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Cruise Season Finale





President's Message

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Hello Everyone!

As the saying goes, all good things must come to an end. Yes, it's officially the end of cruise season: windshield time gives way to winter coats, and our beloved Corvettes begin their annual hibernation ritual. Some of us handle this transition gracefully, while others stand in the garage for a suspiciously long time, pretending we're "just checking the tire pressure." No tears. Be strong!

But while the cars may be going into storage, the fun certainly isn't. One of the best things about the EMCC is that the season may be over, but the camaraderie never is. Our Wednesday lunch gatherings continue to roll along, and if there were awards for consistent attendance, several of you would have to make space on your mantels.

And speaking of keeping the momentum going, our Tuesday Static-Cruise has moved indoors for the winter at Bob Taglienti's shop. Bob, thank you—as always—for opening your doors and giving us a great place to gather while the temperatures drop. Your generosity keeps the EMCC spirit alive through the colder months. Thanks, Tag!

Looking back on the cruise season, it was another memorable one. Great weather (mostly), great cars (always), and great people (without exception). We logged miles, told stories, discovered new roads, and probably ate more ice cream than any medical professional would approve of. We also had the honor of hosting our 2nd Annual EMCC Veterans Breakfast—one of the most meaningful events we do as a club. Being able to recognize and thank the veterans among us is a privilege, and this year's turnout made it even more special. To our EMCC veterans: your service and presence strengthen this club in ways that go far beyond the cars.

Now, as the days get shorter and the holiday season approaches, we shift gears (figuratively, since the cars are parked) toward one of our favorite annual traditions: the EMCC Christmas Party. This year's celebration on December 21st promises to be another great one—good food, great friends, and the unmistakable energy that comes whenever our members gather under one roof. Whether you've been with the club for decades or joined us recently, I hope you'll come and share in the laughter, the stories, and the warmth that make this group feel like a family.

So here's to closing out another successful season—not with sadness, but with gratitude. Our Corvettes may be taking a break, but the friendships, the memories, and the shared passion that drive this club forward are very much alive and well.

Thank you all for making EMCC what it is. I'm looking forward to the months ahead, and even more to the miles we'll share when spring returns.

Until then, stay warm, stay well, and stay connected.

See you on the road and don't forget to save the wave!

Gerry Criscenzo
President, EMCC



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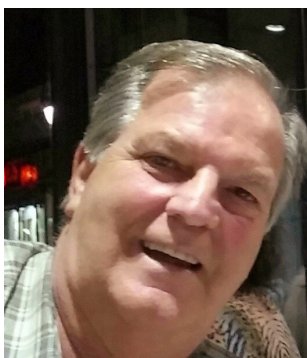
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Eastern Mass Corvette Club is a non-profit social club for Corvette owners.

EMCC sponsors and attends many Corvette events throughout the year, including: regional car shows, Corvette displays, cruise nights, Fall Foliage Cruises, multi-club Corvette cruises throughout N.E., and seasonal get-togethers.

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2025 Club Calendar

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Standing Events

- **Our Tuesday WINTER INDOOR Static Cruise** is at Bob Taglienti's Shop. Ask a member for the address. We'll see you in spring 2026 at 4pm, back at Dairy Queen, 122 Main St. Foxboro. 2nd Tuesday each month is Pizza Static! Website and emails for details!
- **Wednesday Lunches: All Year!** Wild card and always a great time. Website and emails for details!
- **Board Meeting:** Last Monday of every month.
- **Member Meetings:** 1st Monday of every month, 7pm. Conrad's, Walpole. Dinner before the meeting at 6 PM. Website and emails for details.



Special Events/Cruises

These are Save the Dates. All updated/current info is on our Website. Also watch for emails for updates or check with Social Director, Bruce Kolovson, ski1000@verizon.net

- Dec 5, Marty Garvey's Christmas Party, his shop in Holliston MA
- Dec 21, 2025 EMCC Christmas Party, 4-points Sheraton Tara, Norwood
 - February 2026: EMCC 42nd Anniversary Party. Date TBD

WEBSITE HAS ALL DETAILS AND WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE MOST CURRENT UPDATED INFORMATION!

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Happy Birthday

October

- Joel Baker
- Bob Gaulin
- Bob Taglienti
- Joe O'Connor
- Mike Panasuik
- Rick Wile
- Billy Butts

November

- Mal King
- Bill Schroeder
- Sam Pappas
- Bob Smith
- Fran Favara
- Andy Bleadon

December

- Todd Allen
- Michael Cannistraro
- Mike Saltzman
- Steve Botazzi
- Gerry Criscenzo
- Mike Keefe
- Harry Nanos
- David Shorey
- Steve Sullivan
- Jim Hennessey





Member Submission!

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Fall Foliage Cruise, Webster, MA!

Story & Photos: Carol & Rob Connelly

Perfect balmy autumn day cruise to view the spectacular foliage and enjoy lunch at Samuel Slaters. More than a dozen beautiful EMCC Corvettes and their owner/members met at Lake Pearl in Wrentham and then caravanned to the restaurant, led by the famous Kat and Steve "Grand Turismo" Campbell! Great job Steve as always – none got lost on the way.

EMCC took over the restaurant and our table faced glorious views of Lake Chargog-gagoggmanchauggagoggchau bunagungamaugg (just don't have a mouthful of food when you pronounce this!).

Lots of good food, drink and laughs as always! And a guest appearance by Charlie Daniels! What a great way to celebrate late fall in New England with Eastern MA Corvette Club!





Member Submission!

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Fall Foliage cruise to Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggoggchaubunagungamaugg

Story & Photos: Steve Campbell, EMCC VP

22 members of EMCC in 14 cars participated in this year's Fall Foliage Cruise to the shores of Lake Webster and to the Samuel Slater's Restaurant for a grand lunch. The group was very large for the restaurant, but the excellent staff combined many tables and took our orders for drinks and delicious food. VP Steve took the lead this week as we had to cancel the event the week before due to the Nor'easter that landed in New England right at noon. We all met at the Lake Pearl parking lot. The cruise consisted of a journey north on Rt. 495 for only three exits into Beltingham. From there it was a nice cruise through the beautiful towns of Hopedale, Menden, Uxbridge, Douglas, including the Douglas State Forest, and finally over the town line into Webster. The cruise was at a reasonable pace, and everyone arrived at the same time.

Samuel Slater considered the Founder of the American Industrial Revolution migrated from his native England where he had learned the spinning thread trade. He memorized the machinery



and brought his knowledge to America where he went to work starting his own mill in Webster Mass. using technology and machinery he stole from his native England. In England he became an outlaw. His name was "Slater the Traitor". In America Andrew Jackson called him the "Founder of the American Factory System. His business grew and he had factories in Rhode Island, Connecticut and New Hampshire creating products sold worldwide. Slaters Mill, the original Mill still stands today in Webster and houses the Samuel Slater Museum. The town of Slatersville, Rhode Island is named in his honor.

The native name of Lake Webster is often referred to as longest name in the English language. It translates to "You fish on your side. I fish on my side. No one fishes in the middle".





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Toys for Big Boys: John Deere 1025R

Story & Photos: Steve Campbell, EMCC VP

Most members know that we have a vacation home in Raymond Maine, on the shores of Thomas Pond. Now owning some acreage with a lot of improvements planned I started searching for a light duty diesel tractor. I looked at a variety of manufacturers and settled on a John Deere 1025R. All the manufacturers of light to heavy equipment sell a variation of a mini tractor. I chose the John Deere because of a



local dealership, excellent reputation, and a large list of attachments available. Besides, my wife Katrina, being a Norfolk Agricultural High School graduate told me that any color as long as it's John Deere Green. The choice was simple.

The 1025R has a horsepower rating of 23.9 via its three-cylinder Yanmar Diesel. Its PTO horsepower rating is 19. Front lifting capacity with the optional loader is 750lbs. While the rear lifting capacity with its three-point hitch is 700lbs. Without attachments it weighs 1,550lbs. It has 4 wheel drive with a rear differential lock and is hydrostatic drive. The operator just pushes down on either the forward or reverse peddle. The further you push the faster it goes. I chose the rear mounted backhoe with the optional "Thumb" which can be deployed to lift objects such as rocks, stumps, and even logs. The front bucket is easy to operate. Visibility from the operator seat is excellent.

The nice thing about this tractor is its versatility. The attachments quickly mount and can be removed with just a few steps. The lawnmower attachment can be installed and removed without leaving the operator's seat. There is a 54" snowblower attachment that also can be installed quickly and an optional cab that includes heat. Something I am considering in the future.

So far, I have moved a large pile of wood chips blown into the woods after removing the 32 trees to open our front yard. I also have dug and removed two stumps, and a group of large stones to make room for the future tractor barn I hope to build.

All in all I am pleased with the purchase.



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The Mighty Five Tour!

Story & Photos: Eric Hart

My former motorcycle riding club, although somewhat active with riding, has become more of a social club that gathers and travels together. Starting last year we decided that we would start touring the National Parks of North America, staying in campgrounds.

Some of us own toy hauler campers and RVs, and some were going to stay in cabins or yurts. Last year we visited Mammoth Caves, Shenandoah Valley, the Great Smoky Mountains, and Assateague Island. This year we chose The Great Five, which are located in UTAH and consist of the Arches, Canyonlands, Bryce Canyon, Capitol Reef, and Zion National Parks. The planning took about a year and a half to put together the plan.



We used Harvest Hosts to hop, skip, and jump to and from our destination. The Harvest Hosts system is an online collection of wineries, distilleries, golf courses, and other businesses/landowners that allow travelers to stay overnight on their property for free, with the caveat that: one, you have a self-contained camper, and two, that you spend a minimum of \$20 frequenting the business. You are allowed to stay one night and, with permission, may extend one more night.

Honestly, meeting these business owners and managers, they are so excited to meet travelers that oftentimes these become quite the highlight of the trip, and they take pride in giving you tours and free samples of their wine and spirits.

Arriving in UTAH's Moab area is like stepping onto another planet that you can breathe on. We were a bit surprised that despite the high day temperatures, the nights get very cold, oftentimes waking up to high 30s and lower 40s. Arches and Canyon lands were our welcoming National Parks and offered us incredible trails for hiking, motorcycle riding, and 4-wheeling.





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The Shafer Trail was so spectacular, I had to go back with my Tahoe for a second look at the Colorado River from where we stopped at the well-known Thelma and Louise point.

Canyonlands was like visiting a never-ending series of the Grand Canyons, including this view of the Potash Ponds formed from salt processing. Bryce and Capitol Reef were also unworldly with swirled, ice-cream-looking mountains and strange rock formations. We also got to see dinosaur footprints as well as extensive dinosaur fossils frozen in time in the stone.

The sunsets were the most spectacular I have ever encountered, and at night we could see the Milky Way, which was a first for me and all that came.



Zion was the finale of the trip, and our significant others joined us for this, which turned out to truly be the most majestic of the parks.

Debbie and I left the group prior to the others to take the long journey to Kennesaw, Georgia to meet our new grandson, Benjamin Louis. Nothing could have topped this.

The ride home was not uneventful as we drove over a deer in Pennsylvania and had to clean off the Tahoe and camper at a NYC gas station. We are still waiting for the homicide detectives to contact us from the mess we left at the gas station.

Until next year, I hope you all enjoyed the story and pictures.

Eric Hart (I took over 4000 pictures; if any of you care to see them, they can be found at the following shared Google Drive: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/zf4fqLH6Y6dotQiNA>)





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EMCC Rocks with Live Bullet!

Story & Photos: Carol & Rob Connelly

What a way to spend a Saturday night rocking to Live Bullet and dancing the night away! Eastern MA Corvette Club was well represented by many members who attended this worthy fundraiser for a great cause! The Elks staff outdid themselves with the constant flow of good food and drinks to keep us dancing all night.

Live Bullet brought many of us back in time, remembering Bob Seger's many hits and we all sang along to just about every song! Gerry was beaming with such a great turnout of club members. If you closed your eyes, you would swear you were at a Bob Seger live concert. This was a night to remember!





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EMCC goes West!

Photos, Story: Gary Crandall, EMCC Treasurer

Road Trip Through History: National Parks and Monuments

In the spring of this year, Donna and I were searching the internet for places to take a Fall vacation, somewhere we had never been and always wanted to see. I stumbled upon a bus tour out of Salt Lake City (Brian Judd Tours). This was a bus tour originating from SLC, so we were obviously going to have to fly there to join the tour. Donna and I were discussing this trip with Frank and Rosemary Fontana, and they immediately asked if they could join us. This was the itinerary which included staying in 6 different hotels along the route. This is the list of places that we visited and in this order:

Salt Lake City Utah - Jackson Hole Wyoming - Grand Teton National Park- Yellowstone Old Faithful, Geyser Basin, and the Yellowstone Grand Canyon- Buffalo Bill Museum Cody Wyoming - Custer's Last Stand Billings Montana - Buffalo Wyoming Occidental Hotel Saloon - Devils Tower Wyoming - Deadwood South Dakota - Mount Rushmore - Wall Drug Store Wall South Dakota - Badlands National Park South Dakota - Crazy Horse Memorial South Dakota - Martin's Cove Casper Wyoming and then back to Salt Lake City and our flight back the day after the tour ended.



In total this trip took 7 days, 6 different hotels, and we drove 1870 miles to places we had never seen. Yes, it was a bit of a challenge, but if you haven't been, you don't know what you are missing.

The pictures speak for themselves.



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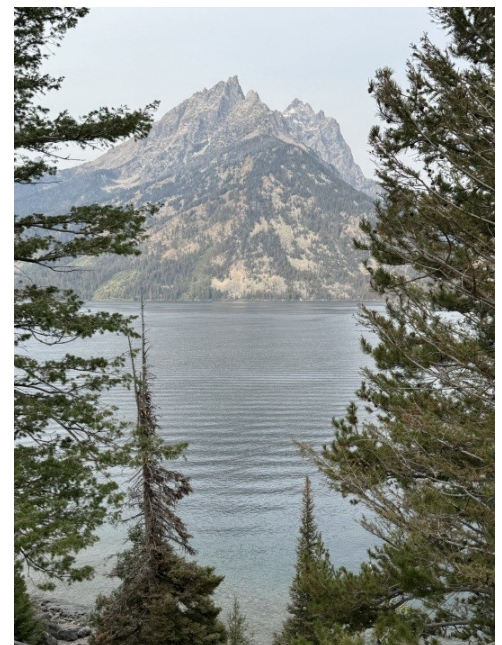
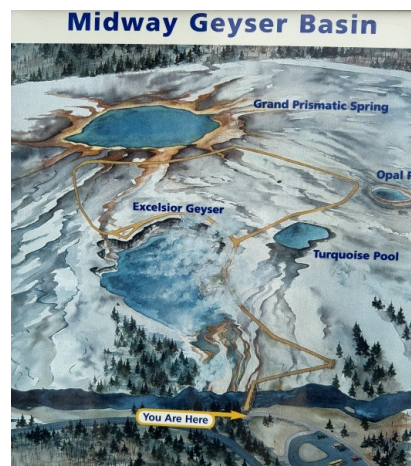
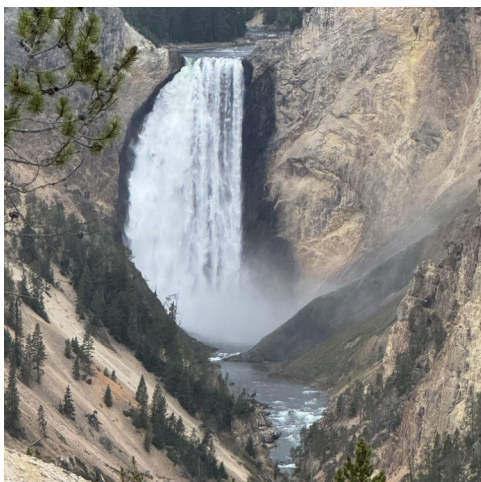
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Pumpkin Crisp

Submitted by Donna Crandall, EMCC Secretary

This Pumpkin Crisp is a warm, spiced dessert made with creamy pumpkin filling and a crunchy cinnamon-oat topping. Perfect for fall gatherings, Thanksgiving, or a sweet treat any day of the week. Simple to make and full of seasonal flavor!

Ingredients:

Filling:

- 15 oz pumpkin puree
- 3 large eggs
- 6 oz evaporated milk
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup light brown sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1 tsp salt



Instructions:

Prepare the topping

- In a small mixing bowl, stir together the flour, oats, brown sugar, melted butter, and cinnamon. Use a fork to gently combine—mixture should be crumbly. Place it in the refrigerator while you make the filling.

Mix the filling

- In a large mixing bowl, whisk (by hand or with a hand mixer) together the pumpkin puree, eggs, evaporated milk, granulated sugar, brown sugar, vanilla, pumpkin pie spice, and salt until the mixture is smooth and uniform.

Assemble

- Pour the pumpkin filling into a greased 8×11 inch baking pan.

Top it off

- Retrieve the chilled topping and crumble it evenly over the pumpkin filling.

Bake

- Bake in a preheated oven at 375 °F (190 °C) for 45-50 minutes, or until the topping is deep golden brown and crisp.

Cool & serve

- Allow to cool slightly before serving. This ensures the filling sets. Serve warm with a scoop of ice cream or a dollop of whipped cream, if desired.

By: Recipes Zesty



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EMCC Visits Ronald McDonald House!

Story, Gerry Criscenzo. Photos, Gerry Criscenzo & RMHC staff

David Yee led a cruise for EMCC to take a tour of the Ronald McDonald House on October 27th. We met at Lake Pearl for the 30 minute cruise to Providence, RI. A few of us have taken this tour in the past years, but it was a first time for others. Thanks to EMCC member's donations and, of course, David Yee, EMCC is a named premier sponsor of one of the rooms where families stay while their child receives care at Rhode Island Hospitals. Its an honor.

Following the tour, we all had lunch at Greg's Restaurant. Well, all except Mal. She thought it would be more to hit a pothole and blow out her tire. Silly Mal.





New Members!

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Graham Briggs

(Returning Member)

Newton, MA

1995 C4

Sponsor: Bill Schroeder



Jorge Garcia

Kingston, MA

1976 C3, L82

Sponsor: Mal Smith





Celeb-Vette!

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KISS!

Story, Gerry Criscenzo. Photos (internet)

KISS frontman Paul Stanley is auctioning his VIN 001 2022 Corvette Stingray Convertible at Barrett-Jackson's Las Vegas event, offering the Red Mist Z51-equipped car—customized with tan and black leather, yellow calipers, and a high-wing spoiler—because he feels its significance deserves an owner who will truly enjoy it.

A lifelong Corvette enthusiast who once helped design a C7 for SEMA, Stanley says the car's European-inspired spec reflects his personal style but admits he hasn't driven it enough to "do it justice." The no-reserve sale also includes an autographed Ibanez PS120 signature guitar, which Stanley is adding as a personal touch, saying he hopes the new owner will simply find joy in both the car and the instrument.





Vette News!

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856 Horsepower Electric Motor

Submitted by: Scott Sutcliffe

Story: Tara Hurlin, January 15, 2025, From <https://www.hemmings.com/stories/this-856-horsepower-electric-motor-weighs-only-88-pounds/>

Donut Lab, a British electric vehicle technology brand that is driven by a vision to push the boundaries of electric vehicle (EV) performance, is redefining the future of mobility with a new electric motor has a better power-to-weight ratio than Koenigsegg's Dark Matter motor.

"Our flagship innovation, the Donut Motor, is the world's first-ever in-wheel motor that combines maximum torque and power density with a lightweight design, eliminating the need for traditional drivetrain components. This breakthrough technology forms the cornerstone of a platform that consists of best-in-class components, each designed to excel independently and dominate when combined."

Weighing in at just 88 pounds, the Donut Motor is fully integrated into the wheel and packs 856 horsepower. That's the same weight as Koenigsegg's Dark Matter motor, but with 56 more horsepower. While Koenigsegg's motor offers 922 poundfeet of torque, according to Donut Labs, the Donut Motor can make as much as 3,172 pound-feet of torque, a whole lot of twist for on-road driving which would likely be tuned down for street-legal vehicles.

Also designed with motorcycle, truck, and even aviation use in mind, smaller, lighter versions of Donut Labs' motor can be integrated into the wheel while still making plenty of power for high-performance vehicles. After all, 856 horsepower per wheel would be a bit much for most drivers to handle.

Speaking of, smaller versions of the Donut Motor are already used in Verge motorcycles.



"Great unsprung mass has been the most important reason why everyone hasn't used motors integrated with the tire in their vehicles. Through the torque and power density we've now achieved, the relative weight of the motor is so small that for the first time the unsprung mass is insignificant," said Donut Lab CEO Marko Lehtimäki. Donut Labs states that its new motor is up to 50% less expensive to produce when compared to conventional electric motors. The lower cost and eye-watering performance of the Donut Motor could lay the groundwork for the auto manufacturers that are striving to produce more affordable EVs for the masses.



Cyber-Tech Tips & Safety

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Account Takeover Scams on the Rise!

Original Article: Gerry Criscenzo, [High Rock IT Management and Consulting](#)

Account takeover scams are increasing rapidly, and falling victim to one can result in serious financial damage. Understanding how these scams work is the first step toward protecting yourself.

What Is an Account Takeover?

An account takeover occurs when criminals gain unauthorized access to your financial accounts—such as bank, credit card, or investment accounts—and use them to steal funds, make fraudulent purchases, or open additional accounts in your name. They typically gain entry through stolen credentials or by tricking you into giving up access.

How Criminals Gain Access

- **Phishing Attempts:** Fake emails or texts designed to look official, asking you to verify information or reset passwords.
- **Malicious Software:** Clicking harmful links or files can install malware that captures your login details.
- **Credential Reuse Attacks:** Using the same password across multiple sites allows hackers to exploit breached data from one platform on another.
- **Social Engineering:** Scammers impersonate customer service representatives or other trusted sources to extract sensitive information.

Warning Signs to Look Out For

- Logins from unfamiliar devices or locations
- Password changes or profile updates you didn't initiate
- Charges or transactions you don't recognize
- Messages that pressure you to act quickly or threaten account lockouts

How to Protect Yourself

- **Create Strong, Unique Passwords:** Avoid reusing passwords and choose combinations that are difficult to guess.
- **Enable Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA):** Adds a second verification step to secure your accounts.
- **Be Cautious with Messages:** Don't open attachments or click links from unknown or unexpected sources.
- **Monitor Your Accounts:** Regularly review account statements and activity logs.
- **Respond Quickly:** If you suspect unauthorized access, notify your financial institution immediately to secure or freeze your accounts.
- **Guard Personal Information:** Never share login details or sensitive banking information with anyone.

Final Message

Protecting your accounts is essential to safeguarding your financial well-being. With awareness and proactive habits, you can greatly reduce your risk and stay one step ahead of scammers.



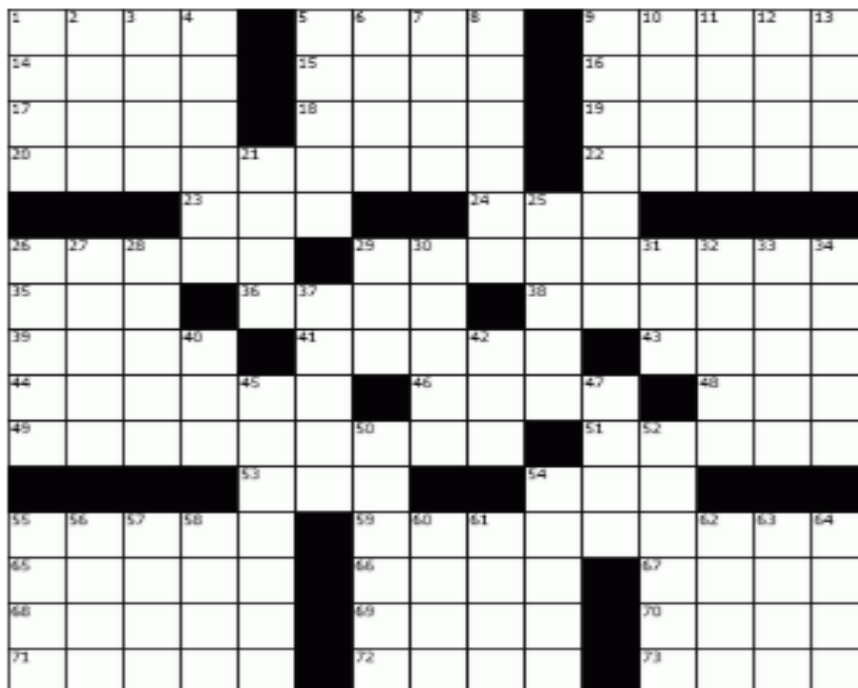


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Across

1. Metal bars
5. City haze
9. Numeral
14. Correct copy
15. Not taped
16. Corrode
17. Flaring star
18. Adam's garden
19. Soup dipper
20. Happen
22. Some curves
23. Camp bed
24. Tub
26. One-____ (biased)
29. Respected leader
35. Compass point (abbr.)
36. Voyaging
38. On dry land
39. Vow
41. Danger
43. Animal skin
44. Discomfort
46. Kiln
48. Turf
49. Conclude
51. Vestibule
53. Commercials
54. Giggle sound
55. Dairy product
59. Endurable
65. Actress ____ Berry
66. "Once ____ a time..."
67. Chess piece
68. Small landmasses
69. After-bath powder
70. Albany's canal
71. Run after
72. Fashion magazine
73. Bears' lairs



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| 1. Apartment expense | 25. Start of a Dickens title (2 wds.) | 47. Not ever, poetically |
| 2. Bloodhound's clue | 26. Nose | 50. Perceptive |
| 3. Opera singer | 27. Foolish | 52. Approached |
| 4. Golf posture | 28. Hinder | 54. From this time |
| 5. Slumbered | 29. Look at | 55. Fashionable |
| 6. Skirt length | 30. Gypsy's card | 56. Impetuous |
| 7. Completed | 31. Hush! | 57. She, in Valencia |
| 8. Swiss city | 32. Slightly wet | 58. Tavern orders |
| 9. Removes | 33. Passion | 60. October's stone |
| 10. Nest eggs (abbr.) | 34. Poverty-stricken | 61. Recline lazily |
| 11. Deities | 37. Pay out | 62. Tiresome person |
| 12. Unemployed | 40. Bad actor | 63. Meat cut |
| 13. Golfers' pegs | 42. Common contraction | 64. Scrapes by |
| 21. Baking ____ | 45. Cat breed | |

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