bubble with their gum. I ripped off my sticker and slapped it on the bubble, which immediately popped and covered their entire face, with the sticker planted firmly on

You sure pulled the gum over my eyes, Chuckie! Now look, Chuckie, I gotta be on my way but I wanna leave you a stack a' stickers so you can highlight a bunch a' things.

"Thanks, but no thanks." Why? Don't ya' like 'em?

"Frankly, I find all this highlighting crap annoying as hell. No offense, of course."

None taken, Chuck. Not everybody's taste is that re-find. Some folks hafta acquire it.



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"Like possum, coon, and chitlins?"

Naw. I was borned likin' them. Speakin' of likin', I like this place, Chuckie. I may just sticker 'round a while. Get it, Chuckie? Sticker 'round?

"Got it. You can stay as long as you like, High. Stick it as many times as you wish."

Thank ya', Chuckie. I believe I'll do just that. "See that you do."

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

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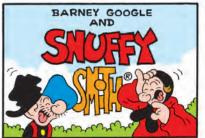
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"You look a little under the weather, Stormy."



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Out on a Limb

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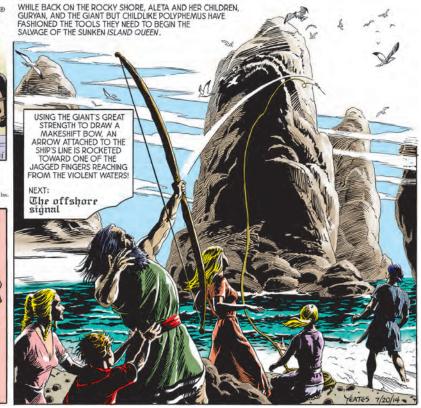




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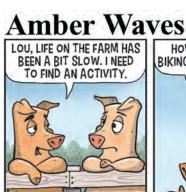
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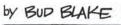














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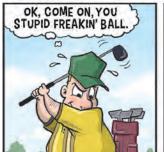


"Sometimes you have to explore the darkness to get to the light and get back to who you are."

— Jennifer Lopez

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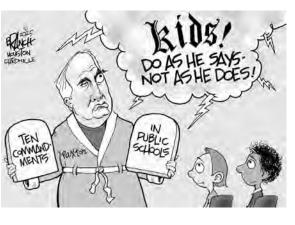
























The Spats

OKAY, SO MAYBE IT WASN'T THE DRESS ...

by Jeff Pickering BUT SOMETHING MADE HER LOOK FATER

by Gary Kopervas

**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



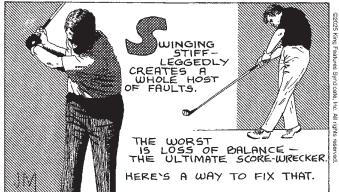


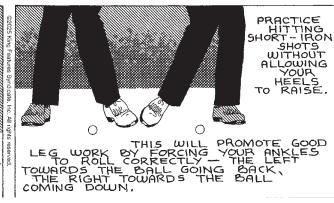
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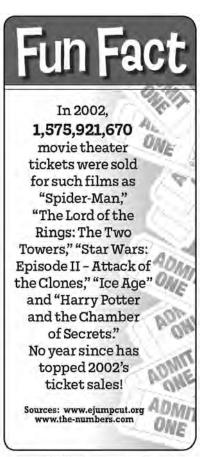




#### Refuel With Tasty After-School Snacks

After a busy day at school or work, who doesn't need a little refueling? Make it easy for you and your kids with healthy, tasty snacks that are a cinch to make ahead of time or right when hunger strikes. So, throw open the front door when the kids jump out of the car or off the school bus, and make your kitchen a happy gathering spot for chatter and good eats.

- Nutritious meets delicious with apples. Cut a sweet, juicy apple such as beautiful Honeycrisp or SweeTango variety in half. Pair it with a halved whole-wheat roll from last night's supper, and top it with mustard, a slice of deli meat, and a cherry tomato.
- Make a tropical split by topping slices of banana, mango, kiwi or pine-apple with 1/2 cup of fruit yogurt and some granola or shredded coconut. Looking for something new and exotic to introduce? Add mild-flavored dragon fruit that is available in specialty grocery stores. It typically has a bright-pink peel and green scales with creamy white flesh that is flecked with edible black seeds inside.
- The choices for trail-mix combos are endless with so many readily available nuts, seeds and dried fruits nowa-



days. For the best prices, purchase your favorite ingredients in bulk at your market or food co-op, then mix 'em up when you get home. Young kids can get in the habit of smart-snacking by creating their own easy-to-prepare batch of "squirrel food." Mix a scoop of their favorite breakfast cereal with raisins, mini pretzels, peanuts and banana chips. Divide leftovers in sandwich bags, then place in a basket on the counter for grab-and-go nibbling.

— Make quick mini pizzas with slices of French bread, whole-wheat English muffins, or bagel halves that are toasted. Brush pizza sauce on top, then add cheese and favorite toppings such as sliced zucchini, grated mozzarella cheese, and sunflower seeds for an Italian twist. Make it Mexican with a sprinkle of chili seasoning on the sauce, sliced Spanish olives, and grated Monterey Jack cheese. An adult can broil the snack for about 5 minutes until the cheese bubbles.



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



- 1. The Conjuring: Last Rites
- (R) Patrick Wilson, Vera Farmiga
- 2. Hamilton

(PG-13) Lin-Manuel Miranda, Phillipa Soo

- 3. Weapons
- (R) Julia Garner, Josh Brolin
- 4. Freakier Friday
- (PG) Jamie Lee Curtis, Lindsay Lohan
- 5. Caught Stealing
- (R) Austin Butler, Regina King
- 6. The Fantastic Four: First Steps
- (PG-13) Pedro Pascal, Vanessa Kirby
- 7. The Roses
- (R) Olivia Colman, Benedict Cumberbatch
- 8. The Bad Guys 2
- (PG) Sam Rockwell, Marc Maron
- 9. Light of the World
- (PG) Ian Hanlin, Benjamin Jacobson
- 10. Superman
- (PG-13) David Corenswet, Rachel Brosnahan



#### THIS WEEK'S CATEGORY: The Child Stars Who Raised Us

Sadly, most child actors' luck in Hollywood doesn't continue into their 20s and beyond. Fortunately, podcasts have given them a new purpose as they find themselves as natural behind the mic as they do in front of the cameras. Give these five podcasts a listen to get your nostalgia fix:

"Alive with Steve Burns" — If you grew up watching "Blue Clues" (or watching your kids watch it), then you probably have a soft spot in your heart for the original host, Steve Burns. Well, he's 51 years old now, and he's letting you know that he's alive with his new podcast. He invites a special guest to pop in each week for "a genuine and respectful dialogue" about adult subjects like death, love, taxes, and everything in between. The podcast debuts on Sept. 17 and willalso be available on YouTube. (LemonadaMedia.com)

"Hey Dude ... The 90s Called!" — Hosted by Christine Taylor (Marcia in "The Brady Bunch Movie") and David Lascher (Josh on "Sabrina, the Teenage Witch"), this weekly podcast is about "growing up, falling down, and everything in between." The podcast is named after the Nickelodeon series Taylor and Lascher once starred in together, "Hey Dude." As podcasters, they've interviewed a plethora of stars from the '90s like Candace Cameron Bure ("Full House"), Steve Guttenberg

("Police Academy"), and singers Gavin Rossdale (of Bush) and Joey McIntyre (of New Kids on the Block). (iHeart.com)

"Baby, This is Keke Palmer" — It's been almost 20 years since Keke Palmer's breakout role as a young spelling bee prodigy in "Akeelah and the Bee." In recent years, she's starred in hit films like "Hustlers" and "Nope" before launching her own podcast with "questions for days about everything under the sun, from the existential to the inconsequential." Notable episodes include her exclusive interview with singer (and flutist!) Lizzo, whose reputation was on the line after a public scandal, as well as her chat with Kel Mitchell ("Good Burger"), who "spilled all the tea" about his days as a child star on Nickelodeon in "All That." (Wondery.com)

Don't Forget These Gems

"Tea Time with Raven and Miranda" — Raven-Symone was first introduced to TV audiences as a young tyke on "The Cosby Show" before starring in her own show on the Disney Channel, "That's So Raven." Now she hosts a podcast with her wife, Miranda Maday, where each week a new celebrity guest draws a random topic of discussion from a teapot. Recent guests include former child actors like the Lawrence Brothers (Joey, Matthew and Andrew) and Drake Bell of Nickelodeon's "Drake & Josh." (ART19.com)

"The Alison Arngrim Show" — It's hard to believe that the lovely and kind Alison Arngrim once played the most hated character on television: Nellie Oleson on "Little House on the Prairie." After the success of her best-selling memoir "Confessions of a Prairie Bitch" and her subsequent one-woman tour, she launched her own podcast in 2018 with a who's who of celebrity guests from classic TV shows. (Spreaker.com)





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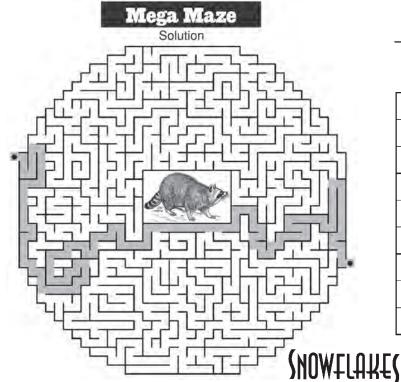
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### Even Exchange

- 1. Bread, Broad
- Create, Crease
- Merry, Marry
- Scald, Scold
- 5. Diaper, Dipper
- 6. Margie, Margin
- 7. Blade, Blame
- 8. Morse, Mouse
- 9. Lizard, Wizard
- 10. Aster, Alter

### **CryptoQuip**

The property of having features very much similar to poet T.S. or novelist George: Eliot-ness.

#### CryptoQuote

answer

For many of you who maybe don't have it all figured out, it's OK. That's the same chair that I sat in. - Will Ferrell

#### Go Figure! –

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**FABRICATE** 

-KNIGHT MOVES -Answer

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#### King Crossword Answers

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## PUZZLES & BRAIN TEASERS OLUTIONS





#### King Crossword — **Answers**

Solution time: 22 mins.



#### **SCRAMBLERS**

solution

- 1. Lackey 2. Space;
- 3. Lumber; 4. Sordid

Today's Word

**BICYCLE** 

## Even Exchange answers

- Potter, Poster
- Award, Aware
- Divine, Divide
- Phase, Chase
- Strike, Stripe
- 6. Fried, Freed
- Gallon, Gallop
- Bench, Bunch
- Insert, Insect
- Cruet, Crust

## Puzzles4Kids

**Answer** 

What happened to the custodian when he got tired? He fell asweep.



answer



## COUCH

**"Superman"** (PG-13) — This superhero film hailing from DC Studios came out a few weeks earlier than Marvel's "The Fantastic Four: First Steps," and "Superman" beat it in reviews as well as grosses, earning about \$100 million more than "Fantastic Four." David Corenswet, most known before this for his role in Ryan Murphy's series "Hollywood," transforms into Clark Kent/Superman, opposite Rachel Brosnahan's Lois Lane and Nicholas Hoult's Lex Luthor. Instead of an origin story that we've watched time and time before, this film takes more of a character-study approach (similar to Robert Pattinson's "The Batman") as we watch Superman grapple with ethics and the public's warped, overblown opinion of him, all while he tries to save the world against Lex Luthor's deranged antics. Out now to rent. (Amazon Prime Video)

"The Wedding Banquet" (R) -This rom-com, out now, is a remake of director Ang Lee's ("Brokeback Mountain") 1993 film of the same name. Led by Bowen Yang ("Wicked") and Lily Gladstone ("Killers of the Flower Moon"), it follows two gay couples, Lee and Angela and Chris and Min, who all live together in Lee's family home in Seattle. As Min's student visa reaches its expiration date, he grasps at straws to put together a plan to keep from him having to return to South Korea. Since Lee and Angela want to have a baby and need money for IVF, Min decides to propose to Angela so that he can stay financially

connected to his family, remain in the United States, and help his friends. The only problem? Min's grandmother is promptly on the way from Korea to plan an elaborate wedding, leaving the foolish foursome to pray that they can keep the charade going! Check it out now. (Paramount+)

"Together" (R) — The arrival of September signifies the start of spooky season for those who celebrate, so from now until October, horror movies will take up a bit more of the spotlight as fanatics search for movies that can scratch their spooky-season itch. Perhaps this new film starring real-life couple Alison Brie and Dave Franco will scratch that itch for you! (Body-horror lovers, I'm looking at you!) Brie and Franco, respectively, play Millie and Tim, a couple who moves to the country for a fresh start in their relationship. When hiking around their new home, they encounter a cave where Tim drinks water from and shortly after, he begins to experience episodes where he feels so drawn to Millie, like he almost wants to become her. As the episodes worsen to where the couple is quite literally stuck together, they're left to wonder if they can escape their fate of becoming one. Out now to rent. (Apple TV+)



Alison Brie, left, and Dave Franco star in "Together."



#### Don't Dump That Pickle Juice! The Secret Ingredient You're Overlooking

If you've been buying pickles, enjoying the pickles and then tossing the pickle juice ... it's OK. You didn't know. Forgive yourself. Consider this your friendly intervention: Stop pouring that magic liquid down the drain. Seriously.

Pickle juice is concentrated zing - acid, salt and pickling spices in perfect harmony - and it can transform so many dishes. Not just dill pickles but sweet pickles, breadand-butter, spicy pickles briny goodness qualifies. Tossing it is basically throwing away really good quality flavored vinegar. And

Here's what you need to know: Pickle juice is versatile, delicious and your new best friend in the kitchen.

who does that?

#### The Obvious: Make More **Pickles**

When you finish your jar, add a fresh round of cucumbers to the brine for quick refrigerator pickles. Don't stop there — zucchini, carrots, radishes, onions, green beans - they all play nicely. Let them sit a few days; the longer, the more pickled. You'll marvel at how simple it is to extend the life (and pleasure) of your pickles.

**DIY Condiments That Shine** 

Dill Pickle Vinaigrette: Blend 3/4 cup pickle juice with 1/4 cup olive oil and a tablespoon of grainy mustard. Your salad just went from "meh"

to memorable.

The Sauce That's Amazing on Everything: Two parts sour cream, one part pickle juice, salt and pepper to taste. Dress salads, drizzle over vegetables or serve alongside meat, poultry or fish. Your condiment game just leveled up.

Add Zing to Everyday Dishes

A spoonful of brine can elevate tuna, egg or chicken salad. Substitute it for vinegar in recipes, add it to water when boiling pasta for a salad or toss into potatoes for a tangy kick. Use it to deglaze pans after sauteing chicken, pork or beef — the flavor will make you wonder why you never thought of this before.

**Tenderizing Marinade Magic** 

Pickle juice is naturally acidic, making it a perfect meat tenderizer. Try this: 1/4 cup brown sugar plus 1 cup pickle juice makes a simple marinade for two pounds of pork or chicken. Let it sit at least two hours, or overnight if you're planning ahead. Juicy, flavorful, no fuss.



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Mushrooms sauteed, and pork marinated in is the penny-pinching, parpickle brine — pure deliciousness!

#### MUSHROOMS IN PICKLE **BRINE BUTTER**

Yield: 4-6 servings Total Time: 40 minutes

6 tablespoons butter, divided 6 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided

1 sweet onion, thinly sliced (1 1/2 2 1/2-3 pounds mushrooms, thickly

sliced or quartered

3/4 cup strained dill pickle brine Heat 2 tablespoons of butter and

2 tablespoons of olive oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. We're going to saute in batches.

When you first add the mushrooms to the skillet, they absorb all the flavorful butter like little sponges. This ensures every mushroom gets some buttery, briny goodness.

Divide onions and mushrooms into thirds. Saute one-third of the onions until soft (3 minutes). Add a third of the mushrooms and cook until tender and golden (5-7 minutes).

When golden and delicious, add one-third (1/4 cup) pickle brine and stir until the brine is absorbed, about 1 minute. Repeat with remaining ingre-

Resist eating the mushrooms as you cook them while no one is watching. Sharing is expected, apparently.

These mushrooms are earthy, briny and irresistible - pickle juice isn't just a liquid, it's culinary magic.

But wait! There's more!

A spoonful in your next Bloody Mary? Legendary.

As briny chaser with tequila? Adventurous and delicious.

The moral: Never leave a drop behind. That jar in your fridge? It's a treasure chest. Race you to the back of the fridge!

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## PUZZLES & BRAIN TEASERS OLUTIONS





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"The Girlfriend" (TV-MA) — Every person who's been in a romantic relationship knows what it's like to dread meeting their significant other's parents. Even worse, when the parents themselves are dreading meeting you! This series starring Olivia Cooke ("House of the Dragon") and Robin Wright ("House of Cards") depicts what this feeling is like — but on steroids. Danny (Laurie Davidson) introduces his girlfriend, Cherry (Cooke), to his mother, Laura (Wright), but Laura instantly gets a bad vibe from Cherry and finds her untrustworthy. Laura's suspicions cause her to act out of character to protect her son, but is it all just a figment of her imagination? Or is Cherry really hiding something sinister? Find out in just six episodes, all of which are out now! (Amazon Prime Video)

"Black Rabbit" (TV-MA) — Netflix has been giving us a few good shows to binge at this moment, and next up is this crime-thriller miniseries led by Jude Law ("Star Wars: Skeleton Crew") and Jason Bateman ("Carry-On"). The duo plays a pair of brothers: Jake (Law), a New York City club owner, and Vince (Bateman), his scrappy, chaotic brother. Jake opens his door to Vince during Vince's time of need, only to find out that Vince owes a large debt to some dangerous loan sharks. Left with no choice but to help his brother, Jake gets sucked into Vince's turbulent world and faces losing his business if they don't succeed in getting the money. All eight episodes premiere on Sept. 18. (Netflix)

"The Morning Show: Season 4" (TV-MA) — Two of America's favorite leading ladies, Jennifer Aniston and

Reese Witherspoon, are back with their hit show "The Morning Show," and this season looks juicier than ever! Picking up two years after season three, Alex (Aniston) and Bradley (Witherspoon) are dealing with the aftereffects of the UBA network's merger with NBN, as misinformation and conspiracy theories continue to infiltrate the news. Marion Cotillard ("Extrapolations") is a new addition to the cast and plays an intriguing high-level executive, while Boyd Holbrook ("A Complete Unknown") joins the cast as a provocative talk-show host. New relationships are teased, and the tension between all the characters continues to rise. The first episode releases Sept. 17 with a weekly Wednesday release through Nov. 19. (Apple TV+)



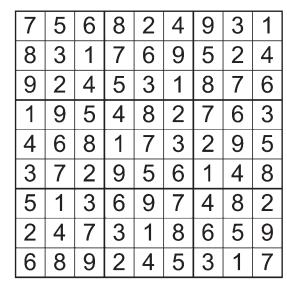
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#### Olivia Cooke stars in "The Girlfriend."

"Dancing with the Stars: Season 34" (TV-PG) — It's that time of year again, where celebrities lace up their shoes to hit the "Dancing with the Stars" ballroom and compete to win the mirror ball trophy! Contestants this year include actor Zac Efron's younger brother, Dylan Efron; nostalgic actors like Corey Feldman ("The Lost Boys") and Danielle Fishel ("Boy Meets World"); singers Scott Hoying (of Pentatonix) and Lauren Jauregui (of Fifth Harmony); social media influencer Alix Earle; and Robert Irwin, son of Steve Irwin and brother of mirror ball champion Bindi Irwin. The first episode premieres on Sept. 16, with subsequent episodes releasing every Tuesday night thereafter. Don't forget to vote for your favorites! (Disney+)

#### Weekly SUDOKU

#### Answer















#### Tomato Galette: A Showstopper for Your Last Perfect Tomatoes

Still staring at those last perfect tomatoes in your garden? Don't just make sauce - make a galette and show them off!

Meet your new hero: the tomato galette. This rustic, golden-crusted beauty is the perfect way to showcase the final harvest of summer tomatoes before the season slips away. Highimpact, low-effort — especially with store-bought dough. But for kitchen bragging rights, I've included the homemade version too.

effortless galette feels yet impressive. It's rustic and approachable, no perfect edges or lattice required, just flavors that speak for themselves. Heirloom tomatoes star, Parmesan melts into a savory layer, garlic adds a gentle punch and fresh herbs brighten it all, making this galette taste like it came from a fancy bakery — even if it's ready in about an hour.

#### TOMATO GALETTE

Yield: 2 to 4 servings Total Time: 1 hour 10 minutes

#### The Easy Way

1 sheet store-bought pie dough (or homemade, see Extra Credit below)

#### The Filling

- 1 1/2 pounds variety of heirloom and/ or cherry tomatoes, sliced 1/4 inch
- 1 teaspoon table salt
- 1 cup (4 ounces by weight) Parmesan cheese, finely shredded

1 garlic clove, thinly sliced 1/2 small shallot, thinly sliced

1 large egg, beaten

Flaky sea salt & freshly ground black

1 tablespoon finely chopped basil or tarragon

#### **Prep the Oven & Tomatoes**

Preheat oven to 400 F. Toss tomatoes and salt in a bowl. Let sit for 5 minutes to release some juice, then drain well on paper towels.

#### **Assemble the Galette**

Roll your dough (store-bought or homemade) on lightly floured parchment to a 14-inch round, about 1/8 inch thick. Transfer to a baking sheet with the parchment. Scatter cheese over the dough, focusing most on the center 6 inches. Layer the tomatoes on top. Top with garlic and shallot. Fold the edges of the dough over, overlapping to create the border; brush dough with beaten egg. Sprinkle with flaky sea salt and black pepper. Chill in freezer for 10 minutes.



A little rustic charm, a lot of tomato flavor this galette is perfect warm, at room temp or served in elegant wedges.

#### Bake & Finish

Bake until crust is golden and cooked through, 45-55 minutes. Let cool slightly, then sprinkle with fresh herbs.

If rolling your own dough feels unappealing, no worries. Storebought pie dough works beautifully and is my go-to when life gets busy.

#### Extra Credit

here's how to make your own dough from scratch:

If you want the full chef experience,

#### Homemade Pie Dough

2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting

1 1/4 teaspoons kosher salt

3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) chilled butter, cut into pieces 1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar

1/4 cup ice water (plus more if need-

Pulse 2 cups flour and kosher salt in a food processor. Add butter and pulse until the mixture looks like coarse meal with a few pea-size chunks of butter.

Transfer to a bowl. Drizzle with vinegar and 1/4 cup ice water. Stir with a fork, adding more water by the tablespoon if needed, just until a shaggy dough forms.

Lightly knead on a floured surface don't overwork it! Pat into a disk, wrap in plastic and chill at least 2 hours before using.

This galette is perfect warm or at room temperature — ideal for a casual lunch, picnic or light supper. Pair it with a simple green salad, a bowl of chilled soup or slice it into thin wedges for a lovely appetizer.

This recipe is a gentle reminder that some of life's best things are simple: ripe tomatoes, fresh herbs, a little cheese and the pleasure of sharing a beautiful dish with those you love.

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#### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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