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Strange But True

by Lucie Winborne

- In Tikrit, Iraq, there's a six-foottall monument of a shoe that journalist Muntadhar al-Zeidi threw at then-President George W. Bush.
- Speaking of shoes, a collector of same is called a Sneakerhead.
- Researchers were able to mimic the voice of a 3,000-year-old Egyptian mummy by re-creating much of its vocal tract using medical scanners, 3-D printing and an electronic larynx. The mummy had little to say, however, even after all that time, as they produced just a single

sound somewhere between the vowels in "bed" and "bad."

- Magnolia plants are so ancient that they're pollinated by beetles, as they existed prior to the appearance of bees.
- A study by psychologists found that when four- to six-year-olds pretended to be Batman while doing a boring but important task, it helped them resist distraction and stay more focused. (We're trying this the next time we wash the dishes.)
- Tootsie Rolls were added to soldiers' rations in World War II due to their abil-

ity to withstand all weather conditions.

- In medieval games of chess, pawns that had been promoted to a queen were given the title of "adviser," so as to not imply that the king had more than one queen or was guilty of adultery!
- Those tears you see in the Tin Man's eyes in "The Wizard of Oz" were made of chocolate syrup, as machine oil didn't photograph well.
- Ancient Egyptians loved their cats so much that household members would shave their eye-

brows as a sign of mourning when the cat died. Mourning ended when their brows had grown back.

Thought for the Day: "I never thought in terms of being a leader. I thought very simply in terms of helping people." – John Hume

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Catch the latest advice

Summer is here and New Yorkers are headed out to rivers, lakes and other coastal waters to enjoy some time together with family and friends. One popular summer activity is fishing. It is fun for the whole family during the summer months, even if you practice catch and release. It is important to follow the advice from the NYS DOH about which fish to keep and eat at their fish advisory website at health. ny.gov/fish.

Fish can be part of a healthy diet. They are a lean source of protein, a good source of essential nutrients and healthy fats. Remember to follow food safety practices such as keeping your harvested fish cold until you can prepare it for consumption. Wash your hands and surfaces before and after handling fresh fish and keep raw foods separate. Cook fish and shellfish thoroughly, using healthier techniques such as broiling, grilling and baking. See recipes for fish at the CCE Albany website, look for the "Wild Harvest Table" link on the nutrition page.

Be sure to follow the NYS DEC regulations about fish length and eat the smaller allowable size fish within the species. If you plan to eat older, larger fish, know that they may be more contaminated than smaller fish, because they may have accumulated more contaminants in their bodies. The primary contaminants of concern in NYS are mercury and PCBs. Advisories are in place to protect the most vulnerable - children and the unborn, as pollutants can affect their developing organs. It may affect their rate of development and their ability to learn. In our area, the Hudson River fish are contaminated with PCBs and some fish in the lakes of the Adirondacks and Catskill Mountains have higher levels of mercury. Avoid or eat less largemouth and smallmouth bass, northern pike, pickerel, walleye and larger yellow perch (over 10 inches) from the lakes and ponds with advisories in these areas. See specifics at the website above before you go fishing.

Commercial fish sold at stores and restaurants are regulated by the FDA. The FDA and EPA provide advice to pregnant women, women who could become pregnant and young children on better choices from the market (fish lower in mercury). The seven choices to avoid are shark, swordfish, king mackerel, tuna (bigeye), marlin, orange roughy and tilefish. For the full list of "best choices" and "good choices", go to fda. gov/fishadvice.

Check the NYS DEC website for updated regulations and special restrictions for certain species at dec.ny.gov/outdoor/fishing.html. This website also lists

publicly accessible fishing sites, boat launches and license information. The last weekend in June was a free fishing weekend, so no one needed a license to fish on those two days. The last Sunday in September and Veterans Day (November 11) are also free fishing days, so mark your calendars. If you have questions about which advisories apply to waters you are fishing, call the NYS DOH at 518.402.7800 or toll free at 800.458.1158 or e-mail BTSA@healthy. ny.gov.





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Securing a trustworthy pet sitter

Welcoming a pet of any kind into a home can be a lesson in love as well as one in responsibility. Pet owners must take various steps to ensure the safety and well being of a companion animal, and that includes providing for that animal while on vacation

How long pets can remain at home alone depends on the pet, its age and its overall health. For example, an aquarium full of fish may be able to thrive for a week with the assistance of an automatic feeder. Dogs, however, will need daily bathroom breaks and feedings, said the Animal Humane Society. Adult dogs may be able to 'hold it' for 10 to 12 hours, but young puppies and elderly dogs likely need more frequent breaks outside.

Feeding and cleaning up pet waste is not the only consideration. Some animals require much more socialization than others

Pet sitters can address pets' needs while their owners are away. But finding one that will care for a pet like he or she is a member of the family can take some time and effort. Hill's Pet Nutrition suggested beginning the process of finding a pet sitter by making a list of needs. Considerations to include are whether the pet sitter should be in one's home or if the pet is to be brought to a pet care facility or a private sitter's residence. The pet may have particular health care requirements that also need to be addressed, such as a dog who requires insulin shots for diabetes.

While friends and family may be the first choices as pet sitters, there are benefits to using professional pet sitters. A professional sitter is properly trained in the care of many different animals, according to Pet Sitters International. He or she may have a local business license and be insured and bonded. Professional sitters are likely to make the pet a priority more than hobbyists or well-meaning acquaintances because caring for pets is how they earn their livings.

Personal recommendations can be an effective means to finding reliable pet sitters. Pet owners can interview candidates. asking questions about experience with this type of pet, how he or she handles the breed and temperament, and what the plan might be if the pet gets sick or injured while in the pet sitter's care.

Pet sitters provide valuable services when pet owners are away from home. Vetting pet sitters takes a little time, but that effort is well worth it.



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Now Here's A Tip

by JoAnn Derson

Groceries and food shopping can eat up a tremendous portion of your budget if you aren't careful. The best and most serious money-saving tip for home economists is to ALWAYS use a list. It really does make a difference to have a plan. Here are some more tips to save money while feeding your family. – JoAnn

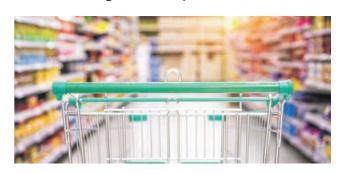
- Most stores list the unit price on the shelf tag. Use it to compare the cost of different sizes and brands of the same item. Just because a package is bigger doesn't necessarily mean it has the best price per unit.
- "A secret of busy moms: Cook once, eat twice (or three times, if you plan well)! When you prepare favorite recipes that will freeze well, or even just elements

of those recipes, make a double or triple batch. Then a few nights of the month, you can just pop something in the oven easily. I cook taco meat once for the month, and we have tacos every week. I just freeze three portions of the meat, and the rest is easy to assemble." – K.S. in Florida

- "If you know you're going to make a purchase soon from a specific store, search online for discounted gift cards to that store. Many people get gift cards for places they don't shop, and they sell them at a discount for cash. That's a percentage off your purchase just for preplanning." E.S. in Virginia
- Remember that, typically, the higher shelves and the lower shelves at the grocery store house the better deals.

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Herkimer County announces community survey for age-friendly initiatives

The Herkimer County Age Friendly Coalition has launched a survey to determinate peoples' needs as they age in the various Herkimer County communities. Herkimer County Office for the Aging (OFA) and Herkimer County HealthNet were awarded a grant from the NYS Office for the Aging Age-Friendly Planning Grant Program in the amount of \$20,000. The survey is one of the projects identified in support of the grant's work plan.

The Age-Friendly Planning Initiative is to create at the county level a replicable version of the governor's executive order to incorporate relevant age-friendly healthy policies and principles aimed to improve the health and wellness of people of all ages. The OFA will be collaborating with HealthNet and a coalition of more than a dozen organizations with outreach to the community, including this survey in both hard-copy and online versions. The survey can be accessed by visiting surveymonkey. com/r/KWVVVSX.

The survey questions reflect the work associated with the grant by considering the American Association of Retired Persons (AARPs) eight domains of livable communities and Smart Growth reforms including but not limited to transportation, civic engagement and socialization.

Kathy Fox, director of the Herkimer County OFA, said, "It is important to determine the needs in each of our county's communities for the overall aging population. This initiative will ultimately benefit the health of people of all ages." Fox also said that their work with Herkimer County Health-

Net aligns with promoting health among individuals in Herkimer County.

Elyse Enea, HealthNet executive director, said, "We understand and have learned that it is a priority for people to live independently in their homes as they age. So we want to learn more about the needs in each of our communities

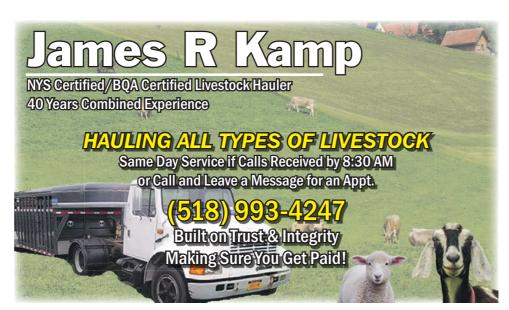
in Herkimer County and work on them to maintain this independence."

Enea also stressed that this grant supports the work that the Herkimer County OFA, HealthNet and its partners are working on which supports HealthNet's mission to improve the health and well-being of individuals who live, work, play and learn in Herkimer County.

To participate in the survey online, visit the Surveymonkey link listed above. For a hard-copy version of the survey or more information, call Herkimer County OFA at 315.867.1121. Herkimer County HealthNet can be reached at 315.867.1552.









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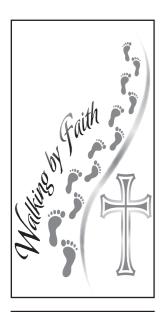
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Henderson-Bice named VHS' **Employee of the Quarter**

Chassie Henderson-Bice has been named as Valley Health Services' Employee of the Second Quarter 2021. Nominated by her co-workers. Henderson-Bice is attentive to residents' needs, delivering excellence in healthcare, kindness and compassion.

Henderson-Bice said working at VHS in Herkimer has been a good experience. She likes everyone she works with and stated, "I am surprised I was nominated because there are so many deserving nurses and aides that work here."

Henderson-Bice completed her LPN schooling through BOCES in 2019. She said education will always be a part of the job, as we are all learning all the time. Henderson-Bice encouraged new CANs to always ask questions and do not expect to know everything. "Learning is a central part of the job."

Henderson-Bice lives in Little Falls with her four children - Chloe, 13; Jack, 8; Mason, 7; and Harper, 5; as well as one dog and two cats.

On behalf of the residents, staff and family members, congratulations, Chassie Henderson-Bice, on vour accolade of Employee of the Second Quarter 2021. VHS is honored and blessed to have you as part of the family.

Calendar of events

NOTE: Calendar items must be submitted by Tuesday prior to the publication date to be included in the Calendar of Events. Entries may be emailed to cfeditor@leepub.com

July 11

"Influential Citizens of Salisbury" exhibit 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by the Salisbury Historical Society, 109 Route 29A, Salisbury Center.

July 12

Rabies clinic at Susquehanna SPCA 4-7 p.m. Register at 607.547.8111 ext 111.

July 13

Regular meeting of the Salisbury Historical Society at 6:30 p.m. at 1805 Frisbie House, 109 Route 29A, Salisbury Center. Program: "A Chat with Authors Brenda and Brittney Barton".

July 14

Arc Herkimer free Summer Concert Series at Arc Park at 420 E. German Street. 6-8:30 p.m. Gridley Paige concert. For more information call 315.574.7000 or visit www.archerkimer.org.

July 16-17

Huge Garage Sale St John's Church, Main St., Newport. Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-noon.

July 17

Bottle and Can Drive for Troop/ Pack 25. Drop off your bottles and cans at: The Mohawk American Legion Parking Lot, 43 West Main St., Mohawk from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Susquehanna Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SQSPCA) public celebration 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 5082-5088 State Highway 28 in Cooperstown to mark the completion of its state-ofthe-art animal shelter and adjoining campus. RSVP at sqspca.org/ open-house by July 10.

July 18

RSCC Sundae Run/Walk 100% of proceeds from this 5K/10K go toward our nonprofit community center. Registration limited. 8 a.m. start. Register at runsignup. com/Race/Events/NY/Richfield-Springs/RSCCRunWalk

Salisbury Historical presents a new exhibit "Influen**tial Citizens of Salisbury**" from 1 to 3 p.m. at the 1805 Frisbie House, 109 Route 29A, Salisbury

July 21

Third Wednesday Night Dinners Pulled pork dinners at Ilion First Baptist Church, 8 Second St., 4 -6 p.m. or until sold out. Takeout or delivery only. For more info call 315.894.9041.

Arc Herkimer free Summer Concert Series at Arc Park at 420 E. German Street 6-8:30 p.m. Max Scialdone Band. For more information call 315.574.7000 or visit www.archerkimer.org.

July 23 and 24

Stone Arabia Preservation Society Quilt and Artisan Show. Friday 4-9 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. At the Stone Church, 5414 State Hwy. 10, Palatine Bridge. For more info or questions call 518.774.1998 or 518.993.4983.

July 24

Moses Quinby Beekeeping Conference and Public Field Day Fort Klock, 7214 State Route 5, St. Johnsville. Call 518.568.7779.

July 25

"Influential Citizens of Salisbury" exhibit sponsored by the Salisbury Historical Society, 109 Route 29A, Salisbury Center. Other standing exhibits include the making of cheese and furniture made in Salisbury. Hours: 1-3 p.m.

July 26-30

Herkimer Vacation Bible School: "Jesus: Man of Mystery" Explore the "I AM" statements of Jesus online or in-person with our multichurch collaboration! Pre-register at www.HerkVBS.weebly.com.

July 28

Arc Herkimer free Summer Concert Series at Arc Park at 420 E. German Street 6-8:30 p.m. Fritz's Polka Band. For more information call 315.574.7000 or visit www.archerkimer.org.

July 30

Stone Soup Concert 7 p.m. Fort Klock. 7214 State Route 5. St. Johnsville, Call 518,568,7779.

August 3-5

Young Pioneers Program. This day program offers youth ages 9-13 an opportunity to experience a bit of colonial life first hand. Fort Klock, 7214 State Route 5, St. Johnsville. Call 518.568.7779.

August 6-8

American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference. Visit fortplainmuseum.org email info@fortplainmuseum.org or call 518.774.5669 for more information.

August 7

22nd annual Utica Zoo Brewfest 6-9 p.m. To stay up to date on all things Brewfest, visit UticaZoo.org/ Brew.

August 16

Rabies clinic at Susquehanna SPCA 2 - 5 p.m. Register at 607.547.8111 ext 111.



Shopping adventure at **Salvation Army store**



The residents of the Mohawk Homestead recently enjoyed a trip to the Salvation Army in llion for a day of shopping. This is one of the many outings they take throughout the year. Photo courtesy of Mohawk Homestead



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Class graduates from Herkimer College Pre-Employment Police Academy

After taking part in the Pre-Employment Police Academy in Herkimer this past year, 12 individuals are on their way to becoming police officers, having wrapped up their final courses in the certificate program this summer.

The 2021 graduating class is:

- Karl Baia, Amsterdam
- Jeffrey Chase, Ilion
- Thomas Chase, Johnstown
- Michael Inman, Utica
- Adam Johnson, Little Falls
- Garth Joseph, Ilion
- Emily Lincoln, Cherry Valley
- Dustin McCartney, Vestal
- Tyler O'Connor, Lake Pleasant
- Justin Richards, Fort Plain
- Timothy Scharett, Mohawk
- Jordan Zaccagnino, Cherry Valley

Herkimer College's Pre-Employment Police Academy debuted in autumn 2018. In partnership with the Little Falls Police Department, the program covers Phase I of pre-employment basic training and puts graduating students in a position to secure employment in a police department. Coursework covers topics such as criminal investigations, community relations, emergency preparedness and more.

For more information about the Pre-Employment Police Academy, visit herkimer.edu/police.



Cadets from the 2021 Pre-Employment Police Academy at Herkimer College pose for a final photo, accompanied by Drill Instructor Morrissey (right).

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Virtual Walk for Wanda event raises over \$2,000 for Herkimer County HealthNet

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HealthNet in Little Falls is
pleased to have received a
check in the amount of
\$2,032 from Althea Noyes of Little Falls as part of
a fundraiser held by students of the Little Falls
Modified Softball Team,
National Honor Society
and high school physical

education classes. The event was held in honor of the Walk for Wanda cause, an effort that started more than eight years ago for diabetes awareness.

Noyes, Walk for Wanda chair, said, "Despite the pandemic, Little Falls High School physical education teacher Mrs. Toohey felt that it was still important for students to volunteer their time while still in high school."

Students walked during their physical education classes, study halls after their homework was completed and during their lunch periods after they finished eating.

Proceeds for the Walk for Wanda fundraiser will benefit Herkimer County HealthNet type 2 diabetes prevention and "Living with Diabetes" classes and activities for Herkimer County residents.

Herkimer County HealthNet Executive Director Elyse Enea said, "We are still hosting and offering virtual type 2 diabetes and living with diabetes classes as well as other chronic diseases. We are continuing our aim to reduce the number of people living with diabetes in Herkimer County." This fundraising activity directly benefits local activities for people who have diabetes, pre-diabetes and other chronic conditions.

Herkimer County HealthNet is open to receiving monetary donations, of which checks can be made to Herkimer County HealthNet and sent to 320 N. Main St., Herkimer, NY 13350.

For more information about Herkimer County HealthNet, call 315.867.1552 or check out faceboook.com/HerkimerCountyHealthNet.



(L-R): Elyse Enea, Executive Director, HerkimerCounty HealthNet and Althea Noyes, Walk for Wanda Chairperson. Photo courtesy of Herkimer County HealthNet





Safety fur-st: Pet safety and fire prevention tips

Pets nationwide are considered beloved members of the family. In fact, pet ownership throughout the U.S. has skyrocketed, with approximately 12.6 million Americans opening their home to a new pet since March 2020, according to a study by the American Pet Products Association.

Whether you're a first-time pet owner or a pet pro, be sure to consider your furry family members when preparing for the unexpected. First Alert, the most trusted brand in fire safety, offered the following tips to help families be prepared in case of a fire or carbon monoxide (CO) incident.

Prevent a fire. While candles add ambiance, it's important to never burn them unattended. Wagging tails and pawing kitties can haphazardly knock over candles, which can potentially cause a fire. Additionally, avoid electrical fires by securing loose wires and running long cords behind couches or other out-of-reach locations to prevent them from being chewed.

Protect against the silent killer. Due to their smaller size, your pet may be affected by CO poisoning before you. Signs of CO poisoning can include weakness, sudden vomiting, difficulty breathing, seizures and even loss of consciousness. The only way to detect CO poisoning is by equipping your home with working CO alarms. For premium protection against both fire and CO, install combination alarms with 2-in-1 protection. Once installed, remember to test your alarms regularly and replace smoke alarms every 10 years and CO alarms every five to 10 years, depending on the model.

Improve their safety when home alone. To help ensure your pet is safe even while you're not home, use a pet gate to keep your animals in the main living area for easy rescue in the case of an emergency. Place pet alert stickers on windows near each entrance to inform firefighters of the presence of pets in your house.

Have an emergency escape plan. When planning your emergency escape route, don't forget to include your pets. Know which family members will be responsible for each pet and note their hiding spots for a faster evacuation. Have leashes and collars stored near the main entrance of your home and, if possible,

near other potential exits during an emergency, so you can grab them on your way out the door. Practice your escape plan at least twice a year, including crating your pets, to help make it an easier experience. And, remind

your family to never delay escape or go back inside to rescue your pet. If a pet is missing, inform the fire department dispatcher when you call and the responders when they arrive.

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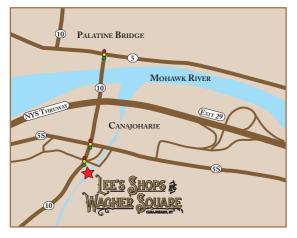


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The Utica Zoo participates in Plastic Free July Campaign Zoo Green Team calls for Ecochallenge participants



Here is the prize tote to be awarded to the public member of the Utica Zoo Green Team who earns the most points in the Plastic Free July Ecochallenge.

The Utica Zoo has joined the Coalition of North American Zoos & Aquariums Plastic Free Ecochallenge, an annual challenge during the month of July, inspired by Plastic Free July, a global movement that helps millions of people to be part of the solution to plastic pollution.

The Plastic Free Ecochallenge is an online experience where you commit to reduce your plastic consumption and take action for 31 days. The Zoo has formed its own Green Team and is looking for participants to join this important movement. The UZ Green Team member from the public who earns the most points wins a customized UZ Green Team Eco Tote, valued at

over \$60 complete with a 100% recycled Lion plush toy, reusable water bottle, compact metal straw and small, medium and largesized Bee's Wrap sustainable food storage wraps made from beeswax, organic cloth, tree resin and organic jojoba oil. These items are currently for sale

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This is the "Say No to Straws" sign featured at Utica Zoo's Polly's concession stand. The Utica Zoo does not provide plastic straws, only as requested by visitors who rely on straws to consume food or beverages.











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Sweet chili and peanut popcorn

Ingredients

5 cups popped popcorn

1/2 cup honey roasted peanuts or peanuts

1/4 cup peanut butter

1 tablespoon butter

1 teaspoon honey

1 teaspoon brown sugar

1 teaspoon hot pepper sauce (or to taste)

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes (or to taste)

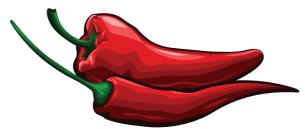
Directions

- Preheat oven to 300° Fahrenheit.
- Place popcorn in a large bowl. Scatter peanuts over top; set aside.
- Stir together peanut butter, butter, honey, brown sugar, and hot sauce in a small, microwave safe bowl. Heat in microwave about 30 seconds. Stir to blend.
- Drizzle the peanut butter sauce over the popcorn. With a large spoon, stir popcorn until evenly coated. Spread mixture onto a rimmed baking sheet and bake 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Allow popcorn to cool and serve immediately.

Nutrition Facts

Per 1 cup:
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How the Ecochallenge works:

- 1. Join the Utica Zoo Green Team at plasticfree.ecochallenge. org/teams/utica-zoo-green-team
- 2. Select Your Actions Choose actions that you can commit to throughout the challenge.
- 3. Prepare for Your Actions Take the time you need to prepare for success with your actions. Committing to vegetarian meals? Look up recipes and ingredients you'll

need. Finding alternative ways for transport? Explore the public transit options and bike pathways in your community.

During the Ecochallenge:

- 1. Complete Your Actions
- 2. Share Your Story
- 3. View the Collective Impact
- To stay up to date on all things Utica Zoo, visit Utica Zoo.org, or follow on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter at @uticazoo.













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Three ways you can help survivors of domestic violence and their pets

There's nothing more meaningful than the unbreakable bond people share with their pets and the joy they bring every day. Now is a great time to take the opportunity to help both pets and people in need, specifically those impacted by domestic violence. One in three women and one in four men will experience some form of domestic abuse in their lifetime. Sadly, if domestic violence survivors have pets, they often need to make heartbreaking choices about what to do with their pet when deciding to seek safety at a shelter.

The issue and support

Nearly half of survivors (48%) delay leaving their abuser because they can't take a beloved pet with them to a shelter. This is because as few as 10% of domestic violence shelters in the U.S. allow pets, leaving survivors confronted by a difficult - and often dangerous - dilemma.

Fortunately, resources for survivors and their pets continue to grow. Since 2019, Purina and the nonprofit organization RedRover have partnered to create the Purple Leash Project, a national effort born out of Purina's mission to bring and keep pets and people together and RedRover's mission to bring animals and their owners from crisis to care. The Purple Leash Project has provided 21 grants totaling over \$300,000 to help domestic violence shelters nationwide become pet-friendly, or to expand their pet-friendly services.

For shelters that receive these grants, funding goes toward pet-friendly renovations that include installing indoor and outdoor pet

U.S. pet-friendly by the end of 2025. And there are several ways you can contribute to the cause and help spread awareness:

1. Head to the pet food aisle. Pet owners can look for specially marked Purple Leash Project packagMeijer, PetSmart and Pet Supplies Plus.

2. Make a donation. By making a donation to the Purple Leash Project via RedRover.org, you can support the mission by helping to fund more grants to more shelters. As a thank you, donors

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"Since Purina RedRover launched the Purple Leash Project two years ago, we're seeing incredible progress and momentum toward our vision of creating more pet-inclusive domestic abuse services," said Nina Leigh Krueger, CEO and president of Purina. "With hundreds of survivors and their pets already supported by this initiative, we're committed and asking others to join us in protecting the unique bond we share with our pets so that survivors and their pets can escape to safety and begin healing together."

To learn more about the Purple Leash Project, to make a donation or to sign up for ongoing updates, visit PurpleLeash-Project.com/Petmonth.

If someone you know is being abused and is ready to leave with their pet, they can find information on pet-friendly shelters in their area at www.Safe-PlaceForPets.org.



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havens or play areas, creating privacy screens around outdoor pet play yards, building indoor cat bridges to foster play and exercise for cats, and even converting existing apartment spaces to be adaptable for pets.

How you can help

Purina and RedRover are now working together toward a goal of making 25% of shelters in the ing of select Purina products like Beneful, Beggin', Tidy Cats and Cat Chow that have information about the issue and how Purina is helping. You can find these products at your favorite retailers including Walmart, Target, Chewy, Kroger, who pledge \$60 or more will receive a limited-edition purple leash or cat collar of their own.

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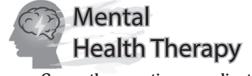
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by Wilson Casey

- 1. Is the book of Jonah in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. From 2 Samuel 11, who received a letter from David telling him to put Uriah into battle? Gideon, Ahab, Isaac, Joab
 - 3. In Luke 12:27, what did Jesus say are better ar-

rayed than King Solomon? Lilies, Angels, Trees, Sheep

- 4. Matthew, the tax collector, was known by what other name? Levi, Felix, Reuben, Jehu
- 5. Who was the baby born of Zacharias and Elizabeth? Daniel, John the Baptist, Noah, David
- 6. Which king of Judah had his eyes gouged out?

Uzziah, Ahaz, Jeconiah, Zedekiah

Answers: 1) Old; 2) Joab; 3) Lilies; 4) Levi; 5) John the Baptist; 6) Zedekiah

Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," available in bookstores and online.

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Paw's Corner

by Sam Mazzotta owners get a free pass? Cats Shouldn't Get a What can be done to keep Free Pass to Poop the cats from killing birds Dear Paw's Corner: and leaving messes in my

Could you explain why yard? - Pat in Spokane Dear Pat: You're abcats can poop in my garden and the owners are solutely right. Cats can not responsible for them? wreak havoc on the lo-Cats kill birds and chipcal environment as they munks, and they dig in don't limit their hunting my garden. Children's to mice: A 2013 study sandboxes get fouled by estimated that cats kill billions of songbirds per cats. Cat poop is really unpleasant and can year in the U.S. alone spread diseases. It seems (smithsonianmag.com unfair that cat owners and search for "The Moral should get all the enjoy-Cost of Cats"). Yet owners who allow their cats outment out of them, but not have to be responsible for doors often don't think their messes. Why do cat that their sweet, adorable

Fluffy could be a neighborhood menace.

That's one reason I constantly ask owners to keep their cats indoors. It's also for the cats' personal safety; they're at risk of being attacked by bigger wildlife or other cats.

Right now, there are two things you can do. First, deter cats from coming onto your property. Scatter a mixture of used coffee grounds, lemon peels and vinegar around the perimeter of the yard (pans of vinegar also work). Cover exposed

ground in garden beds with river rock to discourage digging.

Second, raise awareness in the community. Spread the word about the damage cats do, and what owners can do to prevent it. Do this by talking with your neighbors and speaking at town or HOA meetings. Get the word out so the entire community can address the problem.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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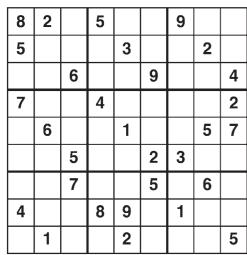
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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle



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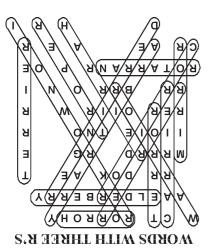
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fresh eyes and wonderment of a youngster.

But turning down ice cream? Doc had to chuckle, because he didn't even know that was possible. But the remote-controlled toy wouldn't be denied. As Doc watched, Charles turned switches and pushed buttons and the mysterious machine changed form. It became a monster instead of a race car and walked over to scare the sleeping cat.

When the laughter finally died down, they both agreed it was worth it. Then the monster became a race car once again and shot across the floor and had a head-on collision with the leg of the couch. Charles expertly backed it away.

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"No thanks," Doc said. "I couldn't drive it as good as you can."

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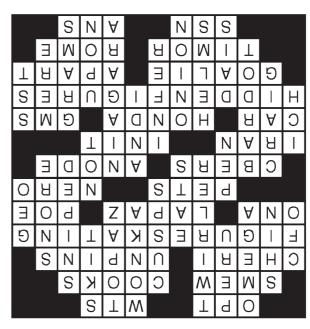


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