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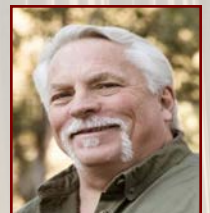
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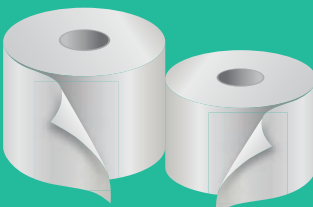






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Solve the code to discover words related to employees.
 Each number corresponds to a letter.
 (Hint: 25 = C)

A. 16 19 13 7 14 13

Clue: Employee

B. 19 4 4 26 25 14

Clue: Place to do business

C. 25 3 6 26 25 20 14

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MARCH

8th

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11th

1st Annual Nature Coast Holistic Health Expo, Sat 11 March 2023 from 10-3 pm at the First United Methodist Church of Homosassa 8831 W Bradshaw St. A variety of local businesses and organizations providing information, services, goods, and demonstrations. Entrance donation \$5. Kids under 12 free. Proceeds will support the following programs: food pantry, respite and hospice programs.

11th and 12th

Marion County Master Gardeners Spring Festival 2023 presents "The Area's Largest all-in-one plant sale & Garden Expo March 11th 8-4 and March 12th 9-4 located at 2232 NE Jacksonville Road (Southeastern Livestock Pavilion). \$3 admission (12 and under FREE) Florida Friendly and Tropical trees, shrubs, flowers, and herbs. Vegetable and plant seeds. Expanded Kidzone with live butterflies. Garden Décor. Food Trucks, Certified Vendors, & Mobile Plant Clinic. No Pets/Service Animals Permitted.

13th-18th

The Friends of Dunnellon Library is holding its Spring Book Sale from Monday, March 13 thru Saturday March 18 from 10:00 AM till 4:00 PM each day. Fill a bag full of books and media for only \$5.00. Individual items are half price. Proceeds benefit Dunnellon Library which is located at 20351 Robinson Road, Dunnellon

14th

The Citrus County Genealogical Society will meet March 14 for a webinar at 10:00 a.m. by Zoom and a meeting at the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints, 3474 W Southern St., Lecanto. Paula Stuart-Warren will present "County and State Archives: What Have You Been Missing." Many records found in state archives are one-of-a-kind items, including original wills, civil and criminal case files, governors' pardons, legislative records, vital records, and military records. The websites, research services, online databases, range of holdings, and finding aids show big differences. Guests are welcome to attend. To get a link contact Mary Ann Machonkin at himary@tampabay.rr.com

14th

Ladies of the ELKS (LOE), an auxiliary of Elks Lodge # 2693 in Homosassa located at 7890 W Grover Cleveland Blvd, is sponsoring a Card and Game Party to benefit the charities supported by the Lodge to include; supporting Youth Organizations, the Elks Youth Camp, Education opportunities and Scholarships and Veterans just to name a few. Doors open at 11:00 and lunch will be served at noon. All are welcome, bring your cards or game you would like to play. Arrange your table of four and plan to play cards or a game of your choice. \$20.00 Ticket includes Lunch and chances for Raffle Baskets, Door Prizes and drawings. Call Edna @ 628-3362 for Tickets and Information

16th

The Woman's Club of Beverly Hills is ready for a LUNCH BUNCH in March. Okay Ladies make a note - Thursday, March 16th at 12 Noon, The Loft at 10131 N. Citrus Avenue, Crystal River. Come join us and meet the members of our Club. You won't be disappointed. Need more information? Call Nanci @ 203-915-7407. Hope to see you soon!

20th

The Homosassa River Garden welcomes the public to its monthly meetings at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Homosassa, 8831 W. Bradshaw Street in Homosassa, 34448. Monday, March 20 we have a free program "Bees" with speaker Peter Perge beginning at 10:00 am with social time (coffee and yummy treats) beginning at 9:30 am. For further information, please look at our website <https://homosassarivergardenclub.wordpress.com>. or call Ms. Lorry at 630-269-1096. We have also added our new Facebook Group page. Look for us at Homosassa River Garden Club.

APRIL

2nd & 3rd

Citrus County Community Choir presents a Concert "Sing Peace" 3:00 PM on April 1st 2023 at Faith Lutheran Church 935 S. Crystal Glen Drive Lecanto, FL. 3:00 PM on April 2nd 2023 at First Presbyterian Church 206 Washington Ave. Inverness, FL Tickets \$10.00 per person Students of all ages Free

7th, 8th, & 9th

Hey Y'all - Come on over to The Hills Church, 2 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills for a fantastic Easter Weekend Celebration. Friday, April 7, 2023 at 6:30 pm, Good Friday Service, Saturday, April 8, 2023 11 to 1, Neighborhood Fun Day with an Easter Egg Hunt, Bounce Houses, Food, Drawings for Baskets and a whole lot more, then Sunday, April 9, 2023 7 am for Sunrise Service, 10:30 am for Worship Service. Please join us and have a wonderful Easter Weekend. Need more information: call 352-746-6171

11th

The Citrus County Genealogical Society will meet by Zoom and at 10:00 a.m. April 11 at the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints, 3474 W. Southern St., Lecanto. Gena Philibert-Ortega will present "Researching your Ancestors in Periodicals." She tells what types of periodicals family historians should search, what articles they include and where to find those articles. Guests are welcome. To get a link contact Mary Ann Machonkin at himary@tampabay.rr.com

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ONGOING

Looking for fun, low impact exercise to add to your routine? Citrus County Parks & Recreation's Bicentennial Park Pool (located at 8145 W Bicentennial Park Dr, Crystal River, FL 34429) offers Water Aerobics classes with a certified instructor weekly on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 11:30am - 12:30pm. The cost is \$3.00 per person per class. These classes offer a fun, healthy fitness workout without added stress on your joints. Must be 16 years or older to participate. For more information, please call (352) 795-1478.

Citrus Sertoma-meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at the Inverness Moose Lodge 2112 on 221 S Haid Terrace, Lecanto, FL 34461 - Off Hwy 44 Dinner at 5:30 - Meeting at 6:30pm Visitors and New Members are welcome.

LEARN TO SQUARE DANCE Every Monday Starting January 3rd, 2022 6PM till 9PM WHISPERING PINES PARK 1700 Forest Dr, Inverness FL 34453 Cost \$5.00 p/p Western Wear Optional-NEW CLASS STARTING OCT 3, 2022

Springs Masonic Lodge No. 378 Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm at Springs Masonic Lodge located at 5030 S. Memorial Dr., Homosassa, Fl. All Masons are welcome to join us for dinner at 6:30 pm. Snowbirds are always welcome.

The 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month The Citrus Library Coping Connection offers Online demintia support groups hosted by Certified Dementia Practitioner Debbie Selsavage. The meeting is conducted through on-line, real-time video communication The connection hub will be located at the Central Ridge Library at 425 W. Roosevelt Blvd in Beverly Hills. Participants will need to arrive at the Central Ridge Library by 12:50 p.m. on the day of the meeting which is from 1 pm to 3 pm. The program is free and available to anyone. For more information, call 352-746-6622 or 352-422-3663.

Celebrate Recovery at Hills Church , 2 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills, FL. Every Monday Night at 6:00
For more information please call 410-353-7857

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVERS COMMUNITY SUPPORT The Floral City Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregivers Support Group meets on the third Friday of every month in the Floral City United Methodist Church on Marvin St. Meeting starts at 10:30am. There is no charge and all caregivers are welcome to attend with no pressure to speak. For more info. contact Helen Ciampi 352-341-2867 or Marcia Beasley at 352-726-7740

Hands on Woodturners meetings on 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm at Beverly Hills Lion Club 72 Civic Circle Beverly Hills Blvd Visitors are always welcome, members are all levels of turnings A woodturner demonstration given by experienced craftsper-son contact email: Howturners.com or call Denis Cap 352-489-4374

Come Join Us For An Afternoon Of Fun and support a local not for profit as Floral City Lions Club Community House located at 8370 E Orange Street, Floral City hosts Bingo every Wednesday 1-3 pm. Admission is free/cost for card (12-3 game cards \$12 OR 12-9 game cards \$24) Proceeds Split 50% Winner /50% Lions Club Charities.

FCGC meets the 2nd Friday of every month starting at 11:00 am at the Floral City community center (October we meet on Thurs- day) and we are looking for new members. If your interested in gaining friendships, gaining knowledge through speakers, going on field trips, and advice on all things in a garden, then come and see what we're all about. Committed opportunities available. All are welcome. Contact us at: President@FloralCityGardenClub.com

The German/American Social Club of West Central Florida extends an invitation to visit our next gathering. Please be our guest- We meet every 2nd Mon. of the month, (summers excluded), at 4 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 2389 W. Norvell Bryant Hwy, (CR486) in Lecanto. We will resume meetings on Sept. 12, 22, at 4 PM. The Meeting for Oct. will be the third Mon. Oct. 17th at 4 PM. We have many exciting events throughout the year, like Spring Dance, Anniversary Dinner Dance, Fall Festival, Christ- mas Dinner Dance and more. Contact Sigi Strak for further info. at: 352-854-9616 or email: sigistrak@centurylink.net

The New York Club meets every 3rd Tues. of the month for lunch at The American Legion, 6585 W. GTL (Hwy. 44W) at 12 noon at \$18 pp. Drinks available from the bar. Dues are \$10 pp per year from Oct., 2022 thru May, 2023. Join us on trips, listen to interesting speakers & special holiday parties. Call Marie @ 845-667-290

The Homosassa River Garden welcomes the public to its monthly meetings at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Homosassa, 8831 W. Bradshaw Street in Homosassa, 34448. The club meets October through May beginning at 10:00 am with social time beginning at 9:30 am and is free. For further information, please look at our website <https://homosassariv- ergardenclub.wordpress.com> or call Ms. Lorry at 630-269-1096.

A GriefShare support group begins January 9th at the Hernando Church of the Nazarene, 2101 North Florida Ave. (Highway 41) Hernando on Mondays' from 10:00 to 12 noon this event will continue through April. All are Welcome. Call the church office at 352-726-6144 or Ruth Brincefield at 352-212-0570 for more information.

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To have your free community event or event where the proceeds go to a local not for profit mentioned on the Community Board there is no cost. All submissions need to be received no later than the 18th of the month to ensure they will be published in the next edition. We do have to keep the mention to a 4-6 line maximum (approx-imately 90 words) to ensure we have room to list everyone's events. If your event mention does not meet these size requirements, then it will be edited. If your event is to support your private business and you are charging a fee, then please see page 4 for our advertising rates.

Get into the Irish spirit

St. Patrick's Day began as an opportunity to honor St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, who was credited with bringing Christianity to this island nation. Through the years, St. Patrick's Day has transformed into a celebration of Irish culture as well as a day for fun and fanfare. Of course, no celebration would be complete without delicious food.

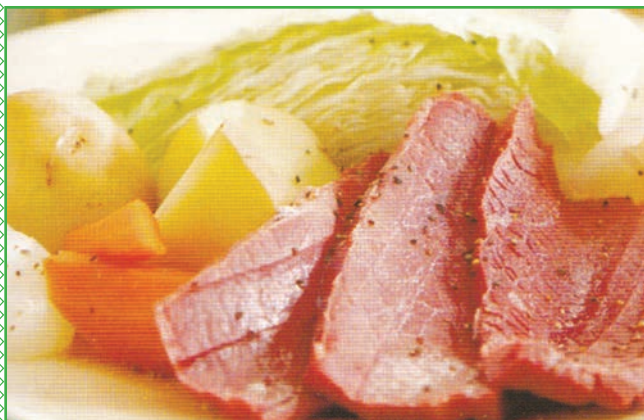
Although corned beef may not be the most authentic representation of Irish cuisine, it certainly has become synonymous with St. Patrick's Day. During the early influx of Irish immigrants to North America, corned beef was more readily available than some other cuts of meat from the Emerald Isle. When cooking St. Patrick's Day dinner this year, the process can be made even easier with the use of a slow cooker. Try this recipe for "Corned Beef and Cabbage" from "Crock-Pot" 365 Year-Round Recipes" (Publications International) from the Crock-Pot kitchens.

Corned Beef and Cabbage (Makes 6 to 8 servings)

- 12 new red potatoes, quartered
- 4 carrots, sliced
- 1 corned beef brisket (about 4 pounds)
- 2 onions, sliced
- 3 whole bay leaves
- 8 whole black peppercorns
- 1 head cabbage, cut into wedges

1. Place potatoes and carrots in bottom of slow cooker. Add brisket, onions, bay leaves, and peppercorns. Add enough water to cover brisket. Cover; cook on low 4 to 5 hours or on high 2 to 2 1/2 hours.

2. Add cabbage. Continue cooking on low 4 to 5 hours longer or on high 2 to 2 1/2 hours longer. Slice brisket against the grain, and serve with vegetables.





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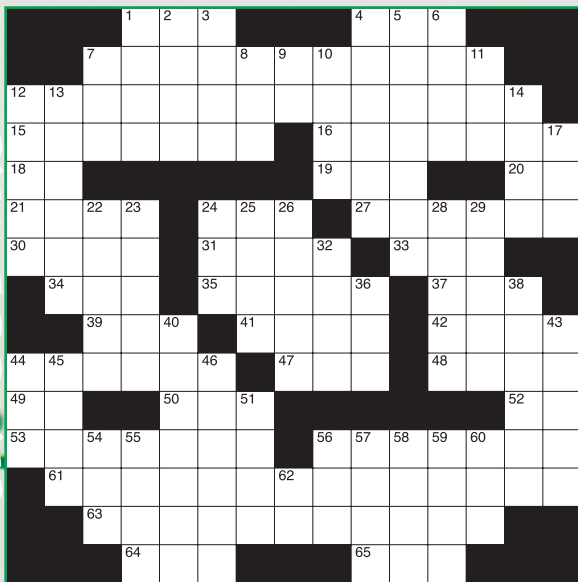
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. RELAXING PLACE
- 4. PLANT BY SCATTERING
- 7. A TYPE OF EXPLORER
- 12. UNIQUE TRAITS
- 15. LADY
- 16. DISMAYED
- 18. RAILWAY
- 19. TYPE OF WHALE
- 20. SODIUM
- 21. MANNING AND LILLY ARE TWO
- 24. WHERE GOLFERS BEGIN

CLUES DOWN

- 27. ENTRAPPED
- 30. INFLUENTIAL PUNK ARTIST
- 31. HEBREW CALENDAR MONTH
- 33. CAR MECHANICS GROUP
- 34. UNDESIRABLE RODENT
- 35. MINNEAPOLIS SUBURB
- 37. WITCH
- 39. GET FREE OF
- 41. A WRITTEN PROPOSAL OR REMINDER
- 42. BRITISH SCHOOL
- 44. COUNTRY ON WEST COAST OF AFRICA

- 47. COOL!
- 48. INFORMATION
- 49. -- ROUTE
- 50. JIM NANTZ'S NETWORK
- 52. SOMETHING TO REGISTER (ABBR.)
- 53. GIVE CARDS INCORRECTLY
- 56. ONE WHO'S LEARNING ON THE JOB
- 61. STEVENSON ADVENTURE NOVEL
- 63. TAKING CAREFUL NOTICE
- 64. CNN'S FOUNDER
- 65. SPEAK BADLY OF

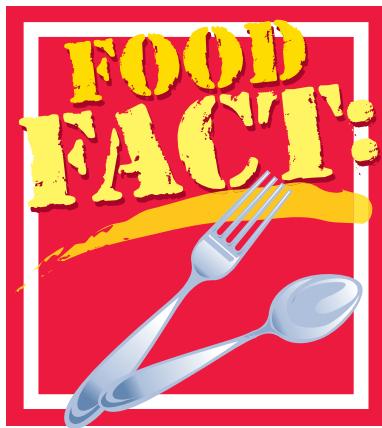
CLUES DOWN

- 1. A PERSON WITH UNUSUAL POWERS OF FORESIGHT
- 2. SINGLE SHEET OF GLASS
- 3. PORTRAYS A CHARACTER
- 4. EXPRESSES HAPPINESS
- 5. ACQUIRES
- 6. "THE MARTIAN" AUTHOR
- 7. DEGREE
- 8. 60-MINUTE INTERVALS
- 9. A DETECTIVE'S PAL
- 10. GROUP OF NATIONS (ABBR.)
- 11. POPULAR GEORGIA ROCKERS
- 12. FENCING SWORDS
- 13. BASEMENT
- 14. SAMOAN MONETARY UNIT
- 17. MALE PARENT

- 22. FINNISH LAKE
- 23. A SMOOTH FABRIC
- 24. ARCTIC EXPLORERS (ABBR.)
- 25. MILD YELLOW DUTCH CHEESE
- 26. VERY WILLING
- 28. EXPRESSED PLEASURE
- 29. LASSO
- 32. HINDU MODEL OF IDEAL MAN
- 36. MOVE YOUR HEAD IN APPROVAL
- 38. ILL-...: GAINED ILLEGALLY
- 40. DIE
- 43. ACCUSED PUBLICLY
- 44. PRECIOUS STONE
- 45. INDIVIDUAL THING OR PERSON
- 46. BEHAVED IN A WAY THAT DEGRADED
- 51. DEROGATORY TERM
- 54. NO SEATS AVAILABLE
- 55. LIABILITY
- 56. POPULAR BEVERAGE
- 57. TOUGH OUTER SKIN OF FRUIT
- 58. --- SPUMANTE (ITALIAN WINE)
- 59. TROUBLES
- 60. NEGATIVE
- 62. CAMPER



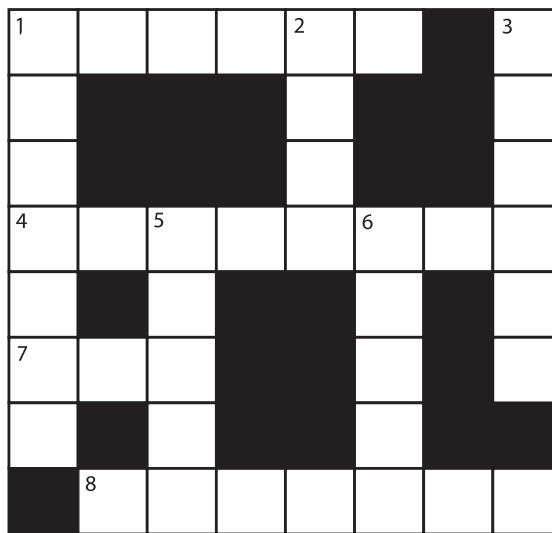
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ANSWER: PEANUT BUTTER

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1. Individuals
- 4. Trash receptacle
- 7. Thanks in advance (abbr.)
- 8. Peas, beans and peanuts

DOWN

- 1. Ground nuts
- 2. Small street
- 3. Containing small, thick pieces
- 5. Split among others
- 6. To flower

Answers:
 Across
 1. People 4. Wastebin 7. TIA 8. Legumes
 Down
 1. Peanuts 2. Lane 3. Chunky 5. Share 6. Bloom

THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- 1912: THE GIRL GUIDES, LATER RENAMED THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA, ARE FOUNDED IN THE UNITED STATES.
- 1918: MOSCOW BECOMES THE CAPITAL OF RUSSIA AGAIN.
- 1989: TIM BERNERS-LEE SUBMITS A PROPOSAL FOR AN INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, WHICH WOULD LATER DEVELOP INTO THE WORLD WIDE WEB.



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a member of the pea family that includes peanuts and lentils

How they SAY that in...

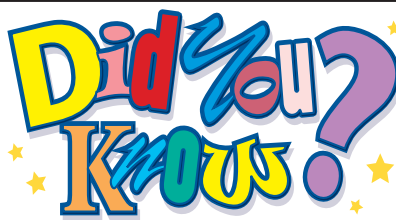
ENGLISH: Peanut

SPANISH: Cacahuete

ITALIAN: Arachide

FRENCH: Cacahuète

GERMAN: Erdnuss

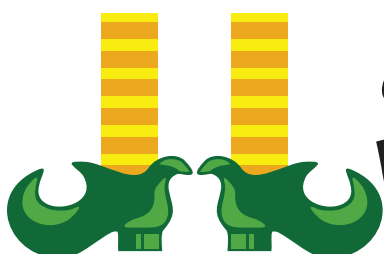


PEANUTS ARE SOMETIMES CALLED GROUND NUTS OR GROUND PEAS BECAUSE THEY GROW UNDERGROUND.



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: B&J SANDWICH



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Museum Presents Free Children's Programs in March

INVERNESS, Fla. -- The Old Courthouse Heritage Museum, located at is 1 Courthouse Square in Downtown Inverness, presents free events for children on the first and third Saturdays of each month.

On March 4, 2023, bring the kids to Turtle Trek: A Kids' Nature Walk at Cooter Pond. Staff will describe different species, what they eat, and where they live. Alligators are almost always seen near turtles, as are many species of birds. Participants will meet at the museum at 9:00am, and staff will guide a walk to the pond. The program will last for about an hour. Water and binoculars will be provided, but please be sure to bring your own sunscreen.

Then, on March 18, the museum will host A Leprechaun Limerick Loxodrome. Clues written in limerick form will be posted and hidden throughout the museum for a St. Paddy's Day search for a leprechaun's lost pot of gold. Prizes will be discovered at the end. Because groups must be staggered throughout the day (so as not to give the secrets away), please call ahead to arrange a start time for your family between 10:00am and 4:00pm. Spaces will be limited for both programs. Parents and guardians should pre-register for Turtle Trek and/or the Leprechaun event by calling the museum at (352) 341-6428. Children must be supervised by their accompanying adults during the entirety of each of these programs. For more information, please call (352) 341-6428 or e-mail museum@citrusbocc.com.



Start your genealogy journey

Genealogy fascinates much of the general public. The number of people learning more about their families and heritage through genealogy increases year to year. According to FamilyTree.com, genealogy is the second only to gardening as the most popular hobby in the United States.

People explore genealogy for many reasons, including learning about their ancestry. A rundown of the basics of genealogy can make such pursuits more enjoyable.

Genealogy and family history are subtly different. Genealogy is a line of descent traced continuously from an ancestor, while family history is defined as the history or narrative of a family. They are intertwined but not synonymous.

Vital records are key

Genealogists explore vital records to obtain information about their ancestors. Vital records include documentation of ancestors' life events, including births, deaths, marriages, and more. Civil registration began at different times around the world, and even across North America, so it's often challenging, though entirely possible, to develop an accurate history.

Surnames may be different

Surnames were not commonplace until around the eleventh century in Europe, according to S.C. Perkins, who is the author of a mystery series featuring a Texas genealogist as the protagonist. Surnames fall into four general categories:

1. Place or geographical features (i.e., "Hill")
2. Nicknames or appearance ("Little")
3. Occupation ("Baker")
4. Father's name ("Peterson")

Some names may not have been recorded correctly, so a person's last name actually may be a derivative of the real name or a misspelling. Often immigrants changed their own surnames to make them sound more American or more native to wherever they were emigrating to.

Cities change

Discovering records of ancestors can be even more challenging because of shifting borders or municipalities, which change over time. The Family Tree Factbook provides European maps from throughout history and a timeline of European border changes that can help with research.

Preserve family history

In addition to uncovering mysteries of one's heritage, dabbling in genealogy helps to preserve family history by confirming tales and tracing ancestors' journeys. It also may help shed light on the history of artifacts or jewelry that ancestors owned and passed down.

Connect with others

A motivator behind genealogy research is to uncover relatives. Cousins from all over the world can discover they are related and bridge the gap between them through shared genetics and history. This may be particularly important to those who were adopted and hope to understand more about where they came from for personal or health-related reasons.

Genealogy is a growing hobby that can be quite rewarding. Thanks to the internet and growing databases of civil records, it's now easier than ever to trace family histories.

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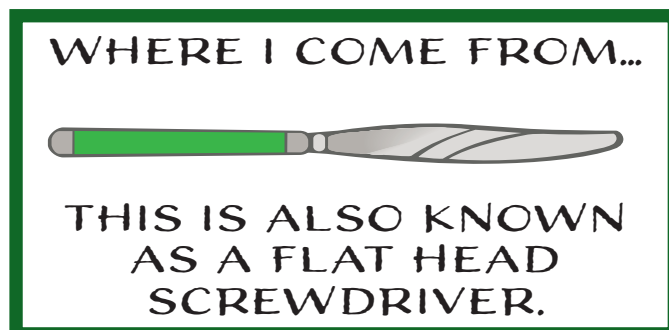
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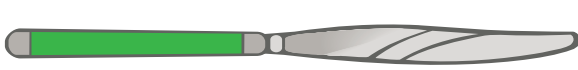


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March 2nd 1807 US Congress bans the slave trade within the US, effective January 1, 1808

March 3rd 1921 Toronto's Dr Banting & Dr Best announce discovery of insulin

March 4th 1936 1st flight of the airship Hindenburg at Friedrichshafen, Germany



March 5th 1971 "Stairway to Heaven" by Led Zeppelin first played live at Ulster Hall, Belfast by Robert Plant, Jimmy Page, John Bonham and John Paul Jones

March 6th 2018 World's oldest message in a bottle found in Western Australia, thrown from German ship Paula 132 years ago (12 June 1886)

March 7th 1936 Adolf Hitler breaks the Treaty of Versailles by sending troops into the Rhineland

March 8th 1884 Susan B. Anthony addresses U.S. House Judiciary Committee arguing for an amendment to the U.S. Constitution granting women the right to vote, 16 years after legislators 1st introduced a federal women's suffrage amendment.



March 9th 1961 Soviet flight Sputnik 9 carries and returns from orbit a dog named Chernushka (Blackie), frogs and a guinea pig



March 10th 1933 Nevada becomes 1st US state to regulate narcotics

March 11th 1823 1st normal school in US opens, Concord Academy, Concord, Vermont

March 12th 1849 1st gold seekers arrive in Nicaragua en route to California

March 13th 1781 William Herschel sees what he thinks is a "comet" but is actually the discovery of the planet Uranus

March 14th 1794 Eli Whitney patents the cotton gin machine revolutionizing the cotton industry in the southern US states

March 15th 1972 "The Godfather", based on the book by Mario Puzo, directed by Francis Ford Coppola and starring Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, premieres in NYC (Academy Awards Best Picture 1973)



March 16th 1900 Sir Arthur Evans rediscovers the bronze age city of Knossos in Crete, home of the legendary Minotaur



March 17th 1905 Eleanor Roosevelt (20) marries Franklin D. Roosevelt (23) later 32nd US President in New York, & given away by her uncle, 26th President Theodore Roosevelt

March 18th 1965 Cosmonaut Alexey Leonov, leaving his spacecraft Voskhod 2 for 12 minutes, becomes the first person to walk in space

March 19th 1863 Confederate cruiser SS Georgiana destroyed on her maiden voyage with a cargo of munitions, and medicines then valued over \$1,000,000. Wreck discovered exactly 102 years later by teenage diver and pioneer underwater archaeologist E. Lee Spence.

March 20th 1345 Saturn, Jupiter and Mars-conjunction: thought "cause of plague epidemic"

March 21st 1859 Zoological Society of Philadelphia, 1st in US, incorporated

March 22nd 1941 James Stewart is inducted into the Army, becoming the first major American movie star to wear a military uniform in World War II



March 23rd 1839 1st recorded use of "OK" [oll korrekt] (Boston's Morning Post)



March 24th 1882 German scientist Robert Koch discovers and describes the tubercle bacillus which causes tuberculosis (Mycobacterium tuberculosis), and establishes germ theory

March 25th 1655 Astronomer Christiaan Huygens discovers Saturn's largest moon, Titan

March 26th 1942 First "Eichmann transport" to Auschwitz & Birkenau concentration camps

March 27th 1513 Spaniard Juan Ponce de León and his expedition first sight Florida

March 28th 1946 Cold War: The United States State Department releases the Acheson-Lilienthal Report, outlining a plan for the international control of nuclear power.



March 29th 1848 Niagara Falls stops flowing for 30 hours due to an ice jam

March 30th 1867 Alaska Purchase: US buys Alaska from Russia for \$7,200,000 (\$109 million in 2018), roughly 2 cents an acre

March 31st 1967 1st time Jimi Hendrix burns his guitar (and his fingers) at Finsbury Park

Astoria theater in London: the guitar sold at auction for nearly \$500K, the building is currently a church



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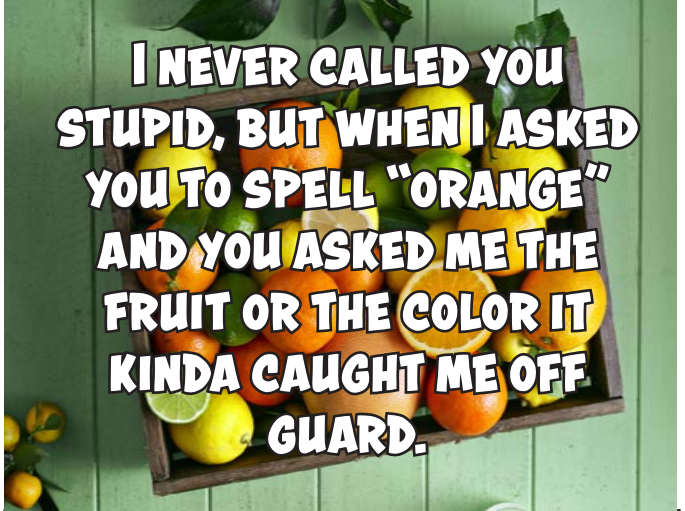
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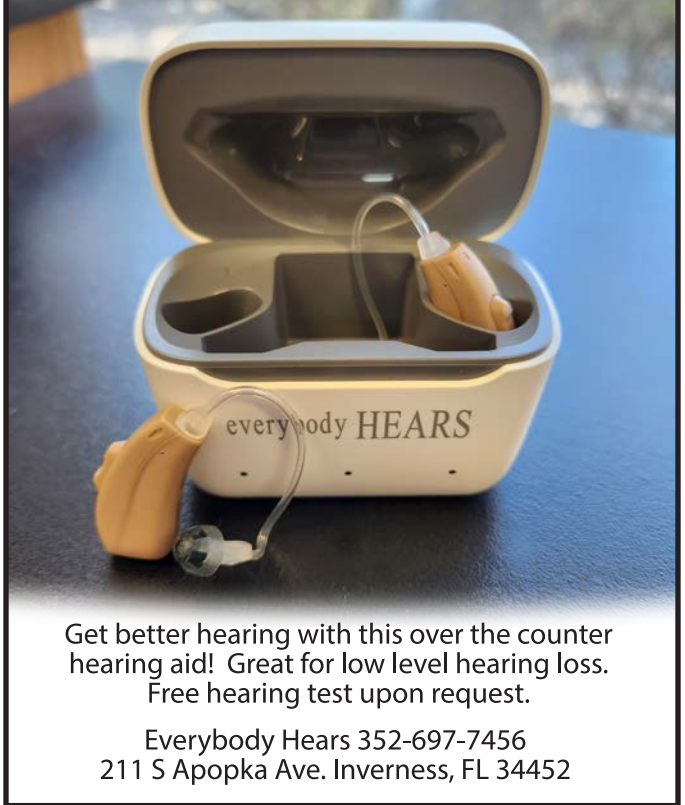
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Episode I: Unrequested Reunions

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CLICK.

He had been silencing that song for fifty three years.

Declan Macey was not born a hermit; he was made one. He lived in central Florida where he kept only to himself. Declan was a light skinned male of average height with a minor gut. His eyes were brown and his gray hair sagged over his ears. His beard, also gray, was overgrown and messy. Declan was sixty three years of age, but he looked much older.

The song silenced by Declan, with impressive speed, was "Gimme Shelter" by The Rolling Stones. Whether on the radio or in public, Declan would react immediately to avoid hearing the song. It would only remind him of his brother Franklin--who was known as Frankie in his family. Frankie, a tank commander, was killed during the Vietnam War in 1968 due to faulty weaponry.

Declan rose with his mug in hand and petted his dog on his way to the kitchen, "Hi Ozzy." Painted on the mug was The Penguin from the 1966 television series: Batman. The two most common guesses behind the dog's name were Ozzy Osbourne and Oz from The Wizard of Oz. Neither were correct, leading Declan to explain the name came from his favorite TV character, Oswald Cobblepot (aka the Penguin).

He grabbed the coffee pot and poured himself another glass of coffee. By now the coffee wasn't as hot, but he was content with its temperature. He rested the coffee pot back down carefully, with still enough left for one more cup. He cranked the mug upward and rested it on his lower lip as the cool coffee slid and swarmed his tongue, refreshing his soul with that delicious coffee taste.

Drinking coffee in his Penguin mug at six-thirty in the morning was his only excitement.

Declan marched out of the kitchen and sipped his coffee. He purposely looked away from the calendar on his way out. It was open to the month of May, yet it was still April. Despite Declan's desperation, the date of April 4 invaded his mind. To some, it meant the birthday of a close relative (like a grandfather), a beloved celebrity, and to others it meant nothing; to Declan it meant everything.

He made himself forget April 4, and for years he succeeded with that, but no matter how hard he tried or how successful he was, the memory would always return to him--like an unwanted visit from an annoying ex. And then another uninvited ex arrived: April 17. Declan was divorced. He and his ex-wife--Lily Green--were known as the Detective Duo. She was the other half of Declan Macey and the two were madly in love--both passionate for solving mysteries and spending all their time together.

Declan's mind returned to April 4, who shook the hand of April 17 while devilishly staring into his soul.

DING!

Declan's head jerked back to the front door. He never had company, and certainly not that early. The time didn't bother him, however; what bothered him was that there was a living soul standing at his front door. He assumed they would leave on their own, so he ignored them.

KNOCK! KNOCK!

This one was persistent. Declan concluded the knocker to be the seventy year old man across the street. Ugh, that seventy year old man. When Declan first moved to the neighborhood, the seventy old man would repeatedly knock on his door needlessly. The man was surely odd, to say the least.

KNOCK! KNOCK! KNOCK!

Declan had enough. He decided to confront the old man. He swung the door open, and then paused. "Thomas. Why are you here?" he disappointedly followed. The man who knocked was Thomas Brooks and it had been years since he last saw Declan.

Thomas was a younger fellow who had recently turned twenty nine. His skin was pale, his hair was short, black, and slicked to his right side. Dressed in a suit and tie, it was clear that Thomas was well put together.

Thomas immediately knew something was off with Declan--besides his zero display of reaction to their unrequested reunion. He had always known that Declan was a hermit (though he, too, never knew what happened on April 4, or that April 4 meant anything for that matter). No, it wasn't just that Declan had aged, or that he finally grew a beard, or even that his clothes were wrinkly and covered in God-knew-how-old food stains. No, it was much more than that.

Thomas was a former student of Declan in college. Declan taught about the pivotal day-to-day life of a detective. At the beginning of each class, Declan would shout to Thomas, "Tommy boy!" It was Declan's favorite comedy film starring his favorite comedian (besides Don Rickles).

"Mr. Macey," Thomas started, "it-it's me. Thomas Brooks." He poked further, "Tommy boy."

Declan stared at him blankly, "Whaddya want?" Thomas was still taken aback by Declan's distance, and struggled to respond accordingly.

"Well, sir, it's..."

"The answer's no," Declan tried to shut the door but Thomas stuck his foot out.

"You haven't heard--"

"I don't need to. I left that life a long time ago. I'm the past, man...just let me be." Declan attempted to shut the door again, but Thomas blocked it once more. Declan's back faced Thomas--seconds away from rage.

"There's an imposter. He's pretending to be you."

"Well he can keep pretendin' cuz he gonna find out real damn quick that his life sucks." Declan had nothing more to say. He marched back to the living room with his mug in hand.

"It's Lily." That was the first time he ever referred to her as Lily, and not Mrs. Macey. Declan had no reaction.

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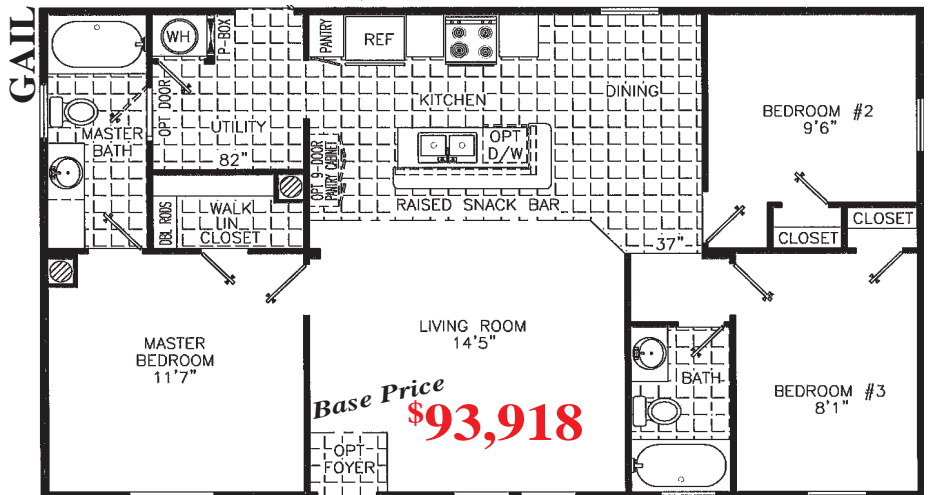
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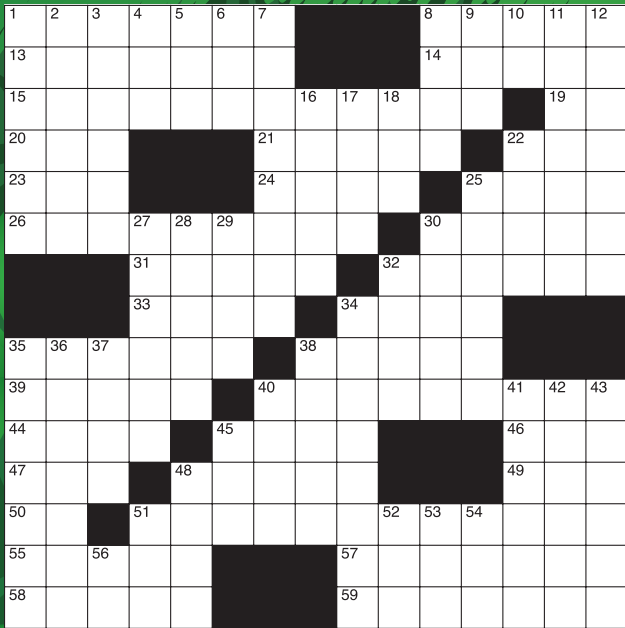
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 LEAST 8 CHARACTERS LONG AND INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE CAPITAL.**





CROSSWORD 2

CLUES ACROSS

1. Half-conscious states
8. Unnatural
13. Deep regret
14. Rogue
15. Taken without permission
19. An alternative
20. After B
21. Partner to flowed
22. Weekday
23. Body part
24. World's longest river
25. One of the Greats
26. Make clean
30. C. Canada indigenous peoples
31. Japanese seaport
32. Most unclothed
33. Small grouper fish
34. Soluble ribonucleic acid
35. Distinguishing sound
38. French realist painter
39. Popular beer brand
40. Views
44. God depicted as a bull
45. Relieve
46. Residue after burning
47. Habitation
48. Poe's middle name
49. Japanese title
50. TV series installation (abbr.)
51. Beloved country singer
55. Single unit
57. Genuine
58. Develop
59. Traveled through the snow

CLUES DOWN

1. Clues
2. Do again
3. Current unit
4. Neither
5. Corporate exec (abbr.)
6. Second sight
7. The absence of mental stress
8. Supplemented with difficulty
9. Stop for good
10. College dorm worker
11. Bones
12. Most supernatural
16. Spanish island
17. Unlimited
18. Where golfers begin
22. No charge
25. Print errors
27. Professional drivers
28. Kiss box set
29. Short, fine fibers
30. Administers punishment
32. Czech city
34. Normal or sound powers of mind
35. The academic world
36. Crustacean
37. Currency
38. Pastoral people of Tanzania or Kenya
40. Cloth spread over a coffin
41. Grouped together
42. On land
43. Glistened
45. A type of extension
48. One who assists
51. College sports conference
52. Zero
53. Midway between northeast and east
54. Type of screen
56. The 13th letter of the Greek alphabet

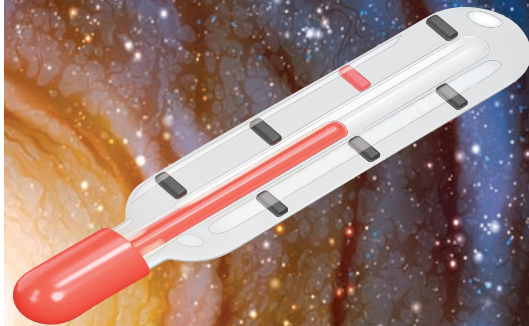


Guess Who?

I am a singer born in California on March 18, 1979. I met my future bandmates while attending high school, where I played basketball. The band originally had a rock sound under the name Kara's Flowers, but turned soulful after a name change.

Answer: Adam Levine

DURING MY CHECK-UP I ASKED THE DOCTOR, "DO YOU THINK I'LL LIVE A LONG AND HEALTHY LIFE THEN?" HE REPLIED, "I DOUBT IT, SOMEHOW. MERCURY IS IN URANUS RIGHT NOW."



I SAID, "I DON'T GO IN FOR ANY OF THAT ASTROLOGY NONSENSE." HE REPLIED, "NEITHER DO I. MY THERMOMETER JUST BROKE."

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to umbrellas.

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Answer: Cloud

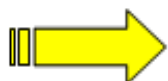


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ROAD RAGE IS A SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM ON THE NATION'S ROADWAYS. A 2014 SURVEY FROM AAA FOUND THAT 46.6 PERCENT OF DRIVERS REPORTED HAVING YELLED AT ANOTHER MOTORIST, WHILE 44.5 PERCENT INDICATED THEY HAD HONKED TO SHOW ANNOYANCE OR ANGER WITH ANOTHER DRIVER. ROAD RAGE CAN BE MORE THAN JUST GETTING A LITTLE STEAMED AT THE PERSON WHO CUT YOU OFF. AAA REPORTS NEARLY EIGHT OUT OF 10 DRIVERS DEMONSTRATE AGGRESSIVE DRIVING BEHAVIORS WHILE DRIVING. THIS CAN RESULT IN ACCIDENTS, INCLUDING SOME THAT ARE FATAL. A REPORT FROM THE ADVOCACY GROUP EVERYTOWN FOR GUN SAFETY INDICATED THAT 2021 WAS THE DEADLIEST YEAR FOR INCIDENTS INVOLVING ROAD RAGE, WITH AN AVERAGE OF 44 PEOPLE PER MONTH SHOT AND KILLED OR WOUNDED DURING A ROAD RAGE INCIDENT IN THE UNITED STATES. ROAD RAGE DEATHS DUE TO GUN VIOLENCE HAVE DOUBLED COMPARED TO PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS. SHOULD YOU BE CONFRONTED WITH ROAD RAGE, SOME OF THE BEST ADVICE IS NOT TO TAKE IT PERSONALLY AND ESCALATE THE AGGRESSION. ALWAYS TAKE THE HUMBLE ROUTE AND TRY TO DE-ESCALATE THE SITUATION, PARTICULARLY IF ANOTHER DRIVER BELIEVES YOU ARE IN THE WRONG. MOUTHING "I'M SORRY," MAY CAUSE THE OTHER DRIVER TO FEEL HE OR SHE HAS WON AND IT WILL DIFFUSE THE SITUATION. IT'S NOT ABOUT BEING RIGHT OR WRONG, BUT GETTING TO A DESTINATION SAFELY WITH NO CONFRONTATIONS.

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WHAT
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THINKING
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Fresh potato chips can't be beat

Everyone has his or her own idea of comfort food. For some, it is biting into a piping-hot slice of pepperoni pizza. Others can't get enough of a hearty bowl of beef stew.

Snack foods also can be categorized as comfort foods, and potato chips (or "crisps" as they're known across the pond) are no exception. Potato chips come in different flavors and cuts, including crinkle and kettle chips. While it's easy to pick up a bag at the store, why not whip up a fresh batch right at home? You will have complete control over the ingredients and enjoy the freshest chips around. Try this recipe for "Homemade Potato Chips" courtesy of home cook, and country living blogger Kathy from Beyond the Chicken Coop.

Homemade Potato Chips

- 6 medium russet potatoes
- 2 tablespoons white vinegar
- Water
- Oil for frying (vegetable, canola or peanut oil)
- Salt

1. Peel potatoes and place potato in a bowl filled with water.
2. Slice potatoes to 1/16 inch thick. Use a mandoline to get an even, consistent size. Immediately place sliced potatoes in another bowl filled with cold water and 2 tablespoons of white vinegar. Allow potatoes to soak for at least 1 hour.
3. Drain potatoes and rinse with cold water. Leave potatoes in colander and allow all water to drain.
4. Place drained potatoes on a clean, dry kitchen towel. Pat lightly to remove any remaining water.
5. Fill pot with 2 inches of oil. Preheat oil to 380 F. Use a thermometer to test temperature of oil.
6. Test oil temperature. Ideal temperature will vary from 370 to 380 F. Fry one or two slices in the oil and cook until they are nicely browned. If the potatoes brown quicker than 3 minutes, lower the temperature by 5 degrees.
7. Place one handful of sliced potatoes in the oil. Stir gently to prevent potatoes from sticking to each other. Cook until golden; 3 minutes.
8. Scoop out and place on a baking sheet lined with a baking rack.
9. Sprinkle with salt immediately and repeat until all potatoes are cooked.

Tips: Soaking the potatoes helps remove excess starch and prevents the potatoes from sticking together. It also helps them fry up more crispy. Chips are best eaten the day they are made. Store in an airtight container for up to 2 days.



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Some hidden costs of DIY

The home renovation industry is booming, and that's reflected in the cost to upgrade a home. Home Guide says remodeling a kitchen costs \$25,000 on average, and a bathroom renovation runs around \$10,000. Though rates fluctuate depending on a host of variables, renovations can cost \$15 to \$60 per square foot depending on the project.

The average homeowner wants to save as much money as possible when renovating their home. Many think doing much of the work themselves is the easiest way to keep costs low. What some homeowners may not realize is that DIY can be costly and prove a big hassle in the long run. The following are some hidden costs of DIY and renovating in general.

Time

DIY projects are a major drain on free time. Homeowners taking the DIY route typically work on weekends or after work. Few people can take off and devote their undivided attention to a remodel like a contractor can. Time is a valuable resource that is not renewable. Therefore, think of a DIY project in terms of what it would equal in lost wages. Because homeowners are not professionals, a DIY project may take double the time it would take a contractor. It may be worth it to simply hire it out.

Mistakes

Many resources are available to help DIY enthusiasts work on a project, but there are still tricks and techniques learned after years on the job. DIYers may damage their homes by taking shortcuts or not understanding how to do a job properly. A plumbing mistake, for example, may lead to flooding that damages another room in the home. And such mistakes may not be covered by homeowners insurance policies.

Fines

Permits are required for many home improvement projects. Forgetting to obtain permits or not realizing one may be necessary could subject you to hefty fines and/or force the job to be redone so it's up to code. Professionals likely know the rules regarding permits and often include the cost of acquiring permits in an estimate.

Remediation

It's only after opening up walls or removing floors that you may discover issues you did not anticipate, such as termite damage or mold. These unforeseen factors can drive up the overall costs of a project.

Disposal

Removing old building materials or gutting a room is part of many renovations. Chances are this refuse simply cannot be left at the curb for trash pickup. As a DIYer, you may not factor the costs for a dumpster or the time and money required to haul debris to a recycling or landfill center.

Tools

DIYers may have to purchase tools as they engage in new projects. These expenses can add up and negate the savings of doing some of the work yourself.

DIY projects may initially seem like a way to save money, but weekend warriors should calculate the hidden costs associated with DIY renovations before deciding to do some work on their own.



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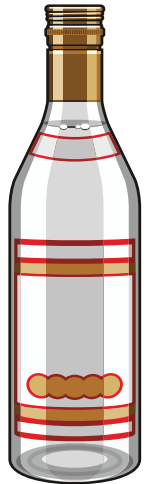
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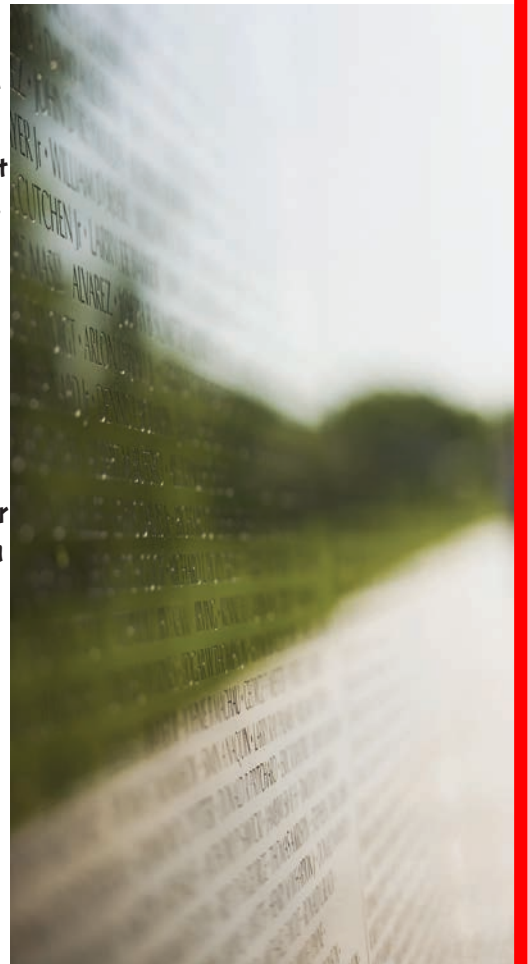
Each year on March 29, the United States honors the brave individuals who fought in the Vietnam War. Supporting National Vietnam War Veterans Day is a worthy effort that can send the right message to veterans who sadly were not always met with open arms when they returned home.

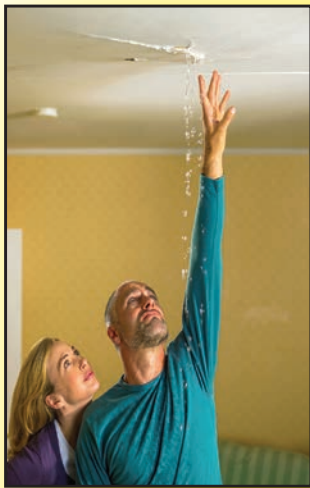
According to the U.S. Army Center for Military History, veterans of the Vietnam War represented nearly 10 percent of their generation. In recognition of those veterans' efforts and sacrifice, in 2012 President Barack Obama signed a presidential proclamation designating March 29 Vietnam War Veterans Day, and the Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 was subsequently signed into law by President Donald Trump in 2017.

In recognition of the significance of honoring the many brave individuals who served in the Vietnam War, communities can embrace these suggestions for honoring Vietnam veterans.

- ~ Plan a commemorative event. An annual community-wide commemorative event can serve as a great way to honor individuals who served in Vietnam and let them know their efforts are appreciated and not forgotten. Events can highlight local veterans who served in Vietnam, including those who have passed away as well as those who are still alive.
- ~ Prioritize veterans' rights. The organization Vehicles for Veterans notes that support for policy makers and organizations that fight for veterans' rights can ensure more veterans have access to services they need and benefits they've earned. This can be especially valuable for Vietnam veterans, the majority of whom are seniors and in need of help.
- ~ Support the establishment of a public memorial or memorials. A public memorial or a series of memorials honoring locals who lost their lives in the war or have passed away since returning home can be a great way to remember both deceased and living veterans. For those veterans who are deceased, a public memorial like a commemorative brick or a dedicated, inscribed park bench ensures their sacrifices and bravery live on for years to come. Surviving veterans also can take solace from such memorials, knowing that their own sacrifice and bravery has been highlighted and honored.
- ~ Invite veterans to share their stories. Communities can sponsor oral history projects and/or host public speaking forums that invite Vietnam War veterans to share stories of their service. Such endeavors can prove cathartic for veterans of the Vietnam War and also ensure the generations that come behind them, including their children and grandchildren, have first-person accounts of a deadly and costly conflict that lasted for two decades.

Efforts to honor veterans of the Vietnam War can ensure the bravery and sacrifices of these individuals is never forgotten.





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Lemon pound cake brings sunshine to the table

Cooking at home enables anyone to customize ingredients and gain control of the foods they eat. Too often commercially processed items contain ingredients that compromise consumers' overall health. This recipe for "Lemon Poppy Seed Pound Cake" is made from pantry staples.

Whether baking alone or with the family, try this recipe, courtesy of "The Pampered Chef Stoneware Inspirations" (The Pampered Chef, Ltd).

Lemon Poppy Seed Pound Cake

Makes 1 cake or 6 mini pound cakes

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons lemon zest
- 2 tablespoons poppy seeds
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter, softened (do not substitute margarine)
- 4 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 4 eggs
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon Pantry Double Strength Vanilla Powdered sugar (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 325 F. Spray Stoneware Fluted Pan with nonstick cooking spray. Combine flour, granulated sugar, lemon zest, poppy seeds, baking powder, and salt in a stainless, two-quart mixing bowl; mix well. In a stainless four-quart mixing bowl, beat butter and cream cheese on high speed of handheld mixer for 1 minute, or until blended (mixture will form a stiff paste).

2. In a small batter bowl, whisk eggs, milk and vanilla until blended. Add egg mixture to cream cheese mixture in four additions, beating 2 minutes after each addition. (Do not undermix).

3. Pour batter into pan. Bake 55 to 60 minutes or until cake tester inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool cake in pan 10 minutes. Loosen cake from sides of pan; carefully invert onto a stackable cooking rack, keeping pan over cake. Cool completely.

4. Place cake on serving platter. Sprinkle with powdered sugar or prepare glaze, if desired.

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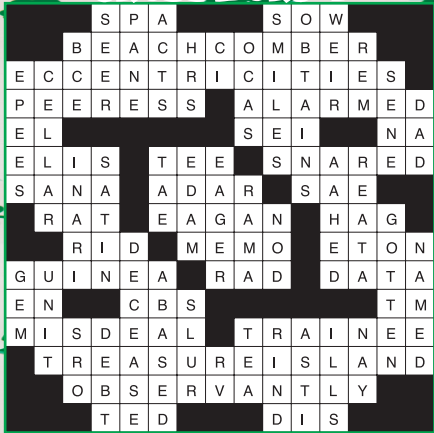


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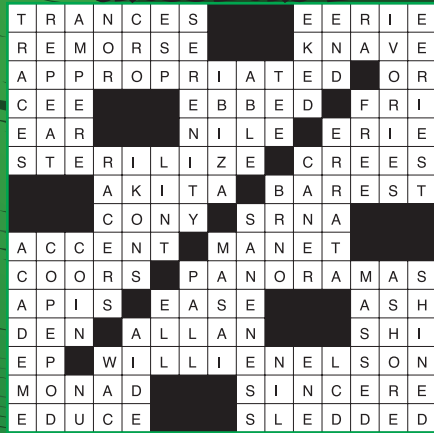
Tim decided to tie the knot with his long time girlfriend. One evening, after the honeymoon, he was organizing his golfing equipment. His wife was standing nearby watching him. After a long period of silence she finally speaks: "Tim, I've been thinking, now that we're married maybe it's time you quit golfing. You spend so much time on the course. You could probably get a good price for your clubs." Tim gets this horrified look on his face. She says, "Darling, what's wrong?" "For a minute there you were beginning to sound like my ex-wife." "Ex-wife!" she screams, "I didn't know you were married before!" "I wasn't," he replied.



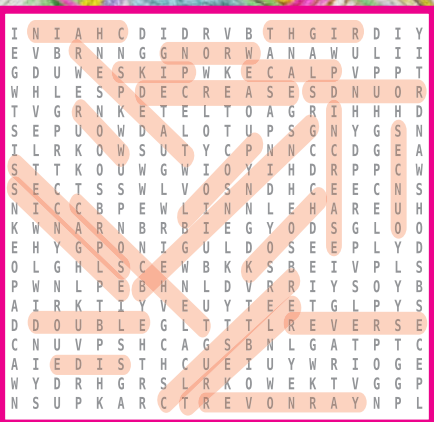
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ANSWERS

HE WHO KNOWS ALL THE ANSWERS HAS NOT BEEN ASKED ALL THE QUESTIONS.

A LADY WAS WALKING ALONG A COUNTRY ROAD WHEN SHE CAME UPON A FARMER WORKING IN HIS FIELD. THE LADY CALLED OUT TO THE FARMER, "HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE ME TO GET TO THE NEXT TOWN?"

THE FARMER DIDN'T ANSWER. THE LADY WAITED A BIT AND THEN STARTED WALKING AGAIN. AFTER THE LADY HAD GONE ABOUT A HUNDRED YARDS, THE FARMER YELLED OUT "ABOUT 20 MINUTES!"

"THANK YOU. BUT WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME THAT WHEN I ASKED YOU?"

"DIDN'T KNOW HOW FAST YOU COULD WALK".



Gus's Animal Gossip



Hey Guys! I bet everyone is excited about their upcoming St. Patrick's Day Events. I am excited for St. Patrick's Day too but for a different reason.

It's My Birthday!!!

I am going to be 2 years old. I hear 2 years old is the age when a pup starts maturing into a dog. I am not sure I am ready to grow up, i think i will still refer to myself as a pup. For my Birthday I wanted to share an article related to one of my favorite things, walks! Here are some tips to help make all your walks enjoyable for everyone.

Make your dog a better leash-walker

Walking a dog on a leash is required by law in many towns and cities. Leashing a dog prevents the animal from trespassing on neighbor's property and keeps it from jumping on people or other animals.

A leashed dog can be restrained from sniffing the waste of other animals, which may help curb the spread of diseases like distemper or parvo. Leashing also can reduce the propensity for the dog to run away from an owner and get lost.

Despite the benefits of walking dogs on a leash, some dogs are not too keen on the idea. Puppies may acclimate to it over time, but circumstances can make any dog want to escape a leash. The following are some issues that may arise and how to remedy them.

Pulling

The vast assortment of collars and harnesses billed as "no pull" suggests the issue of dogs pulling on the leash is common. Dogs on leashes that are too long may be distracted and pull more readily. Start out with a short leash and only allow a longer slack when the dog has exhibited an ability to walk diligently on the shorter leash. Rather than punish bad behavior like pulling, many dog trainers recommend rewarding the good behavior, such as walking without pulling at your side. This praise can be delivered verbally and with plenty of treats.

Lunging and leash reactivity

Dogs may behave differently on a leash than they do when off them. Most dogs who lunge at passersby or bark or snarl may actually crave the attention of other companions but not have the social skills to engage in a proper meet and greet, according to the American Kennel Club. Should the dog be off-leash, he or she may not behave in the same way.

Lunging and other behaviors may stem from aggression, but it's more likely a cause of fear, says the AKC. It's a mentality marked by an "I'll get that thing before it gets me" outlook designed to make the feared person, dog or object go away. A leash also may cause frustration that the dog can't get to a desired pet or person, and the animal loses emotional control.

A trainer can help owners learn to distract the dog on the leash from others with high quality treats. Strategies to remove leash tension also can cut down on leash reactivity.

Right equipment

Dog owners can experiment with gear to make leash-walking go more smoothly. Traditional collars may put too much pressure on a dog's throat, particularly those who pull. A harness can be a better option. Gentle leaders are a type of head gear that enables pet owners to redirect their dogs more readily. Because they resemble muzzles, some owners may hesitate to use them despite their efficacy. Front clip harnesses and correctional collars might help as well. Consult with a veterinarian or trainer for the best options.

It pays to invest some time teaching dogs to walk calmly on leashes.



Gracie Says....

Only a dog can go to a party,
speak to no one,
steal food,
fall asleep,
and still be
the most
popular
guest.



Did you know?

Reptiles may not require the level of daily attention that dogs and, to a lesser extent, cats need. However, it's a misconception that reptiles are hands-off, maintenance-free pets. The pet experts at Petco note that reptiles often start small but can grow to be rather large. So it's easy for first-time reptile owners to see a small lizard or snake and assume it will always remain roughly that size and thus require the same habitat and level of maintenance. However, as reptiles grow, owners may need to put in extra effort to maintain a habitat. In addition, parents considering reptiles as a pet for their children should know that experts advise against assigning children primary caregiver duties for these types of animals. Supervision is always necessary when children are near reptiles, which adds to the responsibilities adult reptile owners must accept. The Pet Advocacy Network also notes that certain reptiles, including lizards, have specific needs regarding the temperature of their habitats. Ensuring temperatures within a reptile's habitat are suitable requires daily attention, which underscores how misleading the notion that reptiles are maintenance-free pets can be.

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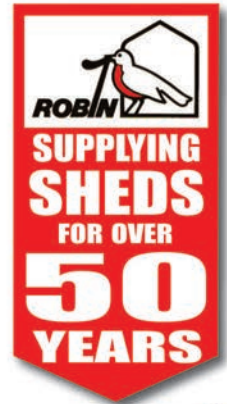
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