

OCTOBER
2020



Manager's Memo . . .

My 16-year old has been playing golf for just about 2 years now and has really turned very quickly into a very good player. The golf swing came pretty easy to him and if you were to watch him, you would think he had been playing for years. Yesterday was a tournament for school golf teams in our area in which those with the best 16 scores would move on to the next tournament. He practiced and played a lot the week prior to the tournament. While well prepared, he did not play well on the tournament day and will not advance to the next tournament. He was devastated to say the least.

As adults, we know things like this are not the most important things in life. However, they do serve as great learning opportunities. In my son's case, he will have a choice to give up the game, which would be the easiest thing to do or to continue to work and only get better. (I am sure the latter will be his choice.) The experience will only make him a better golfer when the next tournament comes around.

As in my son's situation, we have several young staff members who have a good educational background but who may struggle at times when working directly in a resident's home. Working in a resident's home is similar to my son's playing in his golf tournament. The young workers feel the pressure to "score" well with the repair job for the sake of the resident. They also feel the pressure to demonstrate their abilities to their supervision. We have thrown some of these young guys into some significant challenges. This was not our plan. As we brought them on, we had the intent of having them work alongside an experienced staffer. Fortunately, or unfortunately, depending on your perspective, we have become extremely busy with sales and our most experienced staff have been needed to prepare homes for move ins.

I felt it important to explain the circumstances of our younger staff. While you deserve the best of service, I ask for your patience as our younger staff develops. We will continue to provide more training to our younger staff as time permits. We will be encouraging them to not fear calling the more experienced staff for assistance if struggles arise. We are also looking for your feedback. With this in mind, please consider contacting the office with any comments that will help in our developing them into the best that they can be.

My continued thanks,
John





Josh

New Staff Member!

We are pleased to introduce
Josh
as the newest member to our team.

Josh has 17 years of construction experience and is joining us as a member of the refurbishment and on-call teams.

We are excited to have him as the newest member of our team.

Welcome Josh!

Face Masks, Social Distancing and Sign-In Sheet Reminders

(Detailed information can be found on the flyers posted for the SRC Exercise Room and Salon.)

- **FACE MASKS** MUST BE WORN:
 - BRC Garden & Rec Center; SRC Community Center
 - Exercise Rooms
 - Salon (by both Stylist and Customer)
 - Common Areas
 - Hallways in the SRC Garden Apartments
- Maintain **6 feet** social distance
- All users must complete the information on the log in sheet before using the Exercise Rooms and Salon for tracking purposes

The bridge area in the garden apartments remains closed.

Fall Shrub Trimming

Penn Outdoor will begin fall shrub trimming the 2nd week of October at SRC. Once SRC has been completed, they will then move to BRC.

(The schedule is dependent upon weather.)

Heater Inspections

Beginning in October and continuing throughout the fall and winter months, our maintenance team will be performing heater safety inspections. The majority of the inspections will take place early morning and entirely in the mechanical room. With the exception of units with heating systems located in the basement whose mechanical rooms are accessed from inside the unit, no attention at all will be required from the resident.

Fall Maintenance Items



With cooler weather coming, it will soon be time to change your heater return vents and filters. There is a simple way to remember which vents need to be open or closed. For winter, open the bottom vents (to keep your feet warm) and close the top vents. Should you need assistance in changing the vents, please call the office to be placed on the list. The maintenance staff will be coming around to change the filters.

You can run your heater before the return vents are changed. The vents only assist in giving better circulation of the heat. We recommend testing your heater prior to the onset of cold weather. The staff would appreciate your testing Monday thru Friday from 9 AM to 3 PM and contact the Office during normal business hours with any issues. This will prevent emergency calls to our maintenance staff.

Dryer Vents

The maintenance staff does not routinely clean dryer vents. Please contact the Office should you experience longer drying cycles or clothes still being damp after a typical drying cycle. This could indicate the dryer vent needs to be cleaned.

Hate to Say It . . . SNOW?

Now is the time to make sure we have a copy of your car key for snow removal especially if you are a new resident or have gotten a new car. Please call the office with any questions.

- It is NOT mandatory to participate with this snow policy.
- A set of your car keys will be kept and locked in our office for our snow crew to be able to move your car at their convenience for plowing.

Outdoor Christmas Decorations, Lights, or Timers

Have you been going through your items these last few months trying to keep busy and came across outdoor Christmas decorations, lights or timers that you were going to donate? If so, please let us know. We would pick them up and use as much as we can to decorate our Community. Anything we cannot use, will be donated.

Happy Halloween!

**Trick
or Treat?**

Saturday, October 31 is Halloween. Due to COVID-19, modified festivities may be held. If the CDC guidelines permit door to door trick or treating and you desire to have little “munchkins” trick or treat at your door, please leave your porch light ON. If you do NOT wish to have them, please turn your front porch light OFF.

Words on Wheels Bookmobile

The Bookmobile is here the 2nd & 4th Monday at 10 AM in the SRC Community Center parking lot.



Lower Pottsgrove Police – Thanksgiving Food Drive

Non-perishable food items and Giant Supermarket gift cards are being collected through October 31 by the Lower Pottsgrove Police Department to create memorable Thanksgiving meals for families facing financial hardship. The effort helps support a program of the Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth, the department said.

Needed as donations are: cans of green beans, corn, sweet potatoes or yams, turkey gravy, and cranberry sauce; boxes of instant mashed potatoes, biscuit or corn bread mixes, stuffing mixes, and dessert mixes. Donated Giant cards, in amounts of \$10 to \$15, will be used by families to purchase a turkey.

You can drop your donations in the BRC Garden & Rec Center. A donation drop box is also located at department headquarters, 2199 Buchert Rd., and is available 24 hours a day. The department said it offers advance thanks to township residents for their support of families in need.

Medicare Annual Open Enrollment October 15 - December 7

Want to learn about Medicare?
Not sure which Medicare plan is right for you?
Presentations:

Medicare 101

September 24, 2020 7:00 pm
September 29, 2020 7:00 pm
October 8, 2020 7:00 pm

What's New for Medicare in 2021 during Open Enrollment?

October 13, 2020 11:00 am
October 27, 2020 11:00 am
November 5, 2020 7:00 pm
November 10, 2020 11:00 am
November 19, 2020 7:00 pm
November 24, 2020 11:00 am
December 3, 2020 7:00 pm

Ed (SRC Resident) will be the presenter for this session.

Pick any presentation. No registration required.

How to access the Presentation

- In your browser on your computer, tablet or smartphone, go to www.zoom.com. Download Zoom app if needed.
- Click on 'Join a Meeting' at the top of the page.
- Enter Meeting ID: 439 627 8077
- Click 'Cancel'
- Click 'Join from your browser'.
- Enter Passcode: 6998237

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Or call us today!

(610) 834-1040 Ext 120

We offer help over the phone.



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Happy Birthday!

- 14 Dick
- 19 Paula



Happy Anniversary!

- 2 Dennis and Paula
- 18 Fred and Betty
- 31 Bob and Barbara



September's Crossword Puzzle Answers

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Daylight Savings Time!

Mark your calendars....Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 1. Don't forget to change your clocks and "Fall Back" one extra hour.



Buchert Bicyclist

The Buchert Ridge bicycle rider (Fred) is announcing that he and his bike have recently turned over 10,000 miles, all within the confines of the Buchert Ridge Community. Out on the open road that represents trips from BRC to California and the Pacific Ocean and back, BRC to Key West Florida and back, BRC to Maine and the Canadian border and back. The next imaginary trip is underway to Anchorage, Alaska, a trip expected to take 4 to 5 years!

11. When you were a child, what was the worst thing you could catch from the opposite sex?

- a. A cold
- b. VD
- c. Cooties

12. "I'll be down to get you in a _____, Honey?"

- a. SUV
- b. Taxi
- c. Streetcar

13. What was the name of Caroline Kennedy's pet pony?

- a. Old Blue
- b. Paint
- c. Macaroni

14. What was a Duck-and-Cover Drill?

- a. Part of the game of hide and seek
- b. What you did when your mom called you in to do chores
- c. Hiding under your desk, covering your head with your arms in an A-bomb drill

15. What was the name of the Indian Princess on the Howdy Doody show?

- a. Princess Summerfallwinterspring
- b. Princess Sacajawea
- c. Princess Moonshadow

16. What did all really savvy students do when mimeographed tests were handed out in school?

- a. Immediately sniffed the purple ink, as this was believed to get you "high"
- b. Made paper airplanes to see who could sail theirs out the window
- c. Wrote another pupils name on the top, to avoid failure

17. Why did your mom shop in stores that gave Green Stamps with purchases?

- a. To keep you out of mischief licking the backs, which tasted like bubble gum
- b. They could be put in special books and redeemed for various household items
- c. They were given to the kids to be used as stick-on tattoos

18. "Praise the Lord, and pass the _____?"

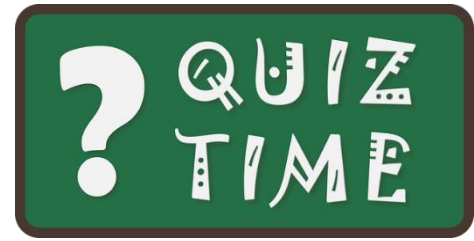
- a. Meatballs
- b. Dames
- c. Ammunition

19. What was the name of the group who made the song "The Gypsy" a hit in the US?

- a. The Ink Spots
- b. The Supremes
- c. The Esquires

20. Who left his heart in San Francisco?

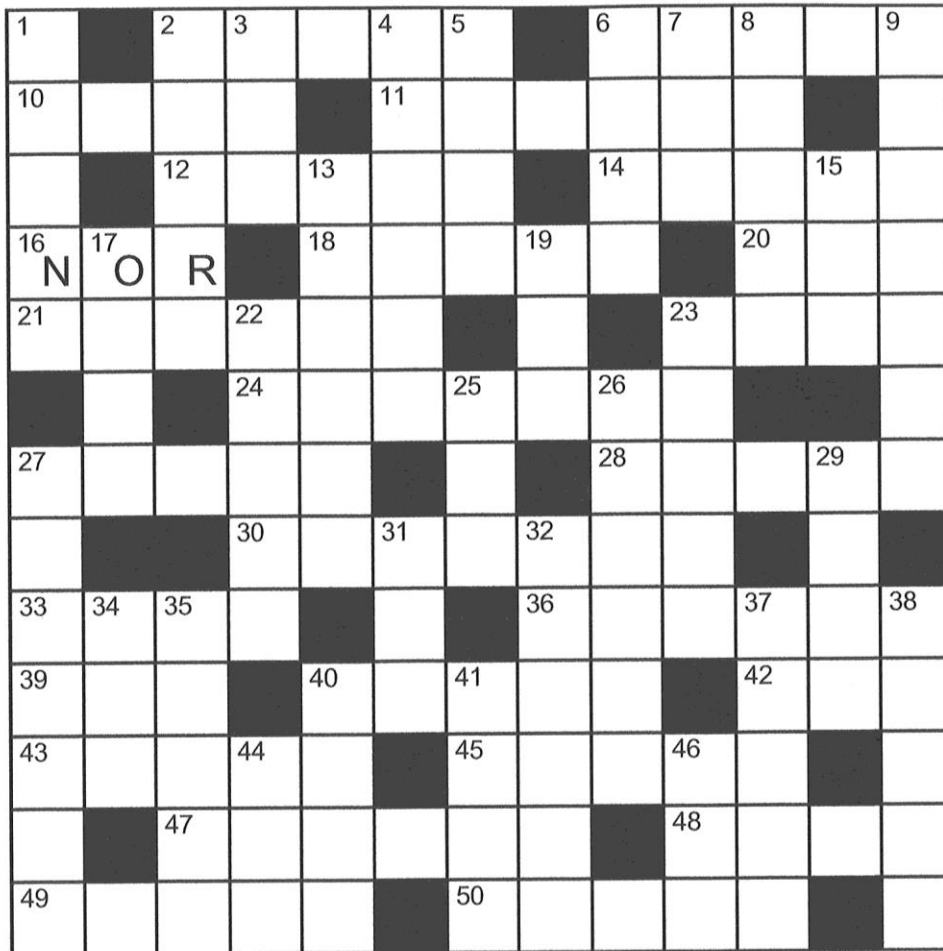
- a. Tony Bennett
- b. Xavier Cugat
- c. George Gershwin



Part 2



- TRIVIA ANSWERS
- 11. c) Cooties.
 - 12. b) Taxi. Better be ready by half-past eight!
 - 13. c) Macaroni.
 - 14. c) Hiding under your desk, covering your head with your arms in an A-bomb drill.
 - 15. a) Princess Summerfallwinterspring. She was another puppet.
 - 16. a) Immediately sniffed the purple ink to get "high."
 - 17. b) Put in a special stamp book, they could be traded for household items at the Green Stamp store.
 - 18. c) Ammunition, and we'll all be free.
 - 19. a) The all male, all black group, The Inkspots.
 - 20. a) Tony Bennett and he sounds just as good today.



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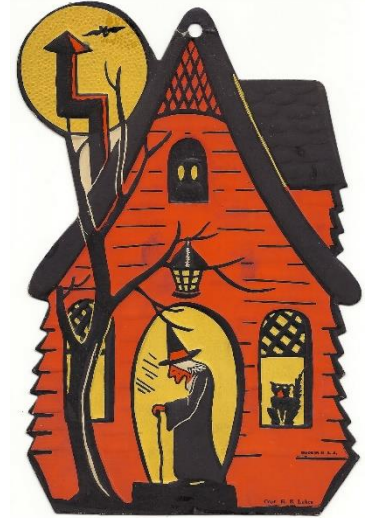
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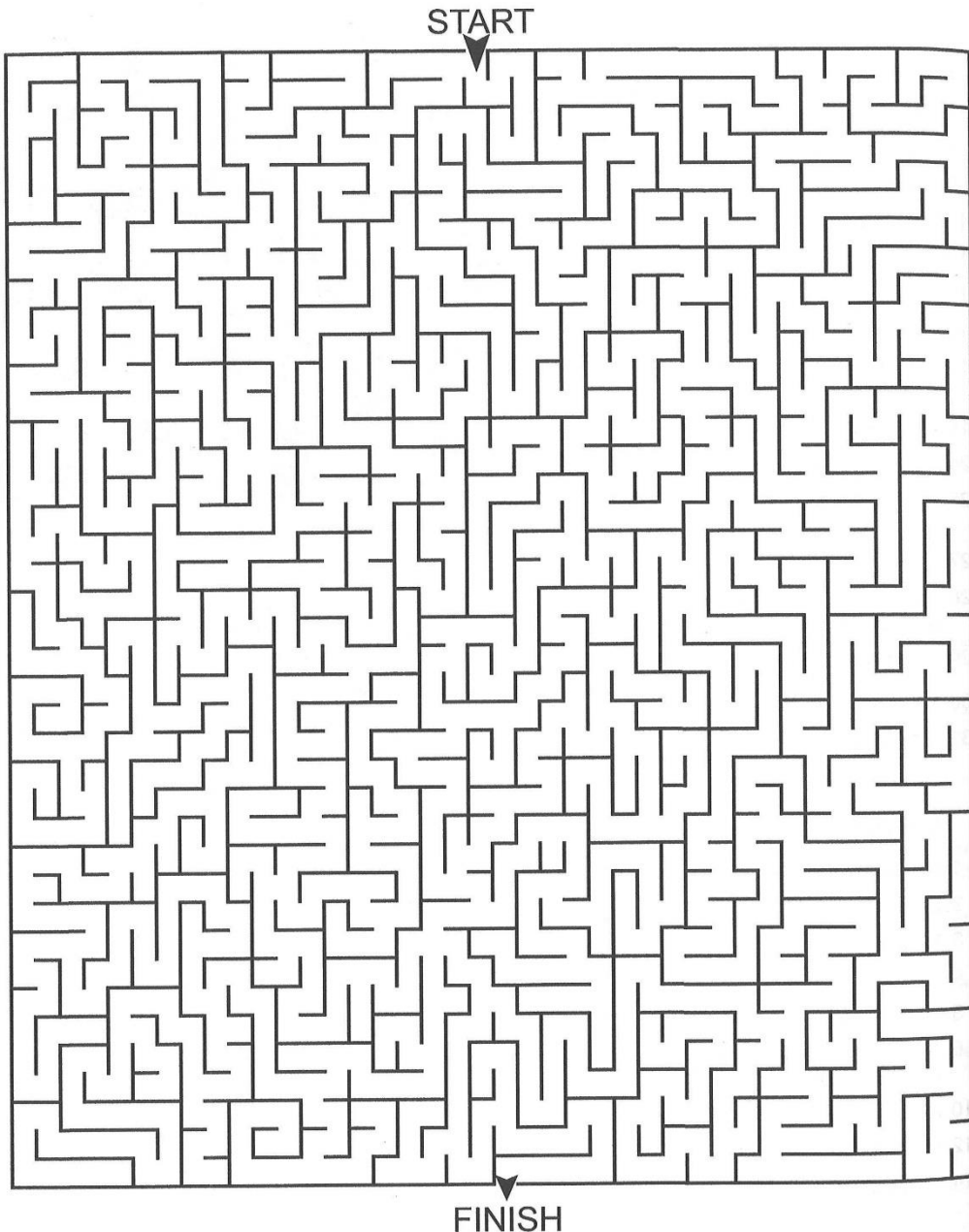


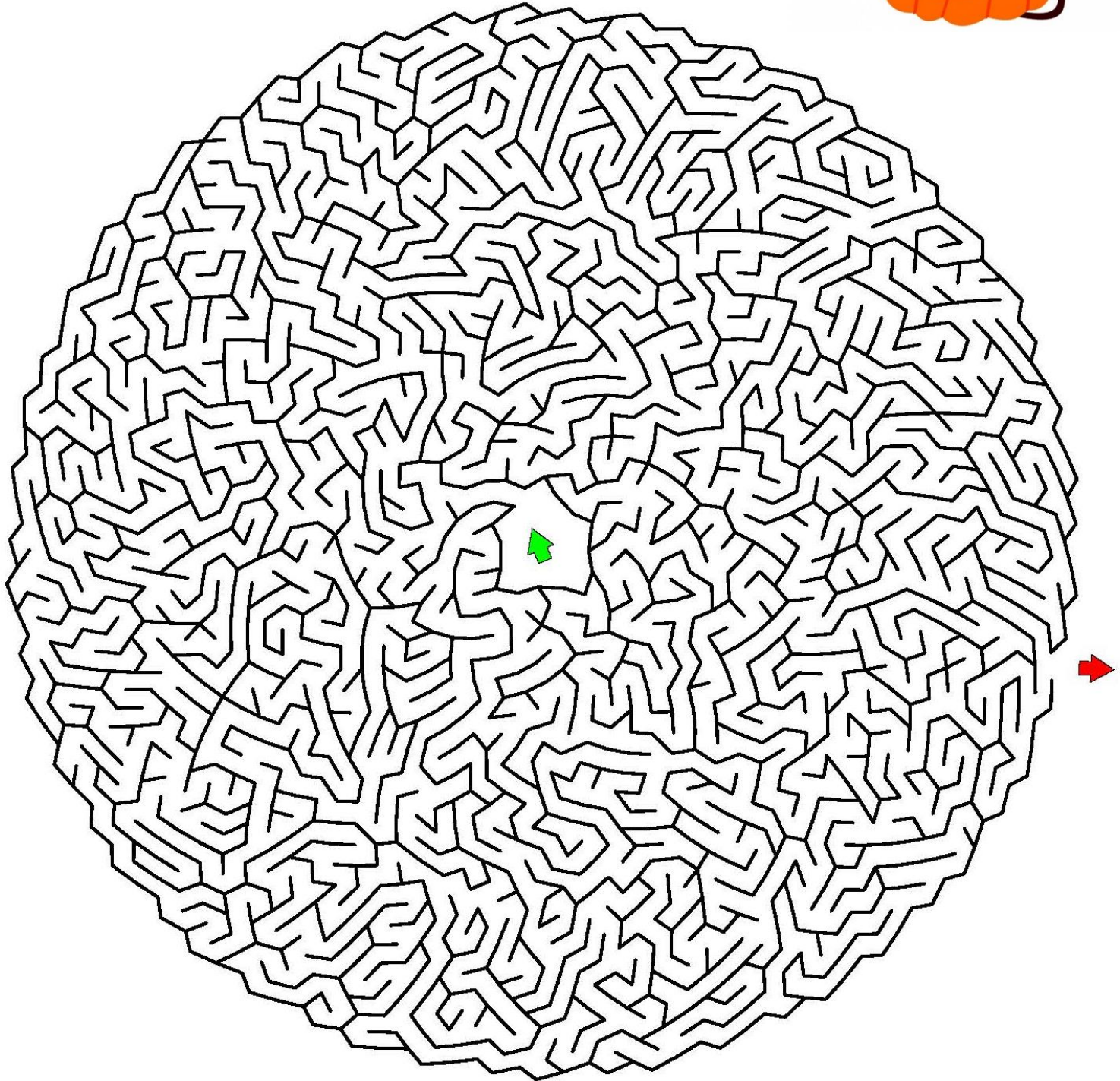
CANDY CORN FUN FACTS



- Yes, there's actually corn in it. Corn syrup, if that counts.
- Each kernel has three colors, about 7 calories and a lot of sugar.
- Manufacturers will produce more than 35 million pounds of the tricolored candy this year. That's almost 9 billion pieces.
- It used to be made by hand in large kettles. It dates to the 1880s, before the automobile and the commercial telephone.
- There's a proper way to eat it. OK, not really. But many people believe that candy corn should be nibbled in a certain manner. While almost half of candy corn consumers gobble the whole piece at once, 43% start with the narrow white end. Another 10% -- the true renegades -- begin eating the wider yellow end first.
- It can be deep-fried.
- There are versions for other holidays. It's not just for Halloween any more. Manufacturers now produce "Indian corn" (with a brown end instead of yellow) for Thanksgiving, "Reindeer corn" (red and green) for Christmas, "Cupid corn" (red and pink) for Valentine's Day, "Bunny corn" (white and various bright colors) for Easter and "Freedom corn" (red, white and blue) for July 4. Can green "St. Paddy's corn" be far behind?

Information from CNN.com





Name Game - ALL

Name: _____

Unit # _____

Name as many songs, poems or nursery rhymes as you can,
which contain the word **ALL** in the title or the lyrics. *Use your memory only. No Googling!*

Submit answers to the office "In-Box" on the wall by October 15.

Winner will be announced in next month's Ridge Reporter. (First one is filled in as an example).

Good Luck!

1. Hail, Hail, the gang's **ALL** here
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