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DMV reminds motorcyclists to renew registrations by April 30

Registrations can be renewed and most motorcycles can be registered online

The NYS Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is reminding motorcycle owners to renew their registrations before they expire April 30.

Motorcycles are registered for one year and all motorcycle registrations expire on April 30. Renewals can be done easily online, and most motorcycles that are being registered for the first

time can be registered online. You can learn more about registering your motorcycle for the first time, as well as renewing your registration, on the DMV website at <https://dmv.ny.gov/registrations-0>.

"New York is a beautiful place to ride in the spring and summer, and we want to make sure every rider has that opportunity. Renewing your registration online is fast, easy and convenient," said DMV Commissioner Mark J. F. Schroeder. "As the weather continues to get warmer, drivers should expect to see more motorcyclists on the road, so I urge everyone to watch for riders and share the road responsibly."

Motorcycles must be inspected at least once every 12 months at a station DMV has licensed to perform motorcycle safety inspections. Customers should look for a yellow and black sign reading "Official NYS Motorcycle Inspection Station." You can look up registered businesses on the DMV website.

You cannot renew a registration that is suspended or revoked; is expired for more than a year; or if the motorcycle has not been inspected in the past 12 months. If the registration is expired for



more than a year, you will have to reregister it at a DMV office or by mail.

To be operated on public roadways, motorcycles must have liability coverage. This applies to motorcycles registered out-of-state as well as to those registered in New York.

Drivers are reminded that they are likely to see an increase in motorcyclists sharing the road. Drivers should watch for and give motorcyclists' room, just as they should be increasingly aware of bicyclists and pedestrians who are more commonly out in the warmer months.

Safety tips for drivers:

- Always allow a motorcyclist the full lane width - never try to share a lane.
- Check mirrors and blind spots before entering or exiting a lane of traffic, and at intersections.

- Always signal your intentions before changing lanes or merging with traffic.

- Allow more following distance - three or four seconds - when behind a motorcycle so the motorcyclist has enough time to maneuver or stop in an emergency.

- Never tailgate. In dry conditions, motorcycles can stop more quickly than cars.

- Never drive while distracted.

Safety tips for motorcyclists:

- Avoid riding in poor weather conditions.

- Wear brightly colored protective gear and a DOT-compliant helmet.

- Use turn signals for every turn or lane change.

- Combine hand signals and turn signals to draw more attention to yourself.

- Use reflective tape and stickers to increase conspicuity.

- Position yourself in the lane where you will be most visible to other drivers.

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Wreaths Across America and Gold Star Wives of America Inc. enter partnership

On April 15, national nonprofit Wreaths Across America (WAA) announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Gold Star Wives of America Inc. (GSW), in an effort to build a stronger awareness for each group's common missions while supporting educational events throughout the nation that will help teach lessons of character and patriotism to the next generation.

Founded in 2007, and headquartered in Columbia Falls, Maine, WAA is best known for its annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, and now more than 2,500 additional locations

nationwide, and the yearlong efforts to support its mission to remember the fallen, honor those who serve and their families and teach the next generation the value of freedom. GSW is a Congressionally-chartered nonprofit service organization established 1945. Its mission is to exist to preserve and enhance benefits to surviving U.S. military spouses and children; to help its members and their children face the future with courage and determination; and to honor the memory of their military spouses who made the ultimate sacrifice.

The signed MOU between the two groups outlines nine key agreements, such as establishment of a steering committee with a representative from each organization and collaborative volunteer efforts to provide

opportunities for joint event and community service activities that bring awareness to both groups' missions.

"Since WAA was founded, Gold Star Wives have been involved in the mission and its members play an important part in the sharing the stories of character and service we hope to teach to the country," said Karen Worcester, executive director of WAA. "This official partnership is long overdue, and I'm eager to start our work together. Our combined efforts will no doubt help to shape and inform the next generation of patriots."

The current national president of GSW, Nancy Menagh, has devoted her life to service, not only as a military spouse supporting her husband, Captain Philip S. Menagh, U.S. Marine Corps, but continuing on long after his passing and teaching her children the importance of sacrifice and character – both served in the U.S. Air Force. She said, "Our membership is made up of the men and women left behind. While our loved one made the supreme sacrifice, we are the ones left to live that sacrifice every day. We are an organization that serves ... our spouses served and we serve!"

This year, National Wreaths Across America Day will take place on Saturday, Dec. 18 at over 2,500 participating locations nationwide. "The experience of placing a wreath at the final resting place of one of our nation's veterans and understanding the healing that this simple gesture has for so many families and the opportunity it provides to share the stories of these heroes, makes this an important partnership," Menagh concluded.



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Calendar of events

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May 3

Author John Ferling presents: After Saratoga: The War that Britain Nearly Won at 7 p.m. Register at tinyurl.com/4bedkjzs.

May 22

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Alzheimer's Foundation of America Brain Health Awareness Webinar for New York Veterans 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Register at www.alzfdn.org/veterans.

May 26

Service on the Home Front: Rationing During WWII 6:30 p.m. Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site Via Zoom and live on Facebook. For more info, contact David Brooks at 518.829.7516 or visit www.nysparks.com.

July 24

Moses Quinby Day. Beekeeping convention and Public field day. Speakers. Craft/food vendors. Kids' activities. Music. Fort Klock, 10-4. For info: mosesquinby62@gmail.com.

May 12

DeWitts Duel: Political Rivalry at Ten Paces 6:30 p.m. Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site Via Zoom and live on Facebook. Contact David Brooks at 518.829.7516 or visit www.nysparks.com.

June 10

The Morris Canal with Tim Roth 6:30 p.m. Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site Via Webex only. For more info, contact David Brooks at 518.829.7516 or visit www.nysparks.com.

August 6-8

American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference presented by Fort Plain Museum. Details TBA.

May 18

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June 12

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Fort Plain Museum welcomes award-winning historian/author

The Fort Plain Museum will welcome award-winning historian/author John Ferling on May 3 at 7 p.m. during a Book Release and Free Virtual Event. The topic of the evening will be about Ferling's book *After Saratoga: The War that Britain Nearly Won*. Register at tinyurl.com/4bedkjzs.

Description

It was 1778, and the recent American victory at Saratoga had netted the U.S a powerful ally in France. Many, including General George Washington, presumed France's entrance into the war meant independence was just around the corner.

Meanwhile, having lost an entire army at Saratoga, Great Britain pivoted to a "southern strategy." The army would henceforth seek to regain its southern colonies, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, a highly profitable segment of its pre-war American empire. Deep into 1780 Britain's new approach seemed headed for success as the U.S. economy collapsed and morale on the home front waned. By early 1781, Washington, and others, feared that France would drop out of the war if the Allies failed to score a decisive victory that year. Sir Henry Clinton, commander of Britain's army, thought

"the rebellion is near its end." Washington, who had been so optimistic in 1778, despaired: "I have almost ceased to hope."

Ferling provides the dramatic story of how and why Great Britain-so close to regaining several southern colonies and rendering the postwar United States a fatally weak nation ultimately failed to win the war. Ferling explores the choices and decisions made by Clinton and Washington, and others, that ultimately led the French and American allies to clinch the pivotal victory at Yorktown that at long last secured American independence.

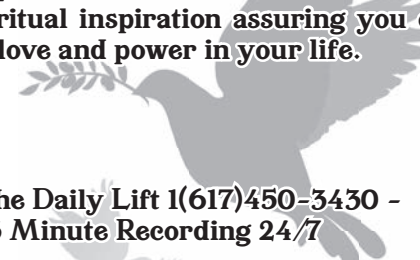
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- Guide you through the process of implementing clean energy projects

- Connect you with the right energy contractors who can implement clean energy projects

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Schoharie Crossing events this spring

April will be a quiet month for programming offered by Schoharie Crossing. The site is getting ready for the season, finalizing some projects and gearing up for more work on the Master Plan for the site.

What's coming up:

- April 24 - Canal Clean Sweep: Looking a little different this year as we are limited to 10 volunteers for an official event. We'll be cleaning up along the creek bank and over at Lock E12.

- May 1: Opening Day for the Visitor Center and I Love My Park Day. We'll be sprucing up the place and getting out along the trails to welcome people to the site.

Online Programs

- May 12 - DeWitt's Duel: Political Rivalry at Ten Paces - Presented by Schoharie Crossing for the Fulton County Historical Society & Museum, this is part one of a two-part program collaboration with that organization. The FCHS will be hosting via Zoom and live on their Facebook page, starting at 6:30 p.m.

- May 21 - A Crossing Situation - Presented by Schoharie Crossing for the Canal Society of New Jersey. This program will be offered online and more information will be coming as to how you can access this presentation about how the canal crossed through and then over the Schoharie Creek.

- May 26 - Service on the Homefront: Rationing During WWII - with Samantha Hall-Saladino, executive director of the Fulton County Historical Society & Museum. This will be hosted by them via Zoom and offered live on their Facebook page starting at 6:30 p.m.

- June 9 - The Morris Canal with Tim Roth of the Canal Society of New Jersey - Explore the history of the 100-mile-long canal across the state of New Jersey that used 23 locks and 23 incline planes to transport cargo.

For more information, contact David Brooks, education director, Parks & Recreation, NYS Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site, at 518.829.7516 or visit www.nysparks.com.

Fort Plain Free Library to host May 18 book discussion

Loyalty, a sense of belonging and a quest for meaningfulness are at the heart of Sebastian Junger's 2016 book, "Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging" – the next book to be discussed at the Fort Plain Free Library. Books and audiobooks are now available for borrowing in advance of the Tuesday, May 18 in-person event

at 3 p.m.

A journalist, author and filmmaker, Junger explores what we can learn about those topics from tribal societies, particularly in relation to returning combat veterans. As noted in the jacket, the book helps explain "why we are stronger when we come together and how that can be achieved in

today's divided world."

To reserve a copy of the book and to participate in the free book discussion, contact the library at 518.993.4646, fortplain-free-library@gmail.com or message the library on Facebook.

The Fort Plain Free Library is located at 19 Willett St., and is open from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Thursday; and Saturdays from 9 a.m. - noon. Follow the library on Facebook for updates.

Bible trivia

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Gilead in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Solomon asked, what biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder? Woman's scorn, Evil brother, Tax collector, Wine
3. From John 1:42, what name did Jesus give to Simon Peter? Macedonia, Nahu, Cephas, Eli
4. In Psalms 68 what are the dove's feathers covered with? Manna, Gold,

Leaves, Blood

5. From John 3, who came to Jesus under the cover of night? Elijah, Amos, Nicodemus, Meshah
6. Who was the "Gloomy Prophet"? Gehazi, Joel, Jeremiah, Jehoshaphat

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Wine; 3) Cephas; 4) Gold; 5) Nicodemus; 6) Jeremiah

Comments? More Trivia? Gift ideas? Visit www.TriviaGuy.com

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Put more you into your wedding day

(Family Features) – A wedding day is filled with symbolic tradition, from varied religious customs to the never-ending circle reflected in the rings and the types of flowers accentuating the celebration. Even with all the traditional rituals to consider, nearly every bride and groom can find ways to give their special day some unique touches that reflect their personality and love.

Music sets the mood for every wedding, and it's an easy place to put your own spin on the celebration. Whether you forgo the traditional bridal march entirely or simply look for an arrangement that gives an updated twist to the classic version, let guests know this isn't your average wedding by setting the festivities against a soundtrack that lets your true character shine.

The wedding party is intended to be a collection of those nearest and dearest to the bride and groom, who help ensure the day goes off without a hitch and who lead fellow revelers in celebrating the

start of the new couple's life together. That being said, there's no reason this group must be limited to women on her side and guys on his, or even that it's limited to humans – a beloved pooch can make for an adorable ring-bearer, after all.

Photography is an essential element of your big day, but think beyond the images you'll capture throughout the wedding and reception. Photos lend a personal touch, no matter what your color scheme or theme. Integrate photos of the two of you at various stages of life, together as a couple and with loved ones (perhaps even some you're honoring in memoriam). You can display these at a table with the guest book, as part of the table centerpieces or even on the gift table. Or take things digital and load all your images into a slideshow set to music.

Make favors meaningful. Forgo more common items like bubbles and chocolate, and instead send a little of yourself home with your guests. Maybe it's a memento

from a place with special meaning to you both, or a bottle opener shaped like a bicycle to represent the way you met. Just think about the moments and things that define you as a couple and do some searching online. You'll probably be surprised by how quickly the options pile up.

Serve up a menu that shows guests more about your life together. Your loved ones can order basic beef or chicken anywhere. Instead, give them a glimpse into you. Make your main course the same food you enjoyed on your first date or during another monumental moment in your courtship. Or plan the entire menu around a region that you hold close to your heart.

Weddings are filled with traditions, but that doesn't mean you can't put your own touches on the day for a special event filled with memories that are uniquely your own. Find more advice for life's special moments at elivingtoday.com.

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Three Herkimer College students receive SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence

Three Herkimer County Community College students have received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence (CASE).

Carynn Bohley, of Salem; Kaitlyn Jenks, of Canajoharie; and Taylor Listovitch, of Ilion, were among the CASE honor-

ees for 2021. The award recognizes students for outstanding achievements that have demonstrated the integration of SUNY excellence in areas such as academics, leadership, campus involvement, community service, or the arts. All three students will graduate in May 2021.

Carynn Bohley, a general studies student, was named to the President's List all four semesters while attending Herkimer College and participated in the Honors Program during her second year. Enrolling at the College through the Internet Academy when she was only 16 years old, Bohley will receive her associate in arts degree before her eighteenth birthday. She has been a leader on campus and contributed an advice piece regarding online learning to the College's official blog to assist her peers as they transitioned to remote learning due to COVID-19. Bohley also serves as an editor for the College's student-run news outlet The General and its literary and arts publication Phaethon.

Outside of the classroom, Bohley is a published author. She has self-published several short stories and a novella, and she was able to sign with publishing company Darkstroke Books in Fall 2020. Bohley released her first fantasy novel, *Darkness Rise*, with the company on Nov. 20. She also runs a writers blog, YouTube channel and dabbles in taxidermy.

Kaitlyn Jenks, a communication and media studies student, was named to the President's List all four semesters while attending Herkimer College and furthered her education by taking courses over the winter and summer terms. She serves as vice president of chapter growth for Herkimer College's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society. Jenks led the chapter's 2020 Honors in Action project, where students researched various aspects of COVID-19 safety guidelines and developed informative posters and social media graphics to combat misinformation about the virus. They also



Taylor Listovitch '21, of Ilion.
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Kaitlyn Jenks '21, of Canajoharie.



Carynn Bohley '21, of Salem.

Three from 11 — held a mask drive and provided custom reusable masks to approximately 100 students. Jenks is also a senator in the College's Student Government Association, a peer tutor in the Academic Support Center, and an editor for both The General and Phaethon.

Jenks volunteers with The Shadow Project, a nonprofit organization based in Portland, OR, that aims to make school more accessible and engaging for young students with learning disabilities. In her role with the group, Jenks ensures students receive their incentive awards for reaching specified academic and learning goals, and she assists the communications department with creative outreach and innovation initiatives.

Taylor Listovitch, a legal studies student, has

been on both the Dean's List and President's List and is a member of the College's Honors Program and the Phi Theta Kappa honor society. She was elected president of the Student Government Association and also holds office as the student trustee on the College's Board of Trustees. Listovitch also serves on the Faculty-Student Association, the Academic Senate, and Herkimer College President Cathleen McColgin's Leaders at Lunch Council. Listovitch represented the student perspective when the College was undergoing its reaccreditation process, speaking to reviewing members of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education about student life at Herkimer College. She works as an

on-campus tour guide, a secretary for the College's Admissions Office, and is a student ambassador for prospective students. Listovitch is captain of the Herkimer College

women's bowling team and was a contributor to Phaethon. She spent her spring semester interning for the Herkimer County board of elections office.

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The Fort Plain Free Library is now open from 9 a.m. to noon each Saturday.

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1/2 cup finely chopped onion

1 (10 3/4-ounce) can reduced-fat cream of celery soup

1 (12 fluid ounce) can evaporated fat-free milk

1/2 cup water

1 (6-ounce) can white tuna, packed in water, drained and flaked

1 1/2 cups frozen whole-kernel corn, thawed

3/4 cup diced cooked potatoes

1 (2.5-ounce) jar sliced mushrooms, drained

1 teaspoon seafood seasoning

1. In a large saucepan sprayed with butter-flavored cooking spray, saute onion for 5 minutes. Stir in celery soup, evaporated milk and water. Add tuna, corn, potatoes, mushrooms and seafood seasoning. Mix well to combine.

2. Lower heat and simmer 6 to 8 minutes or until mixture is heated through, stirring occasionally. Makes 4 (1 1/2 cup) servings.

* Each serving equals: About 242 calories, 2g fat, 21g protein, 35g carb., 559mg sodium, 2g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 1 1/2 Meat, 1 1/2 Starch, 1 Fat-Free Milk, 1/2 Vegetable.

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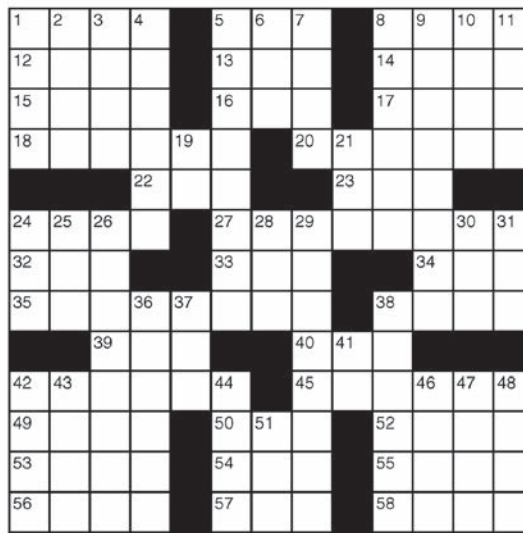
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
 Unlisted clue hint: PROTESTER REFUSING TO EAT

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- 1 Repast
- 5 "Ben- —"
- 8 Lawman Wyatt
- 12 "Frozen" snow queen
- 13 "Right you —!"
- 14 Computer brand
- 15 Slightly
- 16 Actress Long
- 17 Hindu royal
- 18 Tidy up
- 20 Toto, to Dorothy
- 22 Peyton's brother
- 23 Commonest English word
- 24 Easter entrees
- 27 Vinegar variety
- 32 X-ray's cousin
- 33 Chopper
- 34 Hostel
- 35 "Becoming" author Obama
- 38 Read quickly
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- 40 Wildebeest
- 42 "Yippee!"
- 45 Held up
- 49 "Mamma Mia" group
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- 52 Actress Kate

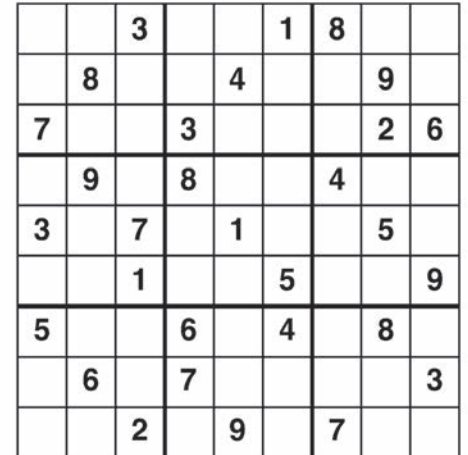


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- 7 Harvest
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- 9 Campus figure
- 10 Gambling mecca
- 11 Bluenose
- 19 Chicago transport
- 21 UFO crew
- 24 "Let me think ..."
- 25 "Exodus" hero
- 26 Germs
- 28 Rocker Rose
- 29 "Shampoo" Oscar winner
- 30 — pickle
- 31 Blitzer's channel
- 36 Badger
- 37 Clean-air org.
- 38 Hand in
- 41 "Forget it!"
- 42 Corridor
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- 51 Half of XIV

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
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STICKELERS (sic)

by Terry Stickels

Match the shade on the left with its color on the right.

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| 1. bisque | a. yellow-green |
| 2. arsenic | b. purple |
| 3. chartreuse | c. off-white |
| 4. teal | d. blue |
| 5. mauve | e. gray |
| 6. cerulean | f. green-blue |

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

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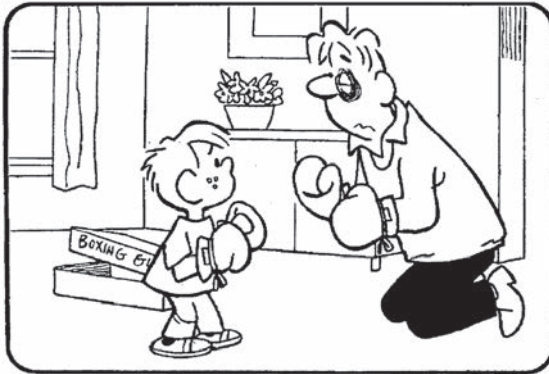
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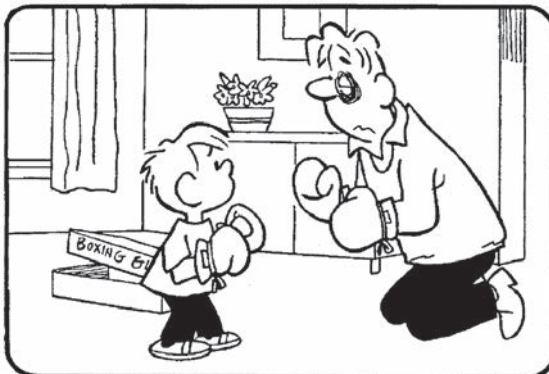


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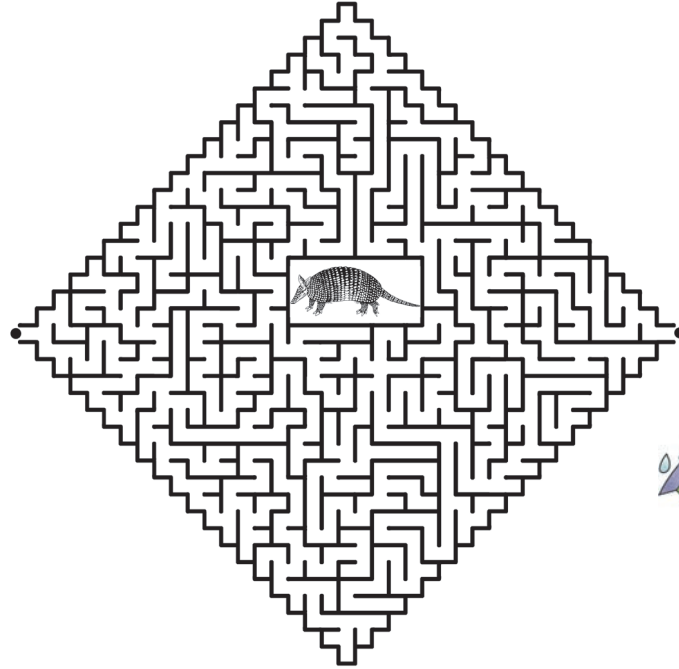
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Curtain is wider. 2. Flower is missing. 3. Frame is smaller. 4. Freckles are missing. 5. Pants are different. 6. Flowerpot is different.



King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF - A - DAY



"Maybe he's getting too old for a baby-sitter."

Stickelers Answer

1-c, 2-e, 3-a, 4-f, 5-b, 6-d

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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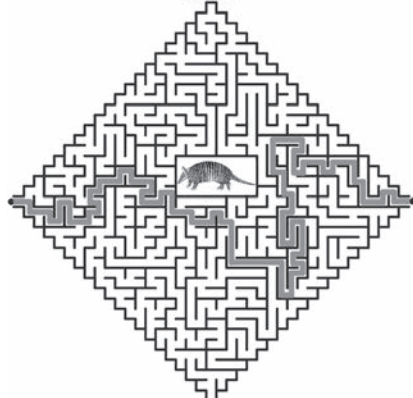


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As the vows say, marriage is in good times and in bad. It may simply require some flexibility and creativity to make your dream day a reality.

Enlist help from an experienced coordinator. If you weren't planning to use a wedding

coordinator, the pandemic is a compelling reason to reconsider. Keeping track of changing mandates and how they affect gatherings, crowd sizes and more is a job in its own right. Allowing your coordinator to keep tabs on the latest recommendations, and adjust arrangements with your vendors accordingly, may save a great deal of time and frustration.

Be realistic about your invite list. A year ago, it would have been unthinkable to create a tiered guest list and even consider making cuts even after invites go out. Today, that decision may be out of your hands. Rather than waiting until

you get news that you'll have to make cuts, take time now, with a level head and less emotion affecting your decisions, to segment your list. Determine who absolutely must be present as you exchange vows then expand in increments. Your coordinator or venue contact can help you determine thresholds (e.g., 25, 50 or 100 guests) based on the guidelines in your community.

Understand expectations. Vendors are required to enforce local guidelines, so ensure you're clear on what measures they will implement on your day. This may include everything from masks and distancing to

whether you're allowed to use a dance floor during the reception.

Keep guests informed. If you haven't already, create a blog or send out regular updates about wedding plans to guests. If circumstances require you to uninvite someone, be conscious of timing and give plenty of notice so travel can be canceled, if necessary. As the event approaches, be clear about expectations so guests can arrive prepared or bow out if they're not comfortable with what you're planning.

Make safety convenient. Providing masks, gloves and sanitizer can all go a long way to help make guests feel more secure at your event. A personalized hand sanitizer holder might even be a practical gift that guests can use and think fondly of your wedding day.

Forego traditions, for now. The pandemic won't last forever, but while it's still here, consider skipping high-contact traditions like photos that bring multiple households together or a receiving line where everyone is in close contact. One alternative is to plan a mini-wedding (or even elope) now, and save the bigger celebration for later, when everyone can honor your marriage more safely.

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by Angela Shelf Medearis
Spring mix greens herald a new season

Years ago, when bags and bins of spring mix lettuce greens first appeared in the grocery stores in early March, I must admit, I was skeptical. To me, spring mix looked like small leaves of multicolored lettuce mixed with lawn clippings. The variety of colors and flavors, textures and varieties were radically different from my traditional (and quite frankly boring) salad consisting of iceberg and romaine leaves, and maybe a tomato or two.

After trying spring mix, I've become a fan of the interesting combination of flavors and textures. Now one of my favorite spring pastimes is visiting my local farmers market and looking at all the varieties of lettuce greens at their colorful best.

Spring mix, also known as "mesclun," is a name used for a salad mixture of leaves of various species. The name comes from the Spanish word "mezclar," which translates as "to mix." Traditional mesclun

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This recipe is a delicious way to welcome spring.

usually consisted of chervil, arugula, lettuce and endive.

Now, spring mix is typically made up of 16 fresh greens and lettuces of varying tastes and textures, including red romaine, baby spinach, radicchio, green romaine, red oak leaf, mizuna, red leaf, lollo rosso, arugula, red mustard, green

mustard, red chard, frisee and tatsoi. About half of the greens and lettuces are sweet and mild, while others provide a complementary, slightly bitter edge.

Spring mix is available year-round with a peak season in spring and summer. These delicate greens contain a punch of flavor and are packed with vitamins A, C and E, calcium and potassium.

Here's an overview of the many types of spring mix lettuce greens.

Arugula or Rocket — Typically has long, spiked, dark green leaves and a strong, peppery flavor, especially when the leaves are larger and wild-harvested. Cultivated arugula varies in intensity of flavor, so taste before using. Arugula adds a bold punch to salads or an intense note as an ingredient in hearty dishes.

Little Gem lettuce — A mixture of soft leaves with a slight crunch, similar to butter lettuce in texture.

Mesclun — A combination of tender, wild-harvested or cultivated young greens. Most mesclun varieties include greens with texture and peppery flavor such as curly endive, mezzaluna, mustard leaves, watercress, arugula, purslane, cress, Asian greens like mizuna, red kale and chicory, and a few herbs such as cilantro, basil or parsley.

Mache, corn salad or lamb's lettuce — Grows in a tight bunch of 4 or 5 leaves attached to a root. It has more flavor and texture than most salad greens, but requires more care when cleaning because grit and dirt tend to settle in the rosette-shaped leaves near the roots.

Dandelion — Greens are a dark emerald color and are bitter. They add a distinctive flavor component when added raw, but lose some of their sharpness when cooked low and slow.

Escarole — Has a subtle bite, hearty texture.

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10 tips to recognize ripe fruits

(Culinary.net) Keeping fresh fruit around the house provides a healthier alternative when your sweet tooth comes calling. Understanding how and when to buy at the peak of ripeness (or just before, in some cases) can help you avoid food waste while keeping your doctor happy.

Consider these simple tips for recognizing ripe fruits:

- **Strawberries:** Check the area at the top of the berry near the stem and leaves. A ripe strawberry is fully red; green or white near the top means the fruit is underripe.
- **Watermelon:** The "field spot," or the area where the melon sat on the ground, should be yellow, and a tap on the rind should produce a hollow sound.
- **Cherries:** Flesh should appear dark with a crimson color and feel firm.
- **Blueberries:** Similar to cherries, color should deepen to dark blue. A reddish or pink color may be visible in unripe berries.

- **Blackberries:** Look for a smooth texture without any red appearance. Because blackberries don't ripen after being picked, they tend to spoil quickly.

- **Cantaloupe:** You should detect a sweet smell, and the melon should feel heavy upon lifting.

- **Peaches:** A sweet, fragrant odor should be apparent. Skin should feel tender but not soft.

- **Pineapple:** Smell is again an important factor for pineapple - a sweet scent shows it's ready, but a vinegary one likely means it's overripe.

- **Raspberries:** Generally follow the same rules as blackberries. Best eaten within a couple days of purchase, a bright red color represents ripe berries.

- **Bananas:** A ripe banana features a peel lightly spotted without significant bruising. Your best bet may be to purchase bananas still slightly green and allow them to ripen at home.

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ture and a longer growing season. During the spring months, escarole is sweeter and at its tender best. Add it raw to provide complexity to a salad or as an interesting addition to cooked dishes in place of spinach.

Pea greens — These are the giant, tangled vines on which peas grow. Pea greens are typically available at farmers markets in spring and early summers.

Break out the salad bowl and try a variety of spring mix lettuce greens in nontraditional ways. This recipe showcases spring mix salad topped with crunchy cucumber slices, seeds or nuts, tart cherries, creamy goat cheese and a drizzle of Maple Balsamic Dressing. It's a delicious way to welcome spring.

Spring greens with goat cheese and cherries

- 1 (12-ounce) bag spring mix greens
 - 12 cherry or grape tomatoes or 2 small/medium tomatoes, cut into wedges
 - 1/2 large cucumber, sliced
 - 1/3 cup dried cherries or cranberries
 - 3 tablespoons roasted, salted sunflower seeds or roasted almonds
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
 - 1/2 cup crumbled goat cheese
- Add the greens, tomatoes, cucumbers, dried cherries or cranberries, and sunflower seeds into a large bowl or platter. Sprinkle with the salt and pepper, and toss lightly with desired amount of dressing (recipe follows), then top with crumbled goat cheese. Serves 4.

Maple balsamic dressing

- 4 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 2 teaspoons pure maple syrup or maple-flavored agave syrup
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup olive or vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Whisk everything together in a medium bowl until emulsified, or place all the ingredients into a jar with a tight-fitting top and shake until everything is well-combined. Store remaining dressing in the fridge for up to 1 week. Shake to recombine the ingredients before using. Makes about 1/2 cup.

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Learn the right ways to clean lawn and patio furniture

Once the days begin to grow a little bit longer and the numbers on the thermometer creep a tad higher, outdoor entertaining season is right around the corner. Homeowners may be anxious to once again return to the comforts of their backyards. However, their patio furniture may not be ready for lounging just yet.

Some simple cleaning strategies make it easy to brighten outdoor furniture made of metal, glass, wood, and plastic. Before homeowners know it, their backyards will be ready for outdoor entertaining season.

Proper storage

Storing outdoor furniture during the colder months of the year is a great way to protect items from the elements. This may involve careful shrink-wrapping and keeping items outdoors, or by moving furniture indoors to a shed or garage. Cleaning the furniture one last time before storing it also can be handy.

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A mild cleanser can be made by mixing 1/2 cup baking soda with 1 gallon of warm water, according to the experts at Better Homes & Gardens. Regular dishwashing detergent also can be mixed with water, as it has a mild bleaching agent. This cleanser can be used on plastic resin furniture or metal furniture,

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Remove stuck-on debris

Inspect furniture and be prepared to remove any stuck-on debris, such as bird droppings, sticky food residue or even cobwebs and insect nests. Be sure to use a cleaning tool that is safe for the material you are cleaning. Test an inconspicuous area of the furniture first to ensure your tools don't damage the furniture. For example, many scrub brushes can scratch glass or aluminum.

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Patio fabrics

Check the cleaning instructions of outdoor fabrics, as there might be specific instructions on the tags. In some cases, fabric may be removed and washed in a washing machine on a gentle setting. A solution of dish soap and warm water also is a gentle way to clean outdoor fabrics. Once items are clean, HGTV advises applying a water-repellent fabric protector to minimize staining and maintenance.

Strip or sand

Wood furniture may need specialized care. If stains cannot be removed with a mild cleanser, then hard woods like teak can be surface-sanded to restore items' original look.

Pressure washers can often do more harm than good to patio furniture, so it's best to look for an alternative way to clean them. Usually a bit of elbow grease and a cleanser is all that's needed. Give the cleaning product time to work. Wipe down and dry the furniture thoroughly to prevent the growth of mildew.

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Adding plants to water features

Water features can make for relaxing and eye-catching additions to outdoor spaces. According to the online gardening resource Garden Know-How, a water feature is any landscape enhancement that uses water and other material to bring tranquility and beauty to a space.

Thanks to their soothing sounds and aesthetic appeal, water features like ponds and fountains are often included in healing gardens. But they can be used in any and all landscapes.

plants thrive with roots in mud and their tops in shallow water. Broadleaf arrowhead is another option, as it can do well in a pond's shallow edges. It's a perennial so it will come back and requires little maintenance.

Floating plants

Many plants can live on the surface of the water and provide hiding spots for wildlife in a natural water feature setting. Lotus, also called water lily, is a popular and fragrant option. Water hyacinth produces vibrant lavender flowers that pop on stems that can reach three feet in height. This stunning species can be invasive, but it can be managed by planting within a hoop or submerged woven basket, indicates Happy DIY Home. Other free-floating plants to consider are duckweed, fairy moss and butterfly fern. Floating plants look beautiful and they can help filter water and control algae growth.

Submerged plants

Submerged plants are a necessity in water features that have fish.

Submerged plants are grown in weighted pots placed on the bottom of the pond. They provide shelter for fish and help oxygenate the water. Hornwort, anacharis, water milfoil, and dwarf sagittaria are some examples of submerged plants.

Water features attract wildlife, including potentially pesky insects. Planting pitcher plants in submerged pots can help reduce the presence of unwanted insects in a water feature.

Some water-loving plants are

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invasive, so it is always best to check with a cooperative extension or DEC office to see if certain floating or submerged plants are restricted where you live. For those who want to contain plants, placing pots of cascading greenery and flowers near to fountains, pools and ponds is another way to add appeal without having to dig in the ground.



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Surrounding plants

It is possible to create a miniature ecosystem in a yard by surrounding a water feature with certain plants. Gardening Know-How advises using cannula or taro at the edge of a pond. These

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